



THIRD ARMY OPENS DRIVE INTO GERMANY—Arrows indicate U.S. First and Third army drives on the western front (broken line). The Third army, already threatening Pruem, drove into Germany in a new sector between Clervaux and Echternach, while to the north the First army moved closer to Schmidt, Gemuend and Schleiden. (AP Wirephoto Map).

Artillery Duels Roar Near Manila

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor

Artillery duels roared over the explosion-torn streets of Manila today as American armor and foot soldiers strove to wipe out Japanese who transformed the city into a battleground.

Nothing but fire-scorched rubble and blackened steel and concrete shells remained of five of Manila's leading theatres, two big hotels, five banks and the city's largest department store. This is only a partial census of the three-day demolitions by Japanese who still dominate the southern section of Manila.

Surviving Chinese poked through the charred remains of Chinatown, one of the most densely populated sections of the city, hunting for traces of missing friends and relatives. No official source has yet estimated the possible death toll in this and other burned out residential sections.

The destructive Japanese fight in Manila contrasted sharply with Tokyo's description of Manila as an unimportant phase of the battle of Luzon which "is fought for very high stakes."

Pierce jungle battles were underway on Bataan peninsula and at the gateway to northeastern Luzon, to which Tokyo said the puppet government of Jose Laurel had fled.

A record bomb load dumped on Corregidor indicated U. S. forces were preparing next to knock out this fortress guarding the entrance to Manila Bay.

Bombers and fighters sank four Japanese ships and damaged another four in air sweeps from the Bonin Islands to the Dutch Indies, and destroyed 28 barges on the east coast of Luzon where Japanese forces in the Philippines are concentrated.

Superforts from Saipan harried Kobe in Japan before dawn for the third successive day. Yesterday India-based B-29s wrecked the 1,400-foot Rama VI bridge near Bangkok, vital link in Japan's supply line from Thailand to Burma where Japanese troops are desperately short of supplies. Good results were reported in a simultaneous hour and a half attack on Saigon, Indo-China port.

In a unique mine-laying feat, Australian Catalina bombers recently bottled up a sizable Japanese fleet in a Dutch Indies harbor, London announced. Four battleships, a carrier, six cruisers and many destroyers were penned in by the air-land mines.

Tokyo belittled the military importance of Manila, but Gen. Douglas MacArthur said the Japanese have suffered 48,000 casualties so far in their defense of Luzon island, on which the capital stands. American casualties were placed at 7,076, including 1,909 killed, 5,276 wounded and 191 missing.

Jungle-trained Yank rifle squads, unfamiliar with street fighting, combed the northern section of Manila for Japanese snipers. This area is officially "cleared."

North of the smoking capital, the 28th division was locked in the 6th day of a see-saw fight for Zigzag Pass on northern Bataan. In those six days of battling in dense bamboo forests some Yanks hadn't seen a single enemy soldier although constantly under fire from their pillboxes, machine guns and mortars.

Chungking announced defending troops had stemmed two Japanese drives originating in northern Swanton province in the South China interior but a third column was slowly advancing from Kanhsien, fallen advanced U. S. airbase.

RUSSIANS PIERCE ODER LINE DEFENSES

First Clears Last Barriers Of Siegfried

Roer River Dams Nearing As Gory Schmidt Taken

PARIS, Feb. 8 (AP)—The American First army drove clear through the last barriers to the double Siegfried Line 15 miles southeast of Aachen today, captured bloody Schmidt and neared the Roer river dams and reservoir which had been a major factor in checkmating the western front offensive last November.

The German communique said "preparations for the big Allied attack continue along the Roer." The enemy said a major offensive was imminent with Cologne, the Rhine and industrial Ruhr as objectives. American troops outside Dueren are 20 miles from Cologne. Capture of the dams might prove the starting signal for the onslaught.

The largest of the dams, the 985-foot thick Schwammenauel, is just over two miles from Schmidt. A combat team of the 78th division reached the northern-bank of its vast reservoir.

The dam system is capable of sending an 18-foot wall of water down the 36 miles of the Roer to Roermond. Any troops which had crossed the Roer to the Cologne plain last fall could have been trapped by German-made floods within four hours.

Third army soldiers poured through another breach in the west wall farther south to within a mile and a quarter of Pruem.

The attacks of the American First army in the Roer headwaters area and the American Third army in the Eifel mountains gained the proportions of a major offensive.

The 78th Lightning division drove into the anchor bastion of Schmidt last night and had virtually cleared it out by daybreak. Nearby Komerscheid was occupied.

The 310th regiment, commanded by Col. Earl M. Miner, Bridgeport, Conn., took the village. Another combat force drove along the north banks of the Schwanenauel reservoir, backed up by the biggest dam in the system. Schmidt is 13 miles inside Germany.

Pruem, a major transit center for German defenses in the center of the Siegfried line, was approached by Third army troops from several directions. The nearest column came within sight of the town, capturing Obermehlen, just to the northwest.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton Jr., swiftly fortified his new invasion positions on the 24-mile front where four of his divisions were fighting in the west wall fortifications.

(Berlin spoke again of an imminent Allied offensive along the Roer, and said the U. S. Seventh army had attacked on the Saar front. The enemy asserted that "the area east of Aachen between Dueren and Schleiden most probably will be the right flank of the impending offensive and we know very well that this period is only the lull before the storm.")

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First army, which also has knifed through the double Siegfried line at the headwaters of the Roer, moved through squalls down the last two miles to the German held dams controlling nearly 200,000,000 cubic yards of water which could flood out the American Ninth and British Second armies along the Roer to the north.

OIL HEAD DEAD
EL PASO, Feb. 8 (AP)—Victor H. Anderson, 70, chairman of the board of directors of the Savage Oil Co., died here yesterday. Funeral services will be held today.

Women Of Warsaw Send Word To States Of Their Suffering During Occupation

WARSAW, Feb. 8 (AP)—This is the story of Mrs. Ludmilla Shishko, the only person left out of a family of 67 after the ordeal of Warsaw's occupation by the Germans.

"We women of Warsaw feel we played just as big a part as men," she said. "I would like the women of the United States and Britain to know some of the terrible details. I have seen mothers of little children picked up in the streets for no reason and shipped off to Germany," she said.

"But money was the password. If you had enough you could buy your way out from the Germans. The Germans seemed to take particular pride in picking out some pretty blonde and working on her. This consisted of anything from starving her to threatening destruction of her relatives or children. Often it worked, but many times it didn't, and many Polish women died."

Many women, she said, lost their lives distributing leaflets for the underground.

"A woman caught doing this by the Gestapo was worse than dead," she said, "because the Germans have very subtle ways of torturing women. This includes just about everything you can imagine. I've seen them halt women in broad daylight and tear off their clothes, looking for hidden leaflets. They got amusement out of it."



FOUGHT WITH FILIPINO GUERRILLAS—Mila Calma, 22-year-old Filipino girl, who operated with guerrilla forces in the Tarlac area of Luzon Island. Initials on the flag mean "Luzon Guerrilla Armed Forces—U.S. Armed Forces in the Far East." (AP Wirephoto).

Lancasters Hit E-Boat Shelters

LONDON, Feb. 8 (AP)—RAF Lancasters blasted German U-boat shelters at Ijmuiden on the west coast of Holland with 12,000-pound earthquake bombs today, hitting this hideout by daylight for the second time in six days.

Spitfires escorted the bombers across the North Sea. No enemy planes were encountered and all the attacking force returned. Britain-based American heavy bombers were not in action today. The Germans reported that Italy-based American heavy bombers had returned to the Vienna area, following up their attack on oil targets there yesterday.

The German radio said a stream of air raid warnings reporting bombers south of Emden, west of Muenster, over the Nordhausen area, North Friesland, Brunswick, Bremen and Hannover as well as over Holland.

A force of 700 British heavies last night in full moonlight swooped over Nazi troop and equipment concentrations at Kleve and Goch, between the Maas and Rhine rivers, while a large force of Mosquitos attacked seven key industrial and communications centers.

The attacks were staggered over a two and one-half hour period and kept half of Germany on the alert until midnight.

Allied warplanes in the Italian theater carried out more than 2,000 sorties against rail and oil supply hubs yesterday in their most active day recently, but also suffered their largest recent loss—34 planes.

The bombing and strafing attacks were directed against the repeatedly-hit Brenner Pass rail line, the Vienna area and oil targets. The Vienna raid was carried out by more than 500 Liberators.

Intense flak over the Korneuburg oil refinery and other Vienna area targets accounted for many of the Allied losses.

William C. Brooks Dies In Home Here

William C. Brooks, 97, died Wednesday at 5:15 p. m. in his home in Big Spring. Funeral services were scheduled this afternoon at 4:30 p. m. in the Eberley-Curry chapel directed by Rev. James Roy Clark of the West 4th Street Baptist church.

Mr. Brooks resided in Big Spring for 43 years. Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Emma Brooks; two sons, K. Brooks and Allen Brooks of Big Spring; three daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Nix and Mrs. Kelly Warren of Big Spring, Mrs. Lola Watkins of Beeville; 11 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were John H. Wolcott, Lee Porter, Clyde Denton, Charlie Creighton, Dewey Martin, Earl Bynum.

Arrangements were made by the Eberley-Curry funeral home.

LICENSE PURCHASERS
Purchase of new car licenses continues at a steady pace with the number up to 114 Thursday. The plates may be purchased now but not on cars until March 1. Deadline for getting the new licenses is April 1. In registering, applicants should bring last year's license receipt plus certificate of title.

Big Three Plans Expected In Week

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 (AP)—Big Three plans for joint action in Europe are expected here within the week.

Calling for active American participation in European settlements, they will mark the beginning of a new period in United States foreign policy.

The plans are being worked out by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin at an historic conference now believed to be at least half-finished somewhere in the Black Sea area.

Presumably the meeting is on Russian soil, possibly in the Crimea in order to allow Stalin to continue his close supervision of the Red army invasion of Germany.

A joint announcement late yesterday, evidently direct from the conference, was released in London and Moscow as well as at the White House. This finally put the open secret of the meeting officially on the record and confirmed the fact that political problems of Europe are a prime concern of the meeting.

Actually the discussions have fallen into two parts, the military and diplomatic developing along these lines:

1. The military talks led off the meeting and resulted in "complete agreement" for joint Anglo-Soviet American army operations "in the final phase of the war against Nazi Germany." The large military staffs which accompanied the three leaders to the Black Sea are now working out detailed plans.

2. As soon as the talk of fighting was completed, Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill took up "problems involved in establishing a secure peace." Under these they listed plans for the occupation and control of Germany, the political and economic problems of liberated Europe and proposals for the earliest possible establishment of a world organization to "maintain peace."

The linking of all these problems was interpreted by officials here as showing a belief of the leaders that the effective control of Germany and the fair settlement of Europe's many bitter and centuries-old problems, so far as they can be settled fairly, are equally important with international organization if peace is to be secured.

The frank listing of political and economic problems as being on the agenda meant that President Roosevelt had at last come to grips with some of the toughest issues growing out of the European war.

These are issues of Russian and British security, power of communistic minorities in liberated countries, or Anglo-Soviet conflict in the eastern Mediterranean and of American hopes to see Atlantic Charter principles applied to the freedom-starved people of the continent.

To diplomatic officials who have been watching political conflict develop in Europe as the war ends and who have seen this country's futile efforts to obtain settlements by statement, there was no doubt that the end of an era had been reached. They foresee a new period of more active diplomacy, aimed at eventual participation in world organization backed by force.

SAFETY CLASS GRADUATES

The safety engineering class, sponsored by the Big Spring Safety Council and offered through facilities of the Texas Tech extension service, is to observe its completion with graduation exercises at 7 p. m. today. The affair will be held in room No. 4 at the Settles hotel, it was announced.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS OUT

Traffic signals in downtown Big Spring were not operating Thursday morning due to a short in the wiring in the control system, according to an announcement from the city administration. They were being repaired Thursday and were expected to be operating again in the afternoon.

CHECKING CHARGES GROW

Checking charges are on the increase, a survey of justice court records showed Thursday. Since Jan. 1, Constable J. T. Thornton has filed 12 cases for hot checking and the trend appears to be upwards.

ABSENTEE LIST INCLUDED

Secretary of State Stettinius, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes, often called the "assistant president"; Harry L. Hopkins, chairman of the munitions assignment board; General George C. Marshall, army chief of staff; Admiral Ernest J. King, commander of the fleet; Admiral William D. Leahy, chief of staff to the president; Presidential Secretary Stephen Early; Maj. Gen. E. M. Watson, secretary and military aide to the chief executive — and others.

That left Treasury Secretary Morgenthau as the ranking cabinet member in town.

Washington puzzled a bit about Byrnes' role in the big three meeting. The most ready explanation was that as boss of the home front he would be in a better position than anyone else to advise the American delegation what commitments could be made as to military supplies, civilian supplies for liberated areas, and the use of shipping.

Last Nazi Hold Before Berlin Fast Crumbling

LONDON, Feb. 8 (AP)—The Moscow radio said today the "Oder line has been pierced and Berlin in panic is witnessing the crumbling of the last obstacle in its forefield."

A prior broadcast by an American chain commentator said Marshal Stalin's capital was hourly expecting an official announcement that the First White Russian army had smashed across the river in force, "signifying the complete breakdown of the Oder line."

Berlin accounts said the Russians had hammered out seven bridgeheads on the Berlin front, one of them 30 miles northeast of the capital, and a dozen others along 185 miles of the river from Ratibor in Silesia to Grunberg, 50 miles southeast of Frankfurt. The Moscow radio said Heinrich Himmler had massed SS troops in the capital. Roads south and west of Berlin were reported jammed with the traffic of refugees in flight.

While Marshal Stalin had not confirmed the breaking of the Oder line on the Berlin front, Soviet advances said Marshal Gregory Zhukov's massed artillery was pounding at the weakest link of the capital's defense, the low western bank of the Oder between Kuestrin and Stettin, where it runs northeast of Berlin.

Officially, Moscow blacked out the progress of the fierce battle on the west side of the stream and told only of the liquidation of additional German pockets on the east side of the river.

But Moscow dispatches said Kuestrin, 40 miles east of Berlin and one of the chief fortified areas guarding the capital, was about to fall, with Soviet Tommy-guns fighting in the streets under cover from artillery batteries stationed only two miles from the northern outskirts.

The Soviet communique, telling of 5,000 more Nazis killed in a single day on the central Oder front, said the battle had moved into the "fortified forefield of Berlin."

German military commentators said Kuestrin was under "concentric attack by strong Russian formations."

The Russian communique, announcing victories northwest of Kuestrin where the low western bank of the Oder offers the least obstacle to the storming of Germany's last natural defense line in the east, said Ait-Drewitz, northern suburb of Kuestrin had been captured.

Broadening his north-wing threat to Berlin along the Oder, Zhukov seized Zaerkerik, 21 miles northwest of Kuestrin on the east bank and only five miles from where the river bends north toward Stettin. Zaerkerik is 32 miles northeast of Berlin.

The effect was to give the Russians control of virtually all the 22-mile stretch of the Oder from Kuestrin to Zaerkerik.

Below Kuestrin and the Warthe river, Zhukov's men captured Kuenersdorf, the Russian-German battlefield of 1759 three miles outside Frankfurt.

Schedule Change Is Made By Continental

A schedule change for the Continental Airlines was announced Thursday by F. L. Davidson, station manager.

The new schedule will be: leave Big Spring, southbound at 11:11 a. m.; arrive San Antonio 1:18 p. m.; make direct connection for Austin, Houston, Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

Leave Big Spring, north bound, 1:23 p. m., making direct connection for Albuquerque and Denver, making connection at Albuquerque and Denver for the west and northwest.

The new schedule will be effective Saturday, Feb. 10, Davidson said.

Big Three Meet Was No Secret

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 (AP)—The capital classed the big three meeting today as one of the war's most poorly guarded secrets—and wondered when all the facts will be out.

Legislators, however, generally applauded the fact that President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin were conferring. They hinted that they expected a report on the meeting when the chief executive returns.

Chairman Connally (D-Tex) of the foreign relations committee

said he will make a statement himself on "the entire situation" then.

As for the secrecy—or rather lack of it—six weeks before the president and his staff left, people who weren't supposed to know did know the departure date and the approximate area in which the conference would be held, yet tight restrictions were clamped on the American press.

To Washington, it was evident that certain top executives were out of town for only one reason. Starting with the president, the

Today On The Home Front—

Danger Signal On Federal Workers

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 (AP)—The bar and flag file isn't something to trim your fingernails. It's a combination blacklist and danger signal on government workers.

The file belongs to the civil service commission (CSC). Most of the government's 3 million workers have to take a civil service test of some kind before going to work. Let a CSC official explain: In that bar and flag file are the names of 90,000 people who used to work for the government or still do.

If their names are under the "bar" it means the commission has decided they should be barred from government service either permanently or for some time. If they're under the "flag" it means the commission has found something "derogatory" about them and thinks they can stand closer scrutiny.

The CSC has 500 investigators to check on people before or after

they start working for Uncle Sam. In some cases they check by mail or phone on police and credit records and with former employers. In some cases they check personally with friends, neighbors, acquaintances.

A man still may be working for the government even though his name is in the bar file. He'd be barred right off, of course, if CSC found enough evidence to bar him before he went to work in government.

If the evidence is discovered after the man has gone to work in a government agency, CSC has lost jurisdiction over him. But it recommends to the head of his agency that the man be fired.

Maybe he's fired. Maybe the agency head won't fire him. Then CSC waits. Maybe sometime later the man will want to change from that agency to another. His transfer papers would have to go through CSC.

Then CSC jumps in, yanks out

the bar file, and bars the man from any government job. (The word "fire" isn't used. CSC just says the man has been found "ineligible" for government work.)

All said above would work the same way in the case of a man whose name landed in the flag file. If he wanted to change jobs he's laid up in the bar file, unless CSC checked and found him okay.

Since 1940 CSC has found 34,000 ineligible for government service, 1,100 of them on grounds of questionable loyalty.

People go into the bar file because there is some question of their "loyalty, honesty or (and this covers a lot of ground) suitability."

A person who lands in the CSC bar and flag file can appeal the CSC decision to a CSC appeals and review board.

Here are some examples of the procedure in action:

If a man who has been arrested—say for being drunk—lies to questions about having been arrested and is found out before he goes to work, he may be barred.

If the lie is found out after he goes to work, his name may go in the bar or flag file with a recommendation to the agency head employing him.

Another man, looking for a job, may honestly say he was arrested some time for being drunk. If he's investigated and found not to be a habitual drunkard, he may get the job.

HYBRID CORN MAY SET PATTERN FOR THE MEAT HOG OF FUTURE

TOPEKA, Kas., Feb. 8 — The hog of the future may be developed into a more efficient meat producing animal by successful application of the same inbreeding methods that produced hybrid corn, according to George A. Montgomery, associate editor of Capper's Farmer.

"Success of plant breeders in producing better corns has encouraged animal geneticists to at-

tempt development of more efficient hogs to consume the corn," he writes.

Thirteen state experiment stations are cooperating in what is known as the regional swine breeding laboratory, to inbreed some of the more popular breeds of hogs with the hope of establishing superior strains, Montgomery points out. In this they are following the methods of those who developed inbred parent stock for modern hybrid corn. He describes projects under way in Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa and Ohio.

"The hog men are little further advanced in their program than corn men were 15 or 20 years ago. They have their inbreds, but the work of combining them to see which ones nick so hardly started. Minnesota and Iowa, for example have crossed inbred lines of Poland China, with certain elements in the results highly encouraging; others distinctly disappointing.

"At the Minnesota station, Dr. M. L. Winters, working with Poland Chinas has saved only individuals that best combine five economically desirable characteristics. To remain in his herd: 1—sows must be able to produce large litters of live pigs; 2—a high percentage of pigs born alive must survive to market age; 3—pigs must gain rapidly from birth to market weight; 4—feed requirements for each unit of gain must be low; 5—body form must be such as to produce high yields of the most desirable cuts of pork.

"He has succeeded in fixing the last three characteristics so some of his lines and crosses of these lines excel purebred Polands that have been propagated by ordinary breeding methods. However, inbreeding lowers vitality and to a lesser extent, fertility.

"Winters believes the commercial hog of the future will be a crossbred derived from inbreds of several breeds, and that the wider the base (that is the greater number of breeds used) the better the results will be. Work done at the University of Minnesota bears out this theory."

Meat Ceilings For State Given

The regulation establishing ceiling prices on live cattle provides for an "over-riding" ceiling of \$17.35 cwt. at Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio and El Paso, according to J. B. Mooney, district price executive for the Office of Price Administration.

The rest of Texas is in Zone 7 with an "over-riding" ceiling price of \$17.25 cwt. These prices are for top grade AA animals.

Packers are restricted as to the quantity of top grade animals they may slaughter, Mooney pointed out. In Zone C, which includes the major portion of Texas, only 50 per cent of their slaughter may be top grades. In Zone A, which includes all points west of Kermit and Fort Stockton and south of New Mexico state border, 75 per cent of the total slaughter may be top grades. This percentage does not apply to calves, but to cattle only.

Mooney also explained that farmers and ranchmen who slaughter five or more cattle for sale, or who sell meat from animals that have been custom slaughtered for them, are subject to the provisions of the regulation placing live cattle under an "over-riding" ceiling.

Cattle or calves sold for breeding purposes, and those sold by 4-H club members, Future Farmers and members of other recognized farm youth organizations are exempt from the live stock ceiling.

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SYRUP PAN TERRACING GAINING IN POPULARITY IN WEST TEXAS

By DURWARD LEWTER
County Agent

A method of handling run-off water, that has been diverted into a field or a pasture, by making the water flow back and forth across the area by gravity flow, and which is being used more and more in West Texas, is called syrup pan terracing.

The foundation work for a syrup pan terracing job consists of building extra large terraces on the level on the field or pasture. The added feature that gives the job the name of syrup pan terracing consists of dirt works, or

structures, that cause the water from one terrace to empty into the next terrace basin below and so on down the slope. Shallow basins are usually made above each terrace by turning the terrace ends up the slope a little ways. Whether the runoff water that is to be handled in a field is carried across the field above one terrace and back across the field above the next lower one and so on, or whether a portion of the water is turned into each terrace from a waterway running down the slope, will depend on the topography of the field to some extent. The commonly accepted meaning of syrup pan terracing is any system of handling rainfall runoff on an area so that shallow lakes are formed on the slope, with each lake when filled emptying into the next lower basin, regardless of the particular system of spillways, spur terraces, and dams used to bring about the desired distribution of the water.

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Every paper bag is precious today. The War Food Administration reports that the supply of paper for bags for January, February and March of this year is 20 per cent less than in the last three months of 1944—and 11 per cent smaller than in any quarter during the past year. The present shortage of pulpwood and labor in woods and mills indicates that the bag and wrapping paper situation may become even tighter.
Housewives can help by taking their own bags to market, by being economical of bags at grocery stores, by not asking for special wrappings, and by having bags and wrappings at home. For the duration a kitchen drawer may well be set aside for carefully folded bags and wrapping paper.

An oven shelf that's not level can cause uneven cakes.
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Do Your Mending By Machine For Better And Faster Results

By RHEBA MERLE BOYLES
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The family mending pile disappears much more rapidly when mending is done by machine rather than by hand. Machine-made darning and patches are generally stronger and more durable than those made by hand, but are more conspicuous and not so soft.

Machine darning is recommended for holes, tears and thin places in towels, sheets, aprons, overalls, children's play clothes, plain underwear, men's shirts, and women's house dresses. Hand darning is preferable, however, for fine garments and hosiery.

To darn by machine use fine mercerized or cotton thread which matches the color of the garment, or better, if slightly darker. Adjust the length of the stitch to suit the cloth. The finer the weave, the shorter the stitch.

Loosen the thumbscrew on top of the machine to release the pressure on the presser foot enough so the cloth can be moved back and forth when stitching. Stitch across the place to be darned, pulling the material slowly backward and forward, and from side to side with both hands. Follow the grain of the material, or stitch on the diagonal if the fabric has a twill weave. To hold the cloth smooth during darning, an embroidery hoop may be used, or tissue paper may be basted underneath. The paper will wash out when the garment is laundered.

A darn will be stronger if it is reinforced underneath. Baste a soft or thin piece of fabric of a matching color under the place to be darned before putting it in the machine.

Patches like darns are more quickly made and sturdier if machine-stitched instead of hand-stitched but they show more, so they are best suited to men's overalls and work shirts, children's play clothes and other garments where durability counts more than appearance.

Texas GOP Called To Houston Meeting

HOUSTON, Feb. 8 (AP)—Texas Republicans have been called by National Committeeman R. B. Creager of Brownsville to meet here Monday to discuss a permanent party organization for Texas. Expected to attend are Mrs. Carl G. Stearns of Houston; Walter Rogers, Alvin H. Lane and John W. Philip of Dallas; Hobart McDowell of San Angelo; Eugene Nolte and Mars McLean of San Antonio; Mrs. Lena Gay More of Brownsville; L. J. Benschenstein of Beaumont; B. J. Peasley of Tyler and Orville Bullington of Wichita Falls.

Republican women's clubs of Houston and the county republican organization will sponsor a Lincoln Day dinner here Monday. Those attending the state meet have been invited to be present.

Breeders Arranging For Seats For Show

Looking toward their first sale on March 2, Howard County Hereford Breeders association members are completing arrangements for installing seats in the eastern end of the Howard county warehouse.

The seats, of a temporary nature, will be around a ring for judging or sale purposes so that they may be used by the 4-H club show on Feb. 28-March 1 as well as by the breeders.

Catalog for the sale is to go to press this week, according to word from Rexie Couble, president. He said that prospects were still good that there would be upwards of 60 animals entered in the sale.

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Collings Speaks To Lions Club

Pointing to the marks that distinguish a service organization from a mere luncheon club, Cecil Collings, charter member of the Big Spring Lions club, told the group Wednesday there is even more than the element of service.

Such clubs provide priceless fellowship, he said; instill into members desire for unselfish civic and commercial welfare; utilize patriotism and loyalty; increase the desire for self improvement; and activates the desire to do good.

The club accepted the recommendation of the board to sponsor a semi-monthly students' night affair, and voted to sponsor the small business canvass for the Red Cross war fund roll call. DeAlva McAllister, accompanied by Sgt. Ed Todd, favored the members with several selections.

Something Different In Molasses Cookies

By RHEBA MERLE BOYLES
Home Demonstration Agent

On that important day when he comes home on leave and heads for the cookie jar, you may want to surprise him with something different from the sturdy cookies you have been sending through the mail. I suggest Holland lace cookies—delicate, crisp, and looking rather like brown lace doilies.

These cookies bubble as they bake. Each bubble leaves a little hole which gives that lacy look. The first part of the cooking is done on top of the stove. To save using several utensils, the mixing and cooking might be done in the upper part of a large double boiler.

Ingredients: 1 cup molasses; 1 cup sugar; 1 cup fat; 1-2 teaspoon vinegar; 2 1-8 cups sifted flour; 1 teaspoon baking powder; 1-2 teaspoon soda; 1-4 teaspoon salt. To make: Heat together molasses, sugar, fat and vinegar over low heat. Let boil one minute. Remove pan from fire. Sift dry ingredients together and add to the molasses mixture and stir well. Heat over hot water stirring until the mixture thickens. Drop the batter by half teaspoonfuls onto a well-greased baking sheet, about 3 inches apart. Bake in a moderate hot oven (375 degrees F.) for about 3 to 5 minutes—or until lightly browned. Allow the cookies to cool enough to handle, then remove quickly with a greased spatula and roll slightly, if a curled edge is desired.

Sen. Parrish Named To Seven Committees

Sterling J. Parrish, state senator from the 30th district, of which Howard is the southernmost county, has been named to seven committees in the senate.

Sen. Parrish heads the internal improvements committee, according to appointments announced by John Lee Smith, lieutenant governor and president of the senate.

Other standing committees on which he has been named are: Counties and country boundaries; education; judicial districts; representative districts; senatorial districts; stock and stock raising; and agriculture.

Radio Program

- Thursday Evening
5:00 Terry & The Pirates.
5:15 News.
5:30 Tom Mix.
5:45 Lonesome Jim.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Raymond Gram Swing.
6:30 It's Murder.
6:45 Your Income Tax.
7:00 Headliner.
7:15 Sports Cast.
7:30 Earl Godwin.
7:45 Voice of the Army.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Real Stories, From Real Life.
8:30 Treasure Hour of Song.
9:00 Fred Waring.
9:30 March of Time.
10:00 Radio Newsreel.
10:15 Report From Washington.
10:30 Sign Off.
Friday Morning
6:30 Sign On.
6:30 Musical Clock.
7:00 Martin Agronsky.
7:15 Bandwagon.
7:30 News.
7:45 Between The Lines.
8:00 News.
8:00 News.
8:05 Breakfast Club.
9:00 My True Story.
9:25 Aunt Jemima.
9:30 Sunny Side Of The Street.
9:45 Bing Crosby.
10:00 Breakfast In Hollywood.
10:30 Gil Martyn.
10:45 Serenade in Swingtime.
10:55 Lannie & Ginger.
11:00 Glamor Manor.
11:30 Amos R. Wood.
11:35 Morning Melodies.
Friday Afternoon
12:00 Ranch Time.
12:15 Lonesome Jim.
12:20 News.
12:45 Homer Rodeheaver.
1:00 Cedric Foster.
1:15 Mystery Chef.
1:30 Ladies Be Seated.
2:00 Mortton Downey.
2:15 True Detective Mysteries.
2:30 The Listening Post.
2:45 Yours Alone.
3:00 Views of The News.
3:15 Johnson Family.
3:30 Reports From Abroad.
3:45 International News Events.
4:00 Bandwagon.
4:15 Dick Tracy.
4:30 International News Events.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
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5:45 Lonesome Jim.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Raymond Gram Swing.
6:30 Concert Music.
7:00 Stars of the Future.
7:30 Freedom of Opportunity.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Real Stories, From Real Life.
8:30 Double or Nothing.
9:00 Norman Cordon Singa.
9:30 Calling Card.
10:00 Radio Newsreel.
10:15 Report From Washington.
10:30 The Doctor's Talk It Over.
10:45 Sign Off.

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COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 8 (AP)—New officers were elected here yesterday for the annual short school conducted by the municipal and sanitary engineering department of Texas A. and M. college

in cooperation with the state board of health and the state board for vocational education. They were: President—W. N. Joiner, San Marcos, water superintendent; first vice president—Joe B. Winston, Galveston, Texas School of Medicine; second vice president—S. L. Allison, Corpus Christi, sewer superintendent;

third vice president—N. E. Throble, Temple, water superintendent; fourth vice president—Elwood J. Umbenhauer, El Paso, water and sewer superintendent; secretary—V. M. Ehlers, Austin, state board of health; and assistant secretary-treasurer—Mrs. Earl H. Woodwin, Austin, state board of health.

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This Due To Be Crucial Year For All Automobiles

Motorists of 1944 were continually in a "cramp" to keep their car in good running order, with a crisis in parts for motors and bodies alike. In 1945 the shortage is due to be even more acute. No relief in civilian shortages is foreseen by experts within the next twelve months, with late reverses on the war front in Europe and revised production plans of the army and navy demanding the maximum from manufacturers.

But H. M. Rowe, manager and owner of Rowe's garage at 214 1-2 West Third, offers the type of service that will enable car owners to get that last ounce of good service out of their strained and over-worked motors.

Rowe, as all other garage operators, is short-handed and finds materials at a very high premium. But he is keeping a "daylight to dark" schedule to serve his customers to the nearest pre-war standards possible, and his quality of work is just as high as at any time since he went in business for himself some five years ago.

Hanging on the wall at the Rowe garage is a small certificate signed by the national director of service of the Chevrolet company, stating that Rowe has passed satisfactorily the examination given to mechanics, and that he is well qualified to give the best service to motorists. Since he received that award Rowe has even increased his knowledge of motors and their intricate parts, and now is a past-master at giving that extra spark to worn motors.

Eleven years a mechanic, Rowe knows the common "ailments" of all types of motors. He asserts that the main cause of trouble lies not in the motor but in the driver. Rowe urges a careful and regular check of automobile mechanics, to eliminate unnecessary car trouble that might leave you sitting at home, or walking, when you need your car most.

For better gasoline mileage and for the protection of your motor a regular over-haul is a most necessary item, Rowe asserts. His garage, and its employees guarantee this if automobile drivers will stop by for it.

A motor in top condition requires less parts. Rowe's aim is to keep the motor in this state.

Parts, although scarce, are to be had in small lots over a wide scope of different needs. Rowe has such a limited supply. He has urged his customers to continue their faith in him, as has been shown in the past several months since equipment and labor have dropped off to a bare minimum, and asserts his prices have risen no more than

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Flowers Ideal Valentine Gift, Says Caroline

Valentine's Day is traditionally associated with the giving of gifts to loved ones, and Carrie Scholz of Caroline's Flowers, 1510 Gregg street, reminds that there is no better way to show affection than to give flowers.

For Valentine remembrances, Caroline's has a complete stock of the traditional red roses, which would please any woman from six to 60. Red carnations make beautiful gifts, as well as those of other shades and hues.

Gladioli may be had in all colors and Caroline's has a wide stock of double snapdragons which make lovely arrangements. A sure sign of approaching spring are golden daffodils, which are fresh and colorful either alone or in mixed arrangements of spring flowers.

In the potted plant line, one may choose from a wide stock of tulip plants in red or in a soft shade of orchid. These may be had in a variety of sizes and with proper care will last indefinitely.

One attractive table arrangement in the Valentine motif produced in Caroline's included a red cut-out heart edged with white lace on which was placed a container filled with gay red ranunculus and white stock. Bouquet lights were placed among the flowers.

In addition to red and white stocks of flowers, Caroline's is also able to supply blue iris and delphinium to make a patriotic display for celebrating Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays.

EXIT—BUT QUICK
SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 5 (AP)—A fellow charged with drunkenness found a new way to get out of city's crowded jail—and quickly. He took the mumps.

is necessary to cope with a rise in material. His labor is still at pre-war prices for automobile owners.

Rowe states that if your car is giving you continual trouble, a stop at 214 1-2 West Third will aid greatly in eliminating all difficulties. You will find the Rowe Garage offers its fullest cooperation and all of its facilities in keeping your car running through the present, and future, national emergency.

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Ration Roundup

By The Associated Press
Meats, Fats, etc. — Book four red stamps Q5 through S5 good through March 31. Stamps 15 through X5 good through April 28. Stamps Y5, Z5 and A2 through D2 good through June 2.

Processed Foods — Book four blue stamps X5 through Z5 and A2 and B2 good through March 31; stamps C2 through G2 good through April 28; stamps H2 through M2 good through June 2.

Sugar — Book four stamp 34 good for five pounds through Feb. 28. Stamp 35 valid for five pounds through June 2. Another stamp scheduled to be validated May 1.

Shoes — Book three airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely; OPA says no plans to cancel any.

Gasoline — 14-A coupons good everywhere for four gallons through March 21. B-5, C-5, B-6 and C-6 coupons good everywhere for five gallons.

Soil Experts May Have Interesting Time
When supervisors of the Martin-Howard Soil Conservation district act on an application of Artie Williams, who farms between Luther and Vealmoor, for assistance, they may be opening the way to an interesting study.

The SCS, while not yet propounding it is a practice for this area nevertheless has been interested in the possibilities of stubble mulching as opposed to deep listing. In Williams they have a farmer who has, in a measure, carried on such a practice. Operating in a tight land section, he has used 20-inch sweeps to maintain a stubble mulch rather than

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Lovely Ladies of ancient times bathed in melted snow to make their skin fair and white. But today's tastes call for skin that is glowing and alive. And that's just

resorting to the traditional listing or bedding. Interest of the SCS arises out of the possibility of getting away from heavy evaporation losses which occur in exposing new surfaces through listing. Last year Williams had better luck than his neighbors. SCS wants to see how this works over a period of years.

the way Ex - Cel - Cis cosmetics leaves it. Rich creams, gently massaged into your skin ease tired lines, soften tense muscles passively. Operators at the Settles Beauty Shop are skilled in giving facials, skin and scalp treatments and manicures.

When a woman keeps her hands well-groomed with a weekly manicure she will always feel like she is lovely to look at. The skillful shaping, the rich oils used to soften cuticle, and the final bright coating in new shades of polish leave your nails looking young.

Being lovely — and being loved are much the same. For personal charm does capture and keep affection. So the Settles Beauty Shop invites you to make the most of your own loveliness with the professional care of your hair, your skin, and your hands. Experts say to plan to devote an hour or two out of every week, to staying as sweet as you are, and make a regular date at the Settles Beauty Shop located in the Hotel Settles, 305 Runnels, phone 42. Mrs. McGowan promises you will find a professionally styled coiffure, a refreshing facial, and a flattering manicure will work wonders.

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Harmon Hambrick Sends Vivid Tales Home Of Action In Italian Campaign

From somewhere in Italy, where he is still battling against the Germans, as a member of the 81st cavalry reconnaissance squadron (mech), Harmon W. Hambrick has written greetings to friends back home, plus some vivid description of action in the forefront of the Italian campaign.

"I have been on the go most of the time," he explained. "A fellow can travel around one of these mountains all day and not get any place. The going has been rough. The Krauts are all dug in waiting for us on the high ground. When I was transferred from Cassino to Anzio, our boys broke through to Rome."

Wild Dogs Cut Into Cattle Herd

Man's best friend also can be one of his worst plagues.

If it had been sheep, coyotes would have gotten the blame. Wild losses began to occur in the Gular ranch herd in western Howard county. But when yearlings were found dead with mute evidences of attack, there could be but one answer—wild dogs.

Operators called in Earl Brownrigg. Soon he picked up the trail and from tracks figured there were at least 10 dogs in the band of marauders. He worked long and carefully to eventually bag six of the creatures who had prostituted their inherent domestic talents to destruction. The others, having become "trap wise" by this time, completely defied efforts of the trapper to capture them.

Except that "he hasn't been pinched at as much as a wolf, and isn't as trap wise," explained Brownrigg, "a wild dog is considerably more difficult to catch than a coyote."

First he rode out the pastures continuously and when all possibilities were exhausted in this manner, Brownrigg got Johnny Underwood to fly him over the ranch. Soon four dogs were jumped, and Brownrigg, getting his first plane ride, managed to wing two of them as the plane was dived low. Moreover, coyotes were stirred and he nailed one and creased another.

Returning to where the predators were last seen, the trapper raised the remaining two dogs and eventually picked off both of them. Thus ended the episode of more than a dozen lost yearlings and a pack of wild, cur dogs.

Keen Competition Seen For Stock Show

The selection of the grand champion steer at the Southwest Exposition and Fat Stock show, March 9-18, will be marked by the keenest competition ever witnessed in a livestock judging arena at Fort Worth, officials of the show have predicted.

The reason for this competition is that the three major beef cattle breed associations are offering special prizes for the grand champion. In a move to capture the coveted grand championship honors, the Texas Shorthorn Breeders' association has announced a special cash prize of \$1,000 for the grand champion if the award is won by a West Texas auction ring, said the item in telling how members conducted a tour to enlist entries for the show, which will be held in Big Spring. There will be about 44 bulls and 16 cows entered.

Judgments Entered In District Court Cases

Agreed judgment in one case and announced settlements in two others paced a series of cases cleared from the 70th district court docket as announced Tuesday.

The damage suit of J. B. McCann versus A. F. McDaniel, et al was settled out of court. An agreed judgment of \$1,500 was entered in the suit on note case of W. V. Boyles versus Howard County Refining Co., a corporation, and Joseph Edwards. Settlement was announced in the case of D. H. Petty, et al versus the Texas Company, et al, damages.

Divorces were granted to L. J. Spraggins from Merle Spraggins; Earlyne D. Hardesty from Jack Miller Hardesty, maiden name of Davis restored; and Esperanza Gomez from David Gomez.

COURT DOCKET FULL
Judge Tracy Smith had a busy morning in city court Wednesday morning with 19 cases. There were six charges of VD check ups, and six were drunkenness charges. There were five vagrancies, one petty theft and one man being held on a charge of A.W.C.L.

AAFBS Grads Transferred To Louisiana Field

The following recent graduates of the Big Spring Bombardier School have been transferred to Selman Field, La.: 2nd Lt. John D. Hoskinson, Gerald E. Collier, Frank L. Farnsworth, Cyril F. Gill, Elias Heick, William T. Mitchell, Paul F. Payne, William H. Thomas, Robert F. Dickey, Paul E. Fuller, Richard F. Gill, Joseph A. Lewis, Harry J. Paulin, Richard R. Peace Jr., Eldon H. Luther, Flight Officers George R. Cassidy, Edwin C. Graul, Harmon B. Clemmons, and Al Halpern.

The following enlisted men have been transferred to the infantry at Camp Maxey, Tex.: Cpl. Willie F. Wolff Jr., Pfc. Carl De Silva and Pfc. Richard A. Lee.

The following men in the 615th AAF Band have been promoted to the rank of corporal: Donald E. Higbee, Raymond A. Kain and James Sheehan.

Another large group of on-the-line trainees from the South Plains Army Air Field at Lubbock arrived here this week and are assigned to duty with the bomber maintenance section as permanent base party.

Staff Sgt. Wilburn L. Waddell has been awarded the radio mechanic and radio operator AAF Technician Badges.

New officer arrivals include 1st Lt. Charles H. Barr, San Diego, Calif.; Ernest W. Schug, Billings, Mont.; George R. Lyons, Kellogg, Idaho; Urban H. Schuermann, Los Angeles, Calif.; 2nd Lt. Carlton O. Alderson, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Neal D. Wright, Portland, Ore.; Richard P. Lorber, Hartford, Conn.; Warrent Officer (jg) Jacobs Simson, Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Capt. Homer C. Boles, Oakland, Calif.; 1st Lt. Ralph J. Morgenbesser, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 2nd Lt. Robert E. Pitcock, Colo.; John C. Cowart, Tampa, Fla.; James T. Rounds, Sacramento, Calif.; Norval R. Seeley, St. Louis, Mo.; L. T. Sanchez, El Paso, Tex.

Avenger Field Head Praises Men's Work

Col. Ralph C. Rockwood, commanding officer at the Big Spring Bombardier School, today was in receipt of a letter from military authorities at inactivated Avenger Field commending two enlisted men from Section C for their fine handling of outgoing shipments when they were on detached service at Sweetwater recently.

Cited in the letter sent by Capt. Sidney R. Haskin, supply officer at Avenger Field, were Pfc. Robert W. Hall and Pfc. Elmer R. Fisher. The letter expressed appreciation for the expert and efficient work accomplished by the two men. Hall, whose home is in Valparaiso, Ind., is assigned to the sub-depot at the post. Fisher, who is from North Little Rock, Ark., is assigned to Section C Supply.

Cecil Mauldin Writes From Japanese Camp

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Mauldin of Gladola, N. M. have received two letters from their son, Sgt. Cecil E. Mauldin, who is a prisoner in the Osaka, Japanese camp.

The letters, dated December, 1943, and September, 1944, were the first received in 19 months by the parents. Sgt. Mauldin attending Big Spring high school in 1932-33. He is one of five Mauldin brothers serving overseas, the eldest, Ira Mauldin, Big Spring, being with the 50th naval construction battalion in the Mariana Islands.

License Applicants Urged To Bring Record

Applicants for automobile licenses were urged by the county tax collector's office Monday to bring necessary proof of ownership.

No license can be issued. It was pointed out, unless certificate of title is presented along with last year's license receipt.



IN LIBERTY'S TORCH—High in the torch of the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor Samuel G. Hibben, Westinghouse director of applied lighting, holds a 400-watt mercury vapor light he will use to help relight torch.

Deep Exploration Shows Production Possibility

Production of oil from a deep formation looked Saturday as an even brighter prospect for the Howard-Glasscock area on the basis of developments during the week.

Continental No. 1-D Settles, 990 feet out of the northwest corner of section 133-29, W&NW, returned 800 feet of high gravity oil in addition to the 2,000-foot water blanket on a drill stem test of one hour and 45 minutes from 8,925-43 feet. Tentatively the section was picked as the Strawn from the Pennsylvania, similar to the horizon from which the Todd field in Crockett produces. Saturday the test was proceeding toward the Ellenburger and was logged at 9,070 feet in black shale.

Considerable interest will be manifested when the well approached 9,400 feet, for it was below this depth that the John L. Moore No. 1 L. S. McDowell, northern Glasscock Ellenburger test 10 years ago, had such a promising show.

In the Howard-Glasscock pool, Continental completed its 160 No. 6-S Settles, section 610-29, W&NW at 1,300 feet for 31 barrels on a 24-hour pumping test. Treatment

with 2,000 gallons of acid and a potential test was in store Saturday for the Continental No. 9-E Clay, section 138-29, W&NW, which was bottomed at 2,517 feet with 1,000 feet of oil in the hole. Continental staked location of its No. 10-E Clay, 1,050 feet from the east and 980 feet from the north lines of section 138-29, W&NW, and for its A-7 S. T. Eason 1-S, 1,815 feet from the north and 758 feet from the west lines of section 7-30-2s, T&P, which is the first shallow test to be sunk on the Eason tract. It will seek the 1,200 to 1,300-foot pay.

Moore No. 1 Cosden, projected 5,500-foot wildcat adjacent to the Cosden refinery and in section 38-32-1n, T&P, was at 4,875 feet in black shale where it lost returns. Cosden No. 4-B Read, section 48-30-1n, T&P, was at 3,116 feet in brown lime having logged the pay sections below 2,900 feet. Warren Petroleum No. 1 Chester Barnes, section 9-26, H&TC, northwest Mitchell county wildcat, was reported below 4,660 feet in lime.

C. W. Guthrie, et al. No. 1 Reed Bros., section -29, W&NW, wildcat southeast extension for the Chalk pool, was below 270 feet in redbeds.

New Industry In Production Here On New-Type Tile

With most of the "bugs" ironed out, a new industry was in steady production here Tuesday to provide a concrete building tile for use in commercial and residential construction.

Manufactured by the West Texas Sand and Gravel company, the tile is designed to compete with the conventional brick-clay tile. Already the first batch has gone into the inner walls of the city's new filtration plant in the city park area.

Production of the blocks, known as "vibratile," now is pitched at 2,000 per day, but Otis Grafe, head of the processing firm, said plans called for a stepped up rate of production later on. With the entire output now still in the curing stage, a backlog of 60,000 tile is on order.

The plant, located in the southeast part of the city, is not yet in its finished stages. As soon as a sufficient store of tile has been cured, operators plan to construct a curing room.

The tile are made from a mixture of clay, pea gravel, concrete, water and sand. As the mixture is poured into the mould, which makes six tile at once, a counter balanced drive whirling at 3,600 rpm sets up an intense vibration which makes the tile compact. From this it is delivered to a press which delivers the tiles from moulds into stacks. They are taken by dollies to the yard where they are treated twice daily with water until the curing period has passed.

County And Extension Group Ends Meeting

County and extension service representatives participating in a farm labor conference here Monday concluded their sessions by hearing reports on labor conference here Monday concluded their sessions by hearing reports on labor saving devices.

W. I. Marschall, district agent, Antonio Adams, from the state extension service labor office, conducted a round table affair after Adams outlined means of overcoming labor shortages with easily effected mechanisms.

County agents were furnished with explanations and designs for labor saving devices, a number of them adaptable to activities in this area.

Donald Cuable Is Wounded Again

Only recently recovered from wounds suffered Oct. 2, Pfc. Donald W. Cuable has been wounded a second time.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cuable of route No. 2 have been notified by the war department that he was wounded in action in Belgium on Dec. 25. Pfc. Cuable had been back with his unit, company C, 318 Infantry, 80th division in Gen. Patton's Third army.

Contributors Push Paralysis Fund Up

Additional contributors to the infantile paralysis fund Saturday pushed the total past \$2,700.

Gifts from eight individuals and firms accounted for \$68.85, boosting the aggregate figure to \$2,701. This is still approximately \$500 less than the total taken last year.

Announced in the latest list of donors were Mrs. Bessie Eckhous, Dr. J. M. Woodall, Iva's Jewelry, Mrs. J. R. Creath, H. B. Reagan, G. F. Wacker Store, First Baptist Church, R. W. Thompson.

Colorado Man Heads Tex. Tech Director's Board

FORT WORTH, Feb. 3 (AP)—Charles C. Thompson of Colorado City was elected board chairman of Texas Technological college, Lubbock, for the third successive year at the annual meeting of the board here today.

Other officers re-elected were Mark McGee of Fort Worth, vice chairman; Chansler E. Weymouth of Amarillo, treasurer, and W. T. Gaston of Lubbock, secretary. Gaston, business manager of the school, is not a member of the board but has served as its secretary for more than 15 years.

The other directors attending the meeting were Karl Hohlitzel of Dallas, O. B. Ratliff of Spur, Kyle Spiller of Jacksboro, A. G. (Pat) Mays of Paris, and John Collier, Jr., of Fort Worth. Also present were President W. M. Whyburn and President Emeritus Clifford B. Jones. The board adopted a resolution of regret over the recent death of another director, Lee Pfleger of Eden, ordering it put into the minutes of meeting and a copy sent to his family.

Howard-Glasscock Roll Call To Begin

Pointing toward realization of the chapter's quota by the time the war fund drive opens officially on March 1, first work on the Howard-Glasscock chapter's annual roll call will begin this week.

In announcing preliminaries for the drive, H. D. Norris, roll call chairman, said that A. V. Karcher, last year's roll call head, had accepted chairmanship of the special gift unit, and would begin his initial canvass this week.

Joe Pond is to head up organization of the business concerns with 10 or more employees and chairman of the smaller business group is due to be announced within the week.

Ministers of Big Spring are to observe Red Cross Sunday on Feb. 25, said Norris, and he added that local theatres are making plans to conduct their traditional Red Cross collection.

Glasscock county workers set a quota of \$2,000 for themselves and will not wait until March to raise it, pointing out that they preferred to tackle it now and have it behind them before the start of lambing season. Rural communities, organized by Arthur Stallings, will set their individual quotas this year.

Details of the residential campaign have not been mapped as yet, said Norris, but he was confident that organization would be completed in time for the chapter to report its goal on the opening day.

Fifty-one Vets Placed On Jobs

Fifty-one veterans of 80 referred to employers in the Big Spring area were placed on jobs during January, according to statistics released by the United States Employment Service office Wednesday.

Total local placements were 357 and were broken down as two professional, 54 clerical, 72 service, 36 skilled, 67 semi-skilled and 126 unskilled.

Employers channeled 79 applicants to the office for referrals under the stabilization program.

Forty-nine persons were hired on clearance orders for vital war work in other areas and included the following employers: Naval Ordnance plant, Camden, Ark. 23 hired; Bason & Davis Construction company of Odessa, 15 hired; U. S. Merchant Marine, 3; Army Service Forces, Washington, D. C. 3; Immigration and Naturalization Service, 1; McKee Construction company, Santa Fe, 1; and Boeing Aircraft factory, Seattle, 3.

About 75 per cent of these were in-migrants who had been released from construction projects elsewhere, H. A. Clark, manager, stated.

Redistricting Of State Postponed

AUSTIN, Feb. 7 (AP)—Public hearing on the controversial question of redistricting the state for legislative representation will not be held until current measures pending in the house have been reconciled by sub-committee action.

Two bills and a substitute proposal last night were referred to a sub-committee of five for further study and combination. This sub-committee will report back to the committee Feb. 13, and the date for public consideration will not be sent until then.

The various bills are by Reps. Harley Sadler of Sweetwater, S. J. Isaacs of El Paso, and F. E. Senterfitt of San Saba.

Big Spring Cited By A&M College

Texas A. and M. college recently recognized and commended Big Spring as one of the outstanding Texas towns for its system of sewage and disposal.

For greatest improvement in sewage plants, the college will present a representative of Big Spring with a plaque at College Station on Tuesday, Feb. 6. The college also recognized Big Spring for its use of effluent by the Cosden Petroleum corporation.

Paper Troopers Get 41,000 Pounds Of Waste During Drive's First Week

Big Spring Paper Troopers collected approximately 41,000 pounds of waste paper during the first week of the Big Spring Bombardier school's new salvage drive, it was announced today.

This figure aggregates almost one-fourth of the total collection of 158,000 pounds made by local school children during the highly-successful campaign last November and December that netted the U. S. treasury more than \$1,400.

Gratification over the outstanding amount shown during the opening week of the drive was expressed by Sgt. Edward K. Henderson of the post salvage department, who is supervising the campaign.

Martin-Howard Soil Officials OK Applicants

Supervisors of the Martin-Howard Soil Conservation district Monday approved four applications in Howard county covering 1,240 acres and sanctioned conservation plans on two farms.

At the same time the board purged the records of agreements made valueless by death of owner or change in ownership. Fifteen such agreements were cancelled.

Applications for soil conservation assistance were approved for E. G. Overton, Lomax; Warner Robinson, Center Point; G. B. Walters, west of Big Spring; Artie Williams, near Luther.

Plans for conservation on the A. H. Shroyer, 1,920 acres six miles east of Knott, and L. N. Senter, 160 acres, near Knott.

Acres in the cancelled agreements totaled 4,670.

Rites Held For Mrs. W. P. Edwards

COLORADO CITY, Feb. 4 (AP)—With the pastor, Jim H. Sharpe, officiating, funeral service for Mrs. William Patrick Edwards, widow of a Methodist minister, was held at the First Methodist church in Colorado City. Mrs. Edwards was the mother of Mrs. W. C. Hooks, prominent Colorado City church and clubwoman, with whom she made her home here.

Born in Mississippi, she died at a local hospital after a brief illness. Burial was in Colorado City cemetery with Kiker and Son in charge of arrangements.

Wallace Foes Seek Tie-Up Methods

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—All-out foes of Henry A. Wallace sought anew today to tie up the George bill in the house and bring about his rejection by a direct senate vote on the nomination as commerce secretary including the powers over RFC.

Soundly defeated in the house banking committee, they shifted their strategy to the committee on rules.

There they hoped to shelve the senate-approved bill by Senator George (D-Ga) divorcing the multi-billion dollar federal loan agencies from the commerce department. The senate is awaiting the house fate of this "bill of divorce" before balloting on Wallace's confirmation as commerce secretary.

Paralysis Fund Is Raised By Donations

A total of \$1,281.40 has been collected and turned in to Ira Thurman, treasurer, of the infantile Paralysis drive for funds in Howard county.

That amount is broken down into \$884.10 from special gifts, \$327.45 collected thus far from the Birthday Ball, and \$69.85 was collected in the March of Dimes.

Thurman said that there has been no money turned in yet from the theatres in their collections, but that amount from that source stands at approximately \$1500.

Recent contributors are B. N. Ralph, T. A. Jordan and Co., Beta Sigma Phi, Leon's Flowers, Twila Lomax, Mrs. R. C. Lomax, John Dibrell, Jr., Joe Pond, Mrs. Bernard Lamun, B. Reagan, Mrs. M. L. Musgrove and Cecil Bell.

RRC Rules It Cannot Accept Application

AUSTIN, Feb. 7 (AP)—The state railroad commission today had ruled that it was without authority to accept an application for the operation of an air express line, the first of its kind ever placed before it.

W. M. Rutherford of Austin sought permission to file the application. Members of the commission said he contended the commission would have authority since freight cargo for the proposed line would have to be transported over highways to reach the airline.

Texan Destroys Plane

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Lt. Hal Sims, McAllen, Texas, was credited with destroying a German plane yesterday.

Lt. Sims was in a group which destroyed three German planes, 12 locomotives and 37 freight cars while strafing targets between Wursburg and Frankfurt on the Rhine.

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Gratification over the outstanding amount shown during the opening week of the drive was expressed by Sgt. Edward K. Henderson of the post salvage department, who is supervising the campaign.

"Competition is keen to win the bombs and chevrons being offered as prizes," Sgt. Henderson said. "Indications point to a record collection of waste paper by March 9 when the prize-winners are determined."

W. C. Blankenship, superintendent of Big Spring schools, directed the teachers to point out the necessity for salvaging waste paper and to urge school children to join in an "all-out" effort for the War Production Board's national waste campaign.

At Coahoma and Midway, neighboring communities, equal enthusiasm was being shown by the Paper Troopers.

Many Paper Troopers already have brought in the 50 pounds necessary to earn their first blue and gold chevron and some were on the way to collecting the additional 100 pounds required for the next stripe.

Here is the paper poundage required to earn the merit chevrons that can be sewn on the sleeve and worn as a mark of accomplishment for a great contribution to the war effort.

To earn his Private First Class stripes a Paper Trooper must bring in 50 pounds of waste paper. A total of 150 pounds denotes Corporal; 400 pounds, Sergeant; 750 pounds, Staff Sergeant; 1,000 pounds, Tech. Sergeant; 2,000 pounds, Master Sergeant, and 3,500 First Sergeant, or the highest rank a contestant can attain.

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Editorial -

Proper Labor Placement

From the Mead committee has come word of some glaring examples of labor hoarding with its resultant loafing on the job. Many conscientious workers have quit war jobs because they could not stand the waste of time they were required to endure.

Management is to blame primarily for labor hoarding, for first of all it must have the sanction of management, even in the case of feather-bedding. Sometime this practice arises from a fear of labor turnover and a desire to be prepared for replacements. This would be economically unsound in normal times for it would be carrying an unnecessary burden which competitors could operate without.

Every effort ought to be exerted to overcome this practice when we are faced with a wartime dearth of manpower. Every influence, also, ought to be brought to bear to encourage labor to have no part of such a scheme. Labor can help overcome it by refusing to be a part of it.

Not only will production be increased by proper placement of manpower, but the cost of production will be lowered inevitably for all labor will then be producing labor and none will be carried as dead weight.

Rescue

For sheer drama and heart-warming reaction, it would be hard to surpass the story of the rescue of the 513 prisoners from the Nueva Ecija prison camp in Luzon. Men of Bataan, Corregidor, and Singapore, shut off from their world for many seemingly endless months, but ever held close in the hearts of their countrymen. Exhausted, ill-treated, unenriched, but never quite without hope, for always there was faith in their American comrades' promise to return.

There is nothing one can add to the throat-catching picture of these men—486 Americans, and the remainder British, Netherlands, and Norwegian—some walking, some riding, and some carried on the Rangers' backs, proceeding to safety down a highway flanked with an honor guard of the newly arrived G.I.'s. But we all can join in prayers of thankfulness for the liberation of those who proved such heroes in the last days before the fall of the Philippines. And we can supplement the decorations which General MacArthur has given to the rescuing American and Filipino Rangers, by our own deep gratitude for their bravery.—Christian Science Monitor.

Ernie Pyle Reports—

Folks At Home Don't Know Their War

Editor's Note — Ernie Pyle is with the Navy in the Pacific. Pending receipt of his dispatches from that war theater we are publishing a few articles he wrote before his take-off from San Francisco, of which the following is one.

By ERNIE PYLE SAN FRANCISCO — These first half dozen columns or so are being written in San Francisco before taking off for the Pacific. They are a very sketchy report on my doings on the home front.

If you can bear a little reminding I'd like to go back over these past four months of furlough, and bring you up to date on the Prodigal Son's recent activities.

Well, since leaving France and returning to America, I have — Crossed the continent three times. Had eight teeth filled. Spent my first Christmas with "That Girl" since the war started. Moved the lawn once.

I've been photographed 1000 times, and was made president of the Rio Grande Steamship and Navigation Co. (Blubber Division). I've been kissed by Paulette Goddard, Olivia DeHaviland and Jinx Falkenberg all in one afternoon—Hallelujah!

Six people sent me oil paintings they'd done from photographs. I've sat up all night three nights on trains, and three nights on airplanes. I've said "no" to at least 500 requests to speak, and have managed to keep well supplied with cigars.

Kind people have flooded me with gifts. Mayor Clyde Tingley of Albuquerque opened it with a \$500 wrist watch, which so overwhelms me that I left it in a safety deposit box back home. Who would dare wear a \$500 wrist watch?

I've had luscious apples from Washington State, pecans from Mississippi, half dozen homemade hunting knives, two college degrees, a Texas cowboy belt, two foxhole shovels, one baby jeep, sun glasses for the Pacific, and one noble friend came through with 10 pounds of bacon.

We've had so much company at our house in Albuquerque that one night I slept on a canvas cot in the woodshed, and one night on the living room floor in my new sleeping bag (I didn't sleep very well either).

Despite all the frenzy, I've felt almost pathetic in my happiness at being at home. I've had a wonderful time. The older I get the better I like being alive. I wish it could go on forever.

People are always asking what I think of the "home front," expecting me of course to raise hell about it.

Well, I don't know. In the first place it's so wonderful to be home that I find myself reluctant to criticize or even admit any flaws in the home front.

It is true that a great many people don't know there's a war on, or don't seem to care. And yet I realize that I could very easily let myself sit down and take it easy and never think of war again, except in an academic way.

I've had no bad incidents during these few months at home. But I have learned from experience that it's almost impossible — some times infuriating in a hellish sort of way — to talk to most civilians feelingly about the war.

On trains and in public places I find myself drifting automatically to boys in uniform with overseas ribbons or service stripes, for we can talk the same language.

As an example of what I mean, one man said to me one day in complete good faith "Tell me now, just exactly what is it you don't like about war?"

I think I must have turned a little white, and all I could do was look at him in shock and say "Good God, if you don't know, then I could never tell you." It's little things like that which make returning soldiers feel their misery has all been in vain.

I don't think America at home is either unwilling or incapable of getting fully into the war. We need only to be told more what to do, and to have scarcities and grimness applied clear across the board.

Personally I'm glad for the President's proposal for a national service act. I think it will stiffen up the whole American nation, and through touching almost every family, make people buckle down. That, and the casualties that lie ahead of us.

I believe the worst of our war is still to come, and that before it is over everybody in America will really feel it. I hope so, because then the boys overseas won't feel so lonesome.

Two French fliers killed in crash

LONGVIEW, Feb. 8 (AP)—Two French fliers were killed and four others injured when a twin-engine B-26 bomber from Barksdale Field crashed and burned four miles from here yesterday.

One of those injured is in a critical condition in Harmon General hospital here.

The plane apparently attempted a crash landing. It struck a ditch on a farm, skidded several hundred feet, caught fire and then exploded, eyewitnesses said.

The pilot and bombardier were killed, and their bodies will be sent to Montgomery, Ala., for burial. After the war they will be sent to France. Names are being withheld.

One Windcharger In Texarkana For Sale

The treasury's Fort Worth office of surplus property has one windcharger located in Texarkana which has been declared surplus and can be purchased by a qualified dealer. It operates on a 32-volt system, 1000 watt power. Interested purchasers should contact Merchandising Division, Office of Surplus Property, U. S. Treasury Department, Neil P. Anderson Building, Fort Worth, Tex.

That, at least, is the question that is being asked in some circles.

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CLASSIFIEDS HELP SOLVE MANPOWER PROBLEMS

Automotive

Used Cars For Sale

TOP PRICES FOR GOOD USED CARS

1942 Buick Special Sedan
 1942 Packard Convertible Coupe
 1941 Plymouth Sedan
 1940 Plymouth Club Coupe
 1940 Hudson Coach
 1940 Olds-6 Sedan
 1939 Mercury Sedan
 1938 Ford Coach
 1939 Plymouth Sedan
 Several Cheap Cars

MARVIN HULL MOTOR CO.
 207 Gollad Phone 59

1937 Dodge coupe, good tires, clean, 500 East 3rd at Phillips Service Station.

1936 Ford two-door, new paint, new seat covers, good tires. 1801 Johnson, phone 1001-J.

1936 Chevrolet in pretty good condition, tires fair. See Howard Beene at the Fire Station.

1934 Pontiac 4-door sedan. Extra clean; extra good tires; priced to sell; can be seen at 904 11th Place.

Used Cars Wanted

WANTED:
 Trucks, pick-ups, cars and tractors, any make or model, regardless of condition.
 ARNOLD'S GARAGE
 201 N. W. 2nd Phone 1476

Announcements

Lost & Found

LOST: One visit because caller left no name card. Horse Printing Co. 206 E. 4th St.

LOST: Expert medal with a rifle bar. If found please call Mammie Lovelady, 621.

LOST: January 31, lady's plain round yellow gold "Imperial" wrist watch, brown leather band. Finder, phone Margie Preston, 805, Reward.

THREE horses strayed from 1208 E. 4th: Roan, full face mare; one dun-colored colt, black mane and tail; one black colt. If found call 1666. Reward.

STRAYED from 1910 Runnels Monday night; light red Jersey heifer. Be fresh any day, branded Lazy J. John R. Chaney, phone 793-W. Reward.

LOST: Somewhere on 3rd St. or near State Theatre, pair of child's glasses with name C. G. Hickman on case. Finder return to 1201 Sycamore for reward.

LOST: Bottom part of Lifetime Sheaffer fountain pen, downtown. Reward. Call Bill Barnett at Herald.

LOST: Brown billfold containing overseas pictures; \$35, and Social Security cards of Mrs. J. W. Holt. Return to Donald's Drive in Reward.

Personals

SEWING MACHINE SERVICE SHOP
 Guaranteed repairs. 305 E. 3rd. Phone 428

CONSULT Estella, the Reader.
 Heffernan Hotel, 305 Gregg, room 2.

PROUD of that new youngster?
 Tell others through birth announcements. Horse Printing Co. 206 E. 4th St.

Public Notices

BEFORE taking trip, buy box stationery to write home. Horse Printing Co. 206 E. 4th St.

PLEASURE

REAL riding horses, no work stock. Now open. Scenic Riding Academy, 1 1/2 blocks north of entrance to City Park.

Business Services

Ben M. Davis & Company
 Accountants - Auditors
 817 Mims Bldg., Abilene, Texas

FOR better house moving, see C. F. Wade, on old highway, 1-4 mile south Lakeway Groc. Satisfaction guaranteed.

PATSY

NEW SPOOKY, GAVE SOME ADVICE HOW TO HANDLE THOSE FOUR KIDS WHILE THEY'RE ON THE LOT!

JUST CALL IN A CHILD PSYCHOLOGIST FOR A DOSE OF DAYS!

GOOD-ALL DO IT!

ALL RIGHT, MR. TERRY, TELL THE DOCTOR AT ONCE!

DO YOU SAY ONE KID'S NAME IS TEDDY?

I'M SORRY, MR. TERRY, BUT AS SOON AS I MENTIONED TEDDY'S NAME, THE DOCTOR DECIDED TO GO OUT OF BUSINESS!

OKIE DOAK

BRUTO! KILL HIM!!

N-NAW! I DON'T WANNA!

MY MAGIC GONE HAYWIRE!

MISS MORGANA LOOK!

YOUR BRUTAL BEAST IS SHRINKING!

G-GOSH! IT'S GONE!

I'LL SAY! AND AM I GLAD!

DICKIE DARE

FLASHLIGHT'S NO GOOD... BATTERIES CORRODED!

GOTTA FIND SOMETHING TO MAKE A FIRE WITH... NEED HEAT!

HEY! WHERE DID I PUT THAT FLASHLIGHT?

HOW I'M GETTIN' SOMEPLACE - THE LENSE FROM THE FLASHLIGHT MAKES A BURNING GLASS!

Announcements

Business Services

SEWING MACHINE SERVICE SHOP
 Repairs guaranteed. 305 E. 3rd. Phone 428

OSBORNE REPAIR SHOP
 WE do welding and automotive and diesel engine repair. Contractors equipment a specialty. 201 N. Austin St. Phone 118.

REPAIR, refinish, buy or sell any make sewing machine or furniture. Pickle & Lee, 609 E. 2nd, phone 260.

S. M. Smith Butane Co.
 Prompt, Efficient Service
 410 N. Gregg, Phone 855 or 906

WESTERN Mattress Co. representative, J. R. Bilderbank, will be in Big Spring twice monthly. Leave name at McCollister Furniture, phone 1261.

SUNSET RIDING STABLES

PHONE 480 after 5 p. m. for appointments. First come, first served week-ends. Three blocks east south bus line at 14th Lincoln & Mt. View.

FENCING

All kinds of fencing done. No jobs too large or too small. We do not do it all, but we do the best.

Charlie Forgus & Son
 P.O. Box 961, Big Spring, Tex.
 1/2 mile South of Lakeway Grocery

FIREPROOF OFFICE SERVICE

Payrolls, records, reports, business correspondence, income tax information.

R. L. COFFEY
 610 Petroleum Bldg.
 Phone 1740 (Home, 524)

Woman's Column

WILL keep children by the day or hour, special care 606 11th Place. Phone 2010

I KEEP children by day or hour; excellent care. 207 Benton St. Phone 904-J.

MOTHERS: Mrs. E. A. Thetford, 1002 W. 6th St. takes care of small children in her home by the hour, day or week. Extra good care.

EVERY woman needs stationery with her personal letterhead. Horse Printing Co. 206 E. 4th St.

Employment

Help Wanted—Male

WANTED: Mechanics, guaranteed weekly salary plus commission bonus. **JONES MOTOR CO.** Phone 719 after 5 P. M. 401 Runnels

WANTED: A helper at Peurifoy Radiator Service, 801 E. 3rd St.

WANTED: 2 first class mechanics no drunks. A good opportunity for industrious mechanics, commission basis, can average \$65 to \$100 per a week. Apply Derington Garage, like Low, market get 300 W. E. 2nd. Phone 1153.

Help Wanted—Female

WANTED: Beauty operators, good pay, good hours. Nabors Beauty Shop, Phone 1201

WANTED: Colored maid. General housework and cooking. Furnished room on place. Good salary. Apply in person Pitman Jewelry.

DISHWASHER wanted: Good pay. Apply Wagon Wheel Cafe.

WAITRESS wanted. Apply at Wagon Wheel.

WANTED: Middle-aged woman to live in home and keep children. Call No. 6 after 8 p. m.

WANTED: Girl to deliver messages in business district. 40c hour, time and one-half over time. Western Union.

Financial

Business Opportunities

CAPROCK Grocery and Service Station for sale. Located on Lamessa Highway.

Financial

Business Opportunities

CASH \$5.00 to \$50.00

Prompt, confidential service to employed persons.

"WE MAKE LOANS OTHERS REFUSE"

Peoples Finance Co.

406 Pet. Bldg. Tel. 721

FOR sale: Cafe located central part of business district. Doing nice business. Reason for selling, wanting to quit business. Cash. Write Box W. F., % Herald.

For Sale

Household Goods

SEE Crechts when buying or selling used furniture; 20 years in furniture and mattress business in Big Spring. Rear 710 E. 3rd. Phone 602.

FOR sale: Double-bunk beds and mattresses. Reasonable. 502 Benton St.

SEARS Roebuck kerosene ice box. See Eugene Baugh, 2 1/2 miles northwest of Stanton.

SINGER Sewing machine; belts; oil and needles. 305 East 3rd St.

MAYTAG washing machine; gasoline motor; A-1 condition. 902 Gregg St.

SIMPLEX electric mangle and wood bedstead; A-1 condition. 710 E. 17th.

Livestock

FOR sale until February 9th. 40 ewes with lambs; \$8.50 per ewe and lamb. J. F. Winans, Vea-moor, Texas.

FOR sale: 4 year old Sorrell filly with white feet, blaze face; gentle to handle. Call Mrs. Ray Lawrence, Settles Hotel.

18 CHOICE grade and registered young Guernsey and Jersey milk cows. Also outstanding registered Guernsey herd sire, best blood lines. \$1800. Cash. Willis Walker, Turkey, Texas.

Poultry & Supplies

QUALITY CHICKS

Starting Monday, Jan. 22, we can supply you with blood-tested baby chicks. Also will buy eggs suitable for hatching.

Logan Feed & Hatchery
 817 E. 3rd St. Phone 310

A. R. WOOD Butane brooders for sale. L. I. Stewart, Appliance Store, 213 1/2 W. 3rd St.

AAA Baby Chicks, Bloodtested Stock, Reds, Barred and White Rocks, White Wyandottes, Australorps, Buff and Black Minorcas, Buff, Brown and English White Leghorns, Anconas \$9 hundred. AAAA Grade in above breeds \$11. Leghorn cockerels \$3. AAAA Grade Leghorn, Minorca and Ancona Pullets \$22. Prepaid, live delivery, immediate shipment. Will ship COD. Clyde Hatchery, Clyde, Texas.

120 laying hens; English White Leghorns; few White Rocks; good strain. Jack Roberts, Coahoma. Phone 133.

Building Materials

WARDS HEXAGON MESH poultry netting is first quality, open hearth netting! Tough steel wires are flexible and easily stretched. Lock-twist joints make rigid, enduring netting! 150-ft. Bales in widths from 1-in. to 2-in. only \$2.55 to \$4.50 at MONTGOMERY WARD.

Miscellaneous

MOTORCYCLES rebuilt; parts. Bicycle parts; almost any kind. **LAWN MOWERS** sharpened. Cecil Thixton Motorcycle & Bicycle Shop, 1602 E. 15th. Ph. 2052.

For Sale

Miscellaneous

PORTER cable floor sanding machine, perfect condition; small brooder house; two hot water heaters. 807 Johnson St.

PURE ribbon cane and sorghum syrup. 206 N.W. 4th, Mrs. Birdwell's place.

FOR SALE: Good new and used radiators for popular make cars and trucks. Guaranteed. Peurifoy Radiator Shop, 901 E. 4th. Ph. 1210.

THOMAS TYPEWRITER & OFFICE SUPPLY

WE have a complete line of office supplies to fill your needs. 107 Main.

BEFORE — weddings — invitations; after — announcements. See E. E. Horne Printing Co. 206 E. 4th St.

FOR sale: Good used watch. E. & R. Jewelry, 303 Main St.

Battery Trouble Ended

THE new discovery "Ever-Charge" makes your battery last years longer. "Ever-Charge" prevents deterioration. Give sulphation, the common source of all battery troubles. \$1.50 your first and last cost, added to any battery in 5 minutes without removing battery from car. If battery is mechanically right. Sold under guarantee. For demonstration see W. H. O'Neal at Cole Ranch, South of Settles Ave.

OIL paintings at very reasonable prices. If we do not have what you want we will take orders and get them for you. 500 Main or Big Spring Paint Store.

Wanted To Buy

Household Goods

FURNITURE wanted. We need used furniture. Give us a chance before you sell, get our prices before you buy. W. L. McCollister, 1001 W. 4th. Phone 1261.

WANT to buy washing machine, preferably Maytag. Also Mahogany Grand Piano. Phone 1832.

Radios & Accessories

WANTED: Used radios and musical instruments. Will pay cash for any. Anderson Music Co., phone 856 or call at 115 Main St.

Miscellaneous

WANTED: Clocks to repair; buy broken clocks. Wilke, 106 W. Third St.

WANT to buy popcorn machine; must be first class condition, and reasonable price. Prefer advance model 120. R. R. Russell, phone 8 or Box 1659, Midland, Texas.

WANT to buy small steel safe. Lou's Store, 218 S. Runnels.

For Rent

Bedrooms

FURNISHED bedroom; prefer Cadet's wife; must stay nights. Apply first house east of Municipal Airport.

Wanted To Rent

Apartments

WANTED: 2 or 3 room furnished apartment; man and wife; civilians; no children; no pets. Billie Barrett, phone 250.

TWO clean friendly Cadet's wives, each with an adorable child urgently need house, apartment, or room. Please let our children be with their daddy's the short time left before overseas duty. Call Mrs. Gorr, Settles Hotel.

PERMANENT railroad man and family want unfurnished house. \$25.00. See R. V. Hagler at 106 Scurry.

Bedrooms

YOUNG man desires furnished room with private or adjoining bath. Call 1396.

Houses

NEED furnished or unfurnished house. Have three children. Call Mrs. R. V. Hagler, Wyoming Hotel.

Real Estate

Houses For Sale

SIX-room house, barber shop, 705 East Third. Write owner, Miss Morley, 510 Baylor, Austin, Texas.

FOR SALE by owner: Six-unit apartment house completely furnished with Frigidaires, table-top stoves. Close in. Would consider house in trade. Phone 1624.

PREFABRICATED houses 16x16 ft. up to 20x48 ft. suitable for beauty parlors, barber shops, gift shops, offices, car stands, service stations, living quarters, package stores, tourist courts, house for cotton pickers, farm house and for most any purpose. See Roy F. Bell at The Ranch Inn Court, phone 9521.

THREE-unit apartment house, furnished or unfurnished, on pavement, close in, bargain. See owner 1808 Lancaster St.

House For Sale

SIX rooms and bath, large closet, new paint and paper, all floors covered, clean as a whistle, ready to move in. Offered this week only, \$3500, will carry fifteen hundred. Located at 806 E. 12th.

J. M. L. Brown, Owner 2406 Gregg St.

MODERN 5-room concrete house with double garage, and a 2-room plank house with bath in rear, both for \$4500 cash. See at 1602 Donley St. I. F. Gilbert, owner.

TWO-room boxed sheetrock house, 14x20. J. I. Case combine, '44 model, six foot, '39 model B John Deere and equipment. E. G. Overton, 3 miles west, mile South Doc Cauble's.

LARGE 4-room house with bath to be moved. Call 1446-M, or see at 806 W. 4th.

FOUR-room house, furnished or unfurnished. Good location. 301 Dixie. Phone 276-W.

FOR SALE: 6-room house to be moved. Hyman, Texas; \$2,250. Call at 2010 Runnels within 3 days.

Real Estate

Houses For Sale

FOR SALE by owner: 5-room modern house, basement; sunporch; price is right; immediate possession; good location. See at 1101 E. 16th St.

Lots & Acreages

SIX acres land located at Sand Springs, Tex. Electricity and gas available, good well water and fenced. Inquire 1001 Sycamore St.

FOR sale: Property at 406 Gregg; 75 to 140 feet; 9-room house for \$8500. J. B. Pickle, phone 1217.

LOTS \$50 and up; also 320 acre land, \$25 per acre with terms. See J. D. Wright, two miles west of town. Rt. 2, Box 8.

5 1/2 acres land* 4-room house; close in; lights, water, gas; \$5,000. J. B. Pickle, phone 1217.

Farms & Ranches

320 ACRE farm, 238 acres in cultivation; has nice 6-room house, modern equipped with bath, etc. Butane for lights and heating; Also 3-room house, tractor and equipment. One of the best farms in Martin County. Call Marvin Hull, phone 59.

BEST farm I know about for the money: 252 acre real good land; good water; 4-room house; daily mail; 13 miles out. J. B. Pickle, phone 1217.

Were it not for parasites, many insect pests might increase to such an extent that growing of crops would be impossible.

CARR OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness shown us during our sorrow. We deeply appreciate the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. C. A. Schull
 Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Powell.
 (adv.)

Soil Conservation Meeting Called

TEMPLE, Feb. 8 (AP)—Meetings for supervisors of the five state soil conservation areas under the Texas soil conservation law have been announced by V. C. Marshall, state administrator of the Texas board.

They are:

District 1—In Amarillo March 29, Spur, March 30. (Delegates will meet at Plainview April 21 to elect a member of the state board for that subdivision to succeed W. M. Deck, who has moved to Oklahoma.)

District 2—In Balmorhea and Sterling, dates not set, probably in June.

District 3—in Luling March 1 and Alice March 2. (Delegates will meet in Kennedy May 1 to elect a district member.)

District 4—in Huntsville March 8 and Tyler March 9.

District 5—in Jacksboro April 5 and Waco April 6.

UCLA Seeks Coach; Shaw Declines Bid

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8 (AP)—UCLA is still seeking a football coach — but Lawrence (Buck) Shaw has been eliminated from the field.

The former Santa Clara University mentor declined the job yesterday in a message to UCLA Graduate Manager William C. Ackerman. Shaw said business commitments prevented him from considering the post.

Babe Ruth Celebrates Fifty-First Birthday

NEW YORK, Feb. 8 (AP)—Babe Ruth celebrated his 51st birthday yesterday, recalling how he hit homerun No. 51 off Willis Hudlin in Cleveland in 1927, the year he set the record of 60 circuit clouts.

The Babe weighs 280 pounds now and is worried about his lack of exercise because he hasn't been able to do much since an operation on his knee eight months ago.

Mike O'Daniel Gets Army Commission

ABILENE, Feb. 8 (AP)—Mike O'Daniel, 24, son of Senator W. Lee O'Daniel, will receive his commission as a second lieutenant at Camp Barkeley today.

He is among the candidates of the medical administrative corps officers to be graduated and commissioned. He entered the army a year ago while a senior at the University of Texas.

World Series Send Fund To War Relief

CHICAGO, Feb. 8 (AP)—The last three world series have raised \$1,062,918 of the \$2,630,480 contributed to war relief by baseball's major leagues in three wartime seasons, Earl Hilligan, of the American league service bureau, disclosed yesterday.

Last season the all-star game in Pittsburgh yielded \$81,275 to the fund for supplying service teams with baseball equipment to which was added \$25,000 from the two leagues and the commissioner's office and the \$25,000 radio fee.

In the three year span, Hilligan said, the American league raised \$595,384 while the National league contributed \$965,784.

MEAD'S fine BREAD

SNUFFY SMITH

NOTHIN'S BEEN DONE ABOUT OUR BEATIN' UP TO CARBON BY MISTAKE, SNUFFY—MAYBE IT'S ALL FORGOTTEN!

I CONKED H.T. TOO, AN HE'S RESEMBLE AS SKIM MILK!

OH, CHUBBY! GUESS WHAT TWO CHARACTERS I SEE WITH NO CHORES TO DO?

ARE YE HONGRY FER DUMPLINS, GOOGLE?

YEAH— BUT HOWLL WE CATCH HIM?

ANNIE ROONEY

PLEASE, SEÑOR, I FRY YOUNG-TENDER CHICKEN JUST FOR YOU.

NO, THANKS, ROSITA—JUST SOME MORE BLACK COFFEE.

ROSITA SEZ SINBAD WONT EAT HARDLY ANYTHIN—MAYBE HEL GET SICK AN' DIE---

BUT IF YOU TALKED TO HIM—

THAT WOULDN'T DO IT MUCH GOOD, IT TAKES MORE THAN TALK OR MEDICINE TO CURE LOVE SICKNESS—

BUZ SAWYER

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT, MOM. I'M POSITIVE THAT SWEENEY HAS NO UNCLE. BUT WHY DID HE LEAVE SO SUDDENLY?

IT WORRIES ME TOO, BUZ. POOR LONELY BOY! I WANTED SO MUCH FOR HIM TO FEEL AT HOME WITH US.

WELL, HERE I AM, AND NO PLACE TO GO.

I JUST COULDN'T STAY AND GO TO THAT DANCE—NOT AFTER WHAT OLD LADY WINTER SAID TO ME. AND IF I'D EXPLAINED, IT WOULD HANE CAUSED A HEAP OF TROUBLE.... SO THIS IS THE ONLY THING TO DO.



MEAD'S fine BREAD

SNUFFY SMITH

NOTHIN'S BEEN DONE ABOUT OUR BEATIN' UP TO CARBON BY MISTAKE, SNUFFY—MAYBE IT'S ALL FORGOTTEN!

I CONKED H.T. TOO, AN HE'S RESEMBLE AS SKIM MILK!

OH, CHUBBY! GUESS WHAT TWO CHARACTERS I SEE WITH NO CHORES TO DO?

ARE YE HONGRY FER DUMPLINS, GOOGLE?

YEAH— BUT HOWLL WE CATCH HIM?

RITZ THURS. - FRI. AND SAT.

LOVED BY ALL MEN! LOVING NONE!

Gene TIERNEY
Dana ANDREWS
Clifton WEBB

Laura

with VINCENT PRICE
JUDITH ANDERSON

Plus "Who's Who" and "Booby Hatch"

QUEEN LYRIC TODAY ONLY

LOOSE LIPS COST LIVES!
NEXT OF KIN
NOVA PRISON-PRIVILEGE STANLEY-BASH SOWNEY
Program by Edgar by J. EDGAR HOOVER

THREE MEN IN WHITE
A new Dr. Gillespie Adventure!
Lionel Barrymore
Van Johnson
Marilyn Maxwell
Keye Luke
Ava Gardner

Plus "Taxi For Two" also "Caribbean Romance"



IN UNIFORM

After 34 months service in Australia, New Guinea and the Netherlands East Indies, Sgt. Lee Blalack is in a California army air forces rest camp. Sgt. Blalack served as a sheetmetal worker with a unit of the Fifth air force service command, repairing flak and bullet holes in the planes of the Fifth air force. Sgt. Blalack, who has been in the service since Jan. 1942, is entitled to wear the Good Conduct medal and the Asiatic-Pacific theater ribbon with three battle stars for participating in the Dutch East Indies, the Papuan and the New Guinea campaigns. The sergeant is a graduate of Big Spring high school and worked for the Eastland Oil company before entering the service.

Pvt. Ramon Alvarez, formerly of Big Spring, has reported to Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., from the army ground forces. Pvt. Alvarez is stationed at the AAF training command post awaiting reassignment to new military duties.

Pvt. James F. Archer, 106 N. Johnson street, is a member of the 335th Engineer Regiment in France, which won fame for its rehabilitation of the port of Marseille. He received training at Camp Gruber, Okla.

S/Sgt. Jack Y. Starkey of 701 Johnson street, is stationed with the Sixth army group in France with the 713th railway operating battalion. His battalion arrived at Casablanca in Feb. 1943, and three months later was strung out along 1,400 miles of rail line.

Wupperfeld Recalls Life On Bataan In 1941 At AAFBS Graduation Today

Stressing the necessity of accepting without hesitance their new responsibilities as officers and advising the use of common sense and observing precautions taken for their health and safety in combat zones, Captain John A. Wupperfeld addressed graduates of Class 44-52B this morning at the Post theatre.

Line chief of the 14th Squadron, 19th Bombardment Group in the Philippines at the time of Japanese attack in December, 1941, Capt. Wupperfeld expressed his elation over the present trend of events there.

"Then," he said, "we were on the short end of overwhelming odds." Recalling that every one of their handful of airplanes was "flown to destruction—and that destruction was always in combat."

A veteran of 28 years service Capt. Wupperfeld supervised the servicing of the plane of Capt. Colin Kelley, one of the first of this war's heroes when he flew to his death to sink a Jap battleship. Capt. Wupperfeld escaped from Bataan in the darkness of a December night on a small boat bound for Mindanao. Later flown to Australia, he went from there to Java, returning to Australia when Java fell.

Colonel Ralph C. Rockwood awarded the silver wings after the administration of the oath of office by Capt. Pierre W. Curie.

The response for the graduating class was given by 2nd Lt. V. H. Williams, Malden, Mass., wing commander and president of the cadet honor council.

Cadet awards went to Lt. James L. Hicks, Chattanooga, Tenn., best bombardier; Lt. Harold W. Bell, Parkersburg, West Va., outstanding athlete; Lt. Hugh MacRae, II, Wilmington, North Carolina, outstanding academic student; and Lt. Williams, best soldier.

The class included a small number of French nationals and the following three Texans: Flight Officer James L. Bain, Rt. 5, Kaufman, F/O Thomas B. Connell, Jr., Rt. 6, Ft. Worth, and Lt. Edgar W. Huxkins, Jr., 1610 Harold Street, Houston.

Kiwanis Act As Hosts At Local USO

With the largest attendance in some time the Kiwanis club met today in their regular weekly meeting to hear reports from R. L. Tollett and W. H. Smith.

The two men gave an account of their experiences as hosts at the USO Wednesday evening. The club has agreed to furnish hosts each week on this night and the two men described their visit there as a "profitable and enjoyable evening."

Cpl. Bill Mavromatis, accordion player from the local post, furnished musical numbers for the program.

Several of the members brought books to be donated to the county library.

All but four members were present, and absentees were compensated for by several visitors.

R. L. Tollett Named To Advisory Group

R. L. Tollett, president of the Cosden Petroleum corporation of Big Spring, has been named as a member of the newly appointed National Refiners' Industry Advisory Committee, according to an announcement made by the Office of Price Administration. Representatives of 22 oil and refineries have been invited to attend the organizational meeting of this committee in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 20.

OPA will discuss with this group the recommendation of the house select committee on small business that a study be made of the operating costs of the oil refiners to determine their ability to absorb any general price increase to oil producers that may be shown to be required. Cost studies of oil producers are now under way to decide if existing crude oil price ceilings are adequate or if an industry-wide increase is needed.

The National Refiners' Industry Advisory Committee consists of representatives of 11 major oil refiners and 11 independent refiners. The personnel of the committee includes specialists in the field of refinery production, economics and marketing.

Game And Fish Group To Tax Fishing Boats

AUSTIN, Feb. 8 (AP)—A bill slapping a \$2,500 annual tax on out-of-state commercial fishing boats operating in Texas waters was given favorable report by the game and fish committee of the house of representatives yesterday.

Sponsors of the bill admitted its primary purpose was to keep large and powerful shrimp luggers operating out of Louisiana ports from taking more than their share of this delicacy from Texas waters.

Rep. Sherwood Brown, Jr., of Texas City told the committee that these boats operated principally in the Sabine area, that Texas commercial fishermen were barred from Louisiana waters by the laws of that state, and it was time something was done about it.

Big Spring Observing VD Control Week

This week is being observed locally as venereal disease control week. Mrs. Ann Fisher and Mrs. Louise Horton, city health nurses, announced Wednesday.

In citing the work done by the VD clinic at the Big Spring - Howard county health unit, the nurses pointed out that thus far this year for January and the first week in February 52 patients have been sent to rapid treatment centers in Mineral Wells and El Paso. The total number sent for the year of 1944 came to only 51 as compared with the first six weeks of 1945. During 1944 there were 5,673 clinic visits and the present patient load is 74. The number of patients sent to the El Paso center from the Howard - Ector - Midland district was led with 25 from the Howard county unit. The nurses pointed out that although a number of the patients had been women, there were several male patients in the group.

Statistics show that one out of every 42 persons in the United States is syphilitic and warnings have been sent out urging tests and medical treatment. The VD nurses said that a few of the complications caused by untreated syphilis are blindness, nervous disorders due to impairment of central nervous systems, insanity, deafness and deformed children. Results of unchecked gonorrhoea include arthritis, sterility and blindness to babies born of mothers with the disease.

The nurses reminded that venereal disease is contagious and may be contracted in the same manner as measles or other communicable diseases. It is especially easily contracted through open wounds or scratches.

As a part of the observance of the week set aside for VD control and prevention posters are on display at various drug stores and at the health unit offices.

Weather Forecast
Dept. of Commerce Weather

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Fair this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.

WEST TEXAS: Fair this afternoon, tonight and Friday, not much change in temperatures.

EAST TEXAS: Fair this afternoon and tonight, not quite so cold in east and south portions tonight, Friday partly cloudy and warmer.

TEMPERATURES

City	Max.	Min.
Abilene	59	36
Amarillo	54	29
BIG SPRING	57	32
Chicago	31	25
Denver	50	44
El Paso	59	32
Fort Worth	57	37
Galveston	65	44
New York	31	25
St. Louis	37	25
Sunset, 7:26 p. m.; sunrise Friday, 8:35 a. m.		

Public Records

Marriage License
J. K. East and Mrs. Rosa Luttrell, both of Lubbock.

Warranty Deeds
William B. Currie, et ux, to C. S. Kelly the east half of the north half of lot 11, block 6, College Heights; \$200.

B. Reagan to E. H. Heffington et al, lot 4, block 19, Jones Valley; \$700.

A. Ruby Martin as guardian for A. F. Martin to D. P. Ford one-sixth undivided interest north half south two-thirds of southeast quarter, block 27, College Heights; \$325; Ruby Martin, et al, to D. P. Ford, undivided five-sixths interest same property; \$2,625.

Building Permits
Mrs. R. H. Spence, to build one 4x11-frame house and one 4x12 frame addition to present house at 711 N. Gregg, cost \$200.

Mrs. M. Raymer, to build 16x26 foot frame building on E and W paved cemetery road, cost \$175.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, Feb. 8 (AP)—Cattle 1,200; calves 700; good feed steers and yearlings 13.50 - 14.75; medium to good beef cows 10.00-12.00; good and choice fat calves 13.00 - 14.00; stocker calves and yearlings 9.00 - 12.50.

Hogs, 1,000; unchanged; good and choice butcher hogs 180 lb. and up 13.55; good and choice 150-175 lb. butchers 13.50 - 14.50.

Sheep 3,000; strong; good and choice woolled fat lambs 14.00-15.00; good and choice shorn lambs with No. 1 pelts 13.25-14.00; good shorn yearlings with No. 1 pelts 12.00 down.

KACM ON AIR

The Big Spring police department radio station KACM went back on the air Thursday after a silence of about a week. It was off due to a lack of necessary repair parts.

ORTIZ IN TRAINING

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif., Feb. 8 (AP)—Manuel V. Ortiz, 29, world's champion bantamweight boxer from El Centro, Calif., arrived here today for training as an infantryman.

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cosden	29	19	.604
J. & L.	23	20	.583
Eshah's	23	20	.583
Hester's	26	22	.542

LAAP DOWNS RAIDERS

LUBBOCK, Feb. 8 (AP)—The Lubbock Army Air Field Flyers defeated the Texas Tech basketball team 64 to 55 in a close game here last night. The outcome was in doubt until the final four minutes. Bruce Prior of Lubbock scored 25 points.

Four Years Ago

By The Associated Press
Feb. 8, 1941 — Gen. Maxime Weygand, commander of French troops in North Africa, says France will never agree to German occupation of Bizerte or any other part of Tunisia.

Dateline: Pacific
Father Kenealy Now Commentator

By RICHARD C. BERGHOLZ
ABOARD A U. S. BATTLESHIP SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC, (AP)—The former dean of the law school at Boston College has become something of a broadcaster aboard this battleship whose listening public relies on him for an accurate up-to-the-second account of the local war news.

His name is Lieutenant William J. Kenealy, chaplain aboard the California. During enemy action, his job is to tell the hundreds and hundreds of sweating, anxious boys below decks what's going on topside.

But Father Kenealy plays the game to the hilt. He tells exactly what he sees, mixes in a little Irish humor, uses a little slang and fills in the time gaps by poking fun at various officers and men.

But principally, Father Kenealy's main forte is psychology.

Down in the engine rooms, in the magazines, down where the repair parties have nothing to do but wait and wonder, they swear by Father Kenealy's broadcasts.

When the men go to battle stations, Father Kenealy takes his position up on the captain's bridge-picks up his microphone with the extension cord and starts wandering from one side of the bridge to the other, keeping one ear cocked for the incoming battle information being piped up to the bridge.

During the historic battle of Surigao Strait Oct. 25, when the men were at their battle stations for hours, Father Kenealy's soft voice spread through the ship over more than 20 loudspeakers, outlining the battle prospects, the lineup—with names and numbers—of the opposing "teams," the play-by-play account of the shelling, the hits, the maneuvering.

And during the inevitable lulls in the broadcast, Father Kenealy described the weather, the stars, the atmosphere on the bridge. It was his longest continuous performance.

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"WORK OR JAIL"
NACOGDOCHES, Feb. 8 (AP)—"Work, fight or go to jail" was the edict issued here by city and county law enforcement officers yesterday. The city commission backed them up by passing a special resolution instructing city police to "enforce the law."

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LEE HELD HERE
The sheriff's office is holding Looney Lee, negro, for officers at Quanah, who want the suspect for questioning. Lee was picked up here Wednesday.

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