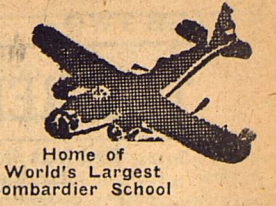




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Fighter Planes Hit Japs From Mindoro Base

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor

A hundred Saipan-based B-29s bombed aircraft plants in Nagoya on Japan's main island Friday while U. S. fighter planes in the Philippines began operating from newly-built airfields on Mindoro, only half an hour from Manila.

American ground forces closed their nutcracker on Leyte Island's shattered Yamashita line. The 77th Infantry Division and the First Dismounted Cavalry Division joined forces in Ormoc Valley—once studied with Japanese fortifications. They counted 2,032 more enemy dead. That makes 11,327 Nipponese soldiers slain in a seven-day climactic drive.

"Enemy remnants," Gen. Douglas MacArthur said, "are desperately but futilely trying to cut their way out" to the northwestern corner of Leyte.

Tokyo claimed ten Superforts were shot down in the daylight raid on Nagoya—the fourth B-29 strike this week against Japanese aircraft factories.

Sizeable Force

Dispatches from Saipan reported a sizeable force of Superforts, striking in waves, bombed the Hatsudoki aircraft factory for two and a half hours early Friday afternoon. It was the second raid this week on a Mitsubishi aircraft plant at Nagoya. The raid may have been designed to finish off the Hatsudoki works, badly damaged ten days ago.

Tokyo said about 100 Superfortresses were in the attacking waves, with the usual claim that little damage was done.

The War Department made the first announcement of the raid scarcely 12 hours after reporting about 60 China-based B-29s effectively bombed an aircraft plant at Mukden, Manchuria. Two attacking planes were lost. At least 15 and

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Bond That Binds



Screen actress Paulette Goddard looks mighty chic in her newest costume—a sarong fashioned from an over-sized \$100 War Bond—all of which is just Hollywood's way of reminding you that there still are plenty of those extra War Bonds available.

Yank Troops Want V Bomb Production

By WES GALLAGHER
WITH THE AMERICAN NINTH ARMY—(AP)—American troops being pounded by Adolf Hitler's V-weapons want to know when we are going to start tossing a few flying bombs back at the Germans.

"If we build better flying bombs than the Nazis, why aren't we using them?" is the way one soldier put it after reading a story in the Yank newspaper "Stars and Stripes" to the effect that the American "Doodle" is better than the Germans' V-bomb.

Not Toys

American fighting men know the German secret weapons are no toys and cannot be dismissed with a shrug. Argument that the weapons are indiscriminate do not impress the man in a foxhole, who may stop anything from a machinegun slug to a 14-ton rocket.

To him it is all a question of accuracy. The rifle is more accurate than artillery, and artillery is more accurate than the flying bomb. But all have their place.

During recent weeks American and British troops in rear areas have been attacked by V-1s, V-2s and the latest V-weapon—which has been likened to heavy artillery. American troops who hear them swooning overhead toward rear areas would like very much to hear them going the other way.

Main Objective

One of the main objectives of the American Air Forces is to choke Germany to death by paralyzing the Ruhr. As a result of the current German offensive the Ruhr is certainly no closer to our ground forces than it was three months ago. Many more months of hard fighting are in prospect before it feels the weight of Allied guns. At the same time winter is curbing the Allied air forces. But the worse the weather the better the flying bomb work, and every part of the Ruhr could be within range of Allied flying bombs. In all the world there probably is no better target for flying bombs than the German's jam-packed industrial centers. Furthermore we have the planes to protect launching sites from aerial attack.

Nazi Paratroopers Killed In Plane Crash



Ninth Army soldiers look at the wreckage of a JU-52 transport with bodies of Nazi paratroopers who were killed when their plane was brought down by American ack-ack. They were part of the present counteroffensive. (Signal Corps Radiotelephoto via NEA Telephoto.)

Overseas Vets At MAAF Get Yule Furloughs

Col. John W. White, commanding officer of the Midland Army Air Field, announced Friday that almost all officers and enlisted men who had seen overseas service would get a Christmas furlough, if they wanted it and could possibly be spared from their duties.

The colonel added that for those who did not qualify for the Christmas leave, or who lived too far from Midland to be able to get home, navigational trips are being planned which will allow the men to get to larger cities over the country for a rest from the home base.

Numbers Unknown

Just how many of the men would apply for the holiday leaves had not been determined, but as many of the men stationed at the big bombardier base are overseas veterans, headquarters expects to be kept busy working out the passes.

A survey over Texas reveals that many of the fields are working out Christmas plans for those who cannot take furloughs. MAAF is having a series of dances, beginning Friday night with a "Fatigue Dance," a visit by Santa Claus Saturday and religious programs, plus a big dinner.

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

WESTERN FRONT—Main force of German offensive in Belgian bulge reported blunted; counterattack breaks out in new sector 20 miles south of city of Luxembourg; Eisenhower urges men to crush enemy.

EASTERN FRONT—Berlin reports Russians open new attack in Latvia, Russians threaten seal off Budapest.

ITALY—Canadians smash to Senio River and capture Bagnacavallo.

GREECE—Leftist ELAS reported marching on area held by Rightist guerrillas; British mopping up Piraeus, extending Athens control.

PACIFIC—B-29s bomb Jap aircraft plants again; Americans squeezing Japs on Leyte.

BURMA—British advance eight miles to occupy Kawlin as general Jap withdrawal from North Burma indicated.

Berlin Claims Eisenhower Is Off-Balance

LONDON—(AP)—The Berlin radio declared Friday that Gen. Eisenhower thus far has been unable to "create a coherent defense front in the Ardennes," where the German offensive has made its deepest penetration, and said the battle in that area was continuing with unabated fury.

The broadcast failed, however, to give any details concerning the progress of the fighting, declaring: "The sole German comment on the sixth day of this gigantic battle of attrition is: a battle of silence."

Berlin reiterated the German offensive had gained such momentum that Eisenhower had been compelled to withdraw troops from other sectors to meet the threat.

"In this connection it is interesting to note that his drive on Cologne and Dusseldorf has come almost to a standstill. His drive in the Saar area has not only come to a standstill, but he actually is withdrawing troops from forward positions."

The broadcast also said, without confirmation from any other source, that American forces had abandoned their Saar River bridgehead at Ensdorf, south of Saarlautern, on the Third Army front.

"The Seventh Army," it added, "is still regrouping its forces."

The Germans acknowledged a setback on the French First Army front, where they said the French had hurled two or three divisions into an assault aimed at cracking the Nazi lines northwest of Colmar and were making some progress.

'Kill The Enemy' Eisenhower Says In Order Of Day

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
Associated Press War Editor

Field Marshal von Rundstedt's mighty counteroffensive westward into Belgium and Luxembourg appeared blunted temporarily Friday, and General Eisenhower, classifying the Nazi drive as a last great gamble, called on his troops in an order of the day to destroy the enemy.

The main force of the enemy drive, field dispatches said, has been turned aside or slowed down, but fighting flared in another area 20 miles south of the city of Luxembourg Thursday night.

A field report said American armored units were fighting to hold the Belgian town of St. Vith against a frontal assault by a full division of Nazi SS (Elite Guard) troops. A German broadcast claimed capture of St. Vith. Fifty-five enemy tanks were destroyed along the northern flank of the attack Thursday and doughboys fighting through fog, snow and mud, took a heavy toll of Germans.

Soviets Awake In Drive On Latvia Front

LONDON—(AP)—The Berlin radio said Friday the Russians, in a new attack in the long-dormant northern sector, had hurled 27 divisions against the Germans on a 22-mile front south of the Latvian town of Salda, about 60 miles southwest of Riga.

Assault divisions supported by tank formation and preceded by a terrific artillery bombardment of approximately 170,000 shells in 90 minutes opened the attack, Nazi Military Commentator Ernst von Hammer said.

Russian shock troops wedged deeper into Southern Slovakia Friday while new operations by two powerful Russian army groups threatened to seal off beleaguered Budapest from the west.

Nearing Losonc

Units of Second Ukrainian Army drove to within 14 miles east of the big Slovak rail city of Losonc (Lucsne), seizing 30 more localities, including the important communications center of Rimaszombat, on the Kassa Losonc highway.

Fall of Rimaszombat opened an important gateway into the Matra mountains and brought relief within sight for an isolated force of Slovak patriots estimated at 25,000.

The Germans admitted alarm over the resumption of Soviet pressure on the west side of the Danube in the vitally strategic zone between Budapest and Lake Balaton, where the Third Ukrainian Army paused early this month to build up greater striking power.

In northern Hungary, other units of Malinovsky's troops captured 50 localities on a winding 50-mile front southeast of Losonc, gaining up to 12 miles from previously reported positions.

General Eisenhower issued his order of the day to all members of the AEF. He told them the enemy was rushing from his fixed winter defenses on the Western Front and "may give us a chance to turn his great gamble into his worst defeat."

"With God's Help"

The supreme commander said the German attempt would fail completely, and that "we will, with God's help, go forward to our greatest victory."

The Germans said spearheads of the counteroffensive advanced to the flooded Roer River, which at one point flows seven miles west of Werbomont, where the Nazis had cut the Liege-Bastogne highway. It was at this point that the Allies have been expected to make a stand. Werbomont was the deepest German

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Midland In Grip Of Last Minute Christmas Rush

Midland was bursting with the Christmas spirit Friday as both children and grownups were preparing for observance of the most important holiday of the year.

Stores were crowded with last minute Christmas shoppers and many clerks were working overtime trying to take care of the shoppers.

Most of Midland is looking forward to a double holiday as practically all stores and offices will be closed. As customary, The Reporter-Telegram will not be published Christmas Day. Offices at the courthouse and city hall will be closed, and the postoffice will be closed.

Travel Rush On

The Christmas travel rush is on and for the first time in weeks some travelers attempting to leave Midland by bus found they could not get aboard. Five persons were left behind on one schedule Thursday. The platform at the railroad station was crowded Thursday night with ticket buyers waiting for the train, most of whom were able to obtain seats.

A full program of Christmas activities has been planned for both of the airfields with dances and other entertainments, to be climaxed by the traditional Christmas dinner Monday.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce is conducting a "Go to Church Christmas Eve," campaign as a part of its Christmas activities program. Ray Owen is chairman of this part of the activities program.

W. E. Neely has been busy during the week obtaining invitations from Midland citizens for dinners in Midland homes for military personnel stationed here. Neely reported a very satisfactory response. The work being done by Neely is another part of the Jaycees' Christmas activities program.

All of Midland's churches plan Christmas programs, and a union Christmas service will be held at 10 a. m. Monday at the Episcopal church.

Strong ELAS Army Marches On Rightists

ATHENS—(AP)—An ELAS army of 15,000 to 20,000 strong was reported Friday to be moving in on territory held by Rightist guerrillas of Gen. Napoleon Zervas' EDES in strife-torn Greece.

Zervas informed British authorities that the Leftist ELAS forces already had entered his territory in Epirus and were massing on Dhris-Kos Ridge, overlooking the town of Yanina, which has been his headquarters.

The British said Zervas charged that Albanians were among the force threatening the EDES territory.

Humble To Drill South Extension To Key-Ellen

By JAMES C. WATSON
Oil Editor

Humble Oil & Refining Company has filed application with the Railroad Commission to drill No. 1-X W. A. McCutcheon, as a 10,000-foot exploration for pay in the Ellenburger-Ordovician, about three-quarters of a mile south of further southeast test now active in the Keystone area of North Winkler County.

The project is to be 1,980 feet from south and west lines of section 15, block-B-2, ps1 survey. It is about three-quarters of a mile south west of Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Talve, a drilling operation, and is about same distance southeast of Gulf Oil Corporation No. 49-E Keystone, which has already assured production in the Ellenburger. It is to start immediately.

Skaggs Satisfactory

Continental Oil Company No. 2-B Skaggs, Monument district discovery for New Mexico's first commercial production from Wolfcamp-Permian, made a 24-hour flowing gauge of 270 barrels of 42.3 gravity oil from 75 perforations at 7,700-25 feet, and had an estimated 150,000 cubic feet of gas per day. Flow was through a 3/4-inch tubing choke.

The well is shut in to make engineering tests. It probably will be completed as it is.

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Evacuation Reported

Evacuation of 3,000 ELAS prisoners by sea to an undisclosed destination was reported earlier by British Headquarters while Lt. Gen. R. M. Scobie's troops were mopping up the port of Piraeus.

British troops were reported extending the area under control in Southern Athens against light resistance.

Unloading operations at the port of Piraeus started again, British headquarters said.

Recruiting for the Papandreou government's new national militia commenced in Piraeus Friday morning. Officials said 2,000 enlistments were anticipated.

These developments came as a new assault landing was carried out across the main harbor on Western Piraeus and reinforced troops swept through the dockyards.

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USS Midland Launched At Wisconsin Shipyard

SUPERIOR, WIS.—(AP)—The USS Midland, cargo vessel named for counties in Texas and Michigan, will be launched Saturday at the Walter Butler shipyards here.

Japs Say Red Cross Packages Distributed

LONDON—(AP)—The Tokyo radio said Friday that the first Red Cross parcels sent by way of Siberia to American prisoners in Japan and Manchuria are being distributed.

The broadcast said the next shipment would go to prisoners in the Philippines.

This Christmas Will Be Different For Many Servicemen

By The Associated Press

Last Christmas Sgt. Owen K. Johnson of Schwertner, Texas, worshipped in a war-scarred, 700-year old church in a small village near the front lines in Italy.

He wore a gas mask in a blinding sand storm in Libya the Christmas before that. This year he will be at home.

And so will many other service men stationed in Texas, whose leaves coincide with the holidays.

But for thousands of other G.I.'s in Texas camps and hospitals efforts have been bent by the Army, churches, the USO, civic organizations.

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Stettinius Begins Reorganization Of State Department With Purpose Of Abolishing A Lot Of Secrecy

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON—(AP)—This story about the State Department is astonishing in a way. Nothing like it has happened before.

Secretary of State Stettinius, new in his job, has been trying to reorganize the department. It has been sticky with secrecy.

You can get information there, sometimes. Too often it is "off the record" or "not for attribution."

Which means: Mister, if you want to print it, it's your baby. I didn't tell it to you.

Stettinius is determined to humanize the place, loosen it up, warm it up, and wipe out unnecessary secrecy.

Thursday he called 2,500 department employes from their desks to Constitution Hall. It was the first time they had been brought together.

He wanted to introduce to them his new top aides: Undersecretary Joseph C. Grew, and Assistant Secretaries Nelson Rockefeller, will I. Clayton, James C. Dunn and Archibald MacLeish.

Stettinius and his aides walked out on the stage. He told the 2,500 something like this:

"I'm reorganizing the department. These are my new aides. I wanted you to meet them and see them. We

all have a lot of work to do. It's important work and we'll have to work together. We are going to expand the department. You'll have opportunities for promotion."

That was it. It was probably the most simple, direct, human thing I've seen among top officials in Washington. It certainly was one of the most sensible.

I think maybe most of the 2,500 felt that way, too. Maybe seeing it happen in the State Department makes it seem much more human than if it had happened anywhere else.

But there was one jarring note: Stettinius told the newspaper people present that the whole thing—even the fact of the meeting—was off the record.

Here was an open, friendly act by Stettinius. It couldn't possibly be criticized. Yet it couldn't be published. Someone—apparently his information service—advised him that way.

At least he so indicated when, hours later, the ban was lifted.

It may appear from all this—and that's the intention—that, even though Stettinius has the best good-will, he has plenty of work ahead to root out the department's long tradition of secrecy on practically everything.

Release Girl And Bible To Go Home

The 15 year old girl who stole a Bible to send her mother for Christmas is now on her way to Dallas and home to mother, Bible and all.

Police released the girl Friday morning when she paid the hotel bill she owed, and which she had attempted to skip. She was apprehended at the bus station following complaint from the hotel management that she was skipping her bill.

Police Chief Jack Ellington received three telephone calls from Midland citizens offering to buy the girl a bible following publication of a story in Thursday's Reporter-Telegram telling of the girl stealing the Bible, but the hotel let her have the Bible she had taken from a room.

"You had better spend a lot of time reading that Bible when you get home," was Ellington's parting advice to the girl.

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THANKS EVERYBODY

1 DAY LEFT

Buy Christmas Seals

War Bulletins

21ST ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS—(AP)—The German offensive has penetrated 40 miles at the point of its greatest depth, but has lost a great deal of its momentum in the last 48 hours.

LONDON—(AP)—The Germans continued their V-bomb attacks against Southern England Thursday night.

ATHENS—(AP)—Evacuation of 3,000 ELAS prisoners by sea to an undisclosed destination was reported Friday by British headquarters.

ROME—(AP)—Canadian troops, smashing forward to the Senio River against fierce enemy resistance, have captured the town of Bagnacavallo on the road to Bologna, Allied headquarters announced.

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And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.— Luke 2:10-11.

Life In The Old Boys Yet

Dr. Earnest A. Hooton of Harvard is a distinguished anthropologist. His books—which include "Twilight of Man" and "Why Men Behave Like Apes, and Vice Versa"—are full of pungent and provocative thought.

It appears that Dr. Hooton disapproves of war. But it is certain that he disapproves of middle age even more. And he would take care of both by bringing home our young fighting men and letting them raise families while the men over 45 carry on the fight and presumably kill themselves off.

"We might as well have our coronary thrombosis on the battlefield as on the golf course," says the eminent doctor, who incidentally is 57.

Dr. Hooton is not alone when he deprecates war's tragic waste of youthful life and talent and promise. And few will quarrel with his implication that, after 45 the average man is no biological prize package. But his utter contempt of man's later years seems overly severe.

The doctor argues thus: Most men at 45 have completed their families and the greater part of their life's work. They've had about enough of their families, and vice versa. They might as well be satisfied to pay for past benefits and happiness by spending the rest of their years in service with the present and postwar armies.

In short, says the doctor, a man killed in battle at 50 is no biological loss and precious little economic loss, while a boy killed at 18 loses his whole life, including all the upbringing and education put into it.

Dr. Hooton has some sound argument on his side. Some of history's brightest pages were written by youngsters. The steamboat, cotton gin, electric light, telephone, airplane phonograph and magnetic and wireless telegraphy, to name a handful of historic inventions, were the work of young men.

But it is also evident that some men have done their best work when, according to Dr. Hooton, they should have been total washouts. Washington's greatness was just becoming apparent at 45. The versatile Franklin became a great statesman in his seventies. Lincoln was 52 when he came to the White House.

Perhaps it might be well, also, to mention a plan now being worked on by a group of aging men which would settle Dr. Hooton's cannon-fodder controversy by doing away with war entirely.

BUY WAR BONDS AND SAVINGS STAMPS

U. S. Aviation Gains Upheld

U. S. Department of State and other executive agency technical experts and delegates to the Chicago Civil Aviation Conference have returned to Washington prepared to defend their work to the limit, regardless of whether criticism comes from Congressional or private commercial aviation interests.

Chief of the victories claimed for U. S. aviation are the rights to fly across any country and to land in any country for refueling and repair. These are the so-called first and second freedoms of the air.

Where the United States kept its shirt, it is claimed, was in refusing to give in to British and Canadian demands that postwar commercial aviation be controlled by an International Civil Aeronautics Board which would have had the absolute regulatory power to assign routes and determine frequencies of flight.

Former Resident Of Midland Dies

Othus H. Fain, a former resident of Midland, died Wednesday night in Santa Rosa, Texas, where he resided. He had been in ill health for several years.

Fain and his family lived in Midland about ten years, leaving here in 1934 to go to Corpus Christi. He was a barber in Midland and had many friends here.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Kathleen Fain; two children, Loris Jean, age 13, and Neeland 6; his mother, Mrs. Nora Fain; two brothers, Horace of Santa Rosa, and Reuben of Gatesville; two sisters, Mrs. G. C. Rant of Midland, and Mrs. S. E. Doss of Santa Rosa.

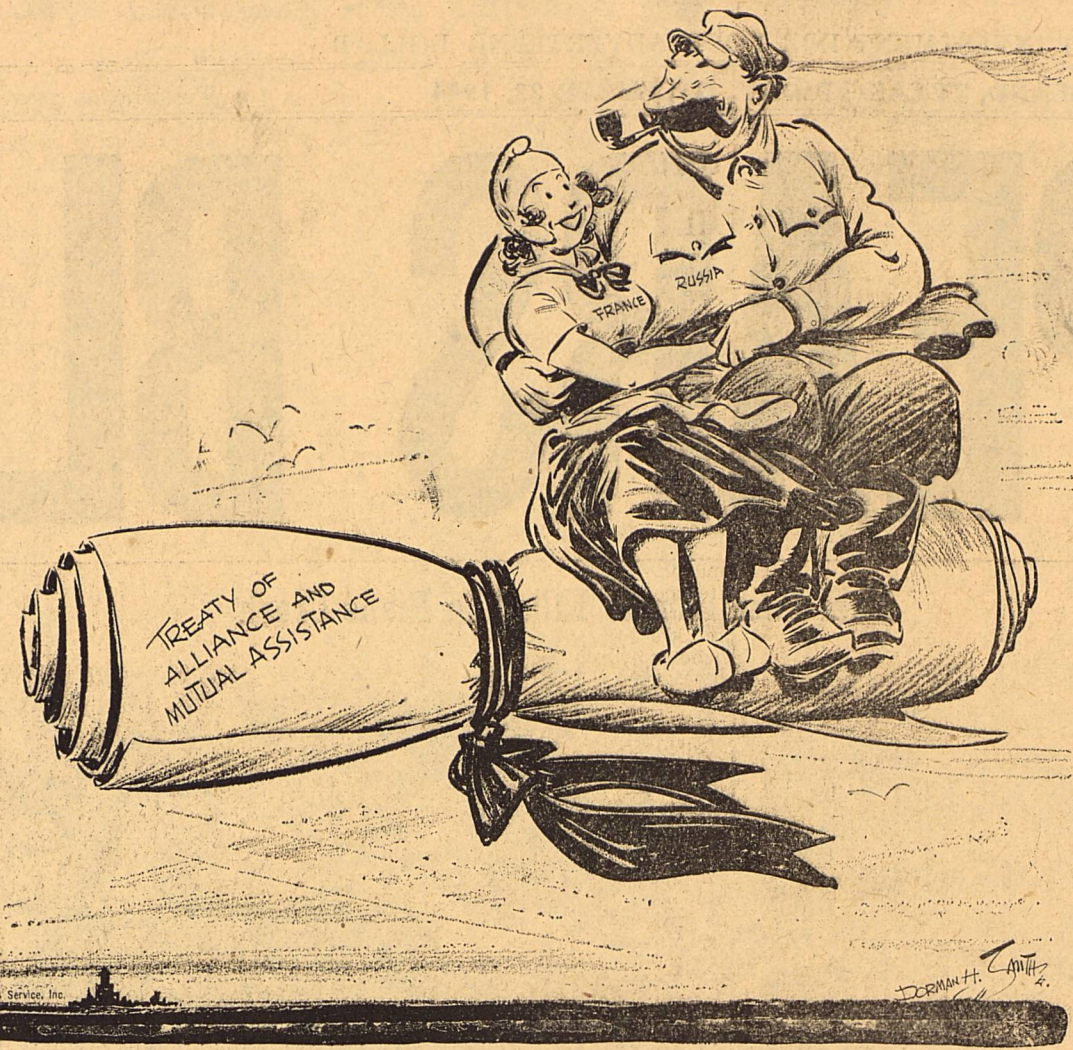
Livestock

FORT WORTH—(AP)—Cattle 800, calves 500; steady; a few medium and low grade steers and yearlings (5.50-11.00); beef cows 7.00-10.00; good fat calves 12-13.00. Not enough stocker and feeder classes to make a market.

Cotton

NEW YORK—(AP)—Noon cotton prices were five cents a bale higher to 10 cents lower Friday, March

Honeymoon Special



Humble To -

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The Texas Company No. 1 Montgomery, Central Hockley County wildcat in labor 19, league 70, Val Verde County School Land survey, five miles north of the Slaughter pool, was swabbing with 2,000 gallons of acid in a section at 4,744-4,864 feet, which had streaks of saturation from which some free oil had developed, natural. Total depth is 4,890 feet, in San Andres-Permian. No Petroleum Developed

Humble No. 1 Keel, section 22, block 27, TP survey, in North Mitchell County, had taken a drillstem test at 7,734-7,810 feet, in lime section. The tool was open 26 minutes. There was no shows of oil or gas in 20 feet of drilling mud recovered, and there was no flowing pressure shown.

Humble No. 1 Parrott, section 3, EL survey, swabbed five barrels of fluid in eight hours of testing. Recovery was cut three percent water and six percent basic sediment.

The sections tested were at 7,480-7,500 feet, and at 7,530-50 feet, in the lower Permian.

Operators has installed a blow-out preventer, and is preparing to run a cement retainer.

Will Use Chemicals The Texas Company N. 3-B Hobbs, Southeast Crane County possible discovery for production from the Clear Fork-Permian, in section 33, block 35, H&TC survey, one and one-half miles northwest of the initial producer from the Devonian in the Crossett field, was preparing to acidize, after swabbing around three-quarters of a barrel of fluid per hour for a considerable time. Cut ranged from two to thirty percent basic sediment and water. The fluid came from 3,190-3,220 feet.

Phillips Petroleum Company No. 4-H University, 1,980 feet from east and 1,974 feet from north of section 47, block 9, University survey in South Andrews County, is a semi-wildcat project to 4,750 feet. Location is 2,950 feet southwest of same operator's No. 2-H University, a small producer from the North Cowden pay section.

Several Good Zones Anton Carter and Phillips No. B-5 Wasson, a dual completion project in section 49, block AX, ps1 survey, in the south side of the Wasson area in North Gaines County, was preparing to treat with second stage acid of 6,000 gallons through perforations at 6,320-6,570 feet.

That zone, which had already been shot with 6,000 gallons of acid had tested for 22 barrels of oil per hour. The section at 6,000-6,325 feet, had flowed for nine of 9,000 gallon after using a total of 9,000 gallons of acid, and the Wasson "72" horizon, at 1,175-7,505 feet, made a flowing 24-hour production of 298 barrels of oil natural, from uncased hole.

This is likely best dual-completion well so far tested in the Wasson area from pay in the lower Permian zones of that region.

Wild Well Still Wild Stanolind Oil Gas Company No. 1-P State, section 24-21s-34e south outpost to the West Eunice field, in South Lea County, New Mexico, was still flowing out of control early Friday morning, after having been wild for over 30 hours.

The flow of around 500 barrels per hour with no water had not diminished and it was reported that a 160-acre tract was covered with oil.

Operator was continuing efforts to kill the well. The oil was reported to be going at least 30 feet above the 60-foot mast on the drilling rig. Packer Failed

Sun Oil Company No. 1 Wheeler, East Winkler County wildcat, in section 13, block B-7, ps1 survey, was drilling below 9,270 feet, in Silurian.

A drillstem test at 9,230-60 feet did not get results when the bottom choke failed. The section above that level had shown for an estimated 42 barrels per hour natural on a previous test.

U. S. Circuit Court Remands Humble Oil Case

NEW ORLEANS—(AP)—The U. S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals has reversed and remanded an interlocutory order of the Federal District Court at Dallas granting the Humble Oil and Refining Company an injunction against the National War Labor Board and other federal agencies.

The injunction restrained the defendants from seizing the company's Ingleside refinery to force compliance with a WLB directive. The appeals court remanded the case to the original court "for further proceedings not inconsistent with the opinion."

"No Sound Basis" In its opinion the circuit court stated that "jurisdiction of a district court is confined within strict limits and its injunction power is further encompassed" and that "no sound basis existed for the issuance of the injunction, x x x"

Defendant with the NWLB were the Eighth Regional WLB at Dallas, the National Economic Stabilization Director and the Federal Petroleum Administrator for War.

The opinion said the Washington defendants were not residents of Texas and added the oil company "had no real controversy with the Texas defendants at the time the injunction was issued."

Humble brought the original action after a NWLB directive last April 1 sought to require the company to discharge any employee who resigned from or was not in good standing with the local CIO union, the employees' bargaining agent.

Lt. A. D. Bryant May Be Prisoner Of War

German propaganda broadcasts have reported First Lt. A. D. Bryant of Midland is a prisoner of war of the Nazis. The officer has been missing in action since Oct. 27. He was in Holland with the Tank Corps.

Several persons have notified his wife that they heard the broadcast. Mrs. A. D. Bryant and daughter, Diana Lee, and Mrs. Grace Smith, all of Memphis, Tenn., now are here visiting the officer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boss Bryant.

Six Persons Injured In Auto Collision

ODESSA—Six persons, including four Army officers, were injured early Friday in an automobile collision on Highway 80 near here.

The officers are Lt. Edwin A. Loffswold and Lt. Donald E. Hower, both of Midland Army Air Field, and Lt. Robert D. Eisenhart and Lt. Huettt K. Graham, both of the Pyote Army Air Field. None was injured critically.

Two occupants of the other car were taken to an Odessa hospital for treatment.

Strong ELAS -

(Continued from Page 1) Stiff resistance developed from ELAS strongpoints in the northern basin of the harbor. ELAS machinegunners and mortar positions, holed up in industrial plants and warehouses, thus far succeeded in preventing a linkup of British detachments clearing to the left and right of the harbor.

The London Daily Telegraph, in an Athens dispatch, quoted Greek Premier George Papandreou as saying he could "produce proofs" that the revolution had already been decided upon by the ELAS before the Dec. 3 rioting which set off the Greek civil strife.

The newspaper quoted the Greek premier as declaring Britain never had done Greece a greater favor than this December when "she stood up on behalf of an unarmed government representing the great majority of the country against an armed minority bent on imposing Nazi-like tyranny."

Eisenhower -

(Continued From Page 1) penetration reported officially by the Americans.

The new thrust, apparently in France in the direction of the Third Army's Thionville sector, was repulsed after a tank battle, field reports said.

Another dispatch said this greatest single conflict of the Western Front in its sixth blazing day had reached the critical stage as tens of thousands of additional men were thrown in every few hours by each side. This report said the Germans kept the initiative Thursday and that only on the flanks in Luxembourg to the south and on the Malmédy-Stavelot line had the advance been contained.

Security Cloaked Full depth of the enemy penetration in those two countries was cloaked by a security news delay as weather continued to keep the Allies' air might in virtual idleness. RAF heavy bombers hit Trier, German supply funnel, Thursday, and attacked Bonn and Cologne on the Rhine during the night.

Except for the massive German drive against the First Army, there was little reported activity on the rest of the Western Front. The Germans admitted a setback in the south where, they said, the French First Army hurled two to three divisions into an assault aimed at cracking the Nazi line northeast of Colmar.

Berlin said U. S. Third Army forces were wheeling northward into Luxembourg to aid the First Army battling the German advance.

Supreme Headquarters announced that German paratroopers had been dropped a few miles southwest of Habumont, Belgian village 13 miles south of Liege and 30 miles west of the German border, deepest penetration of Belgium to have reported at SHAEF.

Phone Officers For Soldiers For Dinner

Midland citizens who would like to invite members of the armed forces stationed here to dinner during the Christmas season can do so by calling the personal service officer at either of the air fields, W. E. Neely, chairman of this part of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas activities program, said Friday.

The personal service officer at Midland Army Air Field can be reached by telephoning 900 and asking for extension 401. The telephone number for Midland Municipal Airport is 940 and the personal service officer's extension number is No. 7.

Back From Overseas

Mrs. James N. Devereux and daughter, Jean, have gone to San Antonio to visit with Capt. James N. Devereux who is in the Brooks General Hospital there.

Chapels at Camp Hood were presenting daily programs of carols, and will hold special holiday services. Most major units of the camp planned parties.

There were Christmas furloughs for several hundred patients at Temple's McCloskey General Hospital. Thousands of gifts were pouring in there for those unable to be with their families.

The Houston Chronicle had laid the foundation of a cheer fund for patients at McCloskey with a donation of \$5,000, and half of that was set aside for holiday telephone calls by wounded men.

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Yanks Find Final Evidence Of Nazi Prisoner Massacre

WITH THE U. S. FIRST ARMY—(AP)—Films taken from a captured German photographer have provided visual verification of recent front-line accounts of the massacre of American prisoners by Nazi machinegunners.

Developed by the U. S. Army Signal Corps, the films proved to be pictures taken after the massacre and showed the bodies of American troops lying where they were mowed down. That they were not ordinary battle casualties was indicated by the absence of equipment which American troops always carry into action.

All the bodies had been stripped of belongings—in several cases even of shoes.

(The shooting incident was reported in a front dispatch Dec. 18 by Associated Press Correspondent Hal Boyle, who interviewed a handful of doughboys who escaped the massacre by playing dead. Later dispatches from headquarters said the incident had been fully confirmed.)

New Contributions For Goodfellows Fund Are Announced

The Goodfellows Club fund to supply Christmas food purchase certificates for needy families of Midland reached a total of \$399.47 Friday when four new contributions were made.

"I am sure families who receive the food purchase certificates for Christmas dinners will be very grateful to those who have contributed to the fund," Ily Pratt, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce welfare committee said.

Miss Wendover Investigates Families who receive the certificates have all been carefully investigated by Betty Wendover, welfare director, and all are in need through no fault of their own. Certificates will not be given persons able to work, Pratt said.

The certificates will have all been distributed by noon Saturday so the families receiving them will have time to purchase food for Christmas dinners before the store close for the double Christmas holiday.

Latest contributors to the fund are the Episcopal Auxiliary, \$5; F. G. Bonds, \$5; Hamilton McRae, 5; and an anonymous contribution of \$1.

Midland Children Cheer Santa Claus During Visit Here

Hundreds of jubilant Midland children gave Santa Claus such a rousing and lusty welcome Thursday afternoon a police escort was required to get him away from the youngsters so he could speed on his way for visits at other places.

Children began arriving at the courthouse an hour before Santa's scheduled arrival. Shortly before he was due to arrive a large plane was seen circling overhead preparing to land. A few minutes after the plane landed, Santa arrived at the courthouse and was greeted by a cheering crowd.

Since the old gentleman had only a short time to remain in Midland the Dunagan Sales Company's sound truck was pressed into service so he could address the youngsters. When Clint Dunagan introduced Santa Claus to the crowd the youngsters started cheering.

As Santa attempted to leave, children crowded around him and Police Chief Jack Ellington was called to escort him to the car waiting to return him to the airport.

His visit was arranged by Midland JayCees as a part of their Christmas activities program.

Bullet Ends Life Of Warren D. Fulton

SAN ANGELO—An inquest was being conducted here Friday in the death of Warren D. Fulton, 28, who died Thursday afternoon of a bullet wound in the chest. He was shot by a bullet from a .38 caliber pistol and was found in a bedroom of his home, officers said.

He came here about four years ago from Lubbock and was engaged in the tire business with his father, Joe F. Fulton.

Surviving are his widow, a son, Max Warren, 3; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe F. Fulton; a sister, Mrs. W. L. Smith of Texas City; and three brothers, R. H. and G. V. of Lubbock, and M. M. of Midland.

Funeral services were scheduled here Friday afternoon with interment in Lubbock.

We will be open evenings till 9 o'clock all this week. Western Auto Associate Store, opposite Western Union. —(Adv.)

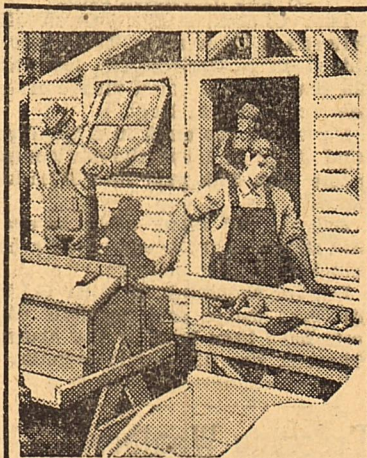
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Society

Husbands Are Guests At Progressive Study Club Holiday Party

Members of the Progressive Study Club entertained their husbands at a Christmas party Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Estes, 2109 W. Brunson. Mrs. Estes' mother, Mrs. M. Marvin, assisted with the entertaining.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the house, with gifts being placed under the tree as the members arrived. Gifts exchanged among the members were "white elephants" and other gifts were collected to be distributed among the children of the colored nursery Holt McWorkman played the part of Santa.

Earlier in the evening, several games of bingo were played. Following the distribution of the gifts, refreshments were served. As a special feature, Norris Creath gave an impromptu reading entitled "Rosita."

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Berg, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Holt McWorkman, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCullough, Capt. and Mrs. Ted Ozanne, Lt. and Mrs. Porter Fearey, Lt. and Mrs. Jack Brumling, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Creath, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Waldrep.

Young People Are Featured In Annual Christmas Program

The First Assembly of God Church held its annual Christmas program Wednesday night in the church auditorium. Mrs. Paul H. Cox, wife of the pastor, had charge of the program. Gifts were placed under the decorated tree and were distributed along with bags of candy, apples and oranges.

The program was given by the younger element of the congregation. The boys and girls on the program were Mary Evelyn Rhodes, Billy Harmon, LaDonne Watt, Patsy McKinney, Dennis Milner, Billy Bryan, Inez Jobe, Marie Pittman, Melvin Dooley, Anna Corrine Buckingham, Buelah Pittman, Erlen Watson, Kenneth Pittman, Flor Harmon, Billy Branch, Kenneth Pruitt, Ernest McKinney, Roy McKinney, Joe Richters, and Crystal Belle Dooley.

HIGH SCHOOL CROWD ARE GUESTS AT DANCE

The high school crowd was feted with a formal dance Thursday night in the Hotel Scharbauer Ballroom. Hosts for the evening's festivities were Richard Berry, Bill Holcomb, Bitsy Vertrees, Henry Shaw, Ralph Vertrees, Bill Price and Bert Hemphill.

Music for dancing was furnished by Jack Cecil.

Couple Visits Here

Petty Officer Gerald L. Henderson and his bride, the former Wilma Pettie of Lubbock, visited in Midland last week with Henderson's mother, Mrs. E. C. McNeill. The groom recently returned from an eighteen months' tour of duty in the South Pacific during which he participated in five major engagements. The couple returned to San Francisco to reside.

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Star Club Gives Christmas Dinner

The Star Club met Wednesday with Mrs. Joe Dobson at the Atlantic tank farm for a Christmas dinner. Mrs. Lee Thomas gave the Christmas prayer. The gifts were distributed by Mrs. M. L. Wyatt who acted as Santa Claus. Gifts were exchanged by the Star Sisters, and a set of crystal fruit glasses was presented to Mrs. Joe Dobson, president.

The Yuletide theme was carried over in decorations, plate favors, poinsettia and ivy in the party rooms. Mrs. Dobson presented each member with a casserole dish of Christmas candy.

Members attending were Mmes. Benard Collins, Hattie Inman, J. Wayne Campbell, Lee Thomas, Fred Wyatt, Pat Barber, Sherwood O'Neal, M. A. Floyd, M. L. Wyatt, Mary Leo Baldrige, Bertha Jones, Minnie Crumley, H. E. Skipper, L. C. Stephenson, G. C. Driver, and a guest, Mrs. Robert C. Duty of Los Angeles, Calif.

The next meeting will be a study club meeting at the Masonic Temple hall at 1 p. m., Jan. 2. The study will be for "A" and "B" certificates.

Girl Scout Troop 8 Has Christmas Party In Chapple Home

Girl Scout Troop 8 had a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. James H. Chapple, Wednesday afternoon. The girls exchanged gifts and the leaders, Mrs. Selix Ankele, Mrs. Don Johnson, and Mrs. James H. Chapple presented each of the girls with a gift.

The girls on the kitchen committee were Roslynn Leggett, Betty Wilson, Sus Johnson, Sue Conner and Evelyn Jowell were in charge of place cards. Gloria Anguish and Toyah Chapple were responsible for the exchange of gifts. DePhane Taber read a poem "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day." The guests sang Christmas carols and played Girl Scout games.

Other scouts present were Helene Harris, LaVerne Whitley, Margiebeth Carter, Joan Tom, Peggy Milner, Suzanne Young, Jean Ferguson, Peggy Charlton and Annie Ruth Long.

Returns For Holidays

Betty Burnett, who is a student at the University of Texas, will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Mascho, of 505 Cuthbert.

Coming Events

SATURDAY—
The Treble Clef Juvenile Music Club will meet at 11 a. m. at the Watson School of Music.

Santa Claus will appear in person to distribute gifts to children of military personnel at the MAAF post theater at 1:30 p. m.

Hostess for the Junior Canteen from 3:30 to 6 p. m. will be Mrs. A. Knickerbocker.

All Girl Scouts of Midland will assemble on the steps of the courthouse at 7 p. m. for the singing of Christmas carols.

Alaska Is The Land Of Opportunity For Women Says Charming And Talented Girl Pioneer

By ANN STEVICK
NEA Staff Writer

Go north, woman, if you want a postwar part in a lively frontier where there's a chance for women to be leaders. And Alaska is a bonanza if your ego needs a little boost, for the farther north you push the fewer women there are and the more glamorous you become. That's Ruth Gruber talking, Department of Interior Field Representative for Alaska, who after two years there doing research and traveling as basic training for her job, thinks it's a Woman's Country.

Miss Gruber's a runner-up to her boss, Secretary Harold Ickes, in the number of varied jobs she can swing, and she outdoes him a good bit in brunette beauty and radiant smile. At 20 she was the youngest Doctor of Philosophy in the world. Today, at 32, she's an outstanding explorer, reporter, research worker and author.

Her book, "I Went to the Soviet Arctic," is just off the Viking Press with new chapters—written as vital military information in the first edition—giving the dope on Arctic air routes which are now an Allied life line. It records her trip in 1939, as first foreign correspondent to visit the boom towns of the Russian arctic, where she found women at work at every sort of job from mayor and city planner to wood chopper.

And, she says, there's no reason why women can't do the same things in Alaska, which Miss Gruber sees as a cross-road in the coming Asiatic trade boom, for there are innumerable opportuni-



MISS GRUBER

ties for women in Alaska. Miss Gruber, who gets hundreds of letters every month from prospective pioneers—teachers, nurses, scientists, beauty operators and cooks, tells them that there's hard work to be done in a frontier country, but it's not all work and no play by any means. Alaskans go in for a lot of sociable getting together, and there are probably more clubs per capita than any place else in the world.

Sub-Deb Dance

Sally Hull, president of the Sub-Debs, announced that with the mailing situation in the condition that it is some of the desired guests will not receive invitations until after the dance Christmas night. They are invited to attend regardless of whether or not they receive their invitations. Particularly included in this group are students home from college for the holidays, and high school classmates of the club members. Sally says that the invitations will arrive, but it may be New Year's day.

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Santa Claus To Return To MAAF On Saturday

Arrangements for meeting Santa Claus Saturday at Midland Army Air Field have just about been completed. The latest weather report from the meteorologists on the post indicate that the weather around the North Pole is clear, and Santa will be able to make the journey in his AT-11 without any difficulty.

Santa's navigator has sent to the control tower on the field his estimated time of arrival and unless some unexpected bad weather puts in an appearance, Santa should land at half past one on Saturday afternoon.

Approximately three hundred children are expected to greet old Saint Nicholas when he steps from his plane into the jeep-sled that will be waiting for him. Santa will then lead the way to the theater where the children and their mommies will see two short movies while Santa Claus arranges the presents he will have for all the boys and girls.

At about 2:30 Santa will dig down into his huge bag and distribute the presents he has brought with him from his workshop at the North Pole. But he will not forget the little boys and girls who are not able to attend the gathering at the theater. He will leave presents for those registered with the chaplains at the post.

Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey has put in a special request to Santa to bring some nice warm weather with him, so the little boys and girls will not be too cold waiting for Santa's arrival.

Churches To Mark Christmas Eve With Special Devotions

In Midland churches Christmas Eve, special Christmas services will supersede regular Sunday services. Several churches also will present Christmas programs during the day.

A Christmas cantata, "The Mystery of Bethlehem," by Healey Willan will be presented at 5 p. m. in the First Presbyterian Church, and a special candlelight ceremony will be held at the Trinity Episcopal Church at 11:30 p. m.

At the regular morning service of the First Baptist Church, the cantata, "The Light Eternal," directed by the Rev. Raymond G. Hall, associate pastor, will be presented. To Feature Christmas Music

The First Christian Church will have a program of special Christmas music at the church's vesper services at 7:30 p. m.

High Mass will be celebrated at midnight in St. George's Catholic Church by the Rev. Frank Triggs, pastor, and at the MAAF Post Chapel by the Rev. Patrick J. Toomey, chaplain, with special programs of Christmas hymns arranged by the church choirs. In both churches, the Masses which will be sung will be the First Mass of Christmas.

Confessions will be heard at St. George's Church by two priests at 4 to 6 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. Saturday, and from 7:15 to 9 p. m. Sunday. Children's confessions will be heard at 4 p. m. Sunday.

Song Wins Role



Her singing at the Hollywood Canteen won comely actress Janis Paige, above, an important role in the Warner Brothers picture about the famous servicemen's recreation center.

Rotarians, Soldiers To Have Stag Party

Members of the Rotary Club will meet at 8 p. m. Friday in the day-room at Midland Municipal Airport with the military personnel stationed there for a stag party. The Rotary Club is furnishing the program for the event. C. H. Shepard, president of the club, said.

C. V. (Cap) Lyman will be the principal speaker for the event. "This will be an enjoyable party, and I urge a full attendance by the Rotarians," Shepard said. "Let us help entertain the military personnel who are away from home at Christmas."

Temperature Falls To 28 Degree Mark

The second day of winter in Midland found the mercury taking a nose dive as it fell to 28 degrees at 5 a. m. and remained there until 9 a. m. This was six degrees under the minimum temperature for the first day of winter.

Midlanders didn't find it necessary to turn on electric fans Thursday as the temperature never rose higher than 44 degrees. The mercury reached 44 at 5 p. m. and remained there until 6.

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MAAF Personnel Will Have Big Christmas Feast

The majority of officers and enlisted men at Midland Army Air Field will not be home for Christmas—unless it be in their dreams, but they will be able to enjoy a sumptuous feast on Christmas Day. The menu which lists the courses for Christmas dinner is really a gourmet's delight.

The main course is turkey roasted to a crisp and savory turn, adorned with the pungent appeal of old-fashioned country dressing, cranberry sauce and the hot succulence of giblet gravy. And fluffy snowflake potatoes, fresh young peas, and candied sweets.

—With Butter Too
Iced celery, sweet pickles, and olives—large ripe California olives, will be ample to whet the appetite. The salad consists of crisp and appealing lettuce and sliced tomatoes. Small hot rolls are there, wearing a soft square of butter, rich and yellow.

Friendly portions of deep and hot mince pie, richly iced cake—layer on layer, and ice cream; mixed nuts and fruits, and for the sweet tooth—assorted candy.

To lubricate the feast there is steaming hot coffee, sugar and cream, or for those who prefer, ice cold fruitade made with fresh oranges, lemons, and limes.

Red Cross To Give Christmas Broadcast

The Midland Chapter of the American Red Cross will present a special Christmas broadcast, "The Red Cross and the Soldier" over KRLH at 8:15 p. m., Friday. Personnel from Midland Army Air Field and Red Cross workers will be featured in the play.

Christmas Carol Will Be Broadcast

The choir of the First Presbyterian Church will be heard over KRLH at 8:30 p. m. Friday in a program of Christmas music. This will be the third of a series of four Christmas programs which are being sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The programs were arranged by U. A. Hyde.

At 8:30 p. m. Saturday C. G. Cooper will be heard reading Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol."

The First Methodist Church choir was heard Wednesday night, and the First Baptist Church choir was heard Thursday night.

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MacLeish Is Not First Poet In State Department

WASHINGTON (AP)—Literary agents have done pretty well, working for Uncle Sam. But Archibald MacLeish is a poet caught in the wringer.

He's Librarian of Congress, a job the President gave him in 1939. There was a big fight in Congress over it.

Now the President wants to make him an Assistant Secretary of State. He'd handle public information. There's another fight in Congress over that.

Clark Disapproves
Among poets MacLeish is a very distinguished guy, but not to Senator Clark of Missouri. Clark says: "I don't think much of his poetry—or his prose either. I don't think he's qualified to be an Assistant Secretary of State."

(Some government people didn't think much of Walt Whitman, either. But he just had a small job. He was a clerk in the Interior Department. He wrote "Leaves of Grass." He was tossed out on his ear for it.)

So, suspecting that any poet has three strikes on him in times when football brunies win the girls and poets disappear in little magazines, I asked MacLeish:

"If you become Assistant Secretary of State, would that be the highest government job a poet ever got in his country?"

Answered Quickly
"Oh, no," MacLeish said, right off. "John Hay who wrote the 'Pike County Ballads,' you know, was an Assistant Secretary of State and later Secretary of State."

Right now two writing men in top government jobs are Elmer Davis, OWI Director who won his greatest fame as a radio commentator, and Claude G. Bowers, historian and ambassador to Chile.

There's no sense stopping now. The English took pretty good care of some of their shining lights with pencil-and-paper. For instance, Chaucer, Spenser, Milton, Addison, MacAulay, Francis Bacon, Diderot, Philip Sidney all had good spots in government.

By NEA Service
Accidents looking for a place to happen have always been the chief concern of the National Safety Council. This year the home front reports a prize crop of freak mishaps, some of which are tabulated here:

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2. Footballer Gregory Stengel, 13, got twisted when he put his jersey on backward, snapping a neck vertebra.

3. The phone tingled, and Mrs. Rita Hatfield, Chicago, hastened to answer. She stumbled over her dog, fell through a glass-topped table, and then learned the call was from an insurance salesman trying to sell her a home accident policy.

4. Running to the scene of an explosion in Cleveland, Louis Boardman fell into an open manhole, whose cover had been blown off by the blast.

5. A hot line drive at a sandlot ball game struck Clarence Brown, Jr., St. Louis, starting a fire when it struck his pocketful of stick matches.

6. Pic. Charles Smith, home from the front, was injured when a spon picked up by a power lawn mower was hurled against his leg.

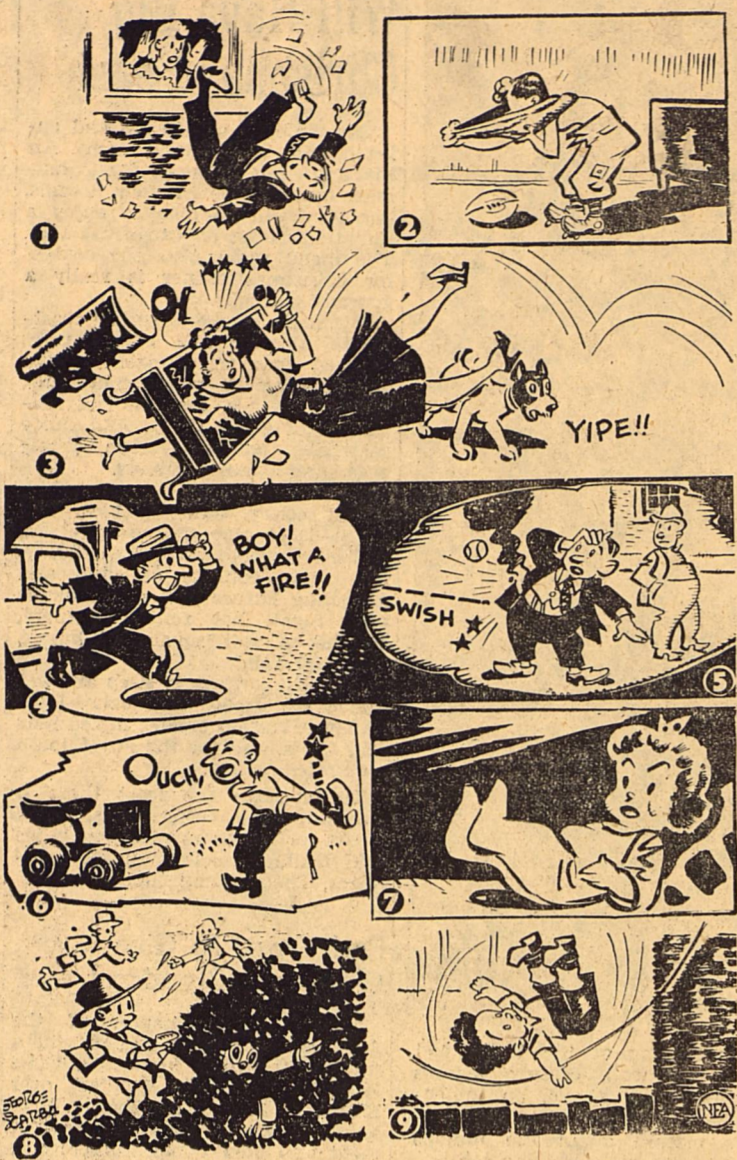
7. A Navy plane plowed through baby Margaret Morton's bedroom, at Groton, Conn., and whisked off her blankets without touching her.

8. A truck spilled 13 tons of coal on Paul Lewchick, Coaldale, Pa., who suffered only minor cuts.

9. A neighbor's clothes line saved Raymond Davis, Jr., 4, Chicago, from serious injury when he fell three stories. He suffered only a head bruise.

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Broadcast Will Climax MAAF Yule Program

Climax of a series of Christmas entertainment programs at Midland Army Air Field's Station Hospital will be the broadcast of KRLH of a musical program on Saturday afternoon. Vocal and instrumental selections will be presented for the shut-ins by Mrs. Holt Jowell and her music students.

In an effort to make Christmas a true holiday season for the officers and enlisted men who will be confined to the hospital, festivities have been planned to start early in the week before Christmas and last until New Year's Day. A group of Christmas chorists under the direction of Lt. T. Hall Keyes III inaugurated the holiday program on last Monday with an evening of Christmas carols.

On Wednesday night a little group of school children from Midland journeyed to the hospital to bring a few moments of sweetness and light with their caroling. Trees Distributed

Early in the week, Christmas trees and decorations were distributed to every ward, with the understanding that the patients would do the decorating in an old-fashioned tree trimming contest. On Friday evening Lt. Col. Edwin G. Benjamin and Capt. Katherine C. Yount will look over the wards and decide which has the most attractive decorations. To the winner will go a special "yuletide" gift.

Santa Claus will put in an appearance at the patient's Christmas Party on Friday. Under the sponsorship of the Hospital Staff, the Gray Ladies, the Red Cross, and the American Legion, Santa will distribute gifts to all the patients.

The Christmas Eve Program in the hospital will include a recorded presentation of Dickens' "Christmas Carol," a short movie, and a session of caroling.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC Church Father Frank Triggs, Pastor. Sunday Masses

8:00 a. m.: English and Spanish. 9:30 a. m.: Spanish. 11:00 a. m.: English. Sunday Evening Devotions 7:00 p. m.: Novena and Benediction. Daily Mass: 8:00 a. m.

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WEDNESDAY Bible Study

CHURCH OF CHRIST Corner North A and Tennessee Leonard C. Baukhead, Minister

10:00 a. m.: Bible Study. 11:00 a. m.: Sermon and Communion. 7:00 p. m.: Young People. 8:00 p. m.: Service. 2:00 p. m.: Tuesday class. 8:00 p. m.: Wednesday class.

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SOUTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST J. F. Lilly, Minister 10:30 a. m.: Morning Services.

Church News

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Patrick J. Toomey, Post Chaplain Catholic Services Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey Mass at 8 a. m. and 9:45 a. m. Mass at 12:15 p. m. Monday through Friday.

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510 South Baird Street Rev. Paul H. Cox 10:00 a. m.: Sunday school. 11:00 a. m.: Preaching service. 7:00 p. m. Young peoples service. Wednesday: 8:00 p. m.: Prayer meeting.

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300 North Main Street Rev. Will C. House, D. D., Minister 9:45 a. m.: Sunday School. 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. 7:00 p. m. — Intermediates and Young People. 8:00 p. m.—The young people will have charge of the service.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. A. W. Smith, Pastor 1001 South Main Street 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School. 11:00 a. m.: Morning worship and sermon, "Proof of Love." 7:00 p. m.: Training Union.

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Private Dining Room Seabauer Hotel 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School. 11:00 a. m.—Morning lesson-sermon, "Christ Jesus." 4:45 p. m.— Saturday radio program.

8:00 p. m.—Second Wednesday of the month service. The Golden Text is: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined" (Isaiah 9:2).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Throughout all generations both before and after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spiritual idea,—the reflection of God,—has come with some measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive Christ, Truth" (page 333).

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH H and Illinois Streets Rev. R. J. Snell, Minister 8:00 a. m.: Holy Communion. 9:45 a. m.: Church School. 11:00 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, "Christ Is Here." 7:00 p. m.—Church School service. 11:30 p. m.—Holy Communion and Carols.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Main Street and Illinois Rev. Vernon Yearby, Pastor 9:45 a. m.—Sunday School, "The Grould of Universal Joy." 10:55 a. m.— Christmas Cantata.

Christmas Marriage License Boom Is On

Cupid took on the Christmas spirit Thursday and marriage license clerks were busy at the county clerk's office issuing marriage licenses.

Four licenses were issued during the day. They were for Bartlett H. Johnson and Mary Elizabeth McDonald, Daniel Micheal Ungaro and Treva Charlotte Knapp, Leake Ward and Ethel E. Rives, and Lloyd L. Carver and Esther M. Hofaker.

Scouts Postpone Snow Study Because Of Snow

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THE WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE Associated Press War Analyst

The great German counter-offensive hasn't yet reached its crisis but remains in that nerve-torturing, betwixt-and-between period of uncertainty which tries the morale of generals and anxious home-fronts alike.

German military commentators say the offensive has reached the phase which they characterize as the battle of material. That covers the situation fairly well. The element of big-scale surprise is past, and now comes the test of resources—manpower, weapons, supplies.

Nazi Marshal von Rundstedt struck with his full weight when he launched his great gamble, throwing his opponent off balance. However, the Allied superiority in all categories of resources is increasingly making itself felt, and even Berlin commentators are warning their public against over-optimism at this crucial stage.

Moral: and resourcefulness of course will count tremendously, and right here I want to read the appraisal of "the great fighter G. I. Joe" made by Stanley Baron, British war correspondent of the London Daily News with the American First Army. This essay is smashed by the Germans. "What do I think of the Americans?" asks Baron, and then answers:

"Out of the line they will go to the utmost length to convince you that they really are civilians under the khaki and that they only want to be civilians. Then you arrive at the front line and you get the other half of the picture, the soldier half, the half which fights and which, if need be, dies grimly, desperately, earnestly, with bravery as utterly complete and selfless as any man can show anywhere. Then you realize the two halves are not incompatible but in a way are symbolic of all the American soldier believes that he stands for."

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The ACACIA TREE

WITH that sudden clarity of vision that comes after one has been a long time unaware, Joel saw why he must plant an acacia. Yet he wondered would she recall the need now, when his son had come and Jonathan's son was no longer a sword to wound her.

look of which Flavia had spoken came yet to her face in rare moments and at such times Joel found himself speculating upon what unhappy memory her heart looked back.

The sun was high when Flavia and he returned to the inn, and as he hired had charge of his sheep. In his heart the death of Jonathan had ceased to have importance, yet if Michal loved the brother of Flavia, could he, knowing how bitterly Jonathan had wronged her, could he blame Michal if she loved Drusus?

He promised himself that he would plant an acacia when the latter rains should cease and the earth begin putting forth new life.

Her little hand lost itself in his ruddy locks and drew his head to her breast. "Thou hast thy son, Joel," she murmured.

TEBETH had come, and Caesar Augustus had decreed that all the world should pay tax, when Drusus came again to Judaea. Bethlehem was thronged with those returning to the place of their families' beginning and Romans and Hellenists preparing a feast to celebrate the recent victory of Roman arms. And Drusus sought Michal.

He said quickly, "So that thou leavest me not I have no other need."

She sprang up gladly to greet him and he held her hands while he looked again upon her lovely face and wondered why he had gone where it could not appear.

She seemed to forget Drusus in the months that followed. He had brought her and the child to the little home, rejoicing, and Adar had fled and Nisan followed, bringing the return of navigation to the great sea that lies between Bethlehem and Rome, and Drusus came not with the ships that brought many Roman soldiers.

Her curls danced about her grave face as she shook her head in denial. "Thou art my friend, Drusus," she said. "Thou must not love another's wife."

Gov. Stevenson Calls On Texans For War Work

AUSTIN—(AP)—Because the nation needs 300,000 more workers in vital war jobs, Gov. Coke Stevenson has appealed to Texans to act quickly upon their knowledge of the nation's need.

Ingenious Soldier Solves Travel Problems

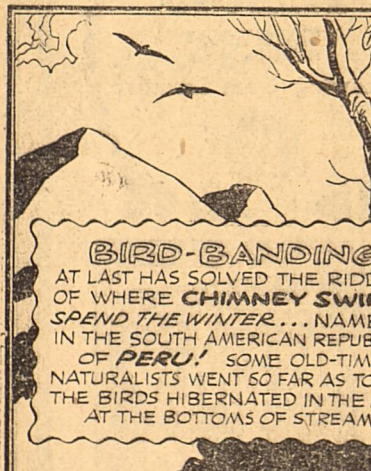
CHICAGO—(AP)—Here's a soldier father who solves three traveling problems.

Officials of the War Manpower Commission have told him there is a "desperate shortage of manpower," the governor said in making these suggestions to Texans:

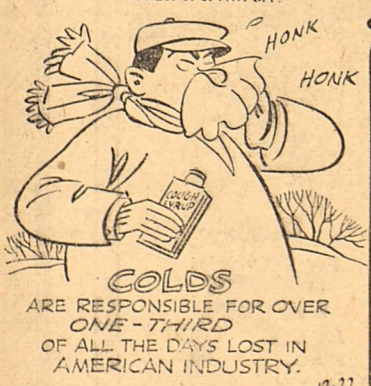
He carries his youngster, Thomas, in his barracks bag, papoose fashion. Tommy appeared to enjoy his father's idea.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



BIRD-BANDING AT LAST HAS SOLVED THE RIDDLE OF WHERE CHIMNEY SWIFTS SPEND THE WINTER...



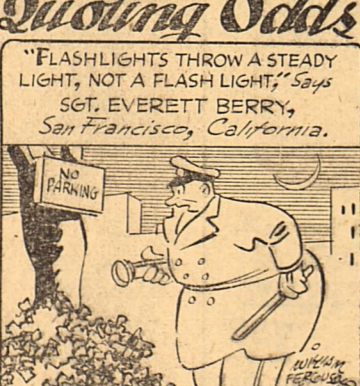
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Quoting Odds

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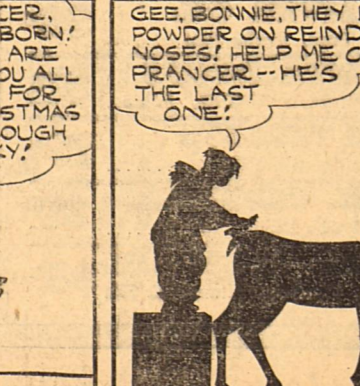
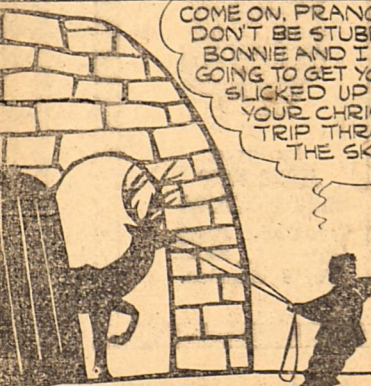
"FLASHLIGHTS THROW A STEADY LIGHT, NOT A FLASH LIGHT!"



"GEE, BONNIE, THEY DON'T PUT POWDER ON REINDEER'S NOSES!"

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

By Laurene Rose Diehl



McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

Don't feel badly when you and your partner get mixed up in the bidding or play. That is all part of the game and helps to make it interesting. I am not going to give the names of the players who became tangled up on today's hand, but I do say that East and South were two of the country's outstanding Life Masters.

Each admitted that his only justification for the three-spade bid was his desire to let the other three players know that there was another suit in the deck besides hearts.

♠ Q3	♠ 10976
♥ K975	♥ 102
♦ J986	♦ Q5
♣ 874	♣ QJ962

Dealer

♠ A64	♠ 10976
♥ QJ8643	♥ 102
♦ K	♦ Q5
♣ K53	♣ QJ962

Duplicate—None vul.

South	West	North	East
1♥	2♥	3♥	3♣
Pass	6♣	Pass	3♣
Opening—♥ Q.			22

JOEL was unworried as he led his flock. There was a hint of change in the air and a sting in the low wind, but he expected no sudden storm. If the rain came before morning he would be surprised. There were soft low clouds in the sky but not the great masses of vapor that are a warning to men of the hills.

As he neared the dwelling he heard Dan crying and the never distant fear of something he did not understand put a cold hand on him so that his flesh contracted and his breath grew short. Dan's cry was one of an infant long untended and now uncomfortable.

He enclosed the sheep and walked toward the house, unaware of Drusus' return, and intent upon clasping Michal in his arms. His homecoming had lately been so welcomed by her that he felt at last she was forgetting the past and ready to admit a love for him like to his own for her.

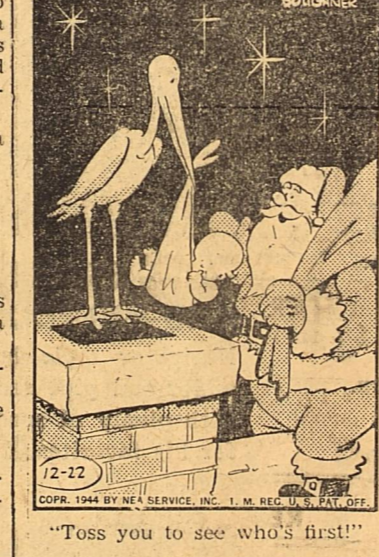
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was his desire to let the other three players know that there was another suit in the deck besides hearts. Of course he never expected his partner to take him to six. Now for the calamity of the play!

Dummy won the first trick with the ace of hearts. Declarer, realizing how hopeless it was, disgustedly said, "Play the device of spades." North, thinking that declarer had the ace-ten, played low. East played the seven and South refused to win the trick. The queen of clubs was led, and South made the mistake of covering. The king of spades dropped the ace and queen together, the ace of diamonds dropped the singleton king, and the contract was made.

HOLD EVERYTHING

By William Ferguson



"Toss you to see who's first!"

'And Judge I Only Wanted Some Change'

By William Ferguson

PUEBLO, COLO.—(AP)—The complaining witness explained to the police magistrate that when he asked for change for a half-dollar to get stamps from a machine in a drugstore, the druggist twisted his arm, pushed him out the door, and knocked him to the sidewalk, breaking his watch.

'No Help Wanted' Sign Makes Atlanta History

By William Ferguson

ATLANTA—(AP)—This city saw its first "No Help Wanted" sign in a blue moon Friday. It hung outside the office of Postmaster Lon Livingston. He says he's already hired all the extra Christmas help he needs.

SIDE GLANCES

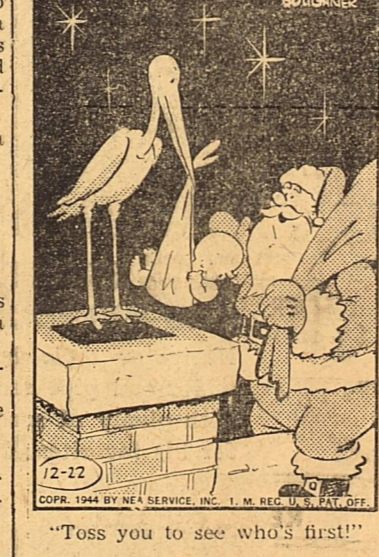
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"Don't worry, she's only dressed up like that because she hasn't got the shape to be modern!"

WASH TUBS

By Leslie Turner



"ISN'T A LOT OF JAP WAR INDUSTRY DONE OUTSIDE THEIR FACTORIES, COLONEL?"

RED RYDER

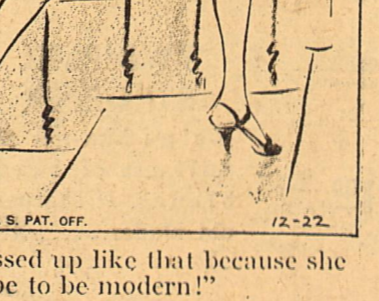
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"YOU NOT SCARE-UM LITTLE BEAVER NOW --"

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"I UNDERSTAND THE OCULIST TOLD HIM HE JUST HAD TO WEAR 'EM A WEEK, BUT DURING THAT WEEK PRODUCTION WENT UP SO MUCH THAT HE FIGURED HE'D BE A FOOL TO TAKE 'EM OFF."

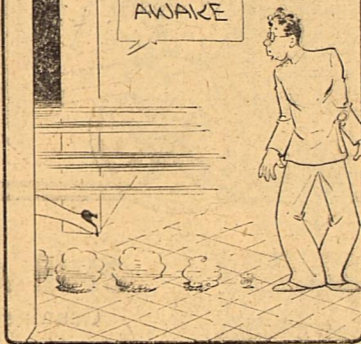
BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

By Edgar Martin



MEAD'S fine BREAD

By Merrill Blosser



"AND THEN MOM EMBARRASSED ME BY FIRING JIVE TALK AT MY LATIN TEACHER!"

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Merrill Blosser



"HE'S QUITE BALD YOU KNOW--AND WHEN HE TIPPED HIS HAT, MOTHER SAID 'HIYA, SKIN-HEAD!'"

WASH TUBS

By Leslie Turner



"NO...CERTAIN CITIES MUST BE PRACTICALLY DESTROYED, WE'RE PLANNING SUCH A RAID NOW ON ONE OF THE ELEVEN CITIES THAT'S SO FULL OF WAR PRODUCTION ALL NON-ESSENTIAL CITIZENS HAVE BEEN MOVED OUT!"

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WANTED—Experienced waitresses, good money, short hours. Apply Log Cabin Inn. (169-1f)

SODA GIRL wanted. No night or Sunday work. Apply in person only. City Drug. (206-1f)

DUMP TRUCKS WANTED: To haul caliche, Andrews County, Texas. Pay 35¢ per 4 yard load mile. Long job. Trucks now making an average of \$400 per day. Will hire 15 trucks between December 20th and January 1st, in order to start second crushing plant. Call Floyd Hunter, Supp. Office phone 82, Residence 39, Andrews, Texas. (244-12)

PORTER wanted. Petroleum Pharmacy. (245-3)

TRUCK route salesman wanted. Work out of town. Salary and commission. Kraft Cheese Co. Phone 1067 or 2152-W. (245-6)

JANITOR wanted. Midland Public Schools. Phone 279-W. (246-3)

CREDIT MANAGER needed. Good chance for advancement. Apply Montgomery Ward, 111 S. Main, Phone 396. (246-3)

WANTED—Boys or girls 16 years old, men or women for day or night messenger duty, bicycle or walking. Good salary. Apply Western Union. (246-6)

Situations Wanted 10

EXPERT linoleum laying. All work cash. See Foster, 409 N. "D." Phone 1109-J. (219-52)

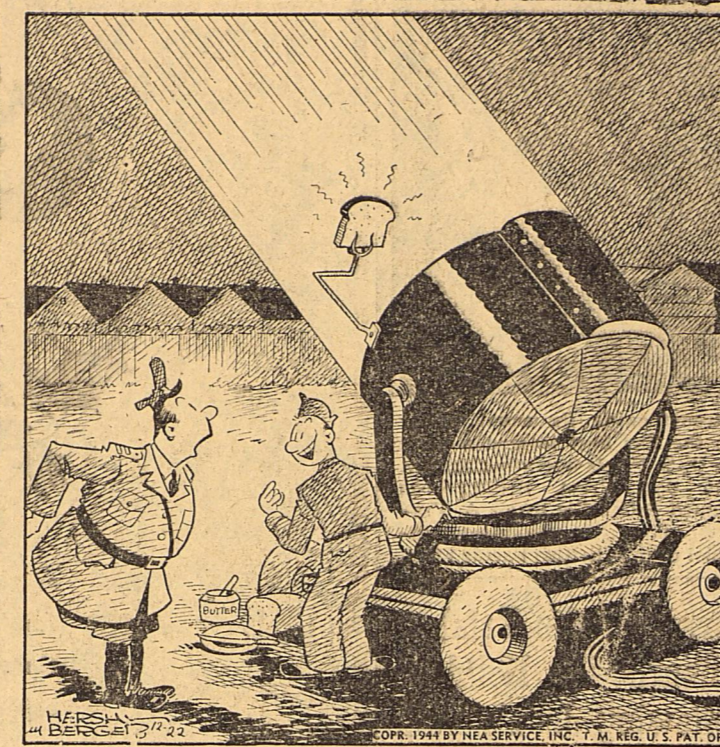
SEWING wanted. 1303 N. Marienfield. (243-24)

WILL keep children in my home by hour, day or week. Phone 1444-J, 1009 S. Big Springs. (245-6)

TWO reliable girls, 13, will stay with children afternoons and nights. Phone 1327-J or 1892-J. (245-3)

ALL SORTS of land office experience, pipe line, production and drilling experience (cable and rotary), good education, high school and business college, over draft age, scouted for major companies. Box 84, McCamey, Texas. (246-3)

FUNNY BUSINESS



"I make least that way, sir!"

RENTALS

Bedrooms 12 IF YOU want to sleep, we have 22 extra beds Haley Hotel. (236-12)

Wanted To Rent 21

UNFURNISHED house urgently needed by Jan. 1st by family of four. Call 429-R. (240-9)

CIVILIAN family of four adults wants to rent house or apartment with two bedrooms. Mrs. Kemp, 1407 West Texas. Phone 549. (236-12)

BEDROOM wanted for two. Write Box 372. (242-6)

WANTED—Furnished room or apartment by permanent couple. Write Box 374, care this paper. (245-9)

OFFICER and wife want room or apartment.—U. H. Schumann, Phone 9526. (245-6)

FOR SALE

Household Goods 22 FOR SALE—Beautiful lightwood, pre-war high chair, converts into small table and chair. On castors. Large hardwood play-pen on castors. Crib with link springs. New waterproof mattress. Phone 2134-W. (246-6)

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LADIES Eastern Star ring with emblem on black onyx. Phone 352 (245-3)

WHITE crocheted table cloth for sale. Large size. Phone 352. (245-3)

CRAWFORD TAILORS Alteration work and pressing. There is none better and it costs no more. Crawford Hotel Basement. (240-15)

SEE the biggest line of toys and gift goods in our 25 years of business. Wilcox Hardware, next to Safeway Grocery. (227-22)

RIDE the elevator down to Crawford Tailors, Crawford Hotel Basement. (240-15)

REMINGTON portable typewriter for sale, \$50.00. See Lester Short, City Drug. (246-2)

Let's Swap 25

WANT to trade 4 rooms, bath, 2 lots in Monahans for house here. Phone 1790, Midland, or write J. E. Fussell, Box 711, Monahans. (238-12)

Wanted To Buy 26

SELL US the things you don't need—we make small loans. Nix Trading Post, 200 E. Wall. Phone 9544 (204-1f)

WANTED to buy—late model portable Singer sewing machine. Must be in good condition. Write Box 369 care this paper. (240-1f)

WILL BUY and repair alarm clocks. Will pay up to \$4.00 each for Baby Ben or Big Ben clocks. Will buy clocks in any condition.—Phone 2234-J, 1406 W. Illinois. (245-6)

WANTED—30-06 rifle, prefer with telescope sight. Must be excellent condition and reasonably priced. Phone Room 333, Scharbauer Hotel. (246-3)

Radios and Service 27

FOR SALE—12 tube Philco cabinet radio. 1106 W. Texas. (247-1)

RADIO REPAIRS 610 S. Loraine - Phone 1810-M (232-26)

TREAT lawns for better grass in spring; Trim and transplant shrubbery; Examine poplar and eradicate borers; Trim shade trees and treat Elm if needed; Call me for estimate on new shrubbery trees and roses; Complete landscaping; Experienced; Permanent. J. A. Richardson, Phone 332-R. (226-26)

DUNAGAN SALES CO. Midland, Texas

Some New Orleans streets are named after nurses of Greek mythology.

Nurseries, Flowers, Seeds 30

GOOD variety evergreens, flowering shrubs, roses, shade, fruit and pecan trees. If in need of trees and shrubs, pruned or moved, call 1494-W-1, Baker Bros. Nursery. In business since 1884. Will be here next year. (244-26)

Wearing Apparel 32

PAIR boys leather chaps for sale. 709 N. "D." Phone 1837. (246-3)

Livestock and Poultry 34

DEAD animals wanted for gunpowder. Free pickup service day or night. Call collect 484, Big Spring Soap Works, Big Spring, Texas. (134-121)

CHOICE butcher hogs for sale.—C. E. Welch, Phone 1494-W-2. (246-5)

Pets 35

REGISTERED golden blonde Cocker spaniel, 6 weeks old. Phone 2334-W. (247-3)

BUSINESS SERVICE

Plumbing & Heating 39

Shattuck Plumbing Co. 308 N. Weatherford St. Phone 2046-W. (238-1f)

Painting & Papering 45

FOR the best labor or material. Phone 1589-W, Box 133, Nineteen years satisfactory service in Midland. Floor surfacing and finishing. Estimates cheerfully given. L. H. Pittman, 900 N. Weatherford. (230-26)

Oil Land & Leases 50

AFFIDAVITS of Adverse Possession also Tenants Consent Agreement forms, 100 to pad. Phone 8, The Reporter-Telegram. We deliver. (103-1f)

AUTOMOBILES

Used Cars 54

We will pay cash for late model used cars.

ELDER CHEVROLET CO. (196-1f)

We pay highest cash prices for used cars.

MACKAY MOTOR CO. 400 S. Loraine Phone 245 (4-1f)

We will pay ceiling price for used cars.

CHARLTON GARAGE 110 S. Baird - Phone 99 (236-26)

1939 DE SOTO coupe, pre-war re-capped tires, excellent condition. See at 306 W. Tennessee, Dec. 26. (246-5)

REAL ESTATE

Real Estate Loans 60

IS THERE A DEBT ON YOUR FARM OR RANCH? If so see your nearest National Farm Loan Term, Low Interest rate on Federal Land Bank loans. You may save many dollars each year on reduced interest rate. Stanton-Midland NPLA, Stanton, Texas. (242-30)

Houses for Sale 61

7 ROOM frame with half block of ground. Large double garage with wash room and storage. Nice fences and shrubs. 140 feet of pavement along side; 4 blocks from south ward school. Immediate possession. Priced at only \$6,500.00. Terms if desired. SPARKS & BARRON Tel. 79 First Natl Bank Bldg. (247-6)

Wanted To Buy 26

HOUSE to move off lot, two rooms, bath and porch; \$1,250.00 cash. Location 1602 W. Washington.—J. F. Friberg, Phone 123. (247-1)

DUPELX between schools and Country Club; stucco construction; 5 rooms and bath on each side; paved street. SPARKS & BARRON Tel. 79 First Natl Bank Bldg. (242-6)

3 ROOM house and bath for sale—to be moved. Partly furnished or will sell separately. Phone 117. 900 S. Baird. (245-6)

EXTRA nice 5 room frame dwelling located on paved street near schools, Venetian blinds throughout, also best 3 room apartment located in rear. Property well landscaped. MIMS & CRANE Phone 24—309 after 5 p. m. (245-3)

FOR SALE: 14x20 frame house; hardwood floors, to be moved. 710 South Baird. (246-6)

CORNER lot close in West End Addition, \$350.00. Terms \$200.00 cash, \$150.00 at \$10.00 month.—J. F. Friberg, Phone 123. (247-1)

The Grand Canal flows through Venice in the shape of the letter S.

Lots for Sale 62

SEVERAL good lots in West End. \$300.00 UP SPARKS & BARRON Tel. 79 First Natl Bank Bldg. (242-6)

Farms for Sale 63

80 ACRE modern improved farm and grass lease. 1 1/2 mile Andrews on pavement. Box 131, Andrews. (244-5)

FOR SALE: 200 acres; 1/2 in cultivation; 4 room house; windmill; lots of good water; mineral rights. Phone 1734-W. Box 306. (239-12)

Real Estate Wanted 67

HOMES WANTED If your home or other property is for sale I can sell it. Homes especially wanted at once. Call—BARNEY GRAFA Ph. 106 (241-1f)

WANTED TO BUY: 3, 4 or 5 room furnished or unfurnished house, prefer to deal direct with owner. Write Box 422, Midland. (223-1f)

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Laura K. Jenkins and husband, A. B. Jenkins; C. M. Brecken and wife, Mrs. C. M. Brecken; C. M. Brecken and wife, Mrs. C. M. Brecken; Mrs. N. H. Gardner and husband, Gardner, and if dead, their unknown heirs, their heirs and legal representatives; GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 5th day of February, A. D., 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Midland County, at the Court House in Midland, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 19th day of December, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 4009.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Paul J. Reiger, as Plaintiff, and the above named parties to whom this Citation is issued and directed, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: This action is a suit in trespass to try title to the Southeast One-fourth (SE 1/4) of Block Forty-two (42), Homestead Addition to the Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas; alleging both record title and title through peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under the three, five, ten and twenty-five year Statutes of Limitation, for damages in the sum of \$3,000.00, annual rental of \$500.00 and costs of suit.

Plaintiff prays for recovery of title and possession to and of the above described land, also for damages, rents and costs of suit.

Issued this 21st day of December, 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 21st day of December, A. D., 1944. (Seal)

(Signed) Nettie C. Romer, Clerk District Court, Midland County, Texas. 12/22-29-1/5-12

ESTATE OF W. S. KELTON, DECEASED

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS Notice is hereby given that letters of independent administration upon the Estate of W. S. Kelton, deceased were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 30th day of October, 1944 by the County Court of Midland County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby requested to present same to me within the time prescribed by law. My postoffice address is Midland, Texas.

(Signed) Mattie Daisy Kelton, Independent Executrix of the Estate of W. S. Kelton. 12/15-22

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: T. F. Spangler and S. A. Chenault, and if dead, their unknown heirs, their heirs and legal representatives, all persons claiming any title or interest in lands under deed heretofore given to John Scharbauer, Pres. Cowboy Cavalry Ass'n., Midland County, Texas, as grantee and their heirs and legal representatives; Greeting: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same be-

ing Monday the 22nd day of January, A. D., 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Midland County, at the Court House in Midland, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 5th day of December, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 3994.

The names of the parties in said suit are: J. B. Hoskips, as Plaintiff, and the above named parties to whom this Citation is issued and directed, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff alleges ownership of All of Lot No. Six (6) in Block No. Thirty-seven (37) of the Original Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, as per the map or plat of said town, recorded in Book 3, Pages 232-3, of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

Such action is a suit in trespass to try title brought by plaintiff for title and possession of the land above described, plaintiff alleging both record title and title through peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under the three (3), five (5), Ten (10) and Twenty-five (25) year Statutes of Limitation, for damages in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, and alleging that the reasonable annual rentals of the lands and premises above described is Eighteen Hundred Dollars. Plaintiff prays that he recover as set out hereinabove.

Issued this 6th day of December, 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1944. (Signed) Nettie C. Romer, Clerk District Court, Midland County, Texas. 12/8-15-22-29

(Signed) Nettie C. Romer, Clerk District Court, Midland County, Texas. 12/22-29-1/5-12-19

Advertisement for LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeable to the provisions of the Revised Statutes of Texas relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows: "That the name or firm under which the partnership is to be conducted is ABELL-MCHARGUE LUMBER COMPANY, LTD.; that the general nature of the business to be transacted is a lumber business, that construction of buildings and the doing of any and all other things in connection therewith which the parties hereto consider necessary, advisable or convenient, it being understood that in connection with the operation of said business, said partnership may buy and sell real estate; that the names of all the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, and their respective places of residence, are as follows: George T. Abell, special partner, whose place of residence is Midland, Midland County, Texas; and Paul McHargue, general partner, whose place of residence is Midland, Midland County, Texas; that the amount of capital which said special partner, George T. Abell has contributed to the common stock is \$33,333.33, all being in cash; that the period at which the partnership is to commence is the first day of January, 1945; and the period at which it is to terminate is the 31st day of December, 1944." Witness our hands this 11th day of December, 1944. (Signed) George T. Abell, Special Partner Paul McHargue, General Partner 12/15-22-29-1/5-12-19

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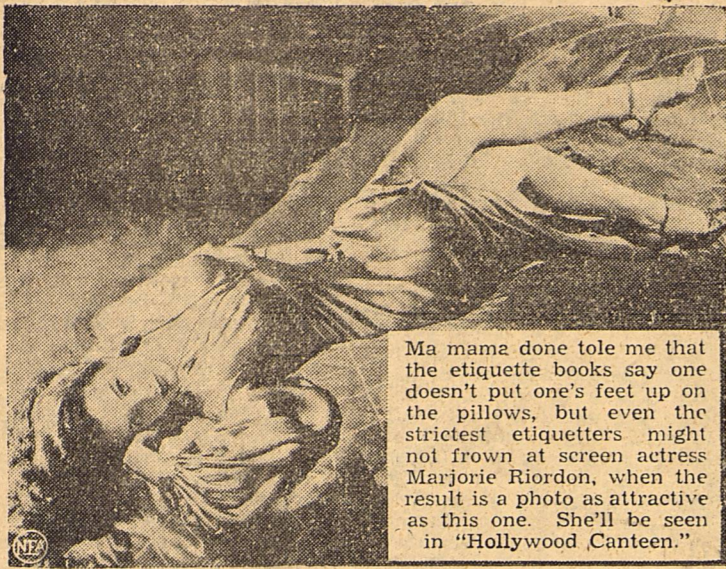
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Couched in Any Language—It's Okay



Ma mama done tole me that the etiquette books say one doesn't put one's feet up on the pillows, but even the strictest etiquetters might not frown at screen actress Marjorie Riordan, when the result is a photo as attractive as this one. She'll be seen in "Hollywood Canteen."

This Year's Sports Accounted For Some Of The 'Screwiest' Situations Ever Recorded In Entire History

By FRITZ HOWELL
NEW YORK —(AP)—It was an earth-shaking, once-in-a-lifetime feat, but Ernie Lombardi, molasses-footed catcher for the New York Giants, did NOT contribute 1944's No. 1 sports oddity the day he beat out an infield hit against the Boston Braves.

The majority of 88 coast-to-coast sports editors participating in The Associated Press poll agreed Friday the queerest quirk of the campaign came in the Army-Notre Dame grid game when Headlinesman Dr. Dave Reese of Dayton, Ohio, and Denison University was caught between

Blood Is Thicker Than Water

SALT LAKE —(AP)—Al Ball was there as a witness when his brother, Tom, raised his shotgun and pulled the trigger once. Six ducks tumbled earthward.

Traffic Court Named Top Comeback Horse

MIAMI —(AP)—Traffic Court, ex-brood mare, in the opinion of two of racing's top secretaries, made the greatest comeback in 1944 turfdom, winning eight events.

Listen to the Big Buster Brown Radio Christmas Party
A Modern Christmas CAROL with Smilin' Ed McConnell Saturday, Dec. 23
10:30 a. m. Station WFAA-WBAP



STEAKS and CHOPS
GOOD FOOD Plus ATMOSPHERE
Be sure to spend an evening with us. Enjoy really fine food in pleasant surroundings! Music while you dine.

Arturo Godoy To Stage Comeback

SANTIAGO, CHILE —(AP)—Arturo Godoy, South American heavy-weight champion who twice lost to Joe Louis in world title bouts, is heading back to the United States in mid-January.

The 200-pound Chilean knocked out Juan Ulrich of Peru in two rounds in his latest comeback start. Make sure new dishes are thoroughly washed and soaked before using.

LOG CABIN INN

Good Luck—Good Cheer To everyone everywhere... fighting for human liberty!
GRAND PRIZE Beer
WEST TEXAS OFFICE SUPPLY
"Complete Office Outfitters"
PHONE 95
204 W. Texas Midland, Texas

Sports Roundup

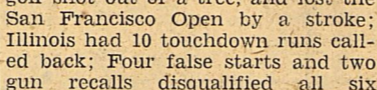
By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr

NEW YORK —(AP)—During the past year this department has at various times reported efforts on the part of organized baseball to encourage kids to play ball. The results appeared rather discouraging after the recent minor and major league meetings when the minors in appropriating money to support a series of "climates" projected by the high school committee and all hands fought shy of imposing penalties for signing high school kids to professional contracts.

BOOK LEARNING
We recently borrowed a handful of pamphlets published by the American Legion, the National Recreation Association and the FSA committee on physical fitness. These groups, co-operating to a certain extent, have the common idea that all people, but especially the youngsters, should participate in sports that will keep them fit and make them better citizens.

LEADERS WANTED
This column's suggestion is that baseball (and the same goes for golf, tennis, hockey, etc.) should establish some sort of "scouting" system to find the places where the game is neglected, both in and out of the schools. A special effort should be directed toward those places (finding one enthusiastic leader is the first important step). Once the kids start playing, the job is to teach them to play to the best of their ability and that's where those coaching clinics come in. Finally, organized baseball could provide an even wider competitive program than is offered by recreation projects.

Pacific Helper



Strengthening its naval power in the Far East to lend a hand to U. S. Fleets operating against the Japs, Great Britain has named Adml. Sir Bruce A. Fraser, above, as commander-in-chief of new British Pacific Fleet.

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Passing vs Running Will Be Biggest Feature Of Lufkin-Port Arthur Game

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
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HE'S GOT MY USED FAT, MR. FATSO — YOU CAN COLLECT IT!

Tippy Madarik Won't Play For West Team

SAN FRANCISCO —(AP)—An injury which forced Tippy Madarik, Detroit University football player, to decline the chance to play with the West team in the East-West Shrine football game here January 1, leaves the West with only 23 players on its squad.

STALIN HAS BIRTHDAY

MOSCOW —(AP)—Joseph Vissarionovich Djugashvili, better known to the world as Premier Joseph Stalin, celebrated his 65th birthday Thursday with a complete absence of official fanfare.

HELLO

This is BILL MARKRIDER Saying: Nothing is as successful as success itself.

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(Continued from Page 1) possibly 22 interceptors were shot down.

Eleven or more Nipponese aircraft were knocked out in dogfights over the newly completed U. S. airstrip on Mindoro Island. Twenty-nine Japanese planes attacked the field, 150 miles south of Manila.

American bombers patrolling from the Central Philippines to Borneo sank four enemy coastal freighters and damaged ten other surface craft ranging from luggers to a 6,000-ton freighter-transport. Five Japanese planes were wiped out.

Two Island, 750 miles south of Tokyo on the B-29 route from Saipan, was bombed for the thirteenth successive day as Japan showed increasing alarm over air strikes. The Diet prepared to meet Sunday, ready to adjourn to air raid shelters at the first sound of air raid sirens.

Japanese trains began changing the tones of their whistles to avoid confusion with frequently-blown air raid sirens. Chungking said large numbers of laborers were conscripted to move more war industries from the home islands to Manchuria.

Tokyo reported a wholesale shakeup in the puppet Manchurian army. Japanese reinforcements were rushed into Hochih, Central China town threatened by attacking Chinese armies driving toward Luichow, former U. S. air base.

Enemy broadcasts announced the death of the 81st Japanese admiral since May 1 and claimed the sinking of an Allied submarine.

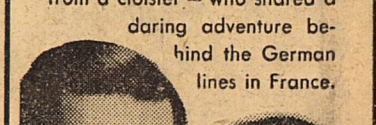
British infantrymen pursuing remnants of three Japanese divisions down the Burma railway advanced eight miles virtually unopposed and occupied Kawlin, 127 miles north of Mandalay. Other front dispatches added new indications of a general Nipponese withdrawal from North Burma toward Mandalay. On the southern front, Allied naval forces shelled the enemy base at Rathedaung.

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