

Guns, Air Force Pound Cassino, Anzio

BAPTIST MINISTER



Pictured above is Rev. J. D. McDaniel, who recently accepted the pastorate of the Second Baptist church and is now engaged in his duties as such.

Rev. McDaniel is a native Texan having made his home in Electra before going to Fort Worth where he entered the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary for study for the ministry. While there he also took evangelical work. He also attended Texas Wesleyan College in Ft. Worth.

After completing his college work he served as educational and music director of the Vaughn Blvd. Baptist church in Ft. Worth, later going to the Birchman Avenue church where he was assistant pastor for four and one half years.

He with his wife and two children, James David, 3, and Linda Gail, 2, are making their home at 1297 Desdemona Blvd.

Rev. McDaniel stated today that the church of which he is pastor is planning a special service, honoring men in service, to be held March 5, and at which the speaker will be a service man. A candle light service will be held in the evening.

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

EASTLAND, Tex. Feb. 18.—The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals, Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Reformed and Affirmed: Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junia Guidry, Jefferson.

Motions Submitted: Henry Speights or Spike vs. Alex Deon, et ux, appellee's motion for rehearing on motion to strike statement of facts.

Brazos River Conservation & Reclamation District vs. Mrs. Jessie Harmon, et al, appellant's motion for rehearing.

L. V. Strickland, et al, vs. Humble Oil & Refining Co., et al, appellee's motion to dismiss appeal of W. F. Stephens and other appellants.

L. V. Strickland, et al, vs. Humble Oil & Refining Co., et al, appellee's motion to strike statement of facts filed by W. F. Stephens (Fred Bacho) group of appellants.

Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junia Guidry, agreed motion to reform and affirm judgement of the District Court.

J. H. Harris, et al, N. E. Sanderson, appellant's motion for rehearing.

Motion Granted: Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junia Guidry, agreed motion to reform and affirm judgement of the District Court.

Motions Overruled: Mack D. Smith vs. Pacific Fire Ins., appellee's motion for rehearing.

Henry Speights or Spike vs. Alex Deon, et ux, appellee's motion for rehearing on motion to strike statement of facts.

Slay & Simpson, et al, vs. Mary Cotts Burnett Trust, appellee's motion to dismiss the appeal of W. C. Proctor and Ray E. Longmire.

POSTWAR BOOM IN BUYING SEEN IN CLEVELAND

United Press Staff Correspondent CLEVELAND, (UP)—If World War II should end tomorrow, cold cash—estimated at \$167,664,870—will pour into consumer markets from overflowing Cleveland pocket books.

Quests for new (if possible) automobiles, homes, household appliances, and household furnishings will loosen the wholesale spending in the immediate sunrise of the postwar era, according to Cleveland business interests.

Representing a fraction less than one per cent of the total U.S. population, Cleveland is said to possess 1.35 per cent of the nation's entire buying power. A market analysis of consumer buying made by the Chamber of Commerce supplies that fact.

In order of importance, according to Chamber figures, Cleveland folks will buy mechanical refrigerators, radios, washing machines, stoves and vacuum cleaners. Autos and new homes rank next on the list.

Further breaking down the statistics, it is estimated that 137,550 people will spend \$16,414,785 in Cleveland for household appliances within six months after the armistice.

In addition, 64,400 Clevelanders intend spending \$9,604,035 for household furnishings, while the will and intent of 36,750 taxpayers is to pay \$44,651,250 for the privilege of owning a new car.

And finally, there are 15,400 residents who will shell out \$96,994,800 to buy or build a new home.

However, even these figures don't tell the whole buying story. The Cleveland home builders—15,400 families planning to repair their homes or the 11,680 who will want new roofing.

Then there are 8,480 planning interior decorations; 8,160 who are going to install new heating equipment; 3,680 who are talking about outside remodeling; 7,200 planning to build additions to their homes, and 4,960 who intend modernizing their kitchens.

In 1941, dealers sold 56,210 automobiles in Cleveland. Compare that with the intended purchase of 36,750 cars—if they are available—in the first six months of the postwar period. Also, the 15,400 families who will buy or build new homes is nearly triple the 6,220 new dwelling purchasers in Cleveland in 1941—the biggest peacetime consumer spending year in the nation's history.

Red Cross Drive Gets Pledge of Support By Elks

E. F. Arterburn, Exalted Ruler announced today that Ranger Lodge, E. P. O. Elks, is giving its full support to the effort of the American Red Cross in raising \$200,000,000 in March of 1944 to carry on its great humanitarian work in behalf of this country all over the world.

"In the forthcoming local campaign for the American Red Cross," Arterburn declared, "the Ranger Lodge of Elks pledges its individual members to stand solidly behind the campaign to raise our quota in this community. The Red Cross does not need to be 'sold' to us. It has demonstrated its worth in all of its services on behalf of the distressed."

"As usual," Arterburn said, "the Ranger Elks will do what is expected of them locally. The record of Elksdom Lodges have record of Elksdom in cooperation with the Red Cross, he added, "is a proud one." The subordinate Lodges have contributed ambulances, hospital equipment, and other material in addition to funds. They have opened their club rooms as headquarters for campaign organization meetings and as centers for blood donations.

"The Red Cross can continue to count on the continuing support of local Elksdom."

GOOD JAPS--DEAD, OF COURSE--ON KWAJALEIN



THESE "SONS OF HEAVEN" will fight no more. They are dead, silenced forever by the Yanks who invaded, successfully, the Marshall islands. The scene above on Kwajalein island. (International)

PRESIDENTIAL ASPIRANT BRICKER ASKS STRIKE BAN



MAKING HIS FIRST SPEECH IN WASHINGTON as a contender for the presidential nomination, Ohio's Republican Gov. John W. Bricker presented himself as a home-front candidate and asked a strike ban in time of war. No group or union should be permitted to strike in time of war, Bricker said, "when men and women are dying to preserve free government, including the right of labor itself to organize." Bricker, speaking at a Lincoln dinner, is shown with, left to right, Senator Wallace H. White of Maine, Mrs. Bricker and Representative Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, G. O. P. chairman. (International)

Former Abilene Residents Now Make Home Here

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Imholz, recently of Abilene, have purchased the home of Mrs. T. L. Lauderdale at 1400 Foch Street and with their two children are now making their home there.

Mr. Imholz is a geologist now associated with the Hunt Oil Company of Dallas and a former independent geologist. He is a member of the West Central Texas Oil and Gas Association and of several other petroleum fraternities.

Mrs. Imholz has been devoting her leisure hours to study in a child study club and work in Parents-Teachers Association. The family is affiliated with the Methodist church.

The older of the two children, Dorothy Anne, a high school freshman and Robert, the younger is still in grade school.

THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Saturday, rain Saturday and in extreme south portion tonight. Little change in temperature except slightly warmer in northwest and extreme west portions Saturday.

Two In Family Die Within Week

Death struck twice within the week in the E. E. Hadley home, first taking the brother of Mrs. Hadley, W. C. Hartin of Big Spring who died Saturday. He was also the son of Mrs. Ella Hartin of 607 Pershing st.

News of the brother's death was followed closely by word from Okmulgee, Oklahoma, that J. L. Hadley, father of E. E. Hadley had died at his home there Sunday.

Mother Of Ranger Man Seriously Ill

J. E. Matthews was called to Houston Wednesday, because of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. C. A. Matthews of Humble, who is in a Houston Hospital.

The nature of the illness was not known though it was stated that attending physicians regarded her condition as very critical. Some signs of slight improvement were shown late Wednesday, which was the last word received by Mrs. Matthews.

R. B. Thomas, Jr. To Speak Sunday At Men's Class

Rev. A. B. English, pastor of the Methodist church, announced today that R. B. Thomas, Jr., vocational agriculture teacher at Ranger High School will be the guest speaker at the Men's Bible Class of the church Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

All members of the class are especially urged to attend and visitors are given a cordial welcome.

Elks To Assist In Entertaining Visiting Soldiers

According to announcement made today the Ranger Elks lodge will assist the American Legion in giving a dance here Saturday night, February 26 for soldiers of the 331st Ordnance Battalion from Camp Barkeley who will be the guests of Ranger.

Plans for the dance have not been completed but it is understood that it will be open to the people of Ranger as well as to soldiers. As soon as plans are completed they will be announced in the columns of this newspaper.

Persons who wish to make reservations to have soldiers for their guests during the week end may do so by calling, Mrs. A. J. Ratliff, Mrs. Stanley McAnelly, Mrs. E. C. Ward, Mrs. R. H. McKelvin, Mrs. Ross Hodges, Mrs. Jack Blackwell, Mrs. V. V. Cooper, Jr., Mrs. Sam Kirkpatrick, or Mrs. A. E. Ernst.

G. R. S. SEEKS U. S. DEAD IN TUNISIA HILLS

GAFFSA, Tunisia (UP)—A grim little band of American troops has been prowling through the mined and booby-trapped Tunisian hills to locate isolated graves of dough boys who were buried hastily on the battlefield.

The bodies are being transferred to ever-growing American military cemeteries sprinkled across Tunisia.

Exploding mines have wounded several of the searchers, but they have brought in scores of bodies that otherwise might have never been recovered.

"It's easy enough to locate the plainly-marked graves" said one of the Graves Registration Workers, Sgt. Donald McHenry, a stage actor from New York City "But a lot of Americans were buried by Arabs who stripped their bodies of their clothes before burial. The Arabs didn't mark the graves—and don't like to tell where they placed the bodies."

McHenry, however, has won the Arab's confidence by giving them cigarettes and candy, and by doing his best to carry on friendly chats in pidgin French.

"Finally an Arab will admit he knows where one American is buried," said McHenry, "but when we get to the burial place, there will be several bodies. And when an Arab is convinced that I'm not going to shoot him for stealing, he suddenly 'remembers' where there are other graves."

Although the Arabs steal a soldier's clothes, they seldom take his "dog tags," which carry his own name and that of his next of kin. But when a body is found without these identification discs, the searchers make tooth charts that are returned to Washington. There, the War Department frequently is able to identify the victim through the tooth chart made when the soldier entered the service.

McHenry works under a Graves Registration Service unit headed by Lt. Meyer Brown, a former post office employee in Chicago. In this same unit is Staff Sgt. Eugene Farris, a former funeral director in Augusta, Kan.

"The soil around here is so dry that the bodies are almost mummified," said Farris. "We wrap them in a canvas shelter half, or sometimes place them in a wooden box, before burying them in a military cemetery."

The Graves Registration Service keeps detailed records of the dead and sees that the cross or Star of David over each grave bears the name and unit of each victim. The information is stamped into a lead colored metal plate which in turn is nailed to the cross or star. If the doughboy's dog tags are recovered, one is nailed up beside the metal plate.

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PLANT TO MAKE IRON POWDER FROM SHALE

By RUTH HUDESILL, United Press Staff Correspondent MINNEAPOLIS (UP)—

Research metallurgists at the University of Minnesota have found a method of converting billions of tons of now worthless rock on the Mesabi range into the pure iron powder needed for a casting process that may revolutionize the steel industry.

A laboratory plant to determine the best methods of producing the 99.5 per cent pure iron powder and to produce enough of it so that manufacturers can use it for experimental purposes will be put into operation at the university's school of mines experimental station on March 1.

The laboratory will include a hydraulic press to demonstrate how the iron powder can be pressed into molds, then baked at 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit into forms and shapes such as gears, bearings and brake drums that need not be processed and machined by highly skilled and highly paid help.

"If the study of iron powder metallurgy had been going on for 50 years instead of merely 20 it would be of invaluable aid in the war production," said C. V. Frith, university metallurgist. "Any part that requires machining is expensive to make and those that require a great deal of machining can be made cheaper with iron powder."

But the war cut the United States off from the supply of pure Swedish iron powder and manufacturers began searching for a substitute. About 16 tons of it are used daily in this country at the present time. Three processes were studied, but it was not until the method now employed at the university was made suitable to the "lower slaty" rock on the Mesabi range that a cheap and plentiful supply seemed possible.

The "lower slaty", which must be removed before high grade ore can be mined, covers thousands of acres on the Mesabi range and is from 10 to 40 feet thick. Under the new process, this rock is ground into a black mud, treated with acid and oxidized, then heated in blue water gas which leaves pellets of pure iron which are ground into powder.

Wesley Mickey Is Speaker At Lions Meeting

G. C. Love was in charge of the program following the noon luncheon of Lions Club held Thursday at the Gholson hotel. He presented Wesley Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ, who gave a worthwhile discussion on the development of the spiritual life.

In the business session, B. E. Garner, club chairman for the participation in the Fourth War Loan drive, reported that latest tabulations showed that the club had sold between \$60,000 and \$70,000 in bonds during the drive.

Singing To Be Held At Second Baptist Church

E. P. Robinson announced this morning that tonight at 8 o'clock there will be a singing at the Second Baptist church to which all members and the public are invited.

It was stated that there will be three quartettes to furnish special music, the Cole quartette from Strawn, the Downing quartette and the Fischer quartette from Eastland.

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ALLIES TURN BACK ASSAULT; HIT TRUK AND TAKE STARAYA

The enemy was taking body blows on many fronts today as Allied troops had turned back every assault in the second German counter offensive against the Anzio beachhead in Italy and were hurling the greatest weight of artillery and air power of the campaign against the enemy lines there around Cassino.

Germany admitted that the Red Army had taken Straya Russia, key base on the northern front below lake Ilmen while Russian armies of the Ukraine shifted their full strength southward for a push toward Bessarabia today after accounting for 33,000 German troops—63,000 killed or captured in wiping out the Cherkasi pocket and 20,000 were killed in repulsing relief attempts.

The heart of Japanese power in the Pacific was under American attack today.

A great naval force, using hundreds of carrier planes carried the war to Truk, pillar of Japan's sea and air defense, smashing at warships, airplanes and ground installations.

Japanese reports said American troops had landed on Truk, including mechanized units but that was not confirmed by American sources.

The Japanese were believed to have been staggered by the surprise and weight of the attack, coming so rapidly after the conquest of the Marshalls. Washington believed part of their fleet had been caught unprepared and that the assault, which began at daylight Wednesday, might still be in progress.

House Sustains President's Veto
WASHINGTON, (UP)—The House today sustained President Roosevelt's veto on anti-subsidy legislation.

The House action killed the bill, which the chief executive had asserted would "destroy the stabilization program" boost food prices seven per cent and force wage increases.

The House vote was 226 in favor of overriding the veto and 151 in sustaining. A vote of 252 would have been required to pass the bill by a two-thirds majority of over the veto.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS CELEBRATED

MEDFORD, Okla. (UP)—When the Shepherd boys married they stayed married. Three brothers—Sterling of Miltonvale, Kan., John of Caldwell, Kan., and Joshua of Williamsburg, Kan., in the last two months celebrated their ninetieth respective Golden Wedding Anniversaries.

And that's not all. An older brother, Leon Shepherd of Fama, Kan., celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in 1941 and the parents of the Shepherd boys Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shepherd, who lived and hear, lived to celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary in 1917.

Three of the boys married sisters, Frances, Ella and Nellie Cole.

Incidentally there are 41 Shepherd grandchildren and six great great grandchildren.

Daniel Shepherd brought his family to Oklahoma at the opening of the Cherokee strip in 1893.

Late Bulletin

WASHINGTON.—The OPA today awarded housewives another five-point pork ration bonus, good until Feb. 26 for the purchase of fresh pork, ham, bacon, canned meat containing 100 per cent pork, and all types of sausage.

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Inside WASHINGTON

Republican Groups Already New Battleships Make Our
Discussing Cabinet Makeup Navy Most Powerful of All

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—Republican groups, voicing confidence in a sweeping GOP victory next November, carrying a Republican president into the White House, already are beginning speculation on the new cabinet. Of course, they are assuming that President Roosevelt will be a fourth term nominee on the Democratic ticket and assuming, too, that he will be defeated.

Should Mr. Roosevelt add another scalp to his tradition-busting belt, it is expected there will be but little change in the makeup of the official family from 1943 to 1949.

Aviation Included in the speculation of the GOP politicians is the creation of a new cabinet post—secretary of the bureau of aviation, or some similar name. Such a cabinet post would coordinate the Army and Navy Air Corps, and, in time of peace, would dominate the Civil Aeronautics Board, which it would absorb.

They are putting forth for the post—similar to the minister of air in foreign cabinets—the name of Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, leading American ace in World War I, and a hero of the present war by virtue of his daring inspection flights.

Many Republicans feel the creation of an aviation portfolio will speed the war's conclusion and aid the progress of flying after the war. They feel Rickenbacker has the peculiar qualifications to set up such a department.

These same observers say they would not be surprised to see a successful Republican candidate for president bring Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur to Washington to be secretary of war. There is great pressure in the west for this selection.

Another cabinet possibility they point out, is Herbert Hoover—the only living ex-president—to be secretary of state. The 1936 GOP presidential nominee, Alf Landon, is considered a "natural" for a cabinet post, either to be secretary of agriculture or of the interior.

Of course, it is considered a cinch that Harrison E. Spangler, GOP national chairman—or his successor if Spangler is unseated after the June convention—will be the next postmaster general—a traditional appointment.

WHEN THE U. S. S. MISSOURI is completed during the next few months (it was launched recently), the United States will have the most powerful fleet of dreadnoughts the world has ever known. America entered the war with 15 of these ships, virtually all of which were left over from World War I. Six of the North Carolina class, were completed some time ago, and the Missouri is the fourth and last of the Iowa class.

Although the aircraft carrier now is the number one warship of the fleet, naval officers contend the battleships will prove their worth before Germany and Japan finally are defeated.

The admirals say there is no other way a Navy can get the tremendous fire power of 16-inch guns for amphibious operations except by use of the big ships. The Navy contends the broad, sturdy decks of the battleships provide a firm "gun mount" for 16-inch guns as well as for a huge number of anti-aircraft guns to fight off attacking planes.

Old Ships Made More Powerful

The United States lost the Arizona at Pearl Harbor, and the Oklahoma captured but later was raised and may be salvaged. Others that were damaged badly have been modernized and now are more powerful than they were before the war. With a couple dozen battleships plus aircraft carriers and other warships, Navy men say the United States fleet is ready to meet all comers on the high seas.

THIS MAY BE THE SECRET of Vice President Wallace's ability to engage in a rough-and-tumble political fight.

Frequenters of the "house gymnasium" report the V. P. has been declared "champ" of the pedicab games in which work-wear congressmen participate in late afternoons. Wallace plays left-handed, they said. Honorable mention for skill in the game, according to their colleagues, goes to Representatives Estes Kefauver (D.) of Tennessee, Karl E. Mundt (R.) of South Dakota and Emmett O'Neal (D.) of Kentucky.

LAND OF THE SETTING SUN



Assistant County Agent Outlines Garden Hints

"A garden is a magic spot... You plant a little, reap a lot." The size of the garden should be determined by the size of the family. To supply a family of five persons for one year with fresh vegetables, the garden must produce 3,297 pounds of vegetables; on the farm an half acre or more planted in vegetables will supply a family of this size. A suburban or town garden must necessarily be limited to less space and fewer, but well chosen vegetables. The plot of ground that is used for a garden should be fertile, well drained, and if possible protected by a fence.

Irish and sweet potatoes, peas, corn, beans, cabbages, pumpkins, cantaloupes and watermelons should be planted in the field. Enough should be planted for use fresh, for canning and for storing. The number of pounds of the different vegetables needed by one person per year are: potatoes 200 pounds, tomatoes, 100 pounds, leafy vegetables and yellow vegetables 175 pounds, and dry peas and beans 25 pounds.

The following "vegetable pointers" are given by Loma Faye, Extension Agent:

Inoculate seed (see "Green Beans") and plant 2 inches deep in heavily manured soil. For Central Texas, Little Marvel, Alaska, Thomas Laxton or Elba Everbearing are recommended. Unless there is ample moisture from rainfall or irrigation, do not plant peas.

Plenty of manure makes good cabbage crop. Grow from seed in hotbed or plant bed 4-6 weeks before setting in garden. Set plants 1-2 inches apart, using Wakefield or Copenhagen Market variety.

Beets: When 2-3 inches high, thin to a spacing of 3 inches apart. Fill in slips in rows by transplanting from thinned plants. Use Detroit Dark Red or Crosby's Egyptian varieties.

Carrots: Spade soil 10 inches deep for carrots. If first planting does not make a good stand, don't dig up the whole row, but replant the skips with more seed. Use Chantenay or Danver's Half Long variety.

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Join the WAVES

varieties; plant early, and thin plants to 6 inches apart when 2 inches high. Plant Black Seeded Simpson leaf lettuce in April for summer use.

Plant several times in the spring not too much at one time; it is tenderest and best at 3 to 4 weeks after planting. Use Tendergreen or Southern Curled variety.

Frost hardy. Soaking seed overnight in warm water to hasten germination. Bloomsdale Savoy is a good variety to use.

Plant twice—first planting when all danger of frost is over and second planting three to four weeks later. Inoculate seed with

nitrogen bacteria (available at seed stores) to stimulate early growth. Place seed in fruit jar or glass with the dust, shake well until seed are coated, then plant. Stringless Green Pod or Refugee are good varieties.

Irish Potatoes: Bliss Triumph is best for early "new" potatoes; Katahdin is the best for storage; plant when danger of heavy frost is about over. Cut potatoes into seed pieces half as large as a hen egg; plant 14 inches apart in 3 to 4 ft. rows. In areas where commercial fertilizer can be used effectively, apply 5 to 8 lbs. per 100 foot of row. Eight pounds of seed potatoes will plant a 100 ft. row.

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ETTA KETT

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REMEMBER ME? TIDDLE OUT HERE A MINUTE!

SHE'S SO GREEN WITH JEALOUSY THEY COULD USE HER EYES FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS!

YOU SAID YOU'D THINK UP AN IDEA TO BREAK OFF WITH HIM!—SO I'D HAVE A CHANCE!

WELL, YOU'LL HAVE TO CONCENTRATE WITH ME AROUND TOO—I'M NOT LEAVING YOU ALONE WITH HIM A SECOND!

I WAS THINKING I CONCENTRATE BETTER WITH A BOYS' ARM ROUND ME!

BY BRANDON WALSH

LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY O-O O-O

I GUESS WE'RE GETTIN' NORTH AWFUL FAST—WHEN YOU GO FROM THE SOUTH TO THE NORTH—

IT SEEMS LIKE TRAVELIN' FROM SUMMER TO WINTER, YOU DON'T NEED ANY CALENDAR—

'CAUSE THE COUNTRY DON'T LOOK NICE AND FLOWERY AN' THE TREES AN' BUSHES ARE STILL WEARIN' THEIR OLD CLOTHES—

AN' NO BIRDS ARE SINGIN' SWELL SONGS THEY'RE ALL DOWN SOUTH WHERE IT'S WARM AN' SUNNY—

BY FRAN STRIKER

THE LONE RANGER -O- -O- -O-

DAD! WHAT'S HE DOING THAT FOR?

FIGHTIN' FER TIME! IT GIVES THE LONE RANGER MORE CHANCE TO GET HERE!

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ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNNERS ON GUARD IN ITALY



AMERICAN AND FRENCH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNNERS stand guard near Santa Elia, Italy, as German shells burst in the valley beyond. Fighting continues in the ruins of Civitavecchia.

sick list this week.

Folks in our community have begun planting spring gardens. Jimmie Falkom was in Ranger Saturday enjoying the ball games. Jal Faircloth was in Ranger Thursday.

Chemical Head Offers Plan To Employ Veterans

WASHINGTON, (UP)—A plan to ease the manpower shortage in the chemical industry was proposed recently in a letter to Manpower Commission Chairman Paul V. McNutt by Harry L. Derby, president of American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., and head of the Manufacturing Chemists' Assn.

Derby suggested that the United States Employment Service obtain from the armed forces names, addresses and qualifications of

men before their discharge. This information, made available to the local office of USES nearest the home of the veteran, would enable employers in the area to contact the qualified men.

Chemical producers are greatly concerned over their shrinking output. Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, a publication of the American Chemical Society, reports, and they fear that the recent action of Selective Service on the status of men in the 18 to 22 age bracket will intensify the downward production trend.

Emphasizing the scarcity of skilled workers in the chemical field, the publication reported that one governmental agency handling an important phase of war production is seeking data on chemical engineers now in the armed forces, "with the idea of release or assignment of such men to vital research work."



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YOU'RE TELLING ME! By WILLIAM RITT Central Press Writer

THE MADAGASCAR mouse, according to Factography, always backs out when leaving its burrow. Probably just checking to see if the gas has been turned off and all the windows closed.

A burning cigar store was saved when soda pop was poured on the blaze. The drinks were all over, as well as on, the house.

The way it looks to Zadok Dumkepl is that the Argentine gaucho got tired of trying to impersonate the Lone Ranger.

Having split up Russia into 16 autonomous republics puts Joe Stalin in a spot. Is he a foreigner in Moscow or just an alien to his native Georgia?

It appears America, after the war, will be a land of milk and honey and—what's more important—gasoline and rubber.

Another unsolved mystery is this: what did Balboa mean when he called it the Pacific ocean?

The inveterate gossip, we're told, suffers from a shortage of calcium in her—or his—system. But she—or he—makes up for that with an overabundance of topics to talk about.

Cross Roads News

Dena Gentry and family from Moran spent Saturday night with Lynn Gentry's family. Pvt. Harold Ainsworth is here visiting relatives.

O. B. Abies and family were in Ranger Saturday. Lynn Gentry is confined to his bed with the flu.

Miss Mozell Hale spent this week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hale. Alvin Rogers visited in J. D. Rouses home Thursday.

Mary Ferrell spent Friday night in the Lynn Gentry home. Mrs. Earl Blackwell was in Ranger Saturday.

Mrs. Jid Blackwell has returned to her home after being called to the bedside of her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Woods were in Ranger last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Faircloth were in Ranger Saturday.

Mrs. Lynn Gentry and children were in Ranger Saturday. George Barton and daughter were in our community this week.

Mrs. Lee Bishop and children visited in the home of J. R. Hale Sunday afternoon. Mrs. J. R. Hale has been on the

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CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE

IN THE COLD, clear light of morning and reason, Beth's idea, born in the dawn, looked as wild and impossible as a plan to take up torch singing, or sit up any business. It required experience and capital. She abandoned it on these grounds, but when Mrs. Eichel asked her if she could have a few nights later, the seed blossomed into full flower.

"Sit down, my dear," Mrs. Eichel, a large, matronly lady, invited, clearing a space on a faded green plush rocker. The room would have been more livable if more spaces had been cleared. It was filled with the sort of enveloping and overwhelming furnishings that made the living room depressing. Brown and green, in faded and sickly tones, were the color motif. There was a preponderance of large lamps, with silk-fringed shades designed to retain the light, meaningless pictures in heavy frames, and mounds of sofa pillows bearing embroidered flowers, Indian beads and pine needles.

Beth found herself thinking of what she would do with a big room like that, of ways that she could convert the present furnishings into something cheerful and homelike. Mrs. Eichel cleared her throat. "Beth, I don't know how to say this, because I am very fond of you and Andrea, and I know that things are hard for you right now. We're doing fine, Mrs. Eichel. I don't mind sleeping on the cot at all."

"I don't think," Her landlady's expression was embarrassed, and she hurried on. "It's just that—well, you see, all my girls are unmarried, working girls and... and Andrea will be having her baby in a few months."

Beth nodded, wondering what was coming. "I'm very fond of children, but even a small baby in a house like this... means and all. Frankly, I think... that is, if you haven't any other plans..."

"I understand," Beth said. "Mrs. Eichel looked much relieved. 'I was sure you would. Of course you have plans.'"

Beth said, "None, I know, of course, that we oughtn't to stay here, but I don't know what to do. Neither Andrea nor I have any family we could go to, and Andrea hasn't been able to get any money yet. Of course we ought to have an apartment, but I can't swing one on my salary."

"I know, my dear. When my husband died, I had all this furniture and three small children and no money. It was terrible. Mr. Eichel had always given me the best of

everything, a maid and a laundress and all. Then I had to do something, so I had to open a boarding house. It was quite a come-down. I come from a good family in Georgia, and southern women... Mrs. Eichel, encouraged by the light of interest that kindled suddenly in Beth's eyes, recited the saga of her family in considerable detail, and if Beth was not forever after acquainted with the military, social and religious history of the family Cartright of Georgia, it was because she wasn't paying any attention to the flowing voice of her hostess. She was seeing her abandoned plane take shape.

She listened politely until Mrs. Eichel stopped for a breath and said, "I have an idea, Mrs. Eichel, and maybe you can help me. It's true, isn't it, that the housing situation in Washington is becoming acute?"

"I hear the government has set up a bureau to find rooms for all the girls that are pouring in here." "Then it can't fail," Beth announced, beaming on the mustachioed portrait of Mr. Eichel that hung over the mantle. "I can see it all!"

"See what all, dearie?" "My boarding house. Don't you see? I could give up my job and devote all my time to running it, and then Andrea could have a room for herself and the baby. She could work with me when she's able. Of course I've never had any experience running a big house, but I've made a home for myself ever since I was 18. I know how to shop economically, and I know what girls like myself like. I could serve very simple meals... get one or two people to help. Maybe do it like they do in colleges. Let some girls work for their keep."

Her imagination and enthusiasm carried her on wings, and she was almost breathless as she poured it all out. "It wouldn't cost much to redecorate an old house. Just some paint and inexpensive materials. My friends would help me. I'd arrange to have it like a girl's club, with little parties, and a room where a girl could meet her beau alone occasionally."

"It would cost money," Mrs. Eichel said dubiously. "Money to start it with."

For a moment, Beth was defeated. Only for a moment. It wouldn't cost more than \$300, and if she could get it going at once, she'd probably be able to save that much by the time it was needed for the hospital. Even if she couldn't have it saved, she could always borrow when she had a business to put up as security.

"Money," Mrs. Eichel repeated, "to buy the house with and the furniture and linen and shoes for

deposits with the utility companies. You'll need lights and fuel and telephone and gas..."

"I know," Beth answered her thoughtfully, "but I don't think I'd have to do that. There are companies, I've heard, who have these furnished houses and engage managers for them. I thought I'd look them up and see if I can't sell the idea of getting one to manage."

Mrs. Eichel nodded admiringly. "I've heard of 'em myself. You're a bright girl, Beth, and I know you'd succeed. You won't have any trouble filling up your place. As for advice about buying things and running them, you can come to Amanda Eichel as often as you wish."

"Thank you! Thank you!" Beth got up. "It's too late to do anything about it tonight, but I'll start Saturday. Meantime, if you hear of anything, will you let me know?"

Mrs. Eichel promised, and Beth went upstairs to get out a pad and pencil to make lists. At night she dreamed of turquoise and apple green walls, of English-flowered chintz and book-lined walls, and wondered how she was going to contain herself, for she was not going to tell Andrea her news until it was all settled.

Mrs. Eichel called her at her office the next morning and told her she had heard of just what she was looking for. It was a house on Dornie drive, with ten rentable rooms and an apartment for the owners. Before she had there directly saying that she'd go there directly from the office, Beth was multiplying 10 by 15, and was vast profit's foot before her eyes.

She was armed with a businesslike folder of plans and figures when she mounted the steps of the bay-windowed, four-story house on Dornie drive a little after five and was met at the door by Mrs. Eichel's counterpart.

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"You'll find me a good manager," Mrs. Pride said, and began to outline her plans. To everything she suggested, Mrs. Eichel agreed with enthusiasm, and Beth was beginning to wonder if she could ask for a small percentage of the profits when Mrs. Pride said, "You'll have a gold mine here, child. You'll never regret your investment."

"Investment?" Beth repeated blankly. They'd been talking about a director, not a buyer.

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Society, Clubs

Masquer Club Has Meeting Tuesday

The Masquers Club of Ranger Junior College met in the workshop at 7:00 Tuesday evening, Feb. 15.

Final plans were made for the presentation of Governor Coker Stevenson in the Junior College High school auditorium on Thursday, March 2, at 3:00. The following committees were appointed.

Welcome committee—David Lee Jameson and Mrs. Hal Hunter. Stage committee—Robert McCallip; Chairman, Billy Pounds and Jim Wallace.

Reserved seats, Mary Joy Wilson, chairman, Calla Mae Deaton, and Dorothy Hardy.

Ushers—Amelia Walker, Chairman, Jo Oyler, Dorris McGraw, Marjorie Pearsall, Betty Jo Simpson, Glyn Alyn Jernigan, Juanita White, Faye Butler, Kathleen Dunlap, Katherine Adams, and Marie Green.

It was voted to extend an invitation to the seniors of surrounding high schools to attend the March 2nd program.

Routine business included the acceptance of Doris McGraw into the club and the election of Jo Oyler as secretary to replace Meta Ann Scott, who resigned her club membership because of her work.

Large Crowd Sees Junior Class Play

A large and appreciative audience was present Thursday night for the presentation of the play, "Mountain Mumps," by members of the junior class of Ranger High school.

The clever production was directed by Miss Dana Sue Kerbow, speech instructor, and characters were ably portrayed by Myra Sue Lee, Vera Rae Gordan, Vivian Cooper, Frances Ruth Hagaman, Billy Jean Crowley, Norma Jean Heintz, Ronald Pruet, Bobby Franklin, Deweyard McGregor, Jack Townsend, Bailey Woods, and Jimmy Kelly.

Between the first and second acts, Miss Kerbow was presented a large basket filled with red roses, a gift from the cast. The presentation was made by Carolyn Duckler, Wesley Walker, president of the class, expressed the appreciation of the class to the audience for their attendance.

The play was again presented this morning at the chapel hour at Eastland high school.

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PERSONALS

Pvt. Paul Bullock recently of Sheppard Field is here for a ten day visit with his mother, Mrs. Walter Bullock, and his sisters, Joe and Billie, before reporting to Bowman Field, Ky., for further training.

Miss Vera Ann Vaughn who has been employed by the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation in Fort Worth, has accepted a position in the office of the county clerk at Eastland.

Mrs. G. L. Hatton of Eastland spent Thursday as the guest of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frank Hatton, the former Miss Fannie Dell Swaney.

George D. Jones has returned from two weeks spent in Dallas where he was transacting business.

Mid-Week Service Honors Service Men

Wednesday evening at the mid-week services at the Second Baptist church, special services were conducted in honor of men from the church who are in service. A song service was directed by C. M. Rodgers and an inspirational discussion on prayer was given by the pastor, Rev. J. D. McDaniel. The roll call of men in service was read by Mrs. J. H. Dreinhofer and a period of united prayer closed the service.

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Mrs. George Williams will leave Monday for Ft. Worth where she will board an airliner for Orlando, Fla., where she will meet her son, Capt. Max Williams who is in the States from duty in the Panama Canal Zone.

Sgt. James O. Calvert who has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert of Route 1 has gone to Barksdale, Louisiana where he will be stationed. He was accompanied as far as Ft. Worth by his parents.

Mrs. Jim McCoy of Columbus, Ohio is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. George Williams.

Mrs. Lula Riddel, who has been a medical patient at the All Saints Hospital at Ft. Worth since January 4th, has gone to the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kohfeldt 1411 Woodward St., Denison.

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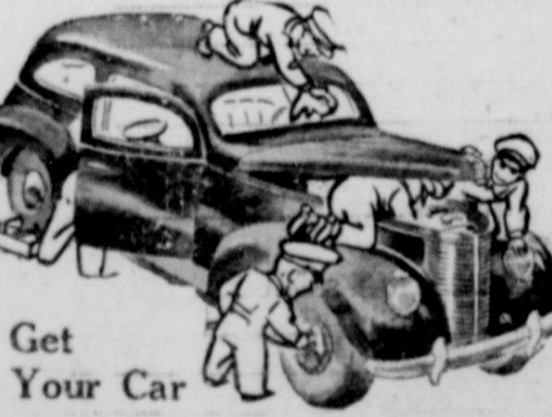
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He with his wife and two children, James David, 3, and Linda Gail, 2, are making their home at 1207 Desdemona Blvd.

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

EASTLAND, Tex. Feb. 18.—The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals, Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Reformed and Affirmed: Liberty Mutual Ins. Co., vs. Junia Guidry, Jefferson.

Motions Submitted: Henry Speights or Spike vs. Alex Deon, et al., appellee's motion for rehearing on motion to strike statement of facts.

Reversed and Affirmed: Brazos River Conservation & Reclamation District vs. Mrs. Jessie Harmon, et al., appellant's motion for rehearing.

Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junia Guidry, agreed motion to reform and affirm judgement of the District Court.

J. H. Harris, et al. vs. N. E. Sanderson, appellant's motion for rehearing.

Motion Granted: Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Junia Guidry, agreed motion to reform and affirm judgement of the District Court.

Motions Overruled: Mack D. Smith vs. Pacific Fire Ins., appellee's motion for rehearing.

Henry Speights or Spike vs. Alex Deon, et al., appellee's motion for rehearing on motion to strike statement of facts.

Slay & Simpson, et al. vs. Mary Cotts Burnett Trust, appellee's motion to dismiss the appeal of W. C. Proctor and Ray E. Longmire.

POSTWAR BOOM IN BUYING SEEN IN CLEVELAND

United Press Staff Correspondent CLEVELAND, (UP)—If World War II should end tomorrow, cold cash—estimated at \$167,664,870—will pour into consumer markets from overflowing Cleveland pocket books.

Quests for new (if possible) automobiles, homes, household appliances, and household furnishings will loosen the wholesale spending in the immediate sunrise of the postwar era, according to Cleveland business interests.

Representing a fraction less than one per cent of the total U.S. population, Cleveland is said to possess 1.55 per cent of the nation's entire buying power. A market analysis of consumer buying made by the Chamber of Commerce supplies that fact.

In order of importance, according to Chamber figures, Cleveland folks will buy mechanical refrigerators, radios, washing machines, stoves and vacuum cleaners. Autos and new homes rank next on the list.

Further breaking down the statistics, it is estimated that 137,550 people will spend \$16,414,785 in Cleveland for household appliances within six months after the armistice.

In addition, 64,400 Clevelanders intend spending \$9,604,935 for household furnishings, while the will and intent of 36,750 taxpayers is to pay \$44,651,250 for the privilege of owning a new car.

And finally, there are 15,400 residents who will shell out \$96,994,800 to buy or build a new home.

However, even these figures don't tell the whole buying story. The Cleveland home builders—15,400 families planning to repair their homes or the 11,680 who will want new roofing.

Then there are 8,480 planning interior decorations; 8,160 who are going to install new heating equipment; 3,680 who are talking about outside remodeling; 7,200 planning to build additions to their homes; and 4,960 who intend modernizing their kitchens.

In 1941, dealers sold 56,210 automobiles in Cleveland. Compare that with the intended purchase of 36,750 cars—if they are available—in the first six months of the postwar period. Also, the 15,400 families who will buy or build new homes is nearly triple the 6,220 new dwelling purchases in Cleveland in 1941—the biggest peacetime consumer spending year in the nation's history.

Red Cross Drive Gets Pledge Of Support By Elks
E. F. Artuburn, Exalted Ruler announced today that Ranger Lodge, E. P. O. Elks, is giving its full support to the effort of the American Red Cross in raising \$200,000,000 in March of 1944 to carry on its great humanitarian services in behalf of this country all over the world.

"In the forthcoming local campaign for the American Red Cross," Arterburn declared, "the Ranger Lodge of Elks pledges its individual members to stand solidly behind the campaign to raise our quota in this community. The Red Cross does not need to be sold to us. It has demonstrated its worth in all of its services on behalf of the distressed.

"As usual," Arterburn said, "the Ranger Elks will do what is expected of them locally. The record of Elksdom Lodges have conformed to Elksdom in cooperation with the Red Cross, he added, "is a proud one," the subordinate Lodges have contributed ambulances, hospital equipment, and other material in addition to funds. They have opened their club rooms as headquarters for campaign organization meetings and as centers for blood donations.

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PRESIDENTIAL ASPIRANT BRICKER ASKS STRIKE BAN



MAKING HIS FIRST SPEECH IN WASHINGTON as a contender for the presidential nomination, Ohio's Republican Gov. John W. Bricker presented himself as a home-front candidate and asked a strike ban in time of war. No group or union should be permitted to strike in time of war, Bricker said, "when men and women are dying to preserve free government, including the right of labor itself to organize."

Former Abilene Residents Now Make Home Here

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Imholz, recently of Abilene, have purchased the home of Mrs. T. L. Lauderdale at 1400 Foch Street and with their two children are now making their home there.

Mr. Imholz is a geologist now associated with the Hunt Oil Company of Dallas and a former independent geologist. He is a member of the West Central Texas Oil and Gas Association and of several other petroleum fraternities.

Mrs. Imholz has been devoting her leisure hours to study in a child study club and work in Parents-Teachers Association. The family is affiliated with the Methodist church.

The older of the two children, is Dorothy Anne, a high school freshman and Robert, the younger is still in grade school.

Two In Family Die Within Week

Death struck twice within the week in the E. E. Hadley home, first taking the brother of Mrs. Hadley, W. C. Hartin of Big Spring who died Saturday. He was also the son of Mrs. Ella Hartin of 607 Pershing st.

News of the brother's death was followed closely by word from Okmulgee, Oklahoma, that J. L. Hadley, father of E. E. Hadley had died at his home there Sunday.

OPA RATION CALENDAR FEB. 19 1944

Ration Board—If you have questions about rationing, visit, telephone, or write your War Price and Rationing Board. Its address and phone number are usually given in the directory or newspaper. Its Price Panel may have a separate phone number.

R. B. Thomas, Jr. To Speak Sunday At Men's Class

Rev. A. B. English, pastor of the Methodist church, announced today that R. B. Thomas, Jr., vocational agriculture teacher at Ranger High School will be the guest speaker at the Men's Bible Class of the church Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

All members of the class are especially urged to attend and visitors are given a cordial welcome.

Mother Of Ranger Man Seriously Ill

J. E. Matthews was called to Houston Wednesday, because of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. C. A. Matthews of Humble, who is in a Houston hospital.

G. R. S. SEEKS U. S. DEAD IN TUNISIA HILLS

GAFSA, Tunisia (UP)—A grim little band of American troops has been prowling through the mined and booby-trapped Tunisian hills to locate isolated graves of dough boys who were buried hastily on the battlefield.

The bodies are being transferred to ever-growing American military cemeteries sprinkled across Tunisia.

Exploding mines have wounded several of the searchers, but they have brought in scores of bodies that otherwise might have never been recovered.

"It's easy enough to locate the plainly-marked graves" said one of the Graves Registration Workers, Sgt. Donald McHenry, a stage actor from New York City "But a lot of Americans were buried by Arabs who stripped their bodies of their clothes before burial. The Arabs didn't mark the graves—and don't like to tell where they placed the bodies."

McHenry, however, has won the Arab's confidence by giving them cigarettes and candy, and by doing his best to carry on friendly chats in pidgin French.

"Finally an Arab will admit he knows where one American is buried," said McHenry, "but when we get to the burial place, there will be several bodies. And when an Arab is convinced that I'm not going to shoot him for stealing, he suddenly 'remembers' where there are other graves."

Although the Arabs steal a soldier's clothes, they seldom take his "dog tags," which carry his own name and that of his next of kin. But when a body is found without these identification discs, the searchers make tooth charts that are returned to Washington. There, the War Department frequently is able to identify the victim through the tooth chart made when the soldier entered the service.

McHenry works under a Graves Registration Service unit headed by Lt. Meyer Brown, a former post office employee in Chicago. In this same unit is Staff Sgt. Eugene Farris, a former funeral director in Augusta, Kan.

"The soil around here is so dry that the bodies are almost mummified," said Farris. "We wrap them in a canvas shelter half, or sometimes place them in a wooden box, before burying them in a military cemetery."

The Graves Registration Service keeps detailed records of the dead and sees that the cross or Star of David over each grave bears the name and unit of each victim. The information is stamped into a lead colored metal plate which in turn is nailed to the cross or star. If the doughboy's dog tags are recovered, one is nailed up beside the metal plate.

Elks To Assist In Entertaining Visiting Soldiers

According to announcement made today the Ranger Elks lodge will assist the American Legion in giving a dance here Saturday night, February 26 for soldiers of the 331st Ordnance Battalion from Camp Barkeley who will be the guests of Ranger.

Plans for the dance have not been completed but it is understood that it will be open to the people of Ranger as well as to soldiers. As soon as plans are completed they will be announced in the columns of this newspaper.

Persons who wish to make reservations to have soldiers for their guests during the week end may do so by calling, Mrs. A. J. Ratliff, Mrs. Stanley McAnelly, Mrs. E. C. Ward, Mrs. R. H. McKelvin, Mrs. Ross Hodges, Mrs. Jack Blackwell, Mrs. V. V. Cooper, Jr., Mrs. Sam Kirkpatrick, or Mrs. A. E. Ernst.

PLANT TO MAKE IRON POWDER FROM SHALE

By RUTH HUDESILL, United Press Staff Correspondent MINNEAPOLIS (UP)—Research metallurgists at the University of Minnesota have found a method of converting billions of tons of now worthless rock on the Mesabi range into the pure iron powder needed for a casting process that may revolutionize the steel industry.

A laboratory plant to determine the best methods of producing the 99.5 per cent pure iron powder and to produce enough of it so that manufacturers can use it for experimental purposes will be put into operation at the university's school of mines experimental station on March 1.

The laboratory will include a hydraulic press to demonstrate how the iron powder can be pressed into molds, then baked at 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit into forms and shapes such as gears, bearings and brake drums that need not be processed and machined by highly skilled and highly paid help.

"If the study of iron powder metallurgy had been going on for 50 years instead of merely 20 it would be of invaluable aid in the war production," said C. V. Firth, university metallurgist. "Any part that requires machining is expensive to make and those that require a great deal of machining can be made cheaper with iron powder."

But the war cut the United States off from the supply of pure Swedish iron powder and manufacturers began searching for a substitute. About 16 tons of it are used daily in this country at the present time. Three processes were studied, but it was not until the method now employed at the university was made suitable to the "lower slaty" rock on the Mesabi range that a cheap and plentiful supply seemed possible.

The "lower slaty", which must be removed before high grade ore can be mined, covers thousands of acres on the Mesabi range and is from 10 to 40 feet thick. Under the new process, this rock is ground into a black mud, treated with acid and oxidized, then heated in blue water gas which leaves pellets of pure iron which are ground into powder.

Wesley Mickey Is Speaker At Lions Meeting

G. C. Love was in charge of the program following the noon luncheon of Lions Club held Thursday at the Ghoslin hotel. He presented Wesley Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ, who gave a worthwhile discussion on the development of the spiritual life.

Singing To Be Held At Second Baptist Church

E. P. Robinson announced this morning that tonight at 8 o'clock there will be a singing at the Second Baptist church to which all members and the public are invited.

It was stated that there will be three quartettes to furnish special music, the Cole quartette from Strawn, the Downing quartette and the Fischer quartette from Eastland.

Late Bulletin

HOUSTON.—A director of the British Ministry of information today listed distrust of England's imperial system as one of three major problems facing a workable world peace.

ALLIES TURN BACK ASSAULT; HIT TRUK AND TAKE STARAYA

The enemy was taking body blows on many fronts today as Allied troops had turned back every assault in the second German counter offensive against the Anzio beachhead in Italy and were hurling the greatest weight of artillery and air power of the campaign against the enemy lines there around Cassino.

Germany admitted that the Red Army had taken Straya Russa, key base on the northern front below lake Ilmen while Russian armies of the Ukraine shifted their full strength southward for a push toward Bessarabia today after accounting for 83,000 German troops—63,000 killed or captured in wiping out the Cherkasi pocket and 20,000 were killed in repulsing relief attempts.

The heart of Japanese power in the Pacific was under American attack today.

A great naval force, using hundreds of carrier planes carried the war to Truk, pillar of Japan's sea and air defense, smashing at warships, airplanes and ground installations.

Japanese reports said American troops had landed on Truk, including mechanized units but that was not confirmed by American sources.

The Japanese were believed to have been staggered by the surprise and weight of the attack, coming so rapidly after the conquest of the Marshalls. Washington believed part of their fleet had been caught unprepared and that the assault, which began at daylight Wednesday, might still be in progress.

House Sustains President's Veto

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The House today sustained President Roosevelt's veto on anti-subsidy legislation.

The House action killed the bill, which the chief executive had asserted would "destroy the stabilization program" boost food prices seven per cent and force wage increases.

The House vote was 226 in favor of overriding the veto and 151 in sustaining. A vote of 252 would have been required to pass the bill by a two-thirds majority of over the veto.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS CELEBRATED

MEDFORD, Okla. (UP)—When the Shepherd boys married they stayed married. Three brothers—Sterling of Miltonvale, Kan., John of Caldwell, Kan., and Joshua of Williamsburg, Kan., in the last two months celebrated their respective Golden Wedding Anniversaries.

And that's not all. An older brother, Leon, Shepherd, of Edmond, Kan., celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in 1941 and the parents of the Shepherd boys Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shepherd, who lived and died, lived to celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary in 1917.

Three of the boys married sisters, Frances, Ella and Nellie Cole. Incidentally there are 41 Shepherd grandchildren and six great great grandchildren.

Daniel Shepherd brought his family to Oklahoma at the opening of the Cherokee strip in 1895.

Late Bulletin

WASHINGTON.—The OPA today awarded housewives another five-point pork ration bonus, good until Feb. 26 for the purchase of fresh pork, ham, bacon, canned meat containing 100 per cent pork, and all types of sausage.

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Inside WASHINGTON

Republican Groups Already Discussing Cabinet Makeup New Battleships Make Our Navy Most Powerful of All

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—Republican groups, vacating confidence in a sweeping GOP victory next November, carrying a Republican president into the White House, already are beginning speculation on the new cabinet. Of course, they are assuming that President Roosevelt will be a fourth term nominee on the Democratic ticket and assuming, too, that he will be defeated.

Should Mr. Roosevelt add another scalp to his tradition-busting belt, it is expected there will be but little change in the makeup of the official family from 1943 to 1949.

Included in the speculation of the GOP politicians is the creation of a new cabinet post—secretary of the bureau of aviation, or some similar name. Such a cabinet post would co-ordinate the Army and Navy Air Corps, and, in time of peace, would double the Civil Aeronautics Board, which it would absorb.

They are putting forth for the post—similar to the minister of air in foreign cabinets—the name of Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, leading American ace in World War I, and a hero of the present war by virtue of his daring inspection flights.

Many Republicans feel the creation of an aviation portfolio will speed the war's conclusion and aid the progress of flying after the war. They feel Rickenbacker has the peculiar qualifications to set up such a department.

These same observers say they would not be surprised to see a successful Republican candidate for president bring Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur to Washington to be secretary of war. There is great pressure in the west for this selection.

Another cabinet possibility they point out, is Herbert Hoover—the only living ex-president—to be secretary of state. The 1936 GOP presidential nominee, Alf Landon, is considered a "natural" for a cabinet post, either to be secretary of agriculture or of the interior.

Of course, it is considered a cinch that Harrison E. Spangler, GOP national chairman—or his successor if Spangler is unseated after the June convention—will be the next postmaster general—a traditional appointment.

WHEN THE U. S. S. MISSOURI is completed during the next few months (it was launched recently), the United States will have the most powerful fleet of dreadnaughts the world has ever known.

America entered the war with 15 of these ships, virtually all of which were left over from World War I. Six of the North Carolina class, were completed some time ago, and the Missouri is the fourth and last of the Iowa class.

Although the aircraft carrier now is the number one warship of the fleet, naval officers contend the battleships will prove their worth before Germany and Japan finally are defeated.

The admirals say there is no other way a Navy can get the tremendous fire power of 16-inch guns for amphibious operations except by use of the big ships. The Navy contends the broad, sturdy decks of the battleships provide a firm "gun mount" for 16-inch guns as well as for a huge number of anti-aircraft guns to fight off attacking planes.

The United States lost the Arizona at Pearl Harbor, and the Oklahoma captured but later was raised and may be salvaged. Others that were damaged badly have been modernized and now are more powerful than they were before the war. With a couple dozen battleships plus aircraft carriers and other warships, Navy men say the United States fleet is ready to meet all comers on the high seas.

THIS MAY BE THE SECRET of Vice President Wallace's ability to engage in a rough-and-tumble political fight. Frequenters of the "house gymnasium" report the V. P. has been declared "champion" of the polo-ball games in which work-weary congressmen participate in late afternoons.

Wallace plays left-handed, they said. Honorable mention for skill in the game, according to their colleagues, goes to Representative Estes Kefauver (D.) of Tennessee, Karl E. Mundt (R.) of South Dakota and Kenneth O'Neal (D.) of Kentucky.

LAND OF THE SETTING SUN



Assistant County Agent Outlines Garden Hints

"A garden is a magic spot. You plant a little, reap a lot."

The size of the garden should be determined by the size of the family. To supply a family of five persons for one year with fresh vegetables, the garden must produce 3,297 pounds of vegetables; on the farm an half acre or more planted in vegetables will supply a family of this size. A suburban or town garden must necessarily be limited to less space and fewer, but well chosen vegetables. The plot of ground that is used for a garden should be fertile, well drained, and if possible protected by a fence.

Leaf and sweet potatoes, peas, corn, beans, cucumbers, pumpkins, watermelons, and watermelons should be planted in the field. Enough should be planted for use fresh, for canning and for storing. The number of pounds of the different vegetables needed by one person per year are: potatoes 200 pounds, tomatoes 100 pounds, leafy vegetables and yellow vegetables 100 pounds, other vegetables 175 pounds, and dry peas and beans 25 pounds.

The following "vegetable pointers" are given by Lona Faye Stratton Agent:

English Peas: Inoculate seed (see "Green Beans") and plant 2 inches deep in heavily manured soil. For Central Texas, Little Marvel, Alaska, Thomas Laxton or Elms Everbearing are recommended. Unless there is ample moisture from rainfall or irrigation, do not plant peas.

Cabbage: Plenty of manure makes good cabbage crop. Grow from seed in heavily manured soil. For central Texas, plant 4-6 weeks before setting in garden. Set plants 1-2 inches apart, using Wakefield or Copenhagen Market variety. Boilers.

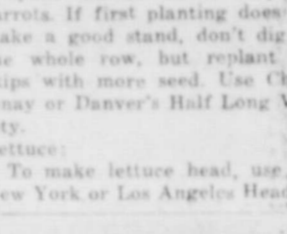
When 2 1/2 inches high, thin to a spacing of 3 inches apart. Fill in skips in rows by transplanting from thinned plants. Use Detroit Dark Red or Crosby's Egyptian varieties.

Carrots

Spade soil 10 inches deep for carrots. If first planting does not make a good stand, don't dig up the whole row, but replant the skips with more seed. Use Charentais or Danver's Half Long variety.

Lettuces: To make lettuce head, use Big New York or Los Angeles Heading Lettuce.

AID OUR FIGHTING MEN



varieties; plant early, and thin plants to 6 inches apart when 2 inches high. Plant Black Seeded Simpson leaf lettuce in April for summer use.

Mustard: Plant several times in the spring not too much at one time; it is tenderest and best at 3 to 4 weeks after planting. Use Tendergreen or Southern Curled variety.

Spinach: Frost hardy. Soaking seed overnight in warm water to hasten germination. Bloomsdale Savoy is a good variety to use.

Green Beans: Plant twice—first planting when all danger of frost is over and second planting three to four weeks later. Inoculate seed with

nitrogen bacteria (available at seed stores) to stimulate early growth. Place seed in fruit jar or glass with the dust, shake well until seed are coated, then plant. Stringless Green Pod or Refugee are good varieties.

Irish Potatoes: "New" Triumph is best for early "new" potatoes; Katahdin is the best baking potato and the best for storage; plant when danger of heavy frost is about over. Cut potatoes into seed pieces half as large as a hen egg; plant 14 inches apart in 3 to 4 ft. rows. In areas where commercial fertilizer can be used effectively, apply 5 to 8 lbs. per 100 foot of row. Eight pounds of seed potatoes will plant a 100 ft. row.

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ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNNERS ON GUARD IN ITALY



AMERICAN AND FRENCH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNNERS stand guard near Santa Elia, Italy, as German shells burst in the valley beyond. Fighting continues in the ruins of Cassino. (Continued)

sick list this week. Folks in our community have begun planting spring gardens. Jimmie Palkom was in Ranger Saturday enjoying the ball games. Jai Faircloth was in Ranger Thursday.

Chemical Head Offers Plan To Employ Veterans

WASHINGTON, (UP)—A plan to ease the manpower shortage in the chemical industry was proposed recently in a letter to Manpower Commission Chairman Paul V. McNutt by Harry L. Derby, president of American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., and head of the Manufacturing Chemists' Assn.

Derby suggested that the United States Employment Service ask the armed forces names, addresses and qualifications of

men before their discharge. This information, made available to the local office of USES nearest the home of the veteran, would enable employers in the area to contact the qualified men.

Chemical producers are greatly concerned over their shrinking output, Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, a publication of the American Chemical Society, reports, and they fear that the recent action of Selective Service on the status of men in the 18 to 22 age bracket will intensify the downward production trend.

Emphasizing the scarcity of skilled workers in the chemical field, the publication reported that one governmental agency handling an important phase of war production is seeking data on chemical engineers now in the armed forces, "with the idea of release or assignment of such men for the immediate outbreak of vital research work."



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By WILLIAM RITT Central Press Writer

THE MADAGASCAR mouse, according to Factographs, always backs out when leaving its burrow. Probably just checking to see if the gas has been turned off and all the windows closed.

A burning cigar store was saved when soda pop was poured on the blaze. The drinks were all over, as well as on the house.

The way it looks to Zadok Dumkopf is that the Argentine gaucho got tired of trying to impersonate the Lone Ranger.

Having split up Russia into 16 autonomous republics puts Joe Stalin in a spot. Is he a foreigner in Moscow or just an alien to his native Georgia?

It appears America, after the war, will be a land of milk and honey and—what's more important—gasoline and rubber.

Another unsolved mystery is this: what did Balboa mean when he called it the Pacific ocean?

The inveterate gossip, we're told, suffers from a shortage of calcium in her—or his—system. But she—or he—makes up for that with an overabundance of topics to talk about.



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Cross Roads News

Dean Gentry and family from Moran spent Saturday night with Lynn Gentry's family.

Pvt. Harold Alnoworth is here visiting relatives.

O. B. Abies and family were in Ranger Saturday.

Lynn Gentry is confined to his bed with the flu.

Miss Maudie Hale spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hale.

Alvin Rogers visited in J. D. Rogers home Thursday.

Mary Farrell spent Friday night in the Lynn Gentry home.

Mrs. Earl Blackwell was in Ranger Saturday.

Mrs. Jid Blackwell has returned to her home after being called to the bedside of her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Woods were in Ranger last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Faircloth were in Ranger Saturday.

Mrs. Lynn Gentry and children were in Ranger Saturday.

George Barton and daughter were in our community this week.

Mrs. Lee Bishop and children visited in the home of J. R. Hale Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. R. Hale has been on the

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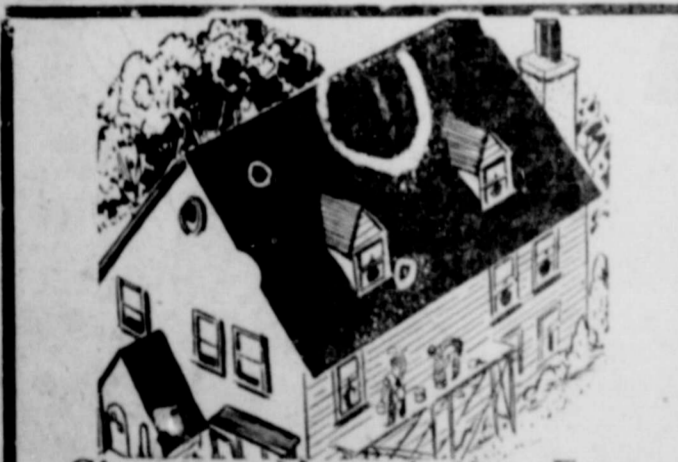
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CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE IN THE COLD, clear light of morning and reason, Beth's idea, born in the dawn, looked as wild and impossible as a plan to take up torch singing, or set up any business. It required experience and capital. She abandoned it on these grounds, but when Mrs. Eichel asked her if she could have a few words with her privately a few nights later, the seed blossomed into full flower.

"Sit down, my dear," Mrs. Eichel, a large, matronly lady, invited, clearing a space on a faded green plush rocker. The room would have been more livable if more space had been cleared. It was filled with the sort of enveloping and overwhelming furnishings that made the living room depressing. Brown and green, in faded and sickly tones, were the color motif. There was a preponderance of large lamps, with silk-fringed shades designed to retain the light, moaning. The pictures in heavy frames, and mosaics of soft pillows bearing embroidered flowers, Indian beads and pine needles.

Beth found herself thinking of what she would do with a big room like that, of ways that she could convert the present furnishings into something cheerful and home-like.

Mrs. Eichel cleared her throat. "Beth, I don't know how to say this, because I am very fond of you and Andrea, and I know that things are hard for you right now."

"We're doing fine, Mrs. Eichel. I don't mind sleeping on the cot at all."

"I'm not that," Her landlady's expression was embarrassed, and she hurried on, "It's just that—well, you see, all my girls are unmarried, working girls and . . . and Andrea will be having her baby in a few months."

Beth nodded, wondering what was coming. "I'm very fond of children, but even a small baby in a house like this . . . meals and all. Frankly, I think . . . that is, if you haven't any other plans . . ."

"I understand," Beth said. Mrs. Eichel looked much relieved. "I was sure you would. Of course you have plans."

Mrs. Eichel said, "None. I know, of course, that we oughtn't to stay here, but I don't know what to do. Neither Andrea nor I have any family we could go to, and Andrea hasn't been able to get any money yet. Of course we ought to have an apartment, but I can't swing one on my salary."

"I know, my dear. When my husband died, I had all this furniture and three small children and no money. It was terrible. Mrs. Eichel had always given me the best of

everything, a maid and a laundress and all. Then I had to do something, so I had to open a boarding house. It was quite a come-down. I come from a good family in Georgia, and southern women . . ."

Mrs. Eichel, encouraged by the light of interest that kindled suddenly in Beth's eyes, recited the saga of her family in considerable detail, and if Beth was not forever after acquainted with the military, social and religious history of the family Cartwright of Georgia, it was because she wasn't paying any attention to the flowing voice of her hostess. She was seeing her abandoned plane take shape.

She listened politely until Mrs. Eichel stopped for a breath and said, "I have an idea, Mrs. Eichel, and maybe you can help me. It's true, isn't it, that the housing situation in Washington is becoming acute?"

"I hear the government has set up a bureau to find rooms for all the girls that are pouring in here."

"Then it can't fail," Beth announced, beaming on the mustachioed portrait of Mr. Eichel that hung over the mantle. "I can see it all!"

"See what all, dearie?" "My boarding house. Don't you see? I could give up my job and devote all my time to running it, and then Andrea could have a room for herself and the baby. She could work with me when she's able. Of course I've never had any experience running a big house, but I've made a home for myself ever since I was 18. I know how to shop economically, and I know what girls like myself like. I could serve very simple meals . . . get one or two people to help. Maybe do it like they do in colleges. Let some girls work for their keep."

Her imagination and enthusiasm carried her on wings, and she was almost breathless as she poured it all out.

"It wouldn't cost much to redecorate an old house. Just some paint and inexpensive materials. My friends would help me. I'd arrange to have it like a girl's club, with little parties, and a room where a girl could meet her beau alone occasionally."

"It would cost money," Mrs. Eichel said dubiously. "Money to start it with."

For a moment, Beth was defeated. Only for a moment. It wouldn't cost more than \$300, and if she could get it going at once, she'd probably be able to save that much by the time it was needed for the hospital. Even if she couldn't have it saved, she could always borrow when she had a business to put up as security.

"Money," Mrs. Eichel repeated, "to buy the house with and the furniture and linen and china, for

deposits with the utility companies. You'll need lights and fuel and telephone and gas . . ."

"I know," Beth answered her thoughtfully, "but I don't think I'd have to do that. There are companies I've heard of, who have these furnished houses and engage managers for them. I thought I'd look them up and see if I can't sell the idea of getting one to manage."

Mrs. Eichel nodded admiringly. "I've heard of 'em myself. You're a bright girl, Beth, and I know you'd succeed. You won't have any trouble filling up your place. As for advice about buying things and running them, you can come to Amanda Eichel as often as you wish."

"Thank you! Thank you!" Beth got up. "It's too late to do anything about it tonight, but I'll start Saturday. Meantime, if you hear of anything, will you let me know?"

Mrs. Eichel promised, and Beth went upstairs to get out a pad and pencil to make lists. At night she dreamed of torques and apple green walls, of English-flowered chintz and book-lined walls, and wondered how she was going to contain herself, for she was not going to tell Andrea her news until it was all settled.

Mrs. Eichel called her at her office the next morning and told her she had heard of just what she was looking for. It was a house on Dornise drive, with ten rentable rooms and an apartment for the owners. Before she had finished saying that she'd go there directly from the office, Beth was multiplying 10 by 15, and was fast profiting from her eyes.

She was armed with a business-like folder of plans and figures when she mounted the steps of the bay-windowed, four-story house on Dornise drive a little after five and was met at the door by Mrs. Eichel's counterpart.

"I've never had any heart for this sort of work," the lady who was Mrs. Pride said, "and now my married daughter wants me to come and live with her. It takes a good manager to run a place like this profitably. You'll have everything to talk work with."

"You'll find me a good manager, Mrs. Pride," Beth predicted confidently, and began to outline her plans. To everything she suggested, Mrs. Pride agreed with enthusiasm, and Beth was beginning to wonder if she could ask for a small percentage of the profits when Mrs. Pride said, "You'll have a gold mine here, child. You'll never regret your investment."

"Investment?" Beth repeated blankly. They'd been talking about a director, not a buyer.

"What would you say to \$5,000 down and the rest . . ."

Beth had nothing at all to say.

(The End)

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Society, Clubs

Masquer Club Has Meeting Tuesday

The Masquers Club of Ranger Junior College met in the workshop at 7:00 Tuesday evening, Feb. 15.

Final plans were made for the presentation of Governor Coke R. Stevenson in the Junior College High school auditorium on Thursday, March 2, at 3:09. The following committees were appointed.

Welcome committee—David Lee Jameson and Mrs. Hal Hunter. Stage committee—Robert McCall; Chairman, Billy Pounds and Jim Wallace. Reserved seats, Mary Joy Wilson, chairman, Calla Mae Deaton, and Dorothy Hardy.

Ushers—Amelia Walker, Chairman, Jo Oyster, Dorris McCrum, Marjorie Pearsall, Betty Jo Simpson, Glyn Alyn Jernigan, Juanita White, Faye Butler, Kathleen Dunlap, Katherine Adams, and Marie Green.

It was voted to extend an invitation to the seniors of surrounding high schools to attend the March 2nd program.

Routine business included the acceptance of Doris McCrum into the club and the election of Jo Oyster as secretary to replace Meta Ann Scott, who resigned her club membership because of her work.

Mid-Week Service Honors Service Men

Wednesday evening at the mid-week services at the Second Baptist church, special services were conducted in honor of men from the church who are in service.

A song service was directed by C. M. Rodgers and an inspirational discussion on prayer was given by the pastor, Rev. J. D. McDaniel. The roll call of men in service was read by Mrs. J. H. Dreinhof and a period of united prayer closed the service.

Cpl. Cagle was graduated from Eastland High school, and was a newspaper agent here prior to induction in March, '43.

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Mrs. George Williams will leave Monday for Ft. Worth where she will board an airliner for Orlando, Fla., where she will meet her son, Capt. Max Williams who is in the States from duty in the Panama Canal Zone.

Sgt. James O. Calvert who has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert of Route 1 has gone to Barksdale, Louisiana where he will be stationed. He was accompanied as far as Ft. Worth by his parents.

Mrs. Jim McCoy of Columbus, Ohio is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. George Williams.

Mrs. Lula Riddell, who has been a medical patient at the All Saints Hospital at Ft. Worth since January 4th, has gone to the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kohfeldt 1411 Woodward St., Denison.

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Political Announcements

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R. V. (Rip) Galloway, re-election
W. V. (Virgil) Love

COUNTY JUDGE
C. H. (Harl) O'Brien

COUNTY TREASURER
Mrs. Ruth (Garland) Branton
For Relection

For Tax Assessor/Collectors
Clyde S. Karkalits

DISTRICT CLERK
John White (Re-Election.)
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