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Stettinius Arrives In Mexico



Secretary of State Edward Stettinius was welcomed at the Mexico City airport by Carlos Dario Ojeda, center, of the Mexican Foreign Office and Assistant Secretary Nelson Rockefeller pictured at right. Secretary Stettinius is in Mexico City for the Inter-American Conference. (NEA Telephoto).

Flashes Pictures from Fighting Fronts



Ensign Ray Lagodney, Chicago, Ill., operates an Acme Telephoto transceiver to transmit news pictures from the Navy's new radio-telephoto transmitting headquarters on Iwo Jima are now reaching U. S. newspapers less than 24 hours after taken because of this new equipment. (U. S. Navy photo from NEA Telephoto).

Merit System Examination For March 14, Set

The Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission, State Department of Public Welfare, United States Employment Service announces open competitive examinations for the following positions to be held at the Eastland High School beginning at 9:00 March 17. Applications must be received or postmarked before midnight, March 5, 1945.

Field Workers, SDPW, \$1920-\$2100; Junior Claims Examiner, TUCC, \$1932-\$2415; Junior Field Auditor, TUCC, \$1932-\$2415; Claims Interviewer, TUCC, \$1656-\$2070.

Junior Stenographer, SDPW, \$1200-\$1320; TUCC, USES, \$1449-\$1725; Apprentice Clerk TUCC \$1350-\$1655; Key Punch Operator SDPW, \$1320-\$1620, TUCC, \$1580-\$1794; Senior F. B. X. Operator, TUCC, \$16-\$2070.

Youth Choir Sings In Breckenridge

The Youth Choir of the First Baptist Church in Ranger sang Tuesday night at an associational meeting held in Breckenridge. Despite the bad weather, thirty-five from Ranger attended the meeting, including twenty-one members of the youth choir. The Youth Choir was directed by Mrs. W. H. Clark, with Miss Francis Ann Eubank as accompanist.

English Author Decries Realism School Poetry

OMAHA, Neb. (UP)—There's too much "brutal realism" and not enough sex in poetry, and poet Dr. Alfred Noyes, English poet and author.

The present-day realism school has "robbed realism of the true meaning of truth and supplanted truth with a superficial, sordid philosophy," Dr. Noyes said here recently.

The growth of totalitarianism—or the growth of "brutal realism"—has been revealed in literature in the past 20 years, he said, "and now we have it."

Realism, he said, has done much to accomplish the prewar enemy aims of breaking down morality both in Europe and America.

On the other hand, sex has "a place in nature and that should be its place in literature," Dr. Noyes said.

As long as poets make us "accept emetics as classics," he added, there will be no improvement in literature. They must realize that "all is not evil and sordid."

Gorman Soldier Released From Jap Prison

GORMAN, Feb. 21 — Mrs. Barbara Wood has received a letter from her nephew, Sidney Atwell, who has been a prisoner of the Japs since the fall of Bataan, stating that "I am free, well, and will see you soon." This is the first word she has had from him since December, 1944.

Atwell made his home with his aunt several years before going into the Navy eight years ago. His father, a brother of Mrs. Wood, died when he was a child. His mother, Mrs. J. R. Poplin resides in Cisco. A brother, George, is also a prisoner of the Japs, but relatives have been notified that he has been moved from the island.

More Than 800 Yanks Lost On Jap Prison Ship

WASHINGTON (UP)—A Navy officer today disclosed a third sinking of a jam-packed Japanese prison ship, with a loss of more than 800 Americans.

The vessel was sunk Dec. 15 by American planes which could not distinguish it from a cargo ship. In this case, however, the cargo was 1,600 Americans held in the ships holds at rifle point.

Collectors Of Revenue To Be At Eastland

Persons wishing the aid of the deputy collectors of internal revenue to work out their income tax problems will have to go to the office in the prairie building in Eastland as no call will be made to Ranger for this purpose.

Heretofore, collectors have spent several days at the local postoffice aiding individuals to fill out the income tax forms but this work will be done at the Eastland office this year.

Greatest Marine Force of All Time Battling It Out With Japs on Iwo

RED CROSS CHAIRMEN QUOTAS SET

County's Quota Is Placed At \$18,300 With Speed In Completion Urged

Homer Smith of Eastland, County chairman for the Red Cross war fund drive, which opens March 1, and which has for its purpose the raising of \$18,300 as Eastland County's quota of the national fund, submits the following list of Community chairmen and the quotas to be raised in each town and community of Eastland county:

- Eastland, 4500.00, Mrs. Jack Frost; Cisco, 4500.00, Geo. Fee; Ranger, 4500.00, Don Shelby; Gorman, 1800.00, Henry Capers; Rising Star, 1000.00, J. F. Robertson; Carbon, 300.00, Dr. T. G. Jackson; Olden, 200.00 Mrs. Stella Jarrett; Pioneer, 150.00 J. B. Huntington; Morton Valley, 125.00, Sam Jones; Alameda, 125.00 Mrs. John Love; Desdemona, 100.00 Scranton, 100.00; A. L. Gattis; Flatwoods, 100.00, Mrs. Pearl Bennett; Colony, 75.00, E. F. Kirk; Kokomo, 50.00, S. P. Crawley; Cottonwood, 50.00, L. M. Crawley; J. F. Reynolds; Lutheran, 50.00; Cross Roads Tabernacle, 50.00, Cecil Shultz; Leon, 50.00, Roy L. Palmer; Shady Grove, 25.00, Miss Willie Word; Okra, 25.00, Mrs. Bertie Bedford; Dan Horn, 25.00 Alvin King; Romney, 25.00, Mrs. Cecil; Staff, 25.00, F. C. Williamson; Tudor, 25.00, L. E. Galey; Lake Cisco, 25.00, Mrs. A. L. Thomas; Botham, 25.00 E. L. Hazelwood; Corinth, 25.00, Newt Hart, Crocker, 25.00, W. H. Korngrey; Bullock, 25.00, Laura Viden; Midway, 20.00, W. F. Cornwell; Pleasant Hill, 15.00, Jess Hugin; Nimrod, 15.00, Ed Townsend; Sabanne, 15.00, Edwin Erwin; Union, 15.00, Mrs. John White; Merriman, 15.00, Phillip Falls; Long Branch, 15.00, H. E. Reed;
- New Hope, 15.00, T. A. Elson; Haskell, 10.00, Lawson King; Center Point, 10.00, H. S. Weston; Grapevine, 10.00, J. R. Powers; Hodnett Grove, 10.00, J. W. Tunc; Lone Cedar, 10.00, Mrs. J. R. Jordan; Reich, 10.00, Theo Reich; Bluff Branch, 10.00, W. L. Pippin; Reagan, 10.00, H. Tankersley; Yellow Mound, 10.00, Ed Castelberry; TOTAL, \$18300.00.

The drive opens Thursday, March 1 and it is urged that all community chairmen get their supplies as soon as possible. There will not be another general meeting of town chairmen before the drive opens.

Smith stated that it is the hope of the chairmen that the drive in Eastland county can be completed within ten days. The campaign last year was completed in 14 days to place Eastland county 86th in line of Texas counties in the order in which their quotas were raised.

In connection with speeding the raising of the quota, Smith said, "I would like to see our county among the very first to raise its quota." While the effort to speed collection of the quota will be pushed this will not mean that donations will be turned down after the quota is raised. If there are those who fall to get their contributions in on the quota, they still will be acceptable to the fund.

Miss Files Gets Backing On Bill For Censorship

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Miss Rae Files, Representative from Waxahachie, was more or less walking on air after her recent introduction of a bill in the House. The bill proposed creation of censorship boards in each of the state's 31 senatorial districts for motion pictures.

Day following introduction of the measure, Miss Files, enthusiastically told newsmen she had received more requests from members for permission to join as co-authors than on any bill she has ever offered.

When Miss Files' bill comes for discussion before a House committee, some members have predicted that there will be some harsh criticism, of it. There are beliefs, too, that certain phases of the University of Texas controversy, especially "USA" as college reading will be injected into the hearing.

Mexican Fliers Get Battle Flags At Majors Field

GREENVILLE (UP)—The first expeditionary force in the history of Mexico received its battle flags today amid the booming of a 21-gun American salute.

The 200 men of the 205th Mexican Fighter Squadron trained in the United States will be the first fliers from south of the Rio Grande to hit the Axis.

Scores of high ranking military officials from both the United States and Mexico were present at Majors field for today's two-nation ceremony.

Success In '44 Extends Chicago Opera Season

CHICAGO (UP)—The Chicago Opera Company last year presented the best financially successful season in 50 years of opera here, a season so successful that checks totaling \$32,000 have been returned to 370 guarantors for their contributions.

The company's five-week season will be expanded to six weeks this year as a result of the success.

Last year's season was so successful that James C. Thompson, business manager, who said that opera could not support itself, has resigned. He is president of the Wecker Corp., which controls the Civic Opera building.

The resignation of Thompson cleared the way for production of opera without amplification. His insistence upon using the built-in loudspeaker system, which sometimes did not work, brought protests from singing stars.

Fausto Cleva, general artistic director, who has been appointed by Abner L. Stillwell, new president and treasurer, to be in control of production, "which he won't last year," said that there will be no "blasting" this year.

Legislator Finds Answer To People Sending Telegram

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—One legislator, plagued with form telegrams sent to him with requests for action one way or another on bills before the legislature soon came to the conclusion that the messages were sponsored and that the constituents wiring him knew nothing of the matter.

He adopted this procedure. If the constituent asked him to vote against House Bill 22, for instance he would write back asking for the constituent's view of Section Three or four of the Act. Of course, he never heard from the constituent in reply, for the constituent didn't know anything about the bill personally.

Then the Senator pushed the system a little farther.

He asked one of the telegraphing constituents for his construction of Section Seven of a bill that only had six sections.

That was too good an opening for any constituent to pass up if he knew anything about the bill.

The fact that there was no blistering reply convinced the legislator that telegraphed general protests or endorsements are not worth the cost of the message.

EASTLAND BOY WINS AIR MEDAL, DFC



1 LT. BILLIE B. HART

1 Lt. Billie B. Hart, aviator son of Eastland County Sheriff John S. Hart and Mrs. Hart, has been awarded the "Distinguished Flying Cross" and other medals for Extraordinary Achievements in Aerial Combat. He wired his parents on Feb. 8 from England that he hoped to be home soon.

An Eighth Air Force Liberator Station, England—First Lieutenant Billie B. Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Hart, Eastland, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement in aerial combat while flying as copilot and formation controller of B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment aircraft. Lt. Hart is a veteran over a score of combat operations, on many of which he has flown in the lead bomber as formation controller. Beginning last July, he directed bombardment group formations attacking Munich, Bremen, Ludwigshafen, Kiel and Kassel, Germany; he was bomber-wing controller on missions to Vorsefeld, Osnabruck, and Cologne. As wing formation controller in September he was responsible for the safe return of the remnants of his wing after a savage attack by more than 100 Focke-Wulf 190's near Eisenach, Germany. Flying as observer, he materially aided his pilot in successfully leading the second air division to attack an ordnance factory at Hamburg in October. He was observer of the aircraft that led four squadrons of his own group to attack the Henschel tank factory at Kassel in October, placing 95 per cent of their bombs within 2,000 feet of the aiming point in spite of poor visibility.

QM Corps Turns Rainmaker To Test Materials

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—Quartermaster Corps claims the distinction of being the first group ever to do anything about the weather, according to the Kansas City Quartermaster Depot officials.

They have developed a nozzle that simulates rain perfectly, officials said. The new weather maker was essential for testing garments and fabrics, since ordinary sprinklers were found inadequate.

After a long search, quartermaster corporals found that the movie industry, which subjects its stars to realistic looking drenchings, had developed a nozzle that produced what seemed nearer to genuine rain than anything previously found.

Scientists took the nozzles and subjected them to numerous tests then re-designed them until now they can produce rain that is the envy of any weather man.

Firm Planning Airports In Residence Areas

MILWAUKEE, (UP)—Come victory, reconstruction and available materials, a new Milwaukee aviation firm intends to establish "a little airport right near your home."

A. B. Taylor, one of the founders of the Victory Air Activities Corp., and an air force captain in World War I, said the firm hopes to set up "one or more" small air ports for light planes in residential areas with space for each family to have its own small hangar.

If the plan materializes a man living in Milwaukee could fly to his job in another city and also be able to take out his plane on pleasure trips—minus the trouble of getting transportation to a large airport or of securing a reservation.

Instructor Says He Can Set Anything Afire

COLUMBUS, O. (UP)—Jack Reagan doesn't want to set the world on fire, but he's convinced he could turn the trick if he set his mind to it.

Reagan is a retired employee of an electrical concern, but, fortunately, he is also tire prevention instructor at the 843rd AAP Specialized Dept., so he knows how to put out fires his electricity starts.

Reagan uses an old automobile vibrator coil to charge his body then crosses a room and ignites a pan of gasoline with his finger.

"The reason I use the coil to charge my body," he explained, "is because you can't depend on static electricity for demonstration purposes. Weather and other factors affect it. So by using the coil, I simulate a static electricity charge in my body, and it works every time."

He also demonstrates to his war-working students how fires can be caused by dust explosions, by hanging an electric cord over a nail, and other common fire hazards.

"You can even set fire to steel with a match," Reagan contended. "Give me anything," he said, "and one way or another I'll set fire to it."

Senate Passes Bill On County Officers Pay

WASHINGTON (UP)—The Senate military affairs committee today approved a "work-or-fight" bill including fines and prison terms for employers who hard labor.

The bill would grant War Mobilization Director Byrnes power to survey manpower in all war plants with a view to eliminating labor hoarding and waste. The WMC would be authorized to establish ceilings on the number of workers in any plant or industry.

Denies Terror Bombing Rumors

WASHINGTON (UP)—Secretary of War Stimson today flatly denied reports that Allied air commanders had decided to start terror bombing of German population centers.

"Our policy has never been to inflict terror bombing on civilian populations," Stimson said.

AMERICAN CASUALTIES 4,553 YANKS CLEAR BATAAN AND CORREGIDOR

Reinforced United States Marines held fast against several heavy counter attacks on bloody Iwo Island in a battle which already had cost 4,553 American casualties, a communique announced today.

"There was little change in positions of the front line", Admiral Chester W. Nimitz reported revealing that counter blows had checked the Marine push northward on the island.

The ferocity of the battle was revealed for the first time by a Marine Corps combat correspondent who said the invasion beach was "a scene of indescribably wreckage—all of it ours."

With arrival of elements of a third division on Iwo, the biggest Marine force ever thrown into one operation—some 40,000—was slugging it out toe to toe with the fanatical Japanese defenders.

Thousands Of Planes Blast Way For Ground Forces

PARIS (UP)—Thousands of Allied warplanes rained bombs, rockets and bullets on prime German targets ahead of Gen Eisenhower's Army today.

German alarm also indicated that the U. S. 15th Air Force Italian-based bombing fleets had joined in the attack from the south.

The daylight blows followed an 11:00-plane RAF night sweep that struck twice at Berlin and hit the west front railway bottlenecks of Duisberg and Worms.

Senate Approves Work-Or-Fight Legislation

AUSTIN (UP)—After an all-morning wrangle about its effect, the Texas Senate passed and sent to the House today a bill to raise pay of all county officials in 166 counties which have less than 20,000 population.

The bill by Sen. Ruster Brown, Texarkana, raised the amounts payable to \$3,600 with a possible \$4,200. An amendment permits the county commissioners to fix pay at not less than the minimum nor more than the maximum.

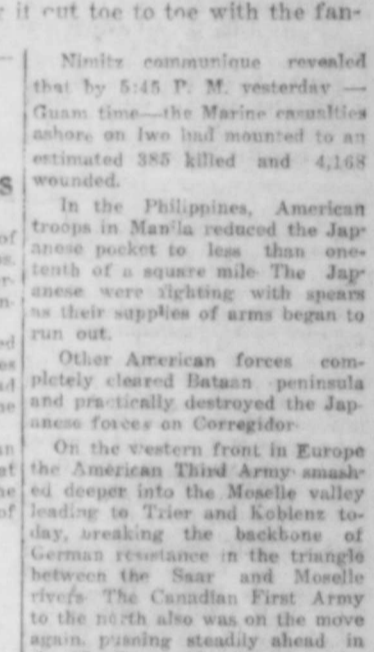
CONQUER AT ANY COST

Aboard Adm. Turner's Flagship off Iwo Jima — Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, commanding general of the Fleet Marine Force of the Pacific said today the Americans will capture Iwo Jima no matter what the cost.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS — Fair and colder tonight, Friday fair and warmer.

Today's War Map



The 3rd Army plunges over the Our River at Dasburg for a new penetration of the Reich, while others of Patton's forces slash closed to the road and communications hubs of Bitburg and Saarburg. (NEA Telemap).

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publishers.

New is The Time To Act

Little credence can be placed in the theory that now is not the time to undertake anything for the future development of Ranger and that nothing can be done toward civic upbuilding.
There can be no standing still. Either we go ahead or we are pushed backward

by the more aggressive around us who believe and act on the theory that now is the time to make preparations for what is ahead.

The town that already has an airport will be the one that is placed on the airlines' routes after the war. The town that has a prospectus ready to spread before the proper authorities will be among those considered for the location of veterans' hospitals.

The information is out that a veterans' hospital will be located somewhere within 100 miles of Sweetwater. Ranger is very little beyond that mileage limit and with everything to offer to such an institution. There has been some move among individuals to secure a hospital for Ranger. But that is not enough. Organization of a civic minded persons and groups should be effected at once and the force of that organization thrown into the effort to strike while the iron is hot.

The above mentioned are only two possibilities open to Ranger NOW. What are we going to do about them?

The press of the state daily carries news of what other communities are doing NOW for what is to come LATER. Surely that is the proper attitude and one that should characterize Ranger.

Nothing worthwhile was ever attained by saying "it can't be done." But miracles have been wrought by saying "it can be done" when everything pointed to the impossible.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Every idea offered for reorganizing Congress, regardless of its desirability, meets with some more or less valid objection.

There is in Congress itself considerable sentiment to change the procedure which requires two-thirds Senate approval for any international treaty negotiated by the President. This rule is considered bad for three reasons. First, 33 isolationist members of Congress might block a broad international post-war security plan. Second, the House is cut out of any participation. Third, the President is driven to making "executive agreements" with foreign countries, not requiring Congressional approval when it was the intent of the founding fathers that the Senate should participate in making foreign policy and treaties.

Letting the full Congress ratify or reject all international deals by simple majority vote is proposed as a remedy for these evils. Yet students of Congress point out that the House of Representatives is the most unpredictable thing in government, subject to strange moods and temperamental shifts which at times defy reason. Recent action of the House in bringing to the committee formerly headed by Martin Dies, after everything thought it was safely dead and buried, is cited as an example of this whimsy.

Another desirable reform of Congress is the proposal that the governing of the District of Columbia be taken away from Congress and given back to the people who are resident in the capital, along with the right to vote. Granting suffrage to the D. C. inhabitants is a long and involved issue in itself. But the necessity for Congress to turn itself into a city council every so often and worry about local schools, sewers, garbage collection and such matters is unquestionably a handicap to Congress, besides which it doesn't exactly make Washington the best governed city in the world.

Another procedural trick in which the Senate sometimes indulges, though House rules limit the practice, is the passing of "riders" to pending legislation. The rider may incorporate the pet project of some one Senator or one Congressional bloc. The rider may have no bearing on the legislation to which it is attached. Yet because the main bill is desirable, the less-desirable rider sometimes gets adopted along with it, the President preferring to save the bad with the good than to let the good die with the bad.

Opponents of any kind of Congressional reform have their points. The present system has worked for 160 years, giving the American people what they believe is the best government in the world, for all its faults. No change is now proposed in the form of American government, but limited strengthening of Congress through modification of some of its procedures to meet changing times and conditions may be needed. Radical reform is not.

Out Of Way By J. R. Williams



BARBS

ARMY life is in itself an education. If you don't know beans, you soon will.

An Illinois couple had a 200-pound wedding cake in the shape of a ship. It was sunk during the wedding reception.

If gas holds out in some states while coal is short, we can't imagine a nicer place to be than home on the range.

At last—who cares if a cigaret lighter doesn't work?

Police seized \$12,000 from owners of an Illinois gambling spot. Customers likely laughed up their sleeves—if they had a shirt left.

NEWS FROM Morton Valley

MORTON VALLEY Feb. 21—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tankersley went to Hico Thursday to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Funk. On return, they brought with them, Brenda Sue, their daughter who has been visiting her grandparents.

Batton Tankersley went to Breckenridge on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown visited relatives in Fort Worth over the weekend.

Mrs. Homer Smith, one of Morton Valley High school teachers

AT FIRST SIGN OF A Cold, Prepare to be attacked

Alley Oop



Freckles And His Friends



Red Ryder



A SONG TO REMEMBER

by Willard Wiener

THE STORY: At the age of 10, Frederic Chopin's dexterity at the piano has already made him a person of note in the little Polish village of Zelazowa Wola. When his mother, who is a public concert pianist, notices his talent, she decides to have him play in a public concert at the church in the town. Frederic's mother and the whole town are looking forward to the event.

THE LETTER

PROF. JOSEF ELSNER, his heavy clothes dripping wet, stopped over the threshold. If Mamma Chopin had not held him off he would have embraced her in his rain-soaked arms.

"Good day!" His face was one big smile. "Madame Chopin, good day!" Then he nodded to Mamma Chopin, who had only this moment come to the door. "Nicolaus! Isabella, good day! Your sisters, little one, are they in health?"

"They're in Warsaw," Isabella said.

Josef Elmer closed his lips, nodded, then with a quick gesture, as Nicolaus Chopin bolted the door against the driving rain, he said: "What a pupil!" His head nodded in the direction of Frederic's music room. "Superb! Yes?"

Nicolaus Chopin didn't say anything but his expression said plainly enough: "Who thinks of music on a day like this?"

The Professor snatched his lips. His cheeks were wet, the rain water dripping even from his eyebrows. He was groping in his coat pocket for something.

"And you are you this fine day, my little one?" he said to Isabella, still groping in his pocket. "Isabella answered stiffly: "Very well, thank you. But it isn't a very one."

"Tch, tch," "Just—who cares if a cigaret lighter doesn't work?"

MONSIEUR CHOPIIN had been rolling his tongue in his cheek. He said: "A fine day for a straw hat and slippers."

What is that, a straw hat? Please, please, Josef Elmer is not such a fool. He looked at his hat. Why it was, of all things, his fine straw one, but hardly his any longer. He looked at his feet. Elmer, what is the matter? Have you gone out of your head completely? For his feet, of course, were in slippers. Tch, tch. So many things a man must think of in these days. How can you do everything? In a day there are only so many hours and so many minutes in an hour, and everywhere there are problems, great and small, and you are only one person. Anyone can see how difficult it is.

Mamma Chopin took his wet hat, she wet music roll, and Isabella, in response to her mother's quick words, brought out Papa Chopin's usual "cigar slippers" from the wardrobe, indignantly exclaiming for his own.

The Professor now had in his hand a crumpled paper, the thing he had been groping for in his pocket.

"Madame."

"Yes, Josef."

"Nicolaus."

"Yes, Josef."

"I only say to you my friends, my dear warm friends—read!"

It was too dark where they were to read anything. They moved into the kitchen where the light was better. Mamma Chopin took the paper. She opened it, read, while Elmer looked on, his own face beaming. Mamma Chopin read from the top of the paper to the very bottom.

"I don't understand it," she said, when she had finished.

"Tch, tch."

She handed the paper to her husband. "Maybe you can understand it."

Nicolaus Chopin held the paper away from his eyes.



Scene from the Columbia film, "A Song to Remember." Professor Elmer had taken the letter back and now read it aloud, although undoubtedly he could have repeated every word without the slightest reference to it.

"Is it Louis Pleyel?" asked Nicolaus Chopin calmly.

"Who else? It is something, let me tell you, to get a letter from Louis Pleyel. Is it a cold letter? Look! How is it signed? It is signed, as you see, 'Respectfully, Henry Dupont, Secretary to Louis Pleyel.' Ah, don't laugh, don't smile. Who is Elmer in far-off Warsaw that Louis Pleyel should have his own personal secretary write 'respectfully' to him from Paris? The letter is still warm. It came in the early post. It reaches over the vast, proof, my friends—absolute proof—that a sincere man is aware of a sincere man. It brings back to my head an occasion in January 15 years ago. I was playing there in a trio, and who is in the picture but Louis Pleyel. There he was, afterwards, waiting. He took my hand, a powerful man, Louis Pleyel. 'My dear friend,' he said, 'you were magnificent! So I am naturally pleased, as you wouldn't be. But did it also come here? Oh, no! That was only the beginning. He said also, on that same occasion, 'There, you said, I shall never forget you. How do you like that?'"

Mamma Chopin said calmly: "You wrote to him about Frederic?"

Elsner's eyes lighted. "Did you think I would be afraid to do that? Not Josef Elmer. Yes, indeed, I sat myself down and wrote a warm letter to my good friend Louis Pleyel. Well, you see what he says. It is all here."

He now had the letter and was holding it to his eyes. He read it aloud, although undoubtedly he could have repeated every word without the slightest reference to it.

(To Be Continued)

ELSNER wagged his head from side to side, by way of showing his disgust. "For Paris?" he said. "Isn't that true?"

"True."

"Who sent it?"

Nicolaus Chopin looked at the letter again. "I make out the name to be Pleyel."

"Pleyel," Elmer said. "Louis Pleyel?"

"Who is Louis Pleyel?"

"Madame, Nicolaus. Please, please, my dear warm friends—Louis Pleyel—let me ask—what owns the finest concert hall, the greatest publishing house in Paris?"

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NEWS FROM Carbon

(By Special Correspondent) CARBON, Feb. 20 — L. J. Hazlewood, who underwent surgery at the Blackwell Sanitarium in Gorman last Monday for a ruptured appendix, is reported at last reports, as doing nicely. Two of his children, Bert Hazlewood and wife of California, and Mrs. Jerry Matthews and family of Electra, and Mr. Hazlewood's brother, Mr. Fincher and wife of New Mexico are here to be with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Huckabee of Fort Worth spent the past weekend with Mrs. Huckabee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Boone.

Mrs. Payne and Miss Blanche Payne of Eastland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wade White, last Friday.

J. D. Hardin and daughter, Miss Aya, have returned to Fogville, Alabama, after a visit here with his brother-in-law, George Clarke and wife Sunday Mmes. Mertie Wilson, Eliza Brazell of Albany and Margaret Malone of San Diego, visited in the Clarke home.

Boys from Camp Hood visiting friends and relatives in Carbon Sunday included Pvt. "Happy" Jackson, Billy Cavanaugh, Glenn Jackson and Cecil Self.

Leo McDaniel, A. C. C. Abilene, and Pvt. Buster McDaniel of Camp Barkley spent Sunday here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McDaniel.

Mrs. T. J. Cox is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Rebecca Murphy, and family in Fort Worth.

Pvt. and Mrs. David Anderson Five room modern house 60 acres land, Glenn Addition, Johnnie Richardson.

announced the arrival of a daughter born Saturday at the Blackwell Sanitarium at Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cain of Long Branch, and Cecil Cain of Brownwood, were guests in the home of Mrs. D. W. Benson, Saturday.

Mrs. Ludie Harris of Roby is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. F. Hayes and brother, H. B. Harris and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Trimble had as their guests over the weekend Mrs. Trimble's cousin, Mrs. Earl Reavis of Huntington Park, California.

Miss Laddie Bethany and Mr. Earl Tonn were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage here Saturday evening at 8:15 with Rev. H. M. Usery, officiating. Mrs. Tonn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bethany and a graduate of Carbon High school. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tonn and is also a graduate of Carbon High school. Both are attending Cisco Junior College where Mr. Tonn expects to continue her studies after Mr. Tonn's induction into the Army. They are at present at the home of his parents. Attending the wedding were: Mrs. J. R. Tonn, and daughters Misses Pearl, Janyce, and Charlene; Pete Bethany, Norman Bethany, Misses Maxine and Christian Payne and Mrs. H. M. Usery.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Ford visited Mrs. Ford's mother in Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxine Burkhalter, Miss Louise Nowlin, and David Nowlin of Fort Worth, visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. D. M. Collins, Sunday. Pvt. D. M. Collins of the Amarillo AAF was home for a few hours, Monday.

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NEWS FROM Cheaney

By Mrs. Bill Tucker

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Melton and family, of Gatesville were weekend visitors in the parental William Melton home. They visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rodgers and family.

Miss Edith Weekes, who has been employed as a telegrapher in New Mexico for the past year, is home for a thirty day vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Essel Carr and family, of Kermit, are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Melton for a few days.

Mrs. Lela Lockhart of Sweetwater, is visiting her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Jno. Walton, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tucker were visitors in the Bill Tucker home Sunday.

W. E. Calvert and Mrs. Fred Lamb visited Pvt. Fred Lamb at Camp Walters Sunday.

Clarence Swain goes for his preinduction examination on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tucker were in Gorman on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wisdom moved to Odessa this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Watson have had as their guest her brother, Troy Lee White, with the U. S. Army. They entertained with a musicale and dance Thursday night.

Ms. Electra Hattox was hostess

to the Salem Homebakers Friday afternoon with five present; Mrs. Dee Rodgers, Mrs. Clarence Swain, Mrs. Bill Logan, one visitor, Mrs. Bill Tucker and the hostess.

Plans for this year's work was discussed after which delicious refreshments were served.

Myra Tankersley meets with these ladies March 2 and will demonstrate the canning of chicken to be sent to boys overseas. They meet with Mrs. Clarence Swain.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tucker and Salata visited Mr. and Mrs. William Melton Saturday night.

Correction: The Alameda Home Dem. Club ladies will meet with Mrs. Ferrell on February 28 instead of Feb. 21 as in the last week's issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grice visited their daughter Mrs. Inez



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NEXT: Why sailors jump overboard feet first.

Quoting Odds

A MAN MUST CLIMB UP IN THE WORLD TO GO DOWN IN HISTORY. Fred P. O'Neill, Kansas City, Kansas.



Soldier Billed With 'Pen Pal' In Belgium

LONDON (UP) — When Lance Corporal Leo Miller of Plymouth, England, was a schoolboy, his "pen pal" correspondence with a French schoolgirl convinced him that it is a small world. When he met the same girl in Belgium recently, he realized that the war has made it an even smaller world. Miller was billed with a French family in Belgium and was going through the usual ordeal of inspecting the family album when he found a snapshot of himself. On the reverse side was his signature. The daughter in the family turned

out to be his "pen pal" of so many years ago, who had moved to Belgium from Toulouse.

Navy Building Hospital For 10,000 At Houston

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP) — In the not-too-distant future, hospital ships from various theaters of war will bring wounded American fighting men up the Houston Ship Channel to a brand new Navy hospital, one of the largest in the country. The new Houston hospital, expected to be ready for patients within a year, will have 1,000 beds and will cost approximately \$6,000,000.

Regent Cannot Escape Profession

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP) — Dr. C. O. Terrell, Fort Worth, appointed regent of the University of Texas by Gov. Coke R. Stevenson, had been before the Senate Committee on Nominations and joined other persons in the Senate Chamber. The committee room door opened and there was an inquiry if Dr. Terrell still was there. The Fort Worth physician started back to the committee room, expecting additional questioning. Half way he was met by Sen. W. E. Stone, Galveston. "The committee doesn't want you again—I just wanted to ask you what that was you told me to get for my cold," said Stone.

PENNEY'S advertisement featuring two women in coats. Text: 'BEAUTIFUL ALL WOOL TWILLS' and '29.75'.

PENNEY'S advertisement featuring two women in suits. Text: 'All Wool Gabardine Suits' and '29.75'.

Shook and family, last Wednesday. More About Our Boys—Junior Davis, who has completed his training at Camp Roberts, California has been here for the past 10 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Davis and family. He reported back to Fort Ord, Cal., on Tuesday. Privates Clarence Haley, Lamar Perrin, and Ray Blackwell visited their respective families this week end. Harlan Perrin, a veteran of the Pacific Campaign, who has been hospitalized for some time on the West Coast came in Wednesday to visit his parents, Mr. Luther Perrin. He married a Ranger girl on Friday. Pets, William Kimbrough and James Odie Jones have been transferred from California to the East Coast. They both have A. P. O. New York addresses. Pvt. Chubby Foreman has advised his parents he is safely in England. Claude Tucker and L. Z. Mel-

Coca-Cola advertisement featuring a woman holding a bottle. Text: 'Coca-Cola 5¢', 'Texas Coca-Cola Bottling Co.', and 'Yes!'.

Rug cleaning advertisement. Text: 'NOTICE!! We Have Started Our Rug CLEANING SERVICE', 'Don't let the Moths and Dirt ruin your rugs.', 'RANGER DRY CLEANERS GEORGE ROGERS'.

500 CLEANERS advertisement. Text: 'ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF 500 CLEANERS AT 120 NORTH AUSTIN STREET', 'We cordially invite you to come in and inspect our new modern dry cleaning plant.', '500 CLEANERS CHAS. CLARK, MGR. 500 120 N. AUSTIN STREET'.

Joseph's Dry Goods advertisement. Text: 'RATION FREE SHOES at 25 Per Cent Discount', 'OPA ODD LOT RELEASE', 'FEB. 19 TO MARCH 10, 1945.', 'LADIES AND MISSES SHOES', 'IN CALF, KID AND PATENT', 'REGULAR PRICE \$3.95 to \$6.95, SALE PRICE \$2.95 to \$5.20'.

Eastland News

Mrs. Neja Smith of Cleburne visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mullings, over the week-end.

Rev. Grady Allison and father J. C. Allison were in Garman Sunday where Grady filled the pulpit at the Baptist church at both the morning and evening services. In the afternoon they visited at the Allison family home in the Bear Springs community now occupied by Edwin Allison and Miss Annie Allison, brother and sister of J. C. Allison.

W. W. Linkenhoger was a business visitor in Dallas Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Welch of Cleburne have moved to Eastland to reside. Mr. Welch is with the Magnolia Oil Co.

Chief Petty Officer Willard Bagwell with the navy, stationed in Calif. visited his wife, the former Miss Ruby Lee Oglesley from Fri-

day until Wednesday of this week. He will return to an embarkation port.

Mrs. Alec Clark, and daughter of Alvis, have been visiting her mother Mrs. J. L. Johnson and sister Miss Verna.

Mrs. E. A. Peck is teaching at Mortan Valley in the absence of Mrs. H. Smith who has illness in her home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Corder have returned to their Eastland home on N. Daugherty St. from Odessa where they have been employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clemons of Dallas were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stokes returned last Friday from a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Dulin and Mr. Dulin and little sons, Billy and Ronnie, at Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. Ruby Bond and daughter, Mrs. Capt. R. R. Alworth, of Okla., Oklahoma, were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. T.

Parrack, Mrs. Bond is Mrs. Parrack's daughter.

Mrs. J. P. Booles is visiting her daughter in Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Mrs. R. L. Rust was a recent shopper in Ranger.

Mrs. Margie Childress was a recent guest in the Robert Peel home on South Bassett street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jordan left Tuesday, the 13th for Imperial, California to visit their son, W. G. Jordan and family. They expect to return within two weeks.

Eastland Soldier Injured Near Metz; Gets Purple Heart

The 317th Station Hospital England - Wounded in the left leg by Nazi mortar chrapnel while his armored infantry unit was attacking beyond Metz, France, Private Robert V. Wynne, 19, of 111 North Connellee St. Eastland,

is recovering satisfactorily at this United States Army station hospital in England. He has been awarded the Purple Heart.

"We had just taken a small village east of Metz and were assigned squad areas to guard against infiltration by the Nazis," related Pvt. Wynne. "We had not been at the intersection assigned us long before the enemy started firing mortar shells into the place. One landed close to us, sending two pieces of shrapnel into my left leg. I was given first aid immediately and evacuated to rear medical echelons for treatment."

Before entering the Army in August, 1943, he was a student at the Texas Agriculture and Mechanical College at College Station, Texas. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wynne reside at the North Connellee street address.

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Omaha Postal Section Wins 'Perfect Rating'

OMAHA, Neb. (UP) - The coveted but rare "perfect rating" was awarded recently by postal inspector to the sections at the Omaha post office which handle money orders, postal savings and war bonds and stamps.

Head of the section is Charles F. Willie, who is completing his 55th year of service at the Omaha office.

The rating was especially gratifying he said, because of the large amounts of money handled by the sections.

Willie, 69, is the oldest employee in length of service rendered. His only "time out" was during the Spanish-American War, when he served in the 1st Nebraska Regiment for almost a year. During that period he was placed on detached service and worked on the post office at Manila for three months.

Congressional Reforms

They're a major issue for the 79th Congress; to tackle!

Peter Edson, our Washington correspondent, analyzes the proposed reforms—from the screwball to the sublime. The first of a series of six articles appears today in

Peter Edson's Washington Column

Former Eastland Boy Meets Death In The Pacific

Dean Smith, son of Mrs. Myrtle Wright of Dallas and the late Ernest Smith of Eastland, was lost recently when his ship went down while in action in the Pacific. Previously reported missing in action, news of Dean's death reached the family while they were in Eastland Thursday of last week attending the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Smith, who died on Monday before at Monahan.

Dean Smith was born in Eastland in 1921.

Rising Star Man Has Car License Revoked; Fined

C. T. Dillard of Rising Star entered a plea of guilty in County court on charge of driving while intoxicated. His driver's license was revoked and he was fined, the fine and costs totaling approximately \$300.

Dillard, a shell shock veteran of World War No. 1 is alleged to have been driving the car that collided with one driven by C. H. Greathouse on Highway 67 near Carbon on February 5, at which time Greathouse suffered a broken leg and other injuries.

Greathouse, who was taken to a hospital at Gorman, is reported as doing nicely.

HE GOT HIS WISH

Jack Freeman, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wilcox of Eastland, likes to visit them and frequently comes from his home at Comanche just to spend the week-end. He came last Saturday and expressed the wish Sunday morning that he would miss his bus Sunday evening. He did and reached Comanche at noon Monday, missing a half day at school.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Osburn of Austin and formerly of Eastland are the parents of a son, David Allen, born February 19, and weighing eight pounds at birth. Mrs. Annie Stokes is the maternal grandmother and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Allen of the States Oil Corporation, Eastland, are the paternal grand-parents.

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A group of top-jat men in Kansas organized a reading club. They are known as a "guy," "Redneck" or "hustler."

If the postwar employment plans work, we all will.

• BARBS

THE Manila picture shell: The Americans are back—the Japs are back to the wall!

The price of pork in Chungking jumped to \$100 (Chinese) per pound. That's a low one—the pig jumping over the fence.

There is one simple way to beat the cigaret shortage. It's a pipe!

The man who changes his suit constantly is just a fresh friend.

The CRESCENT MOON ALWAYS HAS ITS HORNS TURNED UPWARD AT SUNSET IN SPRING, BUT MORE HORIZONTALLY IN AUTUMN! THE TILT IS SEASONAL, AND HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH RAIN OR DROUGHT.

Quoting Odds SEND US AN ODD TO QUOTE! "LUCKY CLOCKS ARE NOT CRAZY," SAID ANNA RAE OLIVER, Auburn, California. IT TAKES ONLY ABOUT 27 HEART-BEATS TO CIRCULATE THE BLOOD ONCE AROUND THE BODY! COPY MADE BY NEA SERVICE, INC. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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Annual Founders Day Tea Given Wednesday Afternoon At Gholson

Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock members of the City Council of Parents and Teachers entertained in the Blue Room of the Gholson Hotel with the annual Founder's Day Tea.

For the occasion the room was attractively decorated with arrangements of gold and blue spring flowers, the colors being those of the organization.

Mrs. O. G. Lanier, president of the Council, headed the receiving line which was composed of the following: Mrs. C. E. Maddocks, past state president of the Congress of Parents and Teachers; Mrs. Eugene Baker of Gorman, past council president; Mrs. Saulo Perlstein, past president; Mrs. Carl Heinlin, past president; Mrs. Earnest Latham, secretary; Mrs. George Rogers, treasurer; Mrs. Quia Littlefield, president of Hodges Oak Park P. T. A. and the Child Study Association; Mrs. O. C. Southers, president of Young P. T. A.; and Mrs. Gordon Downing, president of Cooper P. T. A.

Mrs. H. C. Cronm resided at the guests book, and Mrs. Rose Cook was general chairman for the tea.

Guests were served from a table laid with a lace cloth and centered with a crystal bowl filled with jonquils, delphiniums and pussy willow buds placed on a reflector. Crystal candelabra held white candles which lighted the table. Alternating in presiding at the silver service at each end of the table were Miss Littlefield, Souther, and Downing. Assisting in serving were Misses M. E. Lee, H. H. Sutton, Don Shelby, C. B. Pruet, and Arlie Carver.

Mrs. Ann Gray was program chairman for the afternoon and introduced Mrs. Maddocks who spoke on the founders of the organization. Students from Cooper school gave a George Washington program with Mrs. Lee Thompson accompanying their songs at the piano.

The Child Study Association was represented on the program by Betty Jane Wade who gave a reading and Judy Wyatt who sang. Students from Hodges Oak Park school gave gypsy-choral readings under the direction of Mrs. Walter Daniel and a piano solo was given by Betty Reuter and a vocal solo by Myrtle Clark.

Old fashioned songs in costume were presented by the first, second, third and fourth grade students of Young school. This program was directed by Miss Johnnie Young, Mrs. Elsie Landers and Mrs. A. B. Gilbert.

The program from the high school and Ranger Junior College was under the direction of Mrs. Homer Heatley and consisted of the following numbers: piano solo, Elaine Brasco; piano solo, Melba Croager; reading, Charlene Cook; three numbers by the Chorus; and piano solo by Miss Hagaman and a piano solo by Miss Hagaman.

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COOPER P. T. A. HAS MEETING TUESDAY

The regular meeting of Cooper P. T. A. was held Tuesday at three o'clock. Mrs. Gordon Downing, president, presided for the business meeting. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. M. E. Lee. Mrs. Elsie Gregory was elected chairman of the nominating committee to select the new officers. To serve with her Mrs. Bill Nichols and Mrs. C. G. Veal were elected.

After a discussion of various plans for program ahead, the meeting adjourned.

L'ALLEGRO CLUB MET MONDAY NIGHT

The L'Allegro Club met in Elsie Marie Gerner's home Monday night. Plans were made for a tea honoring the L'Allegro mothers and the two Social Clubs of Junior College. After the meeting refreshments were served to the following members: Marie Green, Barbara Getts, Glyn Allyn Jernigen, Louise Mitchell, Dorris McCrum, Calla Mae Deaton, Elsie Gerner and the sponsor Mrs. Harnick. The members pledged Ann McEver honorary member of the club.

NEWS FROM Breckenridge

(By Special Correspondent)

BRECKENRIDGE, Feb. 20 — Breckenridge High school officials are scouting for a new football coach, since Eck Curtis, has accepted a position as coach for Highland Park school in Dallas.

About 4 P. M. Friday afternoon a small plane crashed into a hillside during the dense fog, about seventeen miles southeast of Breckenridge, a name was in the cap found, but to date has not been released, and will not be, until the nearest of kin is notified.

Sgt. H. C. Dover, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Dover, has been wounded and is in hospital in France, he writes he expects to soon be sent back to the states, his wife is an army nurse in Boston, Mass.

Mrs. John L. Turner formerly a resident of Eastland and now residing in Breckenridge has gone to Odessa to meet her brother who is home on furlough, visiting his mother and father for a few days.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Parks, have heard from their son, who is a prisoner of the Germans, and in camp Oflag, No. 64, he said he was doing nicely.

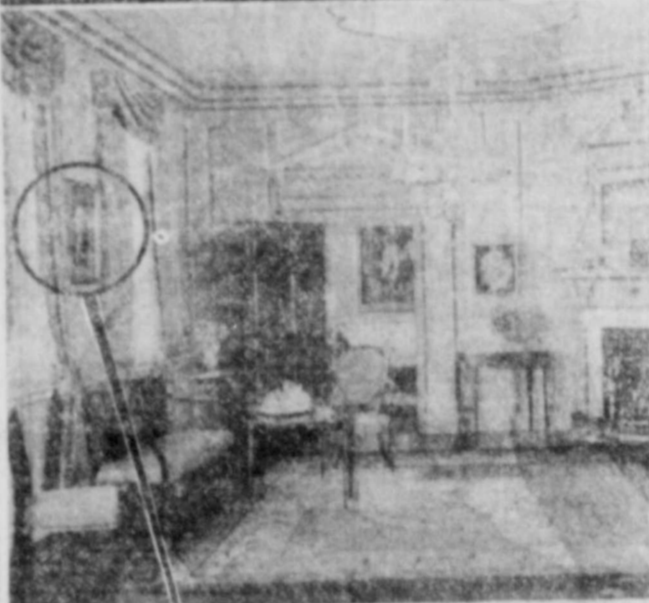
Mrs. Claude Strickland, formerly of Eastland, has been ill for several days, with the flu, and is confined to her home.

Little Allen Byrd Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Alexander was seriously hurt when he fell off his bicycle while riding downhill down a rocky hill.

PERSONALS
Mrs. S. M. McKinney, from Coleman, is in Ranger due to the illness of Al Tune.

Mrs. M. H. Hagaman has returned from a trip to the Pan Handle.

G. W. -- In Vest-Pocket Portrait



One of the smallest portraits of George Washington, outside of a postage stamp, is the one shown at left, a hand-painted reproduction of the famous Gilbert Stuart portrait. It is one inch wide by two and a half inches long, in contrast to the original's dimensions of 12 inches by 9 1/2 inches. The tiny painting is one of the painstaking details in the miniature reproduction of the West's Harbor at Mount Vernon, pictured above, from Mrs. James Welford's novel, American Series of Miniature Rooms. After display in the Circle of Masters of Art on Washington's Birthday, the exhibit will tour the country, then be permanently installed in the Art Institute of Chicago.

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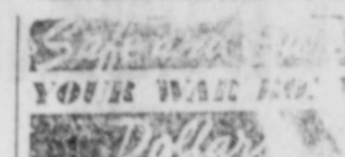
Great Smokies Gain Man-Made Lake System

REYNOLDS CITY, N. C. (AP) — Helping us where geologic had up heavy left off nature, Tennessee Valley Authority developments have begun to add an aquatic atmosphere to the distinctly mountainous scenery of western North Carolina's Great Smokies.

Because they did not endure the glacier action which would have dredged out lake bottoms and dammed up the cooves, the southern Appalachians lack the natural mountain lakes of northern states.

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