

The Weather

WEST TEXAS: Generally fair to night and Friday, warmer in north portions Friday.

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McDROY KIDNAPER GETS DEATH

The man who enjoys marching in file to the strains of military music falls beneath my contempt; he received his brain by mistake—the spinal cord would have been amply sufficient—Prof. Albert Einstein.

Oil Gathering Applauds Industrial Code Suggestion

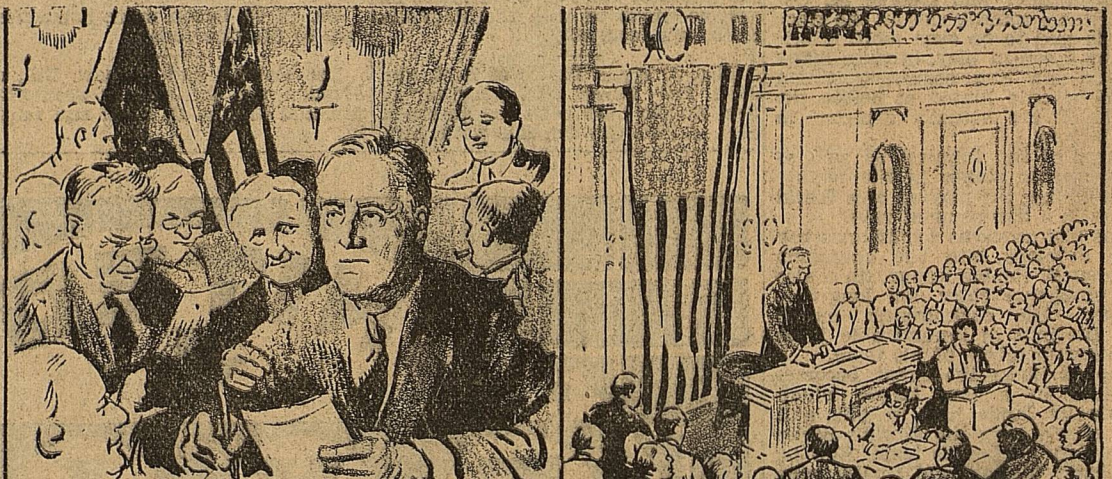
300 OIL MEN AT AUSTIN IN BIG HEARING

East Texas Hearing Postponed Until August 27

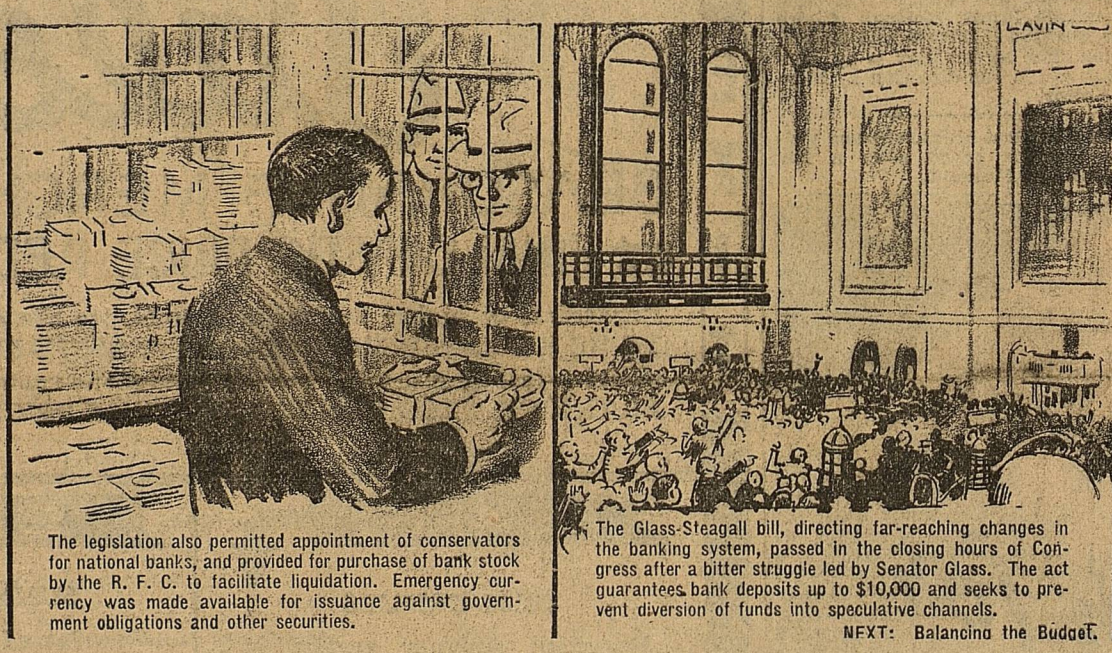
AUSTIN, July 27. (UP)—Three hundred oil men applauded today when Railroad Commissioner C. V. Terrell declared at a hearing here that it is the duty of every citizen to cooperate with the federal government in adoption of industrial codes.

The New Deal in Pictures --- No. 1

Text by John M. Gleissner Sketches by Don Lavin



On President Roosevelt's first day in office, he held a night conference with his leaders at the White House, to consider the banking crisis. The president's first official act was to summon the new Congress into special session. Then he issued a proclamation decreeing a banking holiday, and assuming dictatorial power over banks money and gold.



The Glass-Steagall bill, directing far-reaching changes in the banking system, passed in the closing hours of Congress after a bitter struggle led by Senator Glass. The act guarantees bank deposits up to \$10,000 and seeks to prevent diversion of funds into speculative channels.

N. R. A. Meeting Called to Meet Here Monday Evening

RECOVERY CODE

Full explanation of the national recovery act, the one term on the general tongue, will be made at a meeting scheduled for 8 o'clock Monday night in the district court room.

Capt. Wallace, After 35 Years, Learns of His Company Bugler

For 35 years, Capt. W. E. Wallace of Midland did not know what had become of his bugler boy of Spanish-American war days, Carl Nelson.

Notes to Picnic Tonight at 7:30

Rotarians did not hold the regular club luncheon here today but will meet this evening at 7:30 for a chicken barbecue and picnic at Chickadee.

Test Well Drilled Near Houston

HOUSTON, (UP)—Soon it may become possible for persons living in the southwestern part of Houston to glance from the windows of their homes and see the timbers of oil derricks rearing themselves above the tall pines.

ENCOURAGEMENT FOUND IN NOTE TO ECO. PARLEY

LONDON, July 27. (UP)—President Roosevelt, in a message read to the existing economic conference today, declared that the meeting had not failed, that "because of it nations of the world can continue to discuss mutual problems with frankness and without rancor, and such interchange makes progress more possible in the future."

Late News RECEIVERSHIP IS SEEN FOR JONES

DETROIT, July 27. (UP)—Chevrolet and Pontiac motor companies announced today that a fifteen per cent increase in the hourly rate will be paid 40,000 employees in twenty plants, effective August 1.

McClintic to Miss Camp First Time

A vacation from vacation will keep Charlie McClintic from national guard encampment at Palacios this summer, for the first time in 13 years.

Home Garden Has Become Show Place

PORT ARTHUR, (UP)—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Skeff—the 3100 Thomas street Skeffs—do not keep a garden; their garden keeps them.

Will Establish Law Office Here

C. W. (Dick) Tate, former county attorney of Midland county and prior to that, of Ector county, and who has practiced at Midland, Odessa and Greenville, is establishing an office in the Thomas office building this week.

ARMY PLANES LAND

Six torpedy land planes and one O-2H observation craft were landed at Sloan field today, the former under command of Lieut. Com. Coffey en route to the east coast, and the latter being flown by Capt. Johnson, who is enroute to El Paso from Dallas.

TEMPORARY MANAGER

C. O. Fredregill of Brady is here with his family to manage the Perry Bros. store during the vacation of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Haltom, who have gone to Louisiana and Oklahoma for a two-weeks visit.

FIRE LOSSES FOR YEAR ARE LIGHT

Fire loss total of \$1,975 for the first six months of 1933, as compared with 1932's 12-month total of \$5,890, shows Midland's fight to get back part of the good fire record credit that dissolved in flame and smoke during the past two years.

Farmer Uses Frogs To Destroy Insects

ELECTRA, (UP)—L. N. Cruse, pumper on an oil lease near Electra, has found that horned toads are good for something more than putting away in corncribers or experimentation to see how long they can go without food or water.

BUGS IN PACKAGE

SEATTLE, (UP)—When the air-mail pilot handed a person waiting for a package from the east, all he said was "bugs." And bugs were—hundreds of them. A large box of bugs from the laboratories in Moorestown, N. J., designated for J. Paul, the bugs were "beneficial" ones sent to the Orient in return for a number of beneficial bugs sent here.

Irate Housewife Breaks up Game

It wasn't rain or darkness that broke up this game. A racial party was working itself out in its own way—there in the alley near H. B. Dunagan's home. Young Americans and Mexicans were playing baseball with the assistance of a negro umpire.

INFANT IS BORN

A baby girl was born at 5:30 o'clock this morning to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pigg at their farm home east of Midland. The baby was given the name Velda Lee.

C. C. C. RECRUIT IMPROVES

Clarence Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Clark, who live about two miles south of Midland, is recovering from a recent operation for appendicitis. He is a member of the civilian conservation corps camp at Blue Ranger, Ariz.

POST TO VISIT AT SWEETWATER

SWEETWATER, (UP)—Again, Wiley Post's monoplane, the "Whinnie Mae," has become the "Winnie Did."

11-Day-Old Babe Had His Hair Cut

HOBART, Okla. (UP)—Gerald Norman, dark-eyed baby, holds the honor of being the youngest customer of the barber shop here.

U. S. AIRPORTS SHOW INCREASE

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The number of airports and landing fields in the United States had increased on July 1, 1933, to 2,136, as compared with 2,037 on July 1, 1932, according to the department of commerce's bureau of aeronautics.

SCOUTS RETURN AFTER CAMPING

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COUNTRY GETS ON HIND FEET IN CRIME WAR

McGee Sentence the First Assessed in Campaign

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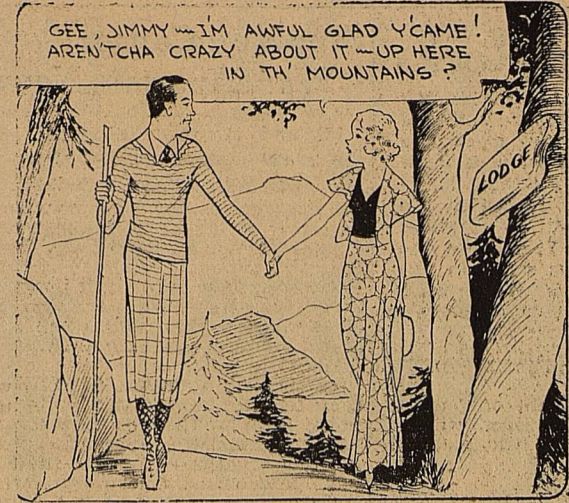
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REMODELING

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Prices

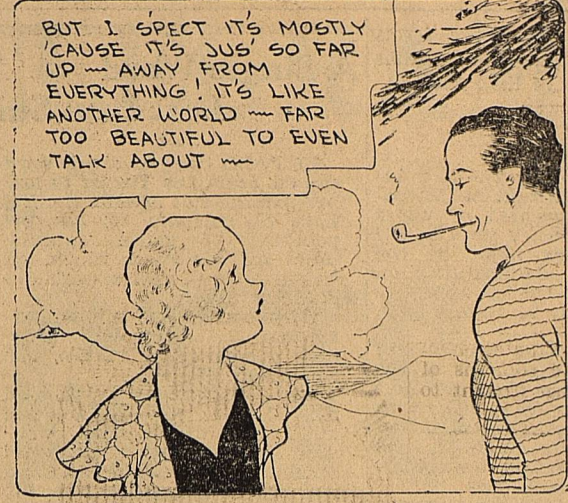
MRS. IRENE SCOTT

206 A West Ohio
Block North and Half Block West of City Hall

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



Rave on, Boots!

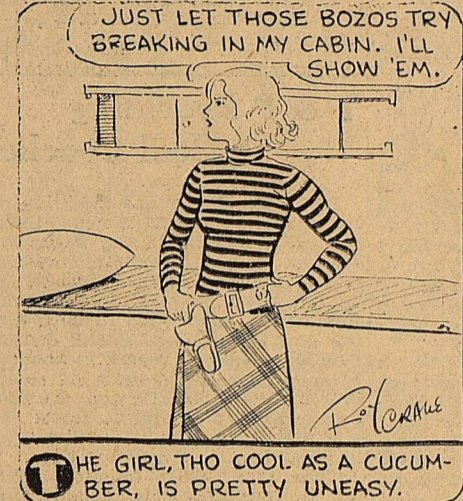


By MARTIN

WASH TUBBS



A New Deal!

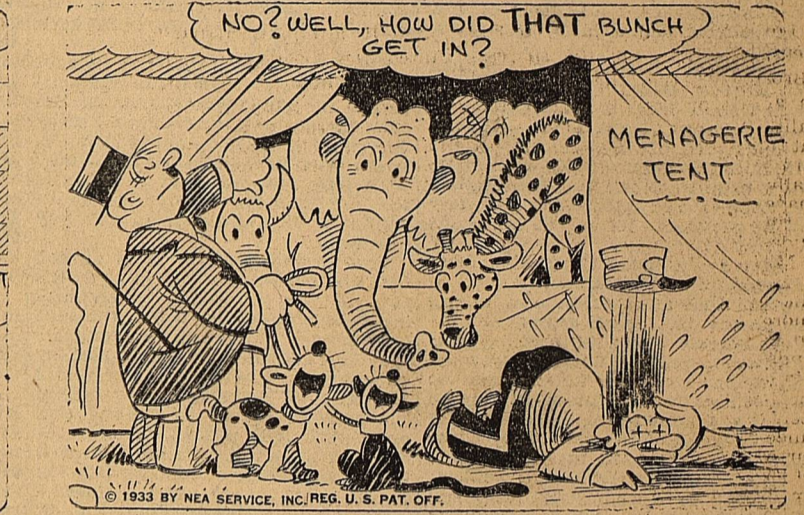


By CRANE

SALESMAN SAM

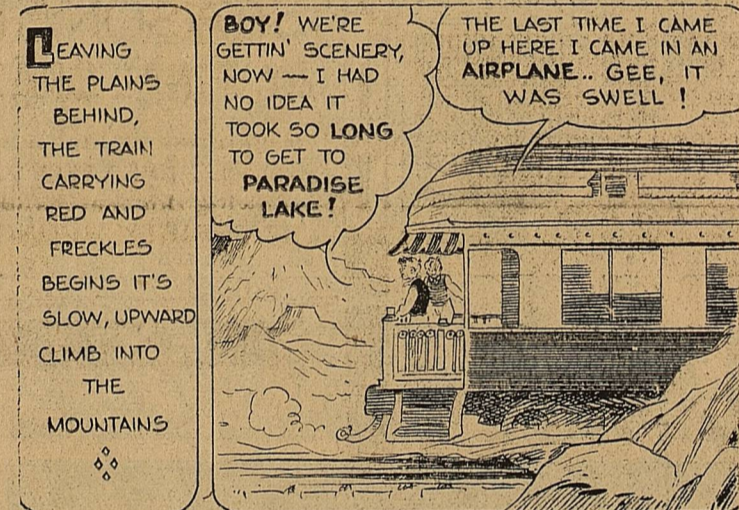


It Doesn't Seem Fair!

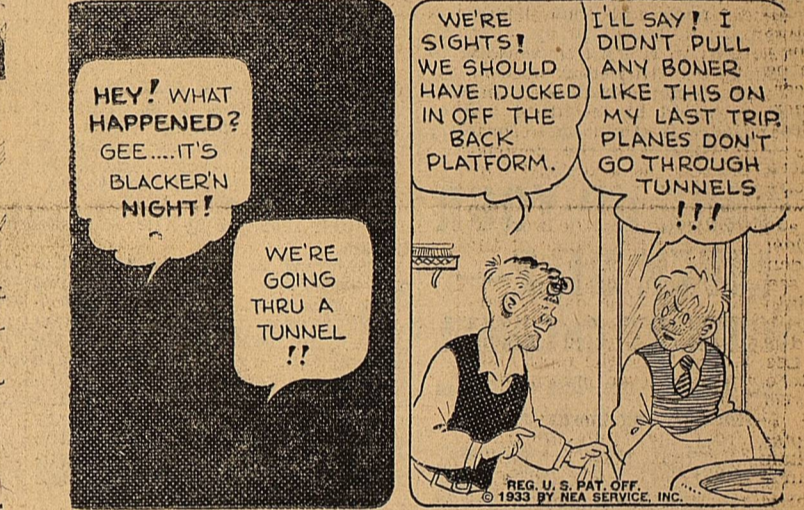


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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

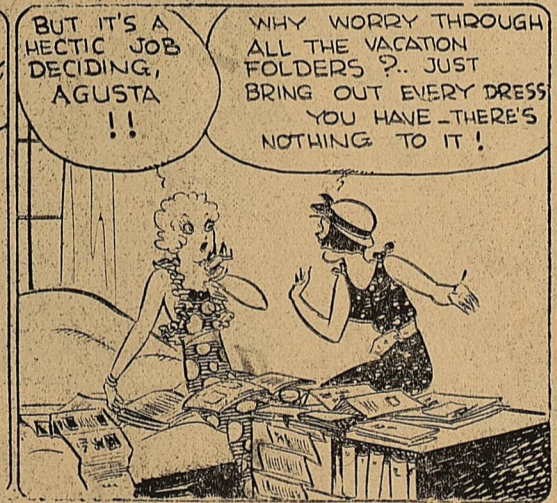
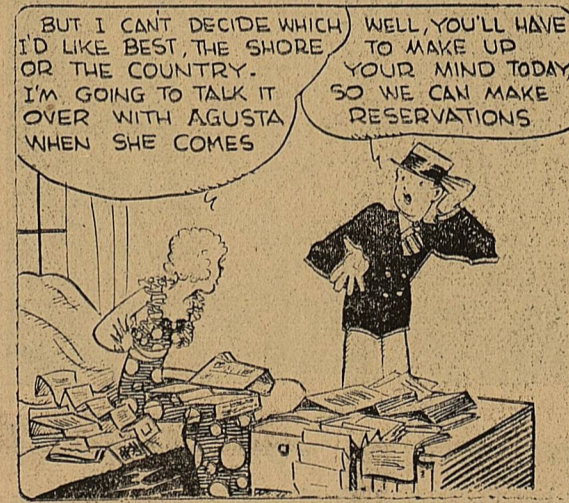


Into the Mountains!

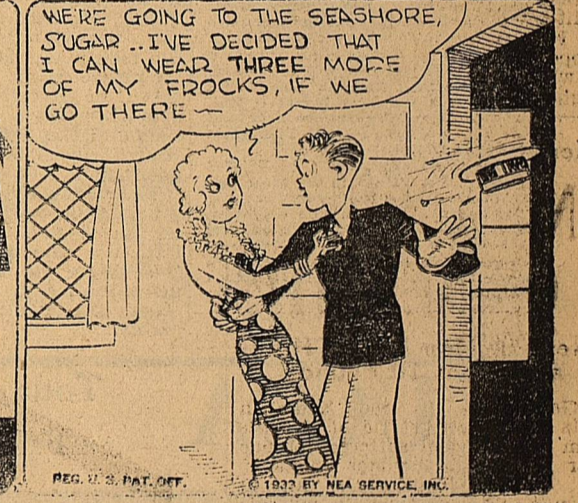
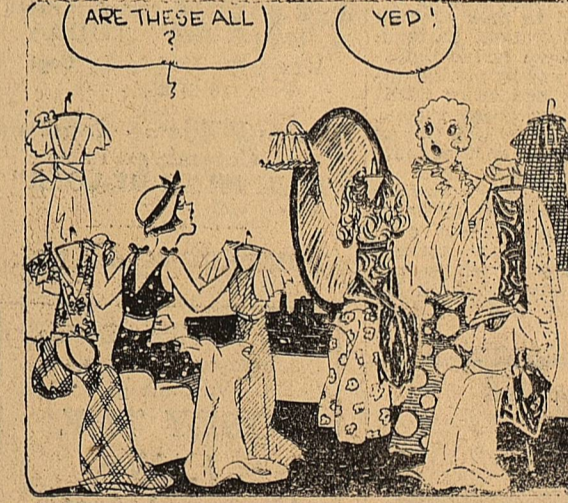


By BLOSSER

THE NEWFANGLES (Mom'n Pop)



The Shore Wins!



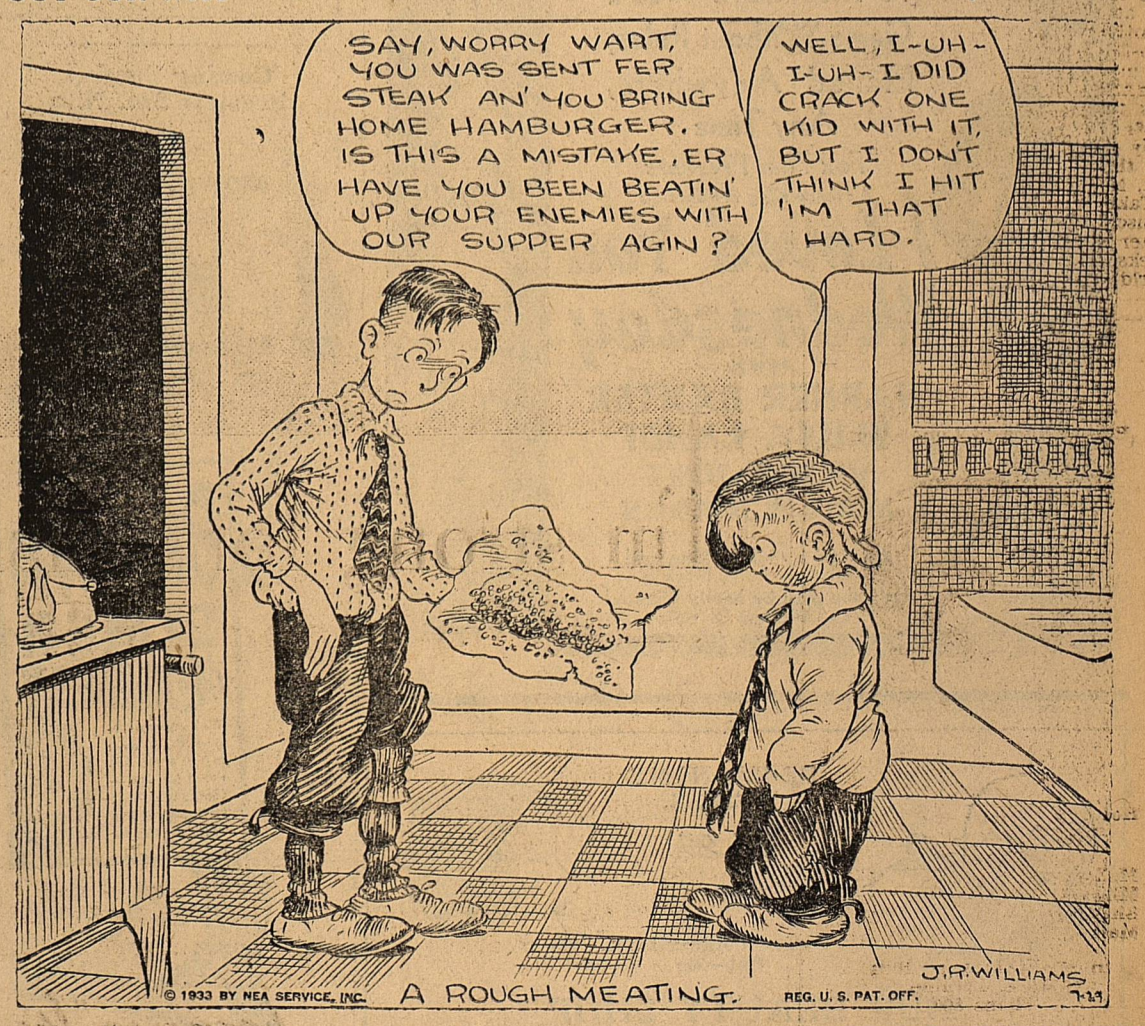
By COWAN

CUR BOARDING HOUSE



By AHERN

OUT OUR WAY



By WILLIAMS

F. D. R.'s Farm Is Southern Model

By FOSTER EATON
United Press Staff Correspondent
WARM SPRINGS, Ga. (UP)—For eight years a Warm Springs farmer has been under the injunction of the present master of the White House to "write me frequently and tell me all about it."
As a result, Franklin D. Roosevelt knew what he was talking about when he moulded into shape the Farm Relief act.
The farmer was the overseer of Roosevelt's own 2,500-acre farm on Pine Mountain here.
In addition to his request that his overseer "write me frequently," Roosevelt stipulated that he should "be a good neighbor. Work with our neighbors. Help them with their problems. Accept their help with ours."
It was in that friendly atmosphere that the farm prospered, so that today it is showing an actual profit on its operations.
Foodstuffs for the farm table, and for the livestock comprise the bulk of the production of the Roosevelt farm, while on its pastures graze short-horn and Hereford cattle. Under cultivation are acres of soy beans, corn, grapes. The farm has never purchased foodstuffs for the table under the Roosevelt management.

Typical of its owner's interest in reforestation, the farm is nurturing 5000 North Carolina white pine, and it is planned to set out 5000 more this winter.

The farm is modest in its equipment. There are no great, impressive barns, just an ordinary setup. The original manager was E. B. Doyle, recently appointed by Roosevelt to be U. S. marshal for the middle district of Georgia. The present overseer is Otis Moore, married and the father of four children.

Notches in Cabin Tell of Prowess

KALISPELL, Mich. (UP)—Charles Ordish, veteran mountain lion hunter, has enough notches and crosses cut in the casement of his bedroom door to put the worst bad man with the most-nicked gun handle to shame.
But Ordish's notches are for the mountain lions he has killed. In the 32 years he has worked as a hunter, he has killed 296 of the animals, and captured 35. For each one killed he has cut a notch in the casement; and for those captured, a cross.
Ordish uses only a small .22 caliber pistol in his hunting. He recalls but one occasion on which he was bitten by a lion, and that occurred while he was crating one of the animals.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES AND INFORMATION
CASH must accompany all orders for classified ads, with a specified number of days for each to be inserted.
CLASSIFIEDS will be accepted until 12 noon on week days and 6 p. m. Saturday for Sunday issues.
PROPER classification of advertisements will be done in the office of The Reporter-Telegram.
ERRORS appearing in classified ads will be corrected without charge by notice given immediately after the first insertion.
RATES:
2c a word a day.
4c a word two days.
5c a word three days.
MINIMUM charges:
1 day 25c.
2 days 50c.
3 days 75c.
FURTHER information will be given gladly by calling 77.

Mrs. J. M. Hughens and Mrs. R. E. Nelson are to be the guests of Manager Bill Blair tonight at the Yucca Theatre to see "I Loved You Wednesday." Bring this notice to the boxoffice with you.

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Public Accountants
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NICELY furnished 3- and 4-room apartments, Apply 407 North Marienfield. 120-32

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All Sandwiches on Toast - Ice Cream -
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CAN YOU SELL \$5,000 policy, \$12 first payment. Renewals. Stipulated low rates to just fit the times. National Mutual, B. A. Scanlan Bldg., Houston, Texas. 120-1p

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS
Sold by us are delivered and installed free. In addition we will clean the type on the typewriter. Remember these added services the next time you need a ribbon.
PHONE 95
WEST TEXAS OFFICE SUPPLY

15. Miscellaneous
MATTRESS RENOVATING
One-day service; also, new mattresses. Phone 451.
FURNITURE HOSPITAL 8-1
WANT some one to share expenses to Chicago. Shull's Travel Bureau. 117-6p

YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF

to know where your milk comes from. We invite your inspection of our fine dairy herd, our splendid equipment and our sanitary methods.

GOAT'S MILK

For those who prefer goat's milk for their children, we are prepared to fill your orders.

Phone 9000

Scruggs Dairy

Code

(Continued from page 1)

Full Co-operation Requested: (8) Not to use any subterfuge to frustrate the spirit and intent of this agreement...

Price Increases Restricted: (9) Not to increase the price of any merchandise sold after the date hereof...

Support Urged for Adherents: (10) To support and patronize establishments which also have signed this agreement...

Adjustment of Prices on Forward Contracts: (11) Where, before June 16, 1933, the undersigned had contracted to purchase goods...

Agreement Ceases Upon Approval of Regular Code: (13) This agreement shall cease upon approval by the president of a code to which the undersigned is subject...

May Petition for Exemption from Provisions of This Code: (14) It is agreed that any person who wishes to do his part in the president's re-employment drive...

WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE— WITHOUT CALOMEL And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning Rin' to Go

If you feel sour and rank and the world looks punk, don't swallow a lot of salts, mineral water, oil, laxative candy or chewing gum and expect them to make you suddenly sweet and buoyant and full of sunshine...

YUCCA Today and Friday

To Them Love Was a Game Without Rules, Played Anywhere, Any Time Fox Film Presents A Henry King Production I Loved You Wednesday with WARNER BAXTER ELISSA LANDI VICTOR JORY MIRIAM JORDAN

PERMANENT WAVES \$1.95 and up Ladies' Contour Hair Cut—50c

OUR BEAUTY SHOP Mrs. Nichols Mr. Boch Charmec Makeup Free—Ask for It

Act and subject to all the terms and conditions required by sections 7 (A) and 10 (B) of that Act.

CODE CHANGES BEING MADE

WASHINGTON July 27.—New interpretations of President Roosevelt's blanket agreement of wages and hours for industry were in the making Wednesday night by the national recovery administration on the eve of the widespread appeal to 5,000,000 employers to restore purchasing power.

To meet difficulties which have arisen about some sections of the agreement which the chief executive is asking all employers to make with him starting today, Hugh S. Johnson, the administrator, and his legal staff began clarification to meet objections of some industries.

It called for a house to house canvass of every community to enlist support.

Initially more than 70,000,000 pieces of printed matter with the campaign insignia prominently displayed were being sent out as a part of the emergency re-employment campaign, 13,000 organizations which have already pledged support will set up campaign groups in each locality and a deluge of advertising material will be used to bring distributors of merchandise under the provisions of the agreement and to urge buyers to deal only with those shops displaying the "blue eagle".

Even before the agreements began going out to each employer there were expressions from President Roosevelt and Johnson of confidence that the effort would succeed. Johnson predicted the campaign would put between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 jobless back to work by Labor day.

In seeking to clarify interpretations of the blanket agreement, Johnson aimed particularly at two sections to which there have been some protests.

The first reads: "The employer agrees 'not to reduce the compensation for employment now in excess of the minimum wages hereby agreed to (notwithstanding that the hours work in such employment may be hereby reduced) and to increase the pay for such employment by an equitable readjustment of all pay schedules."

The second reads: "It is agreed that any person who wishes to do his part in the president's re-employment drive by signing this agreement but who asserts that some particular provision hereof, because of peculiar circumstances, will create great and unavoidable hardship may obtain the benefits hereof by signing this agreement and putting it into effect, and then, in a petition approved by a representative trade association of his industry or other representative organization designated by N. R. A., may apply for a stay of such provision pending a summary investigation by N. R. A., if he agrees in such application to abide by the decision of such investigation."

The board of directors of the National Association of Manufacturers and representatives of 38 affiliated organizations in session urged all manufacturers to sign the agreement if possible, but Robert L. Lund, the president, asked that the interpretations be made. Other requests also had been received by the administration.

Expressing a desire to make the code workable, Lund asked that those who seek exceptions be permitted to operate under them until a permanent settlement is made. He proposed that where industries have submitted a code that they be permitted to use the N. R. A. insignia without signing the temporary agreement providing that should the final wage be less than the temporary one strikes would be inevitable when the cut was ordered.

The president, meanwhile, put his signature on the higher wage-lower hours code for the shipbuilding industry, the second to pass through the Johnson organization. Early in the month the cotton textile industry pioneered the way by getting approval of its code and other affiliated industries, including rayons, silks and the like have been placed temporarily under this code pending adoption of one for their lines.

The shipbuilding code provided for a maximum work week of 32 hours for yards doing government construction and a 36-hour average over a six months period, or not more than 4 in any one week for other shipbuilding and repairing plants.

A Single Word Lost Law Suit

EL PASO (UP)—A single word caused Anna Lee Turner to lose her damage suit against the Big Lake Oil company for asserted pollution of cattle watering tanks on her Pecos ranch, an eighth court of civil appeals decision reveals.

OverFlow salt and sulphur water from the oil company's property caused cattle to die, she contended. The appellate court judges held that statutes prohibit pollution of streams "of the state" whether the pollution is accidental or not. But they held she could not recover damages because the word "of" means public streams. Had the statute used "in", the woman could have recovered damages for pollution of a private watering tank.

T & P Providing Cool Coaches

DALLAS.—With the addition of four new air-conditioned dining cars to equipment of the Texas and Pacific railway, this Southwestern line becomes one of the first in the United States to provide cool comfort for its passengers in both dining and lounge cars. Frank Jensen, general passenger agent, announced Friday. First of the new air cooled diners went into service between Dallas, Ft. Worth and St. Louis Friday and the remainder will be put into use on the succeeding days.

"The new diners augment present air conditioned passenger equipment and provide both dining and lounge car air cooling of the internationally famous Sunshine Special, between Dallas and Fort Worth and Texarkana, Little Rock, Memphis and St. Louis to the east and north, and west to El Paso," Mr. Jensen said. Air cooled dining cars also the lounge cars are available from El Paso to Los Angeles. Air cooled and air conditioned dining car service is provided for passengers on two other crack T. & P. trains, "The Texan" and "Louisiana Limited," between Dallas, Fort Worth, Texarkana, Memphis, St. Louis, Shreveport and New Orleans.

"The new dining cars were made in the Texas and Pacific shops at Marshall and are air conditioned with the same type of equipment that has proved satisfactory on the T & P lounge cars put into service earlier in the summer," Jensen said. "This air conditioning equipment should not be confused with air cooling which only attempts to reduce the temperature while the conditioning mechanism also filters, purifies and adjusts the air to the proper humidity before introducing it into the car. Air in the cars is completely changed every two minutes. The same system will be used for heating and conditioning air for the Texas and Pacific diners and lounge cars in the winter."

CONVENTION OF DOCS

A child at the Lions-Rotary game Tuesday night saw several doctors go to the plate, including Tom C. Bobo, D. K. Ratliff, and W. E. Ryan. "Step into it, Doc," the crowd would yell. The boy got to looking over his shoulder. A fan asked, "What's the matter, son?" "When does Doc Calloway come to bat? He'd run that pitcher."

Only 100 of the 200 known kinds of bacteria and germs are harmful to mankind; the other 100 are necessary to life.

RITZ Last Times TODAY Where It's Healthfully Cool 10-15-25c Warren William—Constance Cummings in "THE MIND READER"

TOMORROW and FRI. Leo Carrillo—Dickie Moore and Lois Wilson in "OBEY THE LAW"

Also second chapter "The Devil Horse" Coming Sunday Preview Sat. Nite

BROTHER, CAN YOU SPARE A SMILE? JOE E. BROWN "ELMER the GREAT" The funniest comedy since Casey went to bed! A Real National hit with Patricia Ellis, Frank McHugh, Claire Dodd, Preston Foster

Sappy Days Are Here Again

Richard Dix's Marriage on Rocks

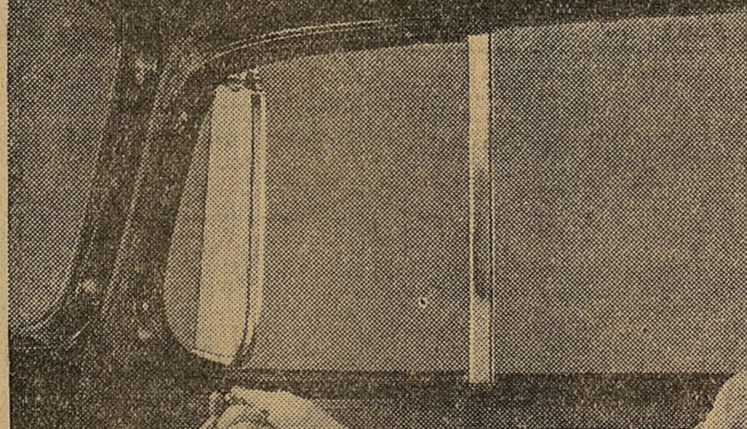


Richard Dix of the movies and his wife, the former Winifred Coe, have separated after two and a half years of marriage. Dix said his wife wasn't interested in movies, and that he wasn't interested in society, hence the split. They have one child, a girl, born early in the year. The couple is pictured here in happier days.

Offers Solution To Oil Industry

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—"Thou shalt not drill a wildcat well, or develop any new oil pools," is suggested as an advisable commandment for the oil industry by R. L. Conrod, instructor of economics at the University of Texas, in an article in the current issue of the Southwestern Social Science Quarterly. From the academic sanctum of a university, Conrod has viewed public regulation of the oil industry, and particularly of the East Texas field, through the social and economic microscopic lenses of the research worker. After examining the chaos in the oil industry with scientific forceps, Conrod concludes there is considerable doubt as to whether "public regulation of the oil industry as operated to date has conserved a single barrel of oil-net."

"Conservation as practiced has paid too little attention to the study of the natural laws of physics and chemistry affecting the oil pools as a geologic unit," he wrote. "Too much attention has been paid to determination of how many barrels of oil shall be produced, where, and by whom, so as to balance supply and demand, at some price, for consideration of supply and demand is meaningless without the third and most important member of the triumvirate, price." Conrod suggested unit operation of oil pools under the administration of competent petroleum production engineers be substituted for the present conservation set-up.



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Try a demonstration. And don't forget that it takes a Straight Eight to give Straight Eight performance. Be sure to try Fisher Controlled Ventilation. You'll be amazed and delighted. No car can be really modern without this comfort feature.



Stupidity Causes War, Answers News

Midland Reporter-Telegram: As the world disarmament conference puts off until October the task of reaching some sort of agreement, Secretary of the Navy Swanson announces a plan to build the United States Navy up close to treaty strength; and once again it becomes painfully evident that the job of cutting down the world's military establishments is almost impossibly difficult. Dallas News answers: If multiplied millions are to be spent on public works, in order that the unemployed may be employed, then the navy should get its just proportion of the appropriation. Our country has a great deal of seacoast. It is a maritime nation in respect of its continental situation. England for long exulted its insouciance upon a superior navy by virtue of the fact that England is an island surrounded by the sea. Ours is a continent, surrounded by the Arctic and Antarctic, the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. It would be well, no doubt, if all the nations would abolish navalism along with militarism. But they have not done so, and seem in no mood to do so. We might set them a noble example by sinking all our fighting ships, but who believes the example would be followed by any nation whose navy accounts for anything? It is not preparedness for war that makes wars. It is the ineptitude of statesmen, the vanity of monarchs, the maladroitness of diplomats that make war. The telephone, the radio, the cinema, the airplane all speak for peace among nations. Only stupidity speaks for war.

Co-Captain Will Be Assistant Coach

AUSTIN (UP)—Wilson (Cheesie) Cook, co-captain of last year's University of Texas football eleven, will be assistant coach at the Austin high school this fall. Cook's work at guard and end positions last year was a factor in placing the Longhorns in runner-up position for Southwest conference honors.

Wind Gust Reunited Old-Time Friends

HUNTINGTON, Ind. (UP)—A gust of wind which swept across the parading ranks of Civil war veterans during the annual state encampment here reunited two friends separated for 48 years. Wayne war veteran, was swept from his head, William Nelson, Huntington, a bystander, caught the hat. Introductions revealed that Hannan had directed a band in which Nelson played 50 years ago.

CHILD BORN

A 7 1/2 pound boy was born Wednesday night to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Wallace. Both mother and child are resting well at their home, 401 North Colorado.

At one time Boston had an ordinance which made it unlawful to bathe in a bath tub.

Mothers Cry at Relief Centers as Groceries Go Up

SAN ANGELO.—The rising cost of groceries has become a threatening menace at the door of some of the more unfortunate homes. Within two hours Saturday, two women with families appeared at the office of Mrs. J. S. Forrester in Community Service and asked to find homes for their children or to get entry into orphanages somewhere. Mrs. Forrester could do nothing with the situation but listen to the story of one woman with four children whose husband had left. A woman with three children came in crying. She is getting \$4 per week, but she said this wouldn't cover the food bill since potatoes had gone to 50 cents for 10 pounds where 8 cents quite recently bought this much. Pinto beans have gone to 7 cents and beans and potatoes for the chief diet of many, says Mrs. Forrester. Another woman with two children said she had a job which paid board for herself, but there was nothing for the children. Women requesting employment have increased recently. Thirty-six have been given sewing, but there's no room to add others to this relief center.

'Economy' and 'Hard Times'—Watchword

NEWTON, Mass. (UP)—"Economy" and "hard times" were watchwords back in 1874, when Newton became a city. It was revealed when the contents of a metal box taken from the cornerstone of the old city hall, now being razed, were being examined. Among the documents found in the copper box was a copy of the inaugural address of Mayor James P. C. Hyde, the city's first chief executive, in which he observed that business was bad and urged the utmost economy.

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