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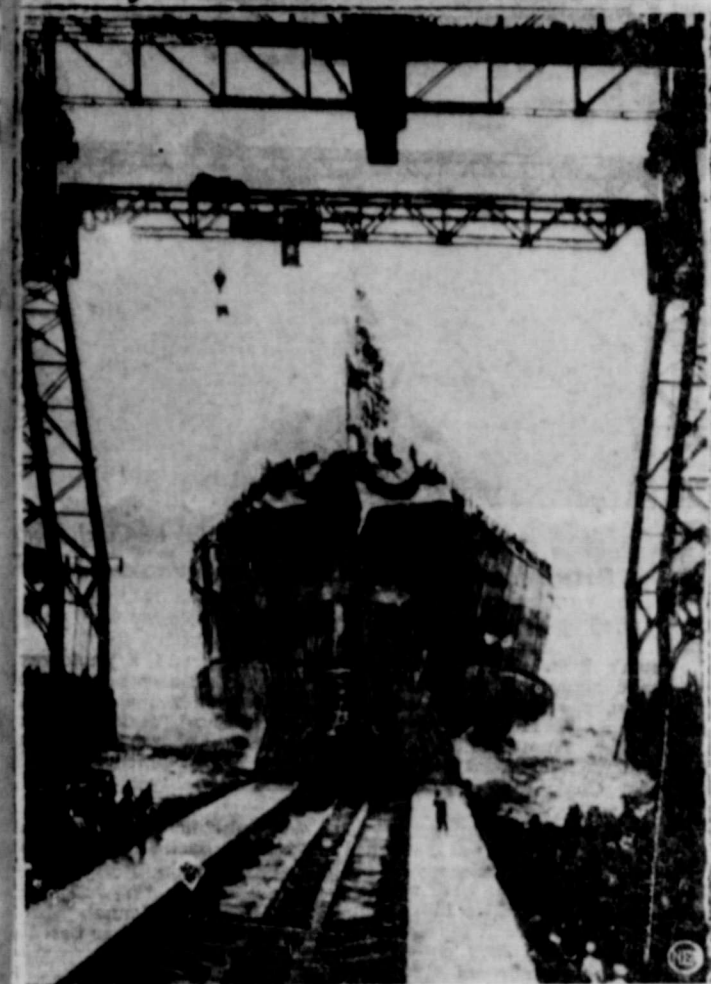
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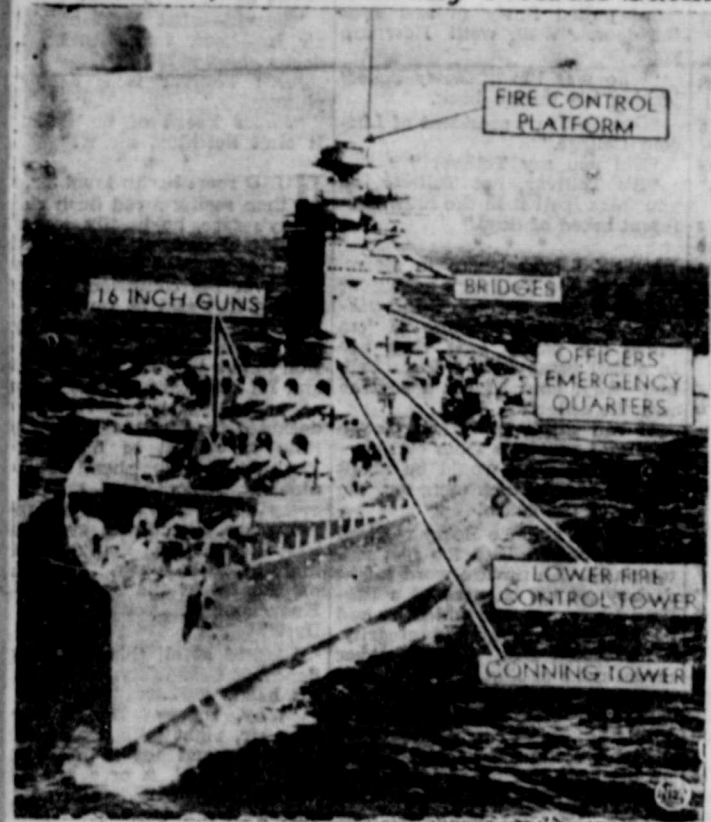
48 Killed In German Air Raids Upon Paris

Navy Launches First In 19 Years



Fifteen-year-old Virginia Marshall of Spokane, Washington smashed a bottle of wine across the bow of the new 65 million dollar battleship Washington and 39,000 persons watched the 36,000-ton ship, the first U. S. dreadnaught launched in 19 years, hit the waters at the Philadelphia navy yard. The new battlewagon is 1,600 tons heavier than any other American capital ship.

Naz. Claim, British Deny Nelson Sunk



Explanatory notes and arrows point to the distinguishing features of the British battleship H.M.S. Nelson. England's largest warship and flagship of the home fleet. The 35,950-ton vessel is claimed by Nazi sources to have been sunk with the loss of 700 of her crew of 1,360. British officials deny the report and claim it too absurd to even warrant a statement. The Nelson and her sister ship H.M.S. Rodney are the only two British warships mounting 16-inch guns and each carried nine, plus twelve six-inch.

HAMMETT IS WINNER; VAUGHN IS HERO OF RANGER TOURNAMENT

J. T. Hammett of Breckenridge won the Ranger Country Club invitation tournament championship Sunday afternoon by defeating Doug Jones of Big Spring in the finals of the championship flight 3-2.

But Hammett's victory was merely incidental. The highlight, and climax of the entire tournament had occurred nearly 30 hours earlier when H. H. Vaughn of Ranger defeated Don Schumacher of Dallas, state golfing champion.

When pairings were made out Friday night club officials looked at the championship flight and said, "Poor old Vaughn! He played into hard luck drawing the state champion in his first match."

Vaughn was somewhat worried, too, as much as a veteran of 15 years campaigning on the courses throughout West Texas would be. He went home early that night in order to get plenty of rest. Whether he slept well or not will never be known, but at any rate he had it all figured out before morning. He was going to beat the champion. He had rather defeat the champion than to win the tournament. Tournaments had been won in Ranger every year except one, when the grass greens were being installed, since 1931. But a state champion had never been defeated in Ranger.

And, when the first round results were posted Vaughn had done that very thing. It mattered not to him that he put out all he had, that he was physically, nervously and mentally unable to do his best in the afternoon round. He had won the one match that meant more to him than winning the tournament championship.

Vaughn has been called "Champ" in Ranger for many years, because of his prowess on the golf course. Now a new nickname will have to be coined. "Champ" will be too mild from here on out.

Hammett advanced to the finals by defeating Mae Williams of Graham in the first round 4-3; taking Jimmie Phillips in the second round 3-1 and then downing the sensational Charles Royer of Fort Worth, the 15-year-old golfer by 9-8. Jones won from Mation Altman, Abilene, 3-4 in his first round, won from L. R. Robertson, Dallas, in the second round 5-4 and taking Bill Acker of Commerce 4-3.

Fred Bedford of Dallas won the first flight championship, defeating N. C. Huston of Cisco 3-2. Clark Roberts of Cisco won second flight honors when he snowed under J. J. Benson, also of Cisco, 5-4. Carl Horra of Fort Worth won the third flight honors from Jake Powell of Wichita Falls by 5-4.

J. H. Brukenhofer of Cisco, won the fourth flight trophy by taking out Guy T. Smith of Ranger in the finals, 3-2. Nath Pirkle outlasted the field in the fifth flight to win over Lonnie Carvey of Pioneer 2-1. Jehn D. Harvey of Eastland, a late entry, won the sixth flight from J. R. McLaughlin 6-5.

WORLD USE OF COTTON TO BE MUCH LOWER

AUSTIN, Tex.—Predicting world cotton consumption for 1939-40 would be slashed five million bales under last year, Dr. A. B. Cox, University of Texas cotton marketing expert, points out that World War II involves countries which operate at least half of the cotton spindles of the world.

He estimated 1939-40 production at 28,000,000.

Increasing fierceness of competition for world cotton markets makes it imperative that the United States—already suffering together with China 90 per cent of the total reduction in world production—adopt an effective cotton program, Dr. A. B. Cox declared.

Depreciation of currencies in other cotton-growing nations adds another obstacle to U. S. cotton sales—raising the price paid to farmers in those countries yet keeping the price paid in the consuming countries at a relatively lower price than U. S. cotton, he said.

South American countries like Brazil which have been selling large amounts of cotton to Germany and countries dominated by Germany will have to seek markets elsewhere if England continues to control the sea, the Bureau of Business Research director explained.

"All important cotton-importing countries are hard put to it to get the desired amount of foreign exchange," he pointed out. "As a result they are seeking to import cotton from those countries which are willing to accept manufactured goods in payment for raw cotton—which has the added prospect of building up a base for permanent trade after the war."

"The United States, on the other hand, is the only neutral country in position to supply in large volume vital war materials such as airplanes, munitions, and other implements used in combat—and warring nations seek little prospect for developing a market in the United States for their manufactures after the war."

These facts Dr. Cox warned point to the probable ineffectiveness of an export subsidy for U. S. farmers for the coming year.

Instead, he said, a successful cotton program must find a way to (1) increase farmer profits by lowering production costs; (2) increase price by improving quality rather than by artificial price controls; (3) increase demand by finding new uses and lowering manufacturing and distribution costs; (4) provide conditions to enable the U. S. to hold its foreign markets, at least until adequate substitute enterprises are found—revise our foreign trade policy to create a balance of trade; and (5) find a substitute for above-market price loans.

Cupid's Helper Is Found At Mexia

By United Press

MEXIA, Tex.—Cupid's greatest helper in this area is J. W. McLendon, Mexia business man, who has given more than 500 marriage licenses to his friends in the last 10 years. Only one separation mars the success of the marriages whose licensing he has sponsored.

McLendon never gives advice to young married people, and attributes the noble record his "protégés" have made to luck. The only counsel he ever offers is, "Don't both of you get mad at the same time."

The license giver never presents the documents to couples who are not of marrying age, and he never asks if they have the consent of their parents.

McLendon has made a rule to purchase the licenses himself, never giving the money to the young people.

"They might change their minds," he said.

War's Plaything



His toy warplane—ironical plaything—is battered, but this little Luxembourger clung to it through all his frightening flight from the German invaders. He's pictured on arrival in Paris.

Fly Fishing For Gar Real Sport Fisherman State

AUSTIN, Tex.—Fishing has been fair, but only fair, since the opening of the general fishing season May 1, according to reports to the Executive Secretary of the Game Department, who said bad weather, including heavy winds that prevented much sport, was the principal reason for poor catches.

And speaking of fishing, have you joined the increasing number of anglers who have found that a lot of fun can be had fishing for gar with a fly rod?

The sport bids fair to become one of the leading pastimes of the Ike Waltons in Texas, due principally to an educational motion picture released by the Game Department recently which shows exactly how the long-nosed fellows can be caught in a baited wire noose.

Jack (McFish) Sparks of Waco, several times world's all-around bait casting champion, demonstrates in the movie exactly how the noose should be made and baited, and then proceeds to go gar fishing with excellent results. If you don't believe a gar will put up a fight, you should see this movie. Or better still, you should catch some gar yourself, using the baited noose on a fly rod.

Fishing for gar not only will give the sportsman much fun, but will directly improve fishing conditions in Texas waters because it will take much of the pressure off of game fish such as bass, the Director of Inland Fisheries reports.

"Most fishermen in the past have thought they could have no fun at all on a fishing trip unless they caught a bass, a crappie, or some other game fish," he said. "The result has been a heavy drain on the game fish supply, while gar multiplied unloosely."

"Today the picture is changing. Hundreds of fishermen are absolutely deserting bass fishing in favor of gar fishing, because they have found out they can have worlds of fun at it."

"This will ease the strain on the game fish species, and we will have in time a more balanced condition among fishes in our waters."

Ringling Lake Is Being Restocked

Ringling Lake, near Eastland, is being restocked by officials of the State Fish Hatchery at Cisco, it was revealed here today.

A total of 4,000 young bass were placed in the lake today by hatchery workers, in order to keep the supply of fish in the lake at a point where there always be good fishing.

Plans Complete For Visit Of Raymond Kelly

Capt. Hutchingson of the State Highway Patrol of Abilene today assured H. J. Tanner, manager of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce, that motorcycle police would be available Thursday, June 6, to escort National Commander Raymond Kelly from Cisco to Eastland, where he is to speak at a banquet that evening.

Tanner and Henry Pullman, post commander of the Dulin-Daniels Post, said today that securing the escort completed arrangements for one of the biggest events of its kind, and that everything was in readiness for the commander's visit.

A number of towns in this part of the country are cooperating to make the visit and the banquet a success. Ranger, Breckenridge, Cisco and Eastland will have out their high school bands to parade as Kelly reaches town. The Ranger National Guard unit will also be on hand to form an escort.

Many Abilene Legionnaires have planned to attend the meeting. T. E. Brownlee, Farmore post commander has announced that those already making reservations to attend include himself, M. Shaw, T. N. Carswell, W. F. Pennington, O. R. Rodden, John R. Smith, James W. Mayfield, W. A. R. Monger and C. E. Peake. It is likely that many more will also attend from Abilene it was indicated.

Large delegations are expected also from Ranger, Breckenridge, Cisco, Rising Star, Stephenville, Gorman, Comanche and other towns in this part of the state.

Community Center Is Being Improved

The Corral, Ranger's Recreation Center, is being rearranged to provide room for more activities. The library has been moved from the craft section to another portion of the front hall so that a quiet place will be available for those who desire to read. This has, of course, given much needed space to the crafts department.

New table tennis and pocket checker tables are being constructed and will be ready for use in the near future. The directors are also making furniture for the lounges, and doing general work to improve the appearance of the center.

The public is cordially invited to The Corral at any time and take part in any of the activities offered.

Court Upholds a School Board In Flag Salute Case

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The United States Supreme Court today upheld action of a Pennsylvania school board that expelled two children, members of Jehovah's Witnesses, for their refusal to salute the United States flag.

WAXAHACHIE, June 3.—Fifty-eight women and 32 men, said by their leader to be members of Jehovah's Witnesses, a religious cult, were in jail today, awaiting action by the grand jury Tuesday, for distributing pamphlets here.

The city's jail facilities were taxed after the group refused to salute the United States flag.

Two Softball Games Are Scheduled Here

The Ratliff softball team has two games scheduled this week, the first being due at the Ranger Softball park tonight at 8:15 when they meet the Elks Club.

Friday night they will play the Dr. Pepper team from Strawn. Both games will be for nine innings and the regular admission prices will be charged.

Man Is Freed In Boundary Slaying

DAYTON, Tex., June 3.—J. H. Rose, Sr., was free on bond today after a shooting here Saturday night over a boundary dispute that cost the lives of his son, W. M. Rose and P. C. Ludlow.

THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Fair. Slightly cloudy tonight and Tuesday with scattered thundershowers and cooler in Panhandle Tuesday afternoon.

W. C. BULLITT HAS A CLOSE CALL IN RAID

Five Schools and Hospital Included In 61 Buildings Bombed, With 10 School Children Killed.

Forty eight persons were killed and 150 were wounded in Paris today when approximately 155 German planes bombed that city. United States Ambassador William C. Bullitt, attending a luncheon in the heart of the city, was uninjured when a bomb missed him by only 10 feet and failed to explode.

Ninety-seven buildings were destroyed or damaged, a survey made by the French after the raid, indicated. Of the buildings five were schools and one a hospital. Ten of the killed were children attending the five schools bombed. A total of 61 fires was started throughout the bombed area, which was mostly in the western outskirts of the city.

More than 1,000 bombs were dropped during the raid, most of them missing the military objective at which they were apparently aimed. The planes were kept at an altitude of more than 30,000 feet by anti-aircraft fire and French pursuit planes which took to the air immediately after their arrival, were reported to have downed at least eight of the bombers.

Meantime British reports were that 78 German planes had been shot down today, without the loss of a single British pilot. French observers estimated that between 2,000 and 3,000 German planes had been shot down since the war in the Low Countries started, which would place German losses ahead of manufacturing abilities. The British and French, meantime, have kept their plane losses low, production levels, and these, with imports from the United States, have augmented their air force.

There were indications that Germany was preparing to launch a great attack on the French Somme-Aisne line, presumably with the help of the Italians, driving from the southeast. Mussolini today cancelled Rome's 1942 world exposition.

The Battle of Flanders continued around Dunkirk today, and the British prepared for an invasion, as more Allied troops were evacuated from Flanders. British sources said that 80 per cent of the evacuation program had now been completed, as heavy rear-guard resistance made possible, as heavy evacuation of those who retreated to the coast. Even German newspapers praised the British defense at Dunkirk.

Spy Scare Drives Man To His Death

GALVESTON, June 3.—Harassed by the belief that German spies were after him, Mas Weatherbee, believed to be a Val Verde County deputy sheriff, was shot to death at a hospital here last midnight.

Before Weatherbee was killed he had wounded a policeman and a friend's wife.

High Court Rules On Oil Proration

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The Supreme Court today sustained the validity of the East Texas oil proration as of 1938, but left part of the issue unsettled because new orders are now in effect.

The case was filed by Rowan and Nichols in East Texas.

Roosevelt Studies Plan To Reduce All Non-Military Plans

WASHINGTON, June 3.—President Roosevelt today studied a proposal to reduce all non-military appropriations by 10 per cent.

This would possibly include federal salaries. Meantime a house committee considered a bill for a 10 per cent increase in all federal taxes.

Buying Of Saving Bonds On Increase

AUSTIN, Tex.—Purchase of savings bonds is the latest piece of information added to the jig-saw puzzle of Texas business assembled each month by the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Reports to the Bureau from 32 Texas cities show purchases for the first four months of 1940 totaled \$3,631,525, or 43.5 per cent more than during the first third of 1939.

During April, purchases of these securities in these cities totaled \$756,198, a gain of 53.7 per cent over April, 1939. Texas bought 43.5 per cent more during the first four months of 1940 than in the like period of 1939.

Film Executive Is Indicted By Jury

NEW YORK, June 3.—Joseph M. Schenck, chairman of the board of the 20th Century-Fox Film Corporation, was indicted by a Federal grand jury today on charges of income tax fraud.

Marriage Licenses For May Almost On Par With May 1939

Twenty marriage licenses were issued during the month of May, records in the office of County Clerk, R. V. Galloway, reveal, as compared with a total of 21 for May of 1939.

Three licenses have been issued since June 1, with only a day and a half of the month being gone, since Sunday was a holiday and the records were taken before noon today.

Licenses were issued Saturday to J. N. Leverage and Miss Mary Bob Snoddy of Nimrod and Effron Bachman and Lorine Short of Deadmons. A license was issued Monday morning to Willie Croug, colored, and Curley Lovels Jones, Eastland.

Staff Club To Meet Wednesday, June 5

The Staff Home Demonstration club will meet Wednesday, June 5, in the Staff Baptist church. The topic for the meeting will be "Laundry." All members have been urged to be present and all visitors will be welcomed.

91st Grand Jury Impaneled Today

Judge George L. Davenport empaneled the 91st grand jury this morning and appointed J. H. Mitchell of Eastland as foreman.

In his brief charge to the jury Judge Davenport touched briefly upon several phases of criminal law, which the jury might have to consider in taking up cases brought before them.

He mentioned the weights and measures laws, talked briefly on driving intoxicated, and reckless driving and mentioned those phases of the liquor laws which come before the district courts, pointing out that most liquor cases were classed as misdemeanors and were tried in county court. He also talked briefly of forgery and perjury, then skipped lightly over arson and murder.

Jurors selected for duty were J. H. Mitchell, Eastland, foreman; L. R. Burnside, Eastland, Nick Gailley, Tudor; G. C. Love, Ranger; Robert Rucker, Carbon; J. L. Agnew, Rising Star; Dixon Boggs, Rising Star; J. T. Anderson, Cisco; E. D. David, Cisco; Amos Akor, Gorman; H. A. Bible, Cisco and Odie Brightwell, Deadmons.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflections 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 publisher.

Gentleman's Estate for Sale

Two things happened to appear in the same newspaper a few days ago. One was an account of a speech made by former President Hoover in New York. The other was an inconspicuous classified ad.

Mr. Hoover spoke of the American dream, the dream of a great country and a great civilization utterly free from the class distinctions which mar Old World civilizations. "This idea of a fluid, classless country is unique in the world," said Mr. Hoover. "It was the point at which our social structure departed from all others."

Mr. Hoover was right, and he might have gone on to say that the degree to which we achieve this dream and make it real, is the degree of our success. The degree to which we fail to achieve it is the measure of our failure.

Then the little advertisement caught the eye. It read: "Gentleman's estate for sale . . ." So many acres of land. Such and such barns and buildings. Such and such frontage on a clear stream. So and so many acres of woods . . . and so on. "Gentleman's estate!"

It is not an uncommon expression, and yet it is one that jangles fiercely on the ear against such words as those of Mr. Hoover.

The term "gentleman" is not, and must not become a class term in America. It is far too precious for that. Our American hope is to produce gentlemen in all classes, with and without estates. Our American hope is to call those gentlemen who earn the name not by the ability to buy estates, but by those qualities which alone produce clear title: courtesy, respect for and thoughtfulness of others, kindness, modesty, and a certain scorn of stooping to the unworthy.

As Mr. Hoover made clear, America alone sets up the ideal of a truly classless society. The Marxists imply dictatorship of a single class, the proletariat. The Fascist turn over the conduct of affairs to an elite class of party functionaries. Other countries cling to the mouldy remains of an outworn aristocracy.

America still strives for a society where there shall be no verbal connection between "gentleman" and "estate," as indeed there is none in fact.

On the market comes the new necktie, made of glass fiber. Just the thing for the efficient slayer, who can now strangle and slit the throat with one movement.

Only the keenest observers are able to perceive, at this early date, the mistakes being made in this war that directly contribute to the waging of the next.

The British comouflage a retreat in the high-sounding phrase, "readjustment of position." This is also known as having enough sense to come in out of the rain.

FEMININE DIPLOMAT

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pictured American diplomat.
- 12 Crowds.
- 13 Eagle's nest.
- 14 Genus of swans.
- 16 Astronaut.
- 17 Principal pipes.
- 18 On the lee.
- 19 Tennis fence.
- 20 Marshes formally.
- 22 Sprite.
- 23 Pep.
- 24 Almond.
- 26 Appliances.
- 28 Laborer.
- 32 Fungus disease of rye.
- 33 To counter-sink.
- 34 To thread.
- 35 Stays.
- 36 Verb ending.
- 37 Thick shrub.
- 38 Bile.
- 41 Corps of Algerian cavalry.
- 45 Existence.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 49 Portuguese money.
- 50 Cart.
- 51 Bartered.
- 52 Wrath.
- 53 Roots of mouths.
- 55 Tatter.
- 56 She is — or diplomat to Norway.
- 57 She is — or busy in a nation at war.

VERTICAL

- 1 Gift of charity.
- 2 To border on.
- 3 Distinctive theory.
- 4 Deified mortal.
- 5 To listen.
- 6 Opera air.
- 7 Peel.
- 8 Feels.
- 9 Ratite bird.
- 10 Genus of auku.
- 11 Christmas carol.
- 12 She was once — or head of a woman's reformatory.



Steady Advance



GOVERNMENT WARNS THERE IS FIFTH COLUMN IN U. S., LAUNCHES DRIVE TO UPROOT IT

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Is there a fifth column in America?

To that question government intelligence agencies answer "yes." They know the undiluted poison of disension, against which the President warned, is being injected into the nation's veins right now by thousands of foreign agents and propagandists.

These fifth columnists are filling our free air with every sort of discordant cry—anti-British, anti-Jewish, anti-democratic, anti-defense. It all meshes in with the official totalitarian propaganda that comes in increasingly volume from Germany and Russia.

The poison threatens the health of our body politic not only by causing disension, but by arousing hysterical reactions.

No one wants a nationwide witch hunt. J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI has warned against this, but he seriously acknowledges that "Recently there have been many examples of growing disrespect for the American flag and cynicism toward the freedom for which it stands."

There is good authority for saying that the President, before his recent speech, had been warned several times that the totalitarians have worked out a program of propaganda and sabotage in the United States. In the last few days government agencies have intensified precautions. The number of G-men assigned to counter-espionage has been increased above the 150 on duty before the defense program was voted.

Congress is considering laws for fingerprinting all aliens and excluding them from work on defense orders.

But that will not fully neutralize the poison.

NOT ALL ARE ALIENS

Many fifth column members are not aliens . . . nor members of the Bund or Communist Party. They belong to an estimated 500 organizations that the fellow travelers of either or both. These organizations have varied names, patriotic or religious, like the Christian Mobilizers.

Under various guises they get money from various sources, including all too many plain Americans, to work for totalitarian ends.

One such organization has agents in several large cities picking fights with Jewish storekeepers, dragging them onto the sidewalk and delivering orations to curious crowds about how the Jews want to get us into war.

Another pays men two dollars a day to make the same race hatred speeches.

The Black Shirt organization, long quietly active here among our 2,000,000 Italian-born, is now openly agitating for Italy's entry into the war.

All these people are prepared to claim civil liberties that would be denied them in Germany, Russia or Italy. An omniscient mountain of evidence piles up in Washington that the Communists and Nazis here have trained forces against American democracy.

In Mexico, Reds and Browns are planning disorders after the election in July, hoping to set up a totalitarian state or at least distract our attention and draw troops to the borders. Contact is



made through a German organization in New York City.

Various organizations frankly anti-democratic get their propaganda introduced by several congressmen into the Congressional Record. They are trying to increase their representation there and in the army, especially the national guard and the reserves.

The navy has taken special precautions to prevent another such outbreak of sabotage as damaged several cruisers just before Stalin became "a friend of democracy." His pact with Hitler has hampered Reds and Nazis here, but also it has helped, for with the fellow-travelers gone, the remainder are a tough crew, well trained for the next phase, and well placed.

SABOTAGE MAY COME SOON

Many Communists and Bundists are skilled workers in important industries. Forty were found in a single aircraft plant on the Pacific coast where 5000 are estimated to be employed. There and in New England will take place the first wreckings.

There will be slow-up, strikes, various disorders. This activity has been held back because the Communists considered allied war orders here not sufficiently important to risk angering Americans by blowing up plants. But now allied orders are increasing and so is American sentiment for aiding the allies, and our whole defense program is for defense against totalitarianism.

Any time now the fifth column may get word to sabotage that program.

If sabotage and propaganda fail to weaken our will and ability to defend ourselves, and if a totalitarian attack on us comes, then we shall experience total outbreaks, attempts to sabotage not alone factories, but railroad terminals, reservoirs, communications, that would pave the way for any attack the totalitarians might make.

As J. Edgar Hoover says: "These

newly-allied destructionists stand for complete overthrow of all American institutions."

Caution Getting A Summer Tan Urged By Doctor

AUSTIN, Tex.—"Caution in getting your suntan this season" is the advice of Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Under a misconception as to the amount of sun they can take without ill effects, many persons thoughtlessly submit their unprotected faces, backs, and legs to over-exposure to sun and suffer painfully, sometimes seriously, as a result," Dr. Cox pointed out.

Restraint in acquiring a suntan is advised. Exposure of ten minutes the first day should be ample, and the amount of time spent in the sun can be increased on a day-to-day basis as the skin becomes accustomed to sunlight.

Advising sun-bathers to "jeer their limits" Dr. Cox further pointed out that individual differences may determine the length of time that a person can stay in the sun without being burned.

Before becoming too ardent over prolonged sunbathing, one would do well to remember that many a vacation or weekend has been ruined because the blistering and illness-producing power of the sun's rays on tender skin was insufficiently appreciated.

Some persons are susceptible to sunburn but don't tan; other individuals tan over a longer or shorter period, but the same general rule applies to all—"don't overdo."

Most sunburns, according to Dr. Cox, are similar to first-degree burns, but some, as the result of over-exposure, reach the blistering stage characteristic of a second-degree burn.

SERIAL STORY

AN EYE FOR A GAL BY HARRY HARRISON KROLL

CHAPTER I

ROSSY McAFEE laid his bag of baseball bats and ancient telescope grip on the ground and gawped at the wrought-iron arch which ran between the stone gate posts. The iron letters, "Lincoln College," were two feet high.

Rossy stared hungrily at the bronze figure of the Rail Splitter in the drive oval. He had had two ambitions in his gaunt soul—one, to make the big time as a ball pitcher; the other, to find the man who had killed his father and exact an eye for an eye.

Now he was overwhelmed with a third, to become an educated man. Standing there, a Lincolnian figure himself, he seemed to be stepping across the threshold of a new life.

The campus seemed deserted. He had expected to see hundreds, maybe thousands, of gay students chasing hither and yon. Instead all the life he found was a professor's cow chewing some dead grass.

"Well, I do declare!" Rossy muttered. "Ain't it at the right place?"

He heard a chattering, clattering roar behind him, faintly at first, then increasingly louder. Before he could collect his wits, it was upon him. He whirled around, saw a girl speeding along the sidewalk toward him. The noise came from wheels on her feet. She must have been going 200 miles an hour.

The girl yelled, tried to turn. Steel grated on concrete. Rossy jumped this way and that trying to decide which way she was going. She plunged on toward him, shouting for him to get out of the



Illustrated by Carol Johnson

Rossy jumped this way and that, trying to decide where she was going to hit. . . In another instant they were piled up—legs, skates, arms, and grip. Rossy was yelling

man's look. He moved a slow hand across his eyes and stared again, remembered himself, and smiled. "I see. You're the ball pitcher from Hell'n-Damnation Holler. Coach Hurd told me about you. Come this way. Here—let

me help you with your grips." He took the bag of bats and led the way to the rear of the gym. "The athletes were not expected for registration until Monday, but Coach will take care of you all right." They entered by a back door and went through a labyrinth of showers and lockers. At a door the man knocked. "This is Rossy McAfee, Coach," he said in a sleepy head appeared in the door.

"Well, doggone my tintype, so it is!" the coach grinned, shaking Rossy's hand. "Come right in. Don't rush, Proxy." The middle-aged man said he'd be seeing him; and when he was gone, Coach Hurd pulled Rossy in and shut the door. "Well, well! How are you?"

"Who was him?" Rossy asked, jerking his thumb back.

"Doc Tollivar, president of Lincoln College."

"Did you say Tollivar?"

"It's Tollivar, not Tolliver, as you folks spell it in the hills. Different breed of dogs."

ROSSY's eyes began to gleam. "A or e, a Tolliver's a Tolliver and they air all thieves and rascals, I know 'em. One of 'em killed my pappy long time ago in a ball game with a bean ball, and—why, lands, I bet a cow he was the feller!"

It ran all over Rossy, like a stroke of paralysis from clairvoyance. That man would be about the age of his thick man, too. He stared at the coach.

"What is it?" People just appeared from nowhere, it seemed. This was a man, in easy old gray suit; he was thick, kindly, and distinguished. His age was perhaps 45. He wore boots—evidently an outdoor man. "Is there something I may do for you?"

"I'm Rossy McAfee and I come to school and I want to play ball, and where's Coach Hurd at—you ain't him?"

"Rossy McAfee!" the man repeated, and just stood there with a fixed look. He had the same look as the girl, only it was a

stare. "Where?"

"Yes, sir, right with Doc and his daughter; and boy is Judy Tollivar some girl! A or e, she's st a girl after anybody's heart, ye just wait and see!"

(To Be Continued)

ALLEY OOP

By Hambl



LOOK! THAT LOSE RIDER, OUT THERE! IT'S GENERAL OOP!

GO WHAT? EVEN IF HE COULD FIGHT HIS WAY IN, WHAT COULD ONE MAN DO AGAINST AN ARMY!

GAWD, YOU SWABS! . . . MAKE WAY FOR GENERAL OOP!

DANGER

SERIAL STORY

— ROMANCE AHEAD

BY TOM HORNER

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YESTERDAY: Larry is taken to Dead Man's Curve and Bentley outlines how the murder of his brother was committed. Larry is to die the same way. It is well planned with Bentley's men helping. As he gets ready to kill Larry, Monnie's voice calls to them. Bentley is off guard. Larry swings at Mike's chin, grabs the gun.

CHAPTER XV

BENTLEY pulled the trigger as Larry's fist crashed against his jaw. The bullet grazed Larry's shirt, buried itself in the door. Larry jerked the gun away as Bentley slumped in the seat, out cold.

Then he was out of the car, searching the darkness, shouting—"Monnie! Monnie!"

"Larry!" She ran across the road to him.

"Don't shoot, Collins. Everything under control," came another voice. Colonel Harris!

Monnie's arms were around him. "Larry, darling! Are you all right? That shot!" Tears were streaming down her face.

He kissed her. "I'm not hurt. He missed."

Colonel Harris was beside him. "Good work, Collins. Got all of them, Bentley?"

"In the car. Had to sock him. That shot was for me," Harris left them to pull Bentley, still unconscious, from the seat. A car rounded the curve slowly, its headlights illuminating the scene. Bill and Shultz were standing beside the highway, hands in the air. Two highway patrolmen guarded them. A third officer came down the hill, pushing a protesting Joe in front of him.

"We'll get the one in the canyon later. He can't get far," Colonel Harris shouted.

Bentley roused as handcuffs snapped on his wrists. "What . . . ?" he mumbled. Harris jerked him to his feet.

"You lost this time, Bentley. You fell into a trap. You're through!"

The sheriff was getting out of his car.

It was not until Bentley and his men were headed toward town in Mike's own car that Colonel Harris explained.

"This was all Miss Miles' idea. Collins. You have her to thank for saving your life," Larry

squeezed her tighter to him. He had never released her.

"She figured Bentley perfectly," Harris went on. "Bentley got away with Hugh's murder. He thought he could do the same thing with you."

"Miss Miles, here, had to make him decide to get rid of you himself, and she wanted him to keep remembering Hugh."

"That's why I had to tell him you were Hugh's brother," Monnie broke in. "That's why I pretended to hate you."

"Miss Miles called us as soon as she got away from Bentley's," the highway patrol chief continued.

"We knew we'd never get you alive if we rushed the house. So after Miss Miles explained more about the other accident, we decided Bentley would try the same thing over again. When he called the sheriff, we were sure of it. We came up here, hid down in the canyon."

"Luckily, I sent one of the boys up on the hill to watch for Bentley. He took care of Joe. We heard everything Bentley said."

"It was getting you out safely that worried us. We knew you weren't tied, but we were afraid that Bentley would shoot you the minute he suspected anything. When he started talking about Miss Miles, I told her to shout, and let you take your own chances. She was game enough to do it. It worked out swell."

"Monnie's voice did it," Larry said. "It was unexpected and it threw Bentley off guard. That gave me time to clip him, and to push that gun away."

"And the others had their hands in the air as soon as the boys pointed a gun at them. We kept them covered all the time we were here, just in case—but we didn't want to start a battle."

"I was scared, Larry, scared to death," Monnie said. "But I had to keep Mike from killing you."

Harris walked with them to the sheriff's car. "You go back to the ranch. The sheriff and I will go on up to Bentley's. There may have been a scrap there. I sent half a dozen men up the canyon road to take Bentley's place. I think we'll have enough on Bentley and all his men to hang him after I go over his records."

"There'll be a shipment of narcotics arrive by plane next week," Larry remembered. "Bentley was to get a tip."

"We'll camp there until the plane comes in. That will clinch the case against the whole gang," Harris smiled at the prospect. "You two go along now."

He watched them back the sheriff's car around then head down the hill. After they had gone, he crossed the road, stared down into the canyon.

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South By 1942

Promised a New Streamline Melon

By United Press

CHARLESTON, S. C.—What Luther Burbank did with fruits, agricultural experts at the South Carolina Experiment Station, six miles from here, are trying to do with vegetables.

Progress has been made with watermelons, sweet corn, beans, tomatoes, peas and cabbages—all tending to make them more tasty, harder and healthier.

The new watermelon is expected to make its bow about May 1, 1942—a month earlier than is customary. In the Deep South it has been for years considered virtually fatal to eat watermelon before a Fourth of July oration, but science does not stop for politics.

The melon being developed at the station and at other state farms throughout the south will be better in several ways. It will

mature early, be sweet and firm,

weigh about 23 pounds instead of the customary 35, and will have bright red meat. The larger melons now being grown are considered too bulky for the usual domestic refrigerator.

Dr. Bryan L. Wade is in charge of the station, and Dr. C. F. Pool, his chief assistant, is leading in the melon research study. Pool is using all types of melons in his experiments, crossing and re-crossing varieties until he gets what he thinks might be the solution. He is also in charge of the cabbage development department.

The experiment station is trying to "de-streamline" the cabbage so that it will be more easily packed, yet lose none of its flavor. Pool believes that the rounded New Jersey cabbage is too hard and tasteless, while the pointed Charleston Wakefield has perfect flavor but needs too much care during growth.

The "musts" for the new variety are: it must mature early, it must have the quality of the Charleston Wakefield, it must not go to seed when forming the spring crop, it must be resistant

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Rhett Butler Comes to Ranger



Rhett Butler, as described by Margaret Mitchell on page 96 of her book "Gone With the Wind." He was a tall man and powerfully built. Scarlet thought she had never seen a man with such wide shoulders, so heavy with muscles, almost too heavy for gentility. When her eye caught his, he smiled, showing animal-white teeth below a close-clipped mustache. He was dark of face, swarthy as a pirate, and his eyes were as bold and black as any pirate's. . . . "Gone With the Wind" will be presented at the local Arcadia Wednesday for two showings at 2:30 and 8 P. M.

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BRISBANE, Australia — The thirty folk in Tully, Queensland, no longer have to tramp along dusty highways to obtain a drink of beer. Nowadays, they get to the pub by boat, for the Tully river, in flood, is running four feet deep across the barroom floor, and the licensee squats on top of the bar counter and serves drinks from on high.

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Society Notes

Vacation Bible School

The Vacation Bible School for departments of the Methodist church Sunday school opened this morning at 8:30 o'clock and will continue through this week.

The Junior, Primary and Beginners departments will meet each morning and the Intermediates

will meet in the afternoon. The Juniors will have as their subject for study "Discovering the Land of the Bible"; the Primary department will study "Child Life in the Bible Times" and the Beginners will study "Homes for All."

Mrs. L. H. Flewellen is director of the school and those assisting are: Mmes. C. E. May, Fred Warren, George Armer, A. J. Rathiff, Don Minnick, Floyd Killingsworth, Carl Hill, Charles Hummel and Misses Francine Hatley and Bernice Ashcraft.

Graduates Honored

By Training Union

The Young People's Training Union of the First Baptist church entertained Sunday evening from 6 to 7 o'clock at the church with a tea complimenting graduates of the high school and Ranger Junior College who are members of the Union.

Programs in the form of diplomas were presented to the guests, and the following numbers composed the program:

Invocation—Rev. David M. Phillips.

Poem—Avis McKelvin.

Devotional—Mrs. Frank Hicklin.

Tribute to Graduates—Dr. C. L. Jackson.

Violin Solo—Rose Mary Bruce, accompanied by Mrs. Hicklin.

Greetings from Baylor—Miss Lula M. Conner.

Quartet—Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Harris, Dr. C. L. Jackson and Frances Usery.

Steps to Victory—Mrs. David M. Phillips.

Announcements—James Ferris, Benedictine—Mrs. R. V. Robinson.

About 60 members attended. The monthly Training Union business meeting will be held Tuesday evening, June 4th at the church at 8 o'clock.

Royal Neighbors To Meet This Evening

The Royal Neighbors of America will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the I. O. O. F. Hall for a business meeting, initiation and to make plans for attending a meeting in Abilene on June 11th and for drill practice for the Abilene meeting.

All members are requested to be present for this important meeting.

Group From Ranger Attends Brownwood Picnic

The employees of the Woolworth store in Brownwood held a picnic at Lake Brownwood State Park, Sunday.

Boating, fishing, swimming and dancing was enjoyed by everyone. The stores that were represented were San Angelo, Sweetwater, Big Spring, Breckenridge, Ranger and Coleman.

Those attending from Ranger were Misses Alma Ree Jones, Frances Johnson, Faye Branton, Merle Branton, Mildred Stevens and Ross Elrod.

Singing Groups To Be Organized

Much enthusiasm has been displayed over the organization of two choral singing groups for the next six weeks. Mrs. Homer Smith will be in charge of the two groups which will meet three times weekly, beginning Tuesday morning at 8:15 for the group from the 4th grade at the Presbyterian church.

The younger group will meet at 9:00, and will be composed of children from the primary grades. These groups are composed of children from all the Ranger schools and all children who are interested in singing are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Eck Curtis of Breckenridge, formerly of Ranger visited friends in Ranger, Sunday.

Mrs. Glenn West and Mrs. H. T. Schooley were in Abilene today to play in the Abilene Country Club's Annual June Golf tournament for women.

Miss Rita Mooney and Jack Mooney who have been attending Texas Tech in Lubbock are here to spend the summer with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mooney.

Miss Mattie Beryl Montgomery, who has just completed her work for a law degree from Baylor University, arrived today for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Montgomery.

James Shelton has gone to Houston to make his home.

Miss Lasse Gilkey of Eastland was the guest of Miss Pauline Benson for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jensen returned Sunday from a trip to Borger, New Mexico and Oklahoma. In New Mexico they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jameson, formerly of Ranger.

Mrs. Arthur Wolf and daughter, Peggy, have returned from a visit in Gatesville.

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Rev. David M. Phillips, pastor of the church, will do the preaching throughout the revival, with Charles Denham of Fort Worth in charge of the singing.

The public has been issued an invitation to attend all services.

Midget Horses In The Rockies Again

GRAND CANYON, Ariz.—The National Park Service is making an intensive investigation of rumors that a race of midget horses is living in the depths of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

The old legend was given new life when Jack Tooker, a railroad engineer, said he discovered two of the midgets—one less than 17 inches tall.

Tooker said he had trapped two of the animals in a hidden box canyon with the help of the Hualpi Indians. One of them, a mare was about 7 years old, weighed about 80 pounds and was 30 inches high, Tooker said.

The smaller of the two, a colt about a year old, was 17 inches high and weighed 19 pounds.

The park service announced it would send an expedition into the canyon. However, because Tooker had not produced the horses, they were inclined to be skeptical of the reported capture.

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FOR SALE: Monday, 200 gallons of the best Blackberries in the county.—BILL HEALER, Breckenridge Highway.

FOR SALE: Practically new trumpet or will trade for good clarinet or saxophone.—Phone 532.

FOR SALE: Used Standard car, \$10. Phone 240 or 532, 109 North Hodges Street.

FOR SALE—3-room house, \$100; 2-room house, \$100; 4 room house \$125 to be moved.—G. O. STRONG, Phone 159-W.

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FOR SALE: Milch cow and milch goat.—FRASIER HATCHERY.

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