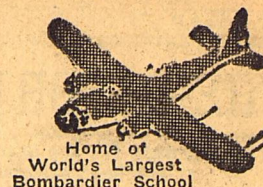




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Western Front Springs To Life

Eisenhower Slams New Offensives On Tottering Nazis

PARIS —(AP)— Ten or more American divisions edged steadily forward Wednesday into a 30-mile fortified zone at the center of the Western Front, increasing pressure on the Germans who had robbed their Siegfried Line defenses to bolster the swaying Russian front.

(Berlin radio said the Americans had launched a new attack with strong forces including tanks on both sides of Monschau along a broad front. Gen. Eisenhower was said to have massed 60 divisions, nearly half of them armored, for a full scale offensive along the whole front. The Germans admitted some villages were lost, but said their front had nowhere been broken.)

The 100,000 or more identified troops of the First and Third Armies were driving into the thinned-out Siegfried line and they advanced to within three miles of the head-water dams controlling the flood levels of the Roer River, a major barrier to Cologne.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army widened its bridgehead across the Our River into Germany to five miles and thrust it a mile and a half into the Reich within 12 of the Siegfried Line base.

Regained Initiative

The initiative was back in General Eisenhower's hands and as fast as the infantrymen and armor could move through the slushy, deep-dripped snowfields, he was slamming a new challenge from the west against the shaken Reich.

Battlefront reports said the Americans who lashed out east of Monschau found Siegfried Line pillboxes abandoned and undefended. In that area, the First Army was attacking south of a 35-mile section of the West Wall which had been conquered earlier in the winter campaign. The section extended from Linnich along the Roer to east of Monkschau.

In other places, the Germans were trying desperately to regain their balance from surprise pre-dawn assaults. At one place, they struck back with a small counter-attack which failed to check the American surge.

Skelly Wildcat Shows Gas In Top Of Clear Fork

By JAMES C. WATSON

Skelly Oil Company No. 2 Steeler, Southeast Lea County, New Mexico, wildcat to test the Clear Fork-Permian, in section 17-23S-37E, was drilling ahead after taking a 30-minute drillstem test at 5,462-5,520 feet, in the upper section of the Clear Fork.

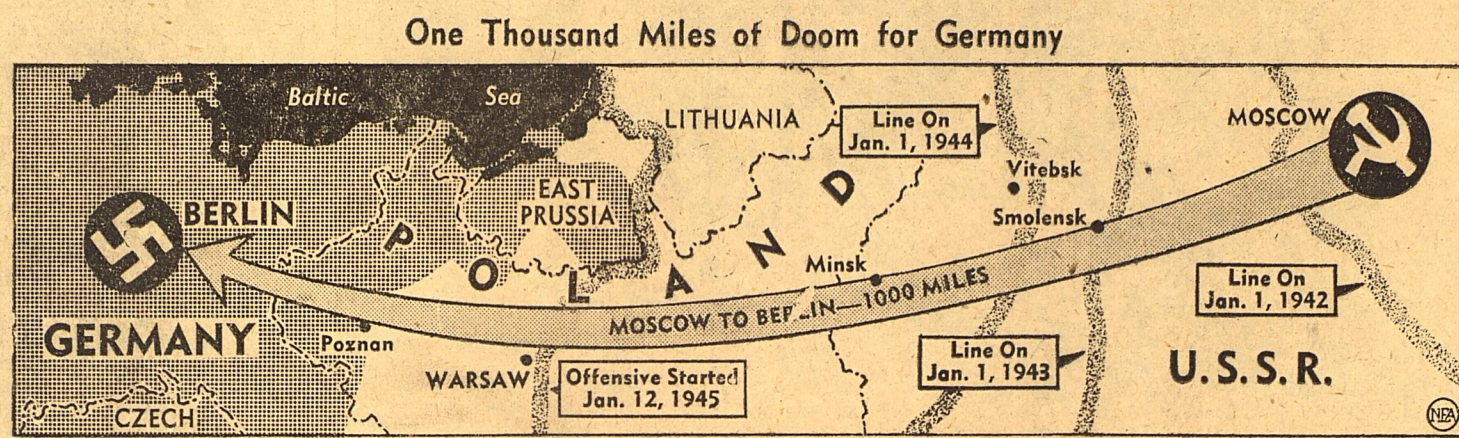
Using a 5/8-inch bottomhole choke, there was a steady blow of gas during the test, and recovery was 93 feet of gas-cut drilling mud. The oil pay section is expected around 6,300 feet. The project is about six miles southwest of Gulf No. 1 Drinkard, discovery for lower Permian production in Lea County, Ohio Jones Testing.

The Ohio Oil Company No. 1 Jones, section 19-18S-39E, seven miles southeast of Hobbs, had cut a core at 7,598-7,618 feet. Recovery was 16 feet of dolomite, with no porosity, or oil stains.

Operator is to take a Schlumberger survey, and follow that with a drillstem test to the bottom. If nothing shows there, hole will be plugged back with cement to 4,550 feet, and a drillstem test taken on the section at 4,400-4,550 feet.

Union Oil Company of California No. 9, Biles, in section 12, block A-31, psi survey, pre-Permian exploration, on the west side of the Union pool, in Northwest Andrews County, is reaming to the total depth at 8,755 feet, to core ahead.

Core Shale And Lime. In a core at 8,736-55 feet, recovery was 14.5 feet of streaked black (Continued On Page 2)



Hitler Tries To Rally Fading Nazis

LONDON —(P)—The German nation, beset by powerful invading armies, embarked Wednesday on the 13th year of the Nazi regime, exhorting by Adolf Hitler to accept "boundless misery" as the price of continued resistance.

Germany, Hitler proclaimed to the world Tuesday night, will fight on to the death—"fight on no matter where and no matter under what circumstances until final victory crowns our efforts."

His speech marking the 12th anniversary of his ascendency to the chancellorship on Jan. 30, 1933, was broadcast from his headquarters amidst news of continuing Russian advances from the east—victorious strikes that now have carried to within 55 miles of Berlin.

"God Sent" Hitler twice asserted that God had given him a mission. "The Almighty" saved him from assassination, he declared, and he saw in this "confirmation of my assigned task."

The man who sent his armed legions into virtually every country of Europe gave the German people (Continued on Page 6)

Wadleys Make Plans To Open New Store In Midland Soon

Addison Wadley and W. T. (Bill) Moreland are at the General Electric Supply Corporation in Dallas in connection with the opening soon of Wadley's Household Equipment Company in Midland.

The business will be owned and operated by Addison Wadley and Lt. Barron E. Wadley. Moreland will have charge of the service department.

It will be located in the building now occupied by the George Friday Boot Shop, across the street from the First National Bank. Wadley said the business will center around the General Electric franchise.

Many Household Items. In addition to refrigerators, home freezers, washing machines, irons, air conditioning units, radios, vacuum cleaners, ranges, dishwashers, etc., the store will have a complete line of General Electric and other high grade appliances as well as a general line of household equipment items.

The Wadleys are well known in Midland business circles, having operated Wadley's Department Store here, for 20 years before selling it to Dunlaps. Lieutenant Barron Wadley now is on duty in the South Pacific war area.

Moreland is well known in the refrigeration and service lines, having sold General Electrics in Midland for a number of years. Until recently, he had charge of refrigeration and air conditioning at the Midland Army Air Field.

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

WESTERN FRONT: Attack by 100,000 U. S. First and Third Army troops on 30-mile sector of Siegfried Line may signal new large-scale offensive.

RUSSIAN FRONT: Germans say Red Army spearheads reach Zielienzig, 55 miles from outer rim of Berlin; Russians hold Stolzenberg, 73 miles from capital in Netze River valley.

ITALIAN FRONT: Activity limited to patrols.

PACIFIC FRONT: Strong U. S. 8th Army forces land unopposed from 150 ships 60 miles northwest of Manila to cut off Japanese withdrawal route to Bataan.

Poll Tax Receipts Reveal Increasing Political Interest

Midland County went into the last day of the 1945 poll tax paying season Wednesday morning with a total of 2,764 poll tax receipts and exemptions issued, 616 more than the total issued in 1943, the last "off" election year.

Tax clerks at the office of Tax Assessor-Collector J. H. Fine pre- (Continued On Page 2)

Eighth Army Lands Near Bataan To Slash Escape Route

By LEONARD MILLMAN
Associated Press War Editor

A new American Army splashed ashore in the Philippines without firing a shot and raced to within eight miles of Bataan Peninsula, where Japanese are trapped Wednesday between the U. S. Sixth and Eighth Armies.

The surprise landing was made Monday along a 10-mile stretch of the Luzon Island coast, 60 miles northwest of Manila.

The invasion armada consisting of 150 ships was greeted by Filipinos in canoes and American flags flying over every town in the landing sector along the Zambales coast. Rear Admiral Arthur Struble hurriedly cancelled the pre-invasion naval bombardment.

There were no casualties among the landing forces—the 38th Division and veteran elements of the 24th which fought on Leyte Island. These units pushed more than ten miles inland to Castillejos, less than ten miles from Olongapo and Bataan. They didn't see a single Japanese.

Japs Capture Airfield It was an entirely different story in China. Japanese imperial headquarters claimed Nipponese armies completed conquest of the last 20-mile stretch of the Canton-Hankow railway and captured a U. S. 14th Air Force airfield at Suichan, in Western Kwangsi Province of Southern China.

A seizure of the railway would solidify Japanese positions on the South China coast, where a U. S. invasion is anticipated, and give imperial forces a 1,000-mile communication line. (Continued On Page 2)

War Bulletins

LONDON —(AP)— Red Army troops have captured Landsberg, 68 miles east of Berlin, Marshal Stalin announced Wednesday night.

PARIS —(AP)— Whiteclad infantry of the American First Army stormed across the snowdrifted German border at two new places Wednesday and Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' artillery started pouring shells into the main concrete works of the thinly held Siegfried Line.

WASHINGTON —(AP)— American planes "dominate the skies over Luzon as if they owned the sky," the Japanese Domei news agency complained Wednesday in a dispatch intercepted by the Federal Communications Commission.

LONDON —(AP)— Some Germans are ready to surrender, the Berlin radio said Wednesday, but declared that "those cowardly creatures who try to desert the fatherland in its hour of need are relatively few among our people."

Byrd Says Wallace Represents CIO Wing

WASHINGTON —(P)— The biggest Democratic party split since the 1937 court fight appeared to be developing around Henry Wallace's cabinet nomination. Stripped of its window dressing, the battle is fundamentally one between those who regard themselves as a liberal element of the party headed by Wallace and the old line Democrats represented by Senators Byrd (Va.), George (SC), Bailey (NC) and others.

Legislative leaders reached a compromise they hoped would keep pen-up animosities from spilling out on the Senate floor. But there was every indication both sides intend to have their say before the issue of Wallace's appointment as Secretary of Commerce is fully settled.

Nomination May Be Returned In the absence of any direct word from President Roosevelt, Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the Democratic leader, planned to ask (Continued on Page 2)

Germans Prepare Street-To-Street Fight For City

LONDON —(AP)— Russian troops plunged to Zielienzig, only 55 miles due east of greater Berlin, the German radio said Wednesday, and indications mounted that the Germans were preparing to fight street by street for their queen city.

Zielienzig, only 20 miles short of the Oder, is 62 miles from Berlin's city limits.

A German broadcast at noon said infantrymen of Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's racing First White Russian Army were keeping up with armored spearheads driving toward Berlin on a wide front.

The closest that Moscow has put Zhukov from Berlin is 73 miles at captured Stolzenberg, 25 miles northeast of Zielienzig and on the opposite side of the Warthe River.

Fierce battles are raging in the bend formed by the Oder and Warthe rivers, which merge at Kustrin, 22 miles northwest of Zielienzig, said Berlin. Zielienzig is 25 miles northeast of the Oder fortress city of Frankfurt.

FLANK DRIVES INCREASE PERIL

Huge Soviet flank drives increased the peril to Berlin.

A German broadcast said Zhukov's northern wing had reached Soldin, only 36 miles from Stettin on the Baltic. A push to Stettin would cut off all Northeastern Germany, and put Zhukov in position for a drive on Berlin from the north. Moscow said another Soviet column was 60 miles from the Baltic port of Koslin, about midway between Stettin and Danzig.

Zhukov also was striking southeastward, and reached the Oder at a point about 38 miles southeast of Zielienzig. Here his troops were close to a linkup with the First Ukrainian Army of Marshal Ivan Konev, which has stormed over the Oder at points on a long front in German Silesia.

Wednesday's German communique said Russian attacks from their bridgeheads across the Oder in Upper Silesia were stopped, and in the center declared "our troops engaged in heavy battle against enemy infantry and tank forces pushing to the west in the Oder-Warthe bend."

Reports to Swedish newspapers said the German high command would formally declare Berlin a fortified city to be defended "stone by stone."

Great armored battles were reported in which German Royal Tiger tanks were pitted against Stalin tanks of the Russians.

In East Prussia, the capital of Konigsberg was nearly surrounded, and German escape to the sea had been blocked there.

R. B. Baker Buys Cosden Agency

R. B. Baker, for seventeen years a resident of Midland, will become Midland County distributor for Cosden gasoline Thursday. His Baker Oil Company also will be agent for Verdol oil and greases and other Tide Water products.

Baker purchased the Cosden franchise from H. S. Blocker of Stanton. The Midland man formerly was associated with Blocker in the Cosden agency in Odessa.

The Baker Oil Company now has two outlets here for Cosden products and hopes to have at least two more in the near future. Baker said he now has plenty of grade one passenger car tires in stock.

He will maintain his headquarters at 2110 West Wall Street and a bulk station will be installed later. He will be both wholesaler and retailer of Cosden products here.

Sixteen Babies Burn To Death

AUBURN, ME.—(P)— At least 16 babies ranging in age from six months upward, and a woman, perished in fire which swept a child-rear's home here early Wednesday. Eight other children escaped from the flames which started about 5:40 a.m. and quickly enveloped the wooden cottage-type home situated in the New Auburn section of the city.

A nurse was on duty when the fire broke out, police reported. The victims were children of women employed in war work or shoe factories in Auburn and near-by Lewiston. Fire Chief Ralph Hardin reported, and were taken home only over week-ends.

Road To Berlin

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Italian Front: 544 miles (from Reno River).

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But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whore-mongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.—Revelation 21:8.

Manpower In The Kitchen

We never did see how it came out. All we noticed was a little item saying that a regional War Manpower Commission had questioned a new ruling from Washington headquarters which held that dishwashers were essential, but chefs were not. But that item was enough to fill us with dread.

The ruling is obviously a bachelor's work. No married man or woman would think of making it. The danger isn't in the obvious fact that dishwashers would scarcely be essential if the non-essential chef didn't show up to prepare the groundwork for their important labors. Nor is it so much in the possible effect on the restaurant business. No, the danger is in the ruling's impact on the well-ordered American home.

A lot of husbands wash dishes these days. So do a lot of sons and daughters. Some always have. Others began when housemaids swarmed out of America's kitchens like so many lemmings and scampered to war jobs.

But whether these husbands and youngsters arrived at the sink through necessity, kindness or coercion, they created what at best is a delicately balanced situation. Their breakage rate is rather high. Some washers are of the slap-dash school; others are thorough and maddeningly slow. In either case they seldom do the job with mother's effortless efficiency.

But mother doesn't complain. She is grateful for the help, whatever its quality. The kitchen police in turn have usually been pretty modest about the whole thing. And patient, even though the kids have been late for their movie dates and father has often had his favorite radio program drowned out by the slosh of water and clatter of dishes.

The kitchen police have seen mother choke off a hasty, impatient word, and have realized that their washing and drying technique left something to be desired. The yhave known that her forbearance was possible only because of her sincere gratitude. And thus, through this reciprocal, precarious emotional balance, a great many incipient kitchen revolts have died a-borning.

But we shudder to think what might happen if that WMC order ever gained currency. The home dishwashers could scarcely resist preening themselves a little and putting on a few airs. This would surely upset mother, the non-essential chef or cook.

The more temperamental housewives would probably go on a culinary strike. The milder and canner ones would insist that since housekeeping was their business, they would have to insist that they take over the essential kitchen job and leave the minor matter of cooking to dad and the kids.

There is no need to speculate upon the dire results. They are only too predictable—ruined tempers, ruined digestions, complete domestic chaos. So we beseech you, WMC, eat your words before the nation has to quit eating entirely.

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Personal Appearances

It has been suggested that actors in New York plays work at a war job four hours a day in addition to their theatrical chores.

This raises several questions. Is the theater essential or non-essential? How much do actors contribute to morale. Would such a move mean a curtailment of the USO camp shows? And would the government prefer an actor's half-day output to his performance in the combat area?

None of these questions can be answered now. But the suggestion itself offers a pleasant possibility. It might bring more workers into essential industry. We can imagine girls fighting for the chance to work beside a glamorous actor on the production line. And how about all those disappointed seekers of tickets to "Oklahoma"? They might take a war job just to see a member of the cast.

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Eighth Army -

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cation line from the Manchurian arsenal to Canton.

An unofficial and unconfirmed Japanese broadcast claimed Nipponese planes sank two British transports and probably a destroyer in the Bay of Bengal, near Akyab, Burma.

Allied aircraft ruthlessly pounded Japanese in Central Burma to cut off possibility of escape.

Escape Route Cut

In the Philippines, escape for the Japanese forces either to or from rugged Bataan was effectively cut off by the Eighth Army and forward elements of the Sixth Army, 30 miles to the east on the Central Luzon plains. The two U. S. Armies control the only highway running across the base of the peninsula.

The Eighth Army invasion was intended not only to seal off Bataan but to seize Olongapo, on Subic Bay, as a military and naval base just north of Manila Bay.

Striking forces, comprising the 11th Corps, were under command of Major Gen. Charles P. Hall, who twelve years ago reported Olongapo could be easily defended.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique made no mention of new advances for Manila-bound forces of Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth Army, last reported pouring into a swamp-bounded bottleneck 30 miles from the Philippines capital. Heavy Japanese losses were reported at Rosario in the bitterly contested northern push toward Baguio.

In the almost forgotten Solomon campaign, Australian troops drove northward through strong opposition on Bougainville Island from

Weather -

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p. m., where it remained until 7 p. m.

Cold weather prevailed over most of this section of West Texas Wednesday.

Abilene reported clear skies and a 28 degree temperature. Skies were clear at San Angelo and the mercury stood at 27 degrees at 9:30 a. m. Broken clouds hovered over Lubbock and the thermometer registered 28 degrees at 9:30 a. m. Scattered clouds were reported over Hobbs, N. M., and a 24 degree temperature was registered. Wink had a high overcast with a temperature of 23 degrees. Amarillo reported overcast with a temperature of 23 degrees.

The Coast Guard has 261 fire boats.

Empress Augusta Bay to within 14 miles of Buka airfield.

Tokyo reported two B-29 harassing raids during the night on industrial Tokyo. The Nippon-controlled Peiping radio commented Superfort raids on Japan have become daily routine, "just like rationing."

Japan's Domei news agency reported the death of five more generals. In the last eight months Tokyo has announced the deaths of approximately 110 ranking army and naval officers.

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Engineers Study Reformed Dune

KILL DEVIL HILL, N. C.—(AP) Engineers tacking development of Saudi Arabia oil fields have come here to learn how to prevent a dune from moving over and squatting on a well once it is bored.

This 90-foot dune where the Wrights made the first plane flight moved 1,000 feet from 1903 to 1938. Then Capt. W. H. Kinder-vater of the U. S. Army was given the job of tying it down.

Tough Bermuda grass was planted and sheltered with cut brush and wood mold moved from nearby islands in a method developed on Roanoke island where a dune threatened a highway. Kill Devil Hill was so stable that Congress ordered erection of a memorial on it in 1938.

Salt Lake Police Give First Aid—Too

SALT LAKE CITY—(AP)—Salt Lake police knocked down Tabby White, an Indian, with a patrol car, took him to an emergency hospital for treatment, then presented him with a ticket for jaywalking.

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Skelly Wildcat -

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shale and hard, white, crystalline lime.

Shell Oil Company, Inc., and the Texas Company No. 1 Radliff & Bedford, Southwest Andrews County Ordovician wildcat, in section 4, block 73, psd survey, had reached 7,835 feet in dolomite and was preparing to take a drillstem test.

Two Extenders Finished
Gulf Oil Corporation No. 1-BB University, one-quarter mile southeast of closest production in southeast side of the Fullerton field, in Northwest Andrews County, reported an official Railroad Commission potential flow of 1,078 barrels of 41.5 gravity oil. Gas-oil ratio was 1,052-1.

Located in northeast quarter of section 10, block 13, University survey, the well topped pay at 6,887 feet. Total depth was officially reported at 6,395 feet. The 5 1/2-inch casing was cemented at 6,800 feet. A total of 20,000 gallons of acid was injected in stages before completion.

Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 5 Sealy-Smith, section 52, block A, G&M survey, outcrop to production from the Tubb-Permian in the North Monahans field, in Southeast Winkler County, has been officially completed for a 24-hour flowing potential of 154 barrels of 35 gravity oil, plus 3.6 percent basic sediment and water.

Gas-oil ratio was 586-1. An acid injection of 2,000 gallons was used in the pay section at 6,120-6,238 feet in the middle Permian.

No Shows In DSI

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 2 Word, section 601, Mrs. E. J. Garton survey, about ten miles northeast of Fort Stockton, in North-Central Pecos County, was reaming to the bottom at 5,087 feet, in lime.

At 5,051-67 feet, a core was taken. Recovery was three and one-half feet of gray, crystalline lime, with black shale breaks and a slight odor of gas.

A drillstem test was taken at 5,026-67 feet. The tool was open 32 minutes. Recovery was 210 feet of drilling fluid, which might have come from angular space between the sides of the hole and the casing, as the fluid dropped 16 feet during the test. There were no shows.

1-D Settles Digging

Continental Oil Company No. 1-D Settles, South Howard County prospector in section 133, block 29, W&NW survey, which tested for some free oil at 8,925-43 feet, in a pre-Permian lime streak, was making new hole in black shale past 8,967 feet. There was no sign of oil in that formation.

Honolulu Oil Corporation and Devonian Oil Company No. 1 Hitt, Northwest Garza County wildcat, in section 2, block 1, HE&WT survey, recovered a fish, had conditioned the hole and was to run casing. Total depth is 3,563 feet in lime. Some slight shows have been developed.

Honolulu No. 1 McLane, Northeast Yoakum County exploration, is plugging back from total depth of 8,016 feet, in lime, to 6,900 feet, to test above that point.

Lubbock Discovery To Pump
Seaboard Oil Company of Delaware and Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 1 Cravens, North-Central Lubbock County discovery for lower Permian production, in section 16, block D, L&SV survey, has been swabbing around six to seven barrels of oil per hour, after swabbing out acid residue from the third treatment.

Operators are preparing to run rods to put on the pump. It is not completely clean of acid, and it may require several days pumping to get the oil clear.

Plugged back total depth is 6,170

Poll Tax -

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dicted enough additional poll tax receipts and exemptions would be issued Wednesday to boost the total past the 3,000 mark, as 284 polls and exemptions were issued Tuesday and the mail applications remain to be counted.

The tax office will close at the usual time Wednesday, 5 p. m., but tax officials emphasized applications made by mail postmarked not later than midnight Wednesday would be eligible to receive their poll tax receipts or exemptions.

Information Needed

Applications made by mail should contain the following information: Name of applicant, age, race, sex, which voting precinct the applicant resides in, whether a native born or naturalized citizen, where born (state or nation), how long a resident of Texas, how long a resident of Midland County, occupation and mailing address.

Newcomers to Texas who arrived in the state any time during 1944 are entitled to an exemption which entitles them to vote in 1945, without certain conditions, without payment of a poll tax. In making application by mail they must include, in addition to the information listed above, the time of the year they arrived in Texas and the name of the state they came from.

Tax officials emphasized it is highly important all applications by mail should contain the mailing address of the applicant as the receipts and exemptions will be mailed to the applicants.

The poll tax is \$1.75 per person.

Combat cargo ships carry six miles of steel cable, 7/8 of an inch thick, capable of lifting 30 tons or more.

Top of pay is around 6,050 feet.

Still Producing

The Texas Company No. 2 Robertson, section 21, block A-24, psd about three-quarters of a mile west of the one-well Robertson field, in South Gaines County, swabbed 35 barrels oil, cut three percent basic sediment, in eight hours. There was no water. Total depth is 5,986 feet, in San Angelo-Permian. Oil is standing 1,000 feet in the hole.

Texaco and Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Cowden, section 7, block 44, TP survey, T-1-N, in Northwest Ector County, had progressed below 8,560 feet in blue shale.

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Byrd -

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that Wallace's nomination be sent back to the Commerce Committee. There it would await the final enactment and signing of a bill divesting the Commerce Department of control over RFC and other lending agencies.

Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) and other Wallace supporters have conceded that only by giving up the monetary bureaus can the former vice president win confirmation.

But Byrd told a reporter that any administration move to delay a showdown would be greeted by a substitute motion to call up the nomination for a test vote.

"This is the biggest split we've had in the Democratic party," the Virginian declared. "There is nothing in common between the Southern Democrats and the CIO wing that Wallace represents."

Supreme Court Justice Dies In Galveston

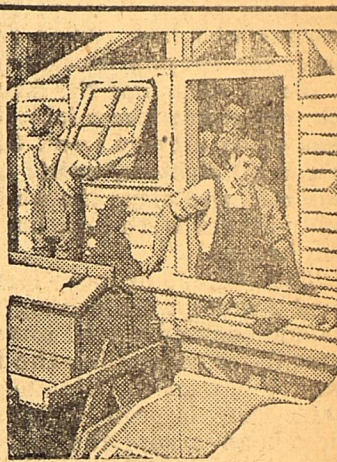
GALVESTON—(AP)—Former Justice of the Supreme Court Frank Alvan Williams died here Tuesday night. He was 93 years old. He served as justice from 1899 to 1911. Survivors include his widow, two daughters and three sons.

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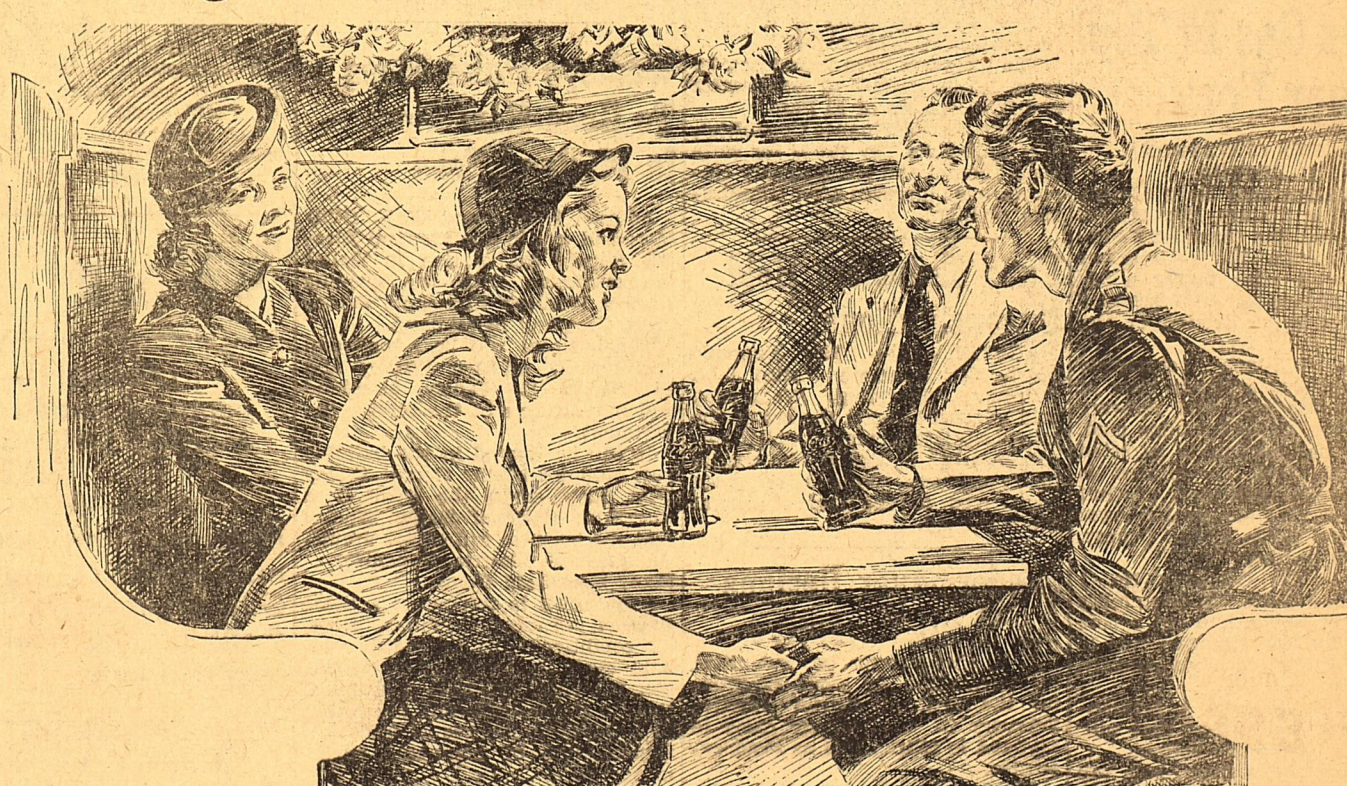
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Schumate Y.W.A. Is Given Progressive Dinner By Circle

Clara Belle Kelton, 704 North Main was hostess to the first course of a progressive dinner for the Margie Schumate Y. W. A. of the First Baptist Church given by the Mary Martha Circle, Monday evening. The group then went to the First Baptist Church and had its picture made by the Midland Studio. From the church, they progressed to the home of Mrs. S. M. Erskine, 802 West Storey, for the main course of the dinner. Dessert was served at the home of Mrs. R. W. Harris, 807 West Kansas, where three new members were voted into the organization. They are Misses Vida Mae Angel, Dorothy Smallwood, and Maxine Thompson.

Jerry Calicoate was a visitor. Members present were Misses Corrine Atkins, Ruby Hale, Laura Lou Howell, Dorothy Gay, Polly Allgood, Clara Belle Kelton, Gladine Newsome, Betty Wood, Willene Pace, Lurline Ponder, Gwen Simpson, and Alma Ruth Streeter.

Assisting with the serving were Misses W. S. Kelton, S. Watson Miller, S. M. Erskine, Raymond Leggett, and R. W. Harris.

Miss Ulmer Entertains

Miss Ann Ulmer, to be crowned Catocal Queen Friday, Feb. 2 in a formal ceremony at the high school, will honor her court Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. with a dinner party in her home, 111 North C.

Miss Tomy Ayres Is Given Miscellaneous Shower In Baker Home

Miss Tomy Ayres, bride-elect of Lt. Donald Crookham, was honored with a miscellaneous shower Tuesday evening by Misses Pat Baker, Kathryn Weeth, and Ruth Simmons in the Baker home, 501 Holmesley.

The Valentine motif was used in the arrangement of gifts with a huge red and white heart on the mantle being the center of interest. Red ribbons extended to the individual gifts that were arranged on a white rug on the floor below the mantle. Miss Ayres cut the ribbons that were tied in a big bow and opened the gifts.

Refreshments carried further the red and white color scheme with angel food cake and red icing served with punch and red and white mints. The table centerpiece was a large bowl of white daisies. Candelabra with two large white candles in each were placed at opposite ends of the table. Each candelabra was tied with a red ribbon.

Attending were Misses Lucille Wanamaker, Bea McClure, Virginia Shield, M. W. Fowler, Misses Louise McClain, Jo Ann Montgomery, Allen Maxwell, Lillie Mae Stovall, Maxine Hughes, Doris Perry, Jean Peterson, Holly Smith, Dorothy Braacewell, Mrs. Louis C. Ayres, and the honoree.

KATHRYN HANKS IS NOMINATED CLASS FAVORITE AT ACC

Miss Kathryn Hanks was recently nominated as one of the sophomore class favorites by her fellow students at Abilene Christian College. She will be in the runoff for one of the all school favorites, and if elected, will be pictured on a full page of the Pecos Press, the ACC yearbook that will be off the press sometimes in the spring.

Kathryn is a 1943 graduate of Midland High School, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hanks, 301 N. Pecos, Midland, Texas.

ARRIVES SAFELY IN BELGIUM

Mrs. Elvira Durwood Harris has received word of her husband, Pvt. Elvira Durwood Harris' safe arrival in Belgium.

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY

The Friendly Builders Class of the First Methodist Church will have its social at 8 p.m. with Mrs. Velma Smith, 501 North Pecos, Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Fowler and Mrs. Hunter.

Mrs. Ralph Troseth will review Rosemary Taylor's latest book, "Ridin' the Rainbow," the humorous biography of the author's father, over the Midland County Library radio program on KRLH at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY

Boone Bible Class will have its monthly business meeting and social in the Scharbauer Educational Building of the First Methodist Church at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Gaffney's group will be in charge of the arrangements.

Belmont Bible Class will meet at 3 p.m. in the Scharbauer Educational Building of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. S. L. Catalani and Mrs. C. W. Allen's group is responsible for the rolling of surgical dressing at the Salvation Army USO. All wives of military personnel are invited to assist.

Permian Basin Writers Plan Special Program In Odessa Friday Evening

Series Of Parties Honor Fort Worth Guests Of Miss Dorothy Fay Holt

Miss Carolyn Cathcart and Miss Pat Honea of Fort Worth, recent visitors of Miss Dorothy Fay Holt, were honored with a series of parties while they were guests in the Holt home.

Miss Holt entertained with a slumber party Friday evening after the group had attended the basketball game in Crane played by the Bulldogs, and Saturday morning from 10 until 11 guests were invited to a coffee.

Miss Dorothy Jean King entertained the house party with a luncheon at the Country Club Saturday, and Miss Ann Cleveland Sunday with a luncheon at the Country Club.

Mrs. R. O. Walker Is Barron Circle Hostess

Mrs. R. O. Walker was hostess to the Annie Barron Circle of the First Baptist Church for a mission study meeting Monday afternoon. Mrs. Vernon Yearby opened the meeting with a prayer, and Mrs. E. Powell taught the lesson from the book, "The Jewish Passover." The meeting closed with a prayer by Mrs. Walker.

Others attending were Misses E. N. Stracener, J. C. Moore, J. V. Hobbs, and Floyd Pace.

Never A Bridesmaid But Often A Bride

UNION CITY, N. J.—(P)—Gloria Swanson, stage and screen star whose third finger, left hand, has worn four wedding rings, now has made it five.

William M. Davey, 52-year-old wealthy Californian, became her fifth husband Monday in a ceremony at the municipal building here. Miss Swanson gave her age as 45.

LT. AND MRS. CARL REEVES ANNOUNCE DAUGHTERS BIRTH

Of interest to Midlanders is the announcement of the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Ann to Lt. and Mrs. Carl L. Reeves in the Memorial Hospital in Winfield, Kansas, January 22. Lt. Reeves is a former Midland resident now serving with the signal corps of the 95th Division of the Third Army.

Mrs. Reeves is making her home with her parents in Geuda Springs, Kans., until Lt. Reeves' return.

OBTAIN MARRIAGE LICENSE

A marriage license was obtained Tuesday at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble by Robert Gonzales and Alice Garcia.

Congratulations To

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Shaw of 900 South Weatherford on the birth of a daughter Nancy Fay Friday in the Western Clinic Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Richard Hinkle of 108 Club Drive on the birth of a daughter in the Western Clinic Hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Mooney, 910 East Indiana, on the birth of a son Darrell Ray Monday in the Western Clinic Hospital.

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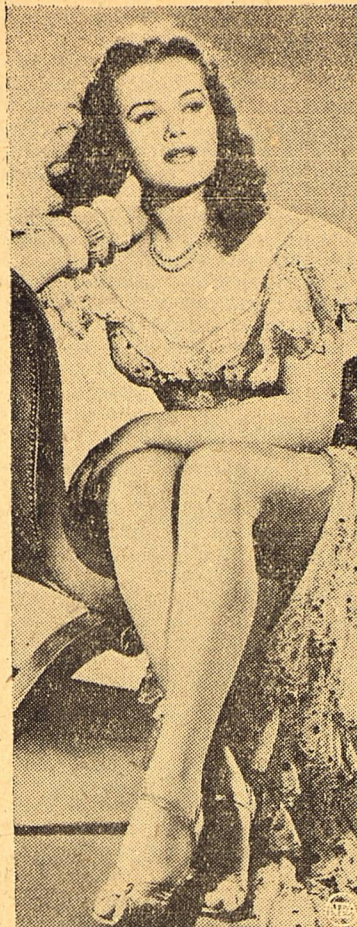
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Plane Pin-Up



This pose of Janis Paige, of Hollywood, is one often requested by the U. S. 20th Bombardment Group on Saipan for pasting on their planes before going into combat, so says the press agent's caption. Other favorites are Ann Sheridan, Joan Leslie, Barbara Stanwyck, Jane Wyman, Lauren Bacall.

Social Situations

The Situation: Someone calls to ask you to go some place and you refuse.

Wrong Way: Say, "I can't, because I am going to be busy Friday night."

Right Way: Express regret that you are unable to go, and thank the person for inviting you.

Pyote Bomber Crashes Injuring Five

GALVESTON—(P)—Five men injured when 20 parachuted to safety from a Pyote, Tex., Army Air Field bomber before it crashed and burned at La Marque, Tex., Saturday, were recovering Wednesday. The plane was en route from Salina, Kans., to Galveston Army Air Field.

Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On

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New Car License Sale To Begin Here Thursday

Automotive license plates for 1945 will go on sale at the office of County Tax-Assessor-Collector J. H. Fine Thursday morning, and for the first time since 1942 the purchasers will receive full size plates rather than the small tabs which were issued in 1943 and 1944.

The 1945 plates are slightly shorter than the 1942 plates, and only one plate per vehicle will be issued, instead of the two plates which were issued each year through 1942. The one plate must be fastened at the rear of the vehicle.

Additional Three Months

Owners of vehicles with out of state license numbers must pay three months of the 1944 license tax before they receive a 1945 plate. This is because of Texas automotive tax season does not start officially until April 1, and technically car owners here from other states with an out of state license do not have a valid license on their car at present, as their home state 1944 licenses have expired, and they are still driving in the Texas 1944 tax year.

Particular attention was called by tax clerks to the fact owners of Texas licenses applying for a 1945 license must have the number of their 1942 license plate in addition to the 1944 license number and the certificate of title.

Owners of cars with out-of-state license numbers must present their 1944 license papers and a certificate of title.

Midland County has been allotted 3,500 passenger car plates, 490 commercial plates, 200 farm plates as well as other miscellaneous plates.

HERE FROM GEORGIA

Paul S. Cies, Midland oil operator, now temporarily located at Thomasville, Ga., is in Midland for a few days. He reports the big leasing play in the Georgia-Florida area is about over, but that considerable royalty trading is still going on.

Nebraskans Take Bugs Out Of Name

AP Feature
LINCOLN, NEB.—The "tree planter's state" may become officially the "cornhusker state."

The "tree planter's state" is Nebraska by joint resolution of the legislature in 1894. Sen. Fred Seaton of Hastings, Neb., has introduced a bill in the Nebraska unicameral legislature to make the change.

Early-day University of Nebraska athletic teams called themselves the bug eaters, probably in wry tribute to the grasshoppers that scourged the state's prairies.

The name bug eaters, obnoxious to a great many Nebraskans, was officially changed to tree planters. It is said the change was prompted less by the state's fathering of Arbor Day than by pride over settlers planting trees on the treeless prairie. Later Cy Sherman, veteran Lincoln, Neb., sportswriter, introduced the name "Cornhusker" for athletic teams

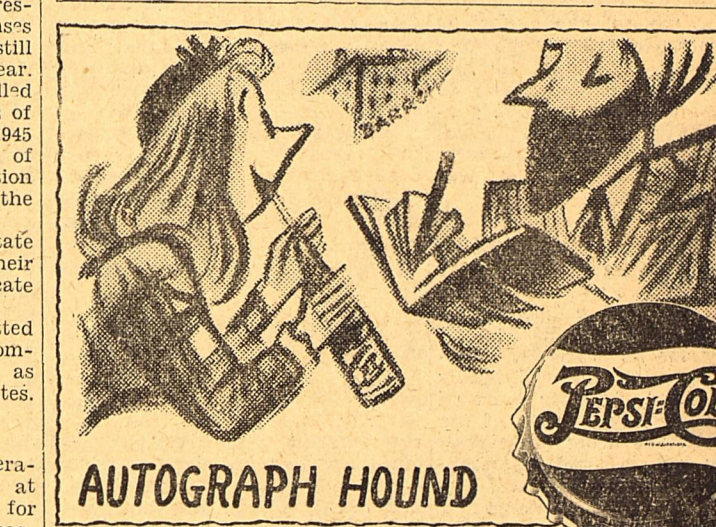
Texas Penal Code Will Be Explained

Capt. W. W. Legge of the State Department of Public Safety will talk to officers who will attend the sixth session of the sheriffs and police school. He will discuss the Texas penal code. The session will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday in the county courtroom of the courthouse.

The school is being held for peace officers of Midland and nearby counties in co-operation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

and gradually it was applied to all things Nebraskan.

Nebraska's state seal contains neither corn nor — except for incidental decoration — trees.



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CHICAGO—THE YOUNG GIANT

WHEN Jeff Martin stepped out of the murky, smoke-blackened trail shed into Chicago's bright sunlight he looked like a coal-heaver who had neglected to wash his face. At the end of the day's work, his face and hands were streaked with smoke and dust, his high-standing linen collar was wrinkled and smutty and his light-brown suit was disheveled. He had been out for two nights or so, and he had not gone to bed yet. He was a young man, about 25, with a serious expression on his face, looking a little tired and a little bit of a stranger in the bright sunlight.

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JEFF was sadly disappointed in the appearance of Chicago, a city of such a size and such a reputation for its skyscrapers and its modern buildings. He had heard that it was a great city, but he had not expected it to be so old and so much like a coal-heaver who had neglected to wash his face.

full of dust and whirling scraps of paper. The streets and sidewalks were littered and dirty. It was Sunday morning and church bells were ringing. About a block from the Briggs House there was a large and handsome church, built of wood and painted gray. Many groups of people were coming along the street, on their way to the services. Nearly all the men wore tall silk hats and the long, double-breasted frock coats known as Prince Alberts.

In the matter of hair on the masculine face there was much diversity, in fashion, but very few men wore either a beard or mustache. Jeff Martin had no beard, but his mustache was straight and stiff, and he was a young man, about 25, with a serious expression on his face, looking a little tired and a little bit of a stranger in the bright sunlight.

Learnin', over in the back to get a good view of the people going to church he noticed that the ladies of Chicago dressed exactly like the ladies of Baltimore. The hoop skirt era was over and full skirts with bustles had come into favor.

Skirts were long, so long indeed that their hems collected dust and refuse from the pavement. All the ladies wore overdresses of colorful silk. These outside garments were ornamented with embroidered flowers and other decorations.

JEFF spent his first few days in Chicago going about the city. He had heard that it was a great city, but he had not expected it to be so old and so much like a coal-heaver who had neglected to wash his face. He had heard that it was a great city, but he had not expected it to be so old and so much like a coal-heaver who had neglected to wash his face.

The city was divided into three main divisions—North Side and South Side, meaning north and south of the river, and the West

Side, which included everything between the two branches of the Y. To Jeff, as he strolled along the streets, the community seemed to be a conglomerate mixture of shanties, office buildings, marble residences, low and filthy drug shops and elegant stores. The people he passed followed the same pattern. Scattered-looking gentlemen in high silk hats and properly equipped with gloves and canes were elbowed by toughs and street Arabs. Foreigners, with strange speech on their tongues, went back and forth. Along the lake front on the North Side were the houses of many wealthy families.

Some of the costly, pretentious lake front residences were architectural monstrosities cuttured to these palatial lake front dwellings but built on a smaller scale. It was of reddish brick and consisted of two stories and a attic. At one side a wide driveway led up to a porte-cochere. The porch in front was so wide and its ceiling so low that it kept the rooms on the lower floor in gloomy darkness when the sun shone brightly. The large weather vane on the ridge of the roof, shaped like a flying goose, creaked noisily with every little shift of the wind. The porte-cochere was much too big and stately for a house of such moderate size but to Jeff Martin it all seemed very elegant.

He thought it was just the kind of house he would build for himself if he ever had the means. (To Be Continued)

Either Ship By Dog Or An Air Priority

YONKERS, N. Y.—(AP)—Dr. J. H. Standen, a biochemist, offered to pay three cents a head for live fleas on which to experiment, and received a prompt reply from Little Rock, Ark.

J. C. Thomas said: "Here in Arkansas we have large fleas, stick-tight fleas and sand fleas." Thomas, figuring on a neat profit, asked for information on "how to handle fleas for shipment alive."

Oregon Family Saved By Cat From Gas

PORTLAND, ORE.—(AP)—The family cat gets an assist. Mrs. Norman Pallas's father called to her from the basement that he was ill. She helped him to a cot. Then she noticed the family cat staggering across the floor toward the door. That settled it. Mrs. Pallas dragged her father and her invalid mother-in-law from the house. Inspectors found a broken gas pipe.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
America's Card Authority
Too many beginners worry about when to take a finesse, how to make an end play. I still claim that if you will count your tricks, that is all you have to know about the play of the cards in 95 per cent of the hands.

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♠ 3♦	♠ 3♣	♠ 4♥	♠ Pass
♠ Opening—A♣	♠ 31		

THE WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

The prolonged Russian offensive which is driving straight for the German capital raises the question: After Berlin—What?

Certainly the Nazis expect the city to fall before long, for Dr. Robert Ley, the labor leader, has bluntly announced that the Russians are likely to capture it soon. Also the government has notified the German people that Munich is to become the center of future operations—which sounds logical enough. But the loss of Berlin also signifies the necessity of abandoning Northern Germany. What then?

Nazis Will Fight

The Nazi leaders have made it abundantly clear that they personally intend to fight to a finish. Whether they are able to implement this determination depends on their ability to persuade the army and the civilian population to accept such a suicidal assignment. Time alone will tell whether Hitler's fanatical schemes blow up in early surrender.

Supposing the Nazi chief is able to carry out his project of making a fight to a finish, where will he stage it? My thoughts immediately turn to Munich again—in Southern Germany and Austria.

This big theater provides a natural battlefield for a final stand. On the South it is protected by the towering Alps, and mountain ranges stand guard around much of the rest of it.

Within this huge bowl are many war industries. There aren't enough resources to enable the Germans to protract the war indefinitely, but they might make a formidable showing for a time.

CAB Opens Hearings On Airline Proposals Serving Texas Areas

By WALTER P. BOSWELL
FORT WORTH.—(AP)—A Civil Aeronautics Board trial examiner begins in a hearing Tuesday the process of reducing a scramble of proposals by 37 applicants for new air routes serving Texas and Oklahoma.

The applications fell into two groups: requests for certificates of convenience and necessity by established carriers for extension of routes, and by applicants proposing local or feeder line service within the two states.

Heading the docket confronting CAB Examiner Thomas L. Wrenn were proposals by American Airlines for an extension of its line from Dallas-Fort Worth to Houston and for a stop in its Fort Worth-Los Angeles route at Midland-Odessa. But before American Airlines presented its case and arguments against it were heard, there was a period as the hearing opened in which cities interested in the various applications could have their say.

Former Texan Wrenn, a former teacher at Austin College, was chief of domestic transportation for the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce before he went with the CAB. As assistants in the hearing here he has public counsel Paul Reiber and Vernon Kohlhaas, both of the CAB staff.

When two or more applicants vie for the same route they can cross examine each other. Wrenn estimates the hearing here may last a month.

The applicants for the feeder or local service will be heard in two sections. One includes those which propose to operate pre-dominantly east and west and almost wholly in Oklahoma and New Mexico and the other feeder line operators who would operate predominately in Texas and Oklahoma.

Latin-Americans And Negroes Will Dance

Midland County's 1945 infantile paralysis campaign sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, will come to an end officially Wednesday night with two dances.

A dance for Latin-Americans will be held at the dance hall in the Latin-American section of the city with music by Valentine Moreno and his hot shot boys.

Negroes will have a dance at Watson's night club with music furnished by an orchestra from Abilene. Both dances will start at 9 a.m., and both orchestras are furnishing their services without charge. Ted Thompson and Elmer Adams, chairmen of the campaign, said.

Overseas Fighters Plead For Care Of Their Dogs

AUSTIN.—(AP)—Many an old dog would be killed but for a young master fighting overseas. The boys want not only their girl and family to stay the same; they also want Old Dog Tray to say "hello" when they return.

Dr. Fred Pease of Austin is authority for this. He says every veterinarian is carefully tending dogs that are halt and lame and blind because a family pleads: "Do anything you can for this old fellow because it is the dog the boy was raised with and we want to keep it alive until he gets back."

Dr. Pease attributes the number of such cases to the fact that most boys are given a dog when they are 9 or 10 years old. Now the boys are young and twenty, but the dogs (which age about seven years to a human's one) are old fellows.

U. S. DELEGATES RECEIVED

MEXICO CITY.—(AP)—President Avila Camacho received Wayne Taylor, U. S. under-secretary of commerce, and other members of the North American delegation to the Mexican-American Economic Cooperation Commission here Tuesday.

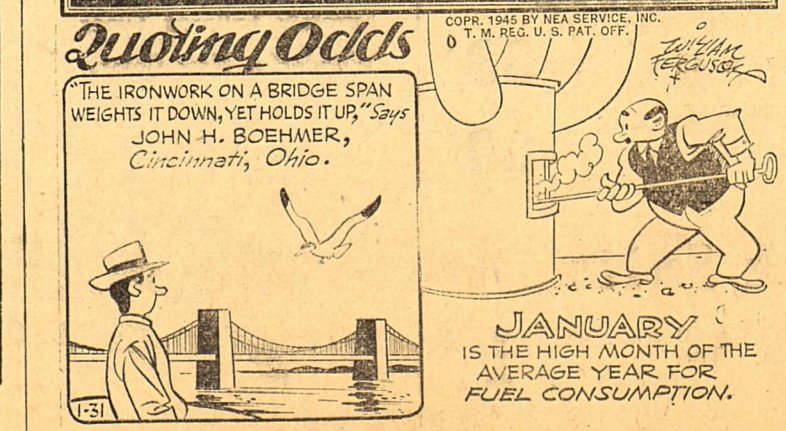
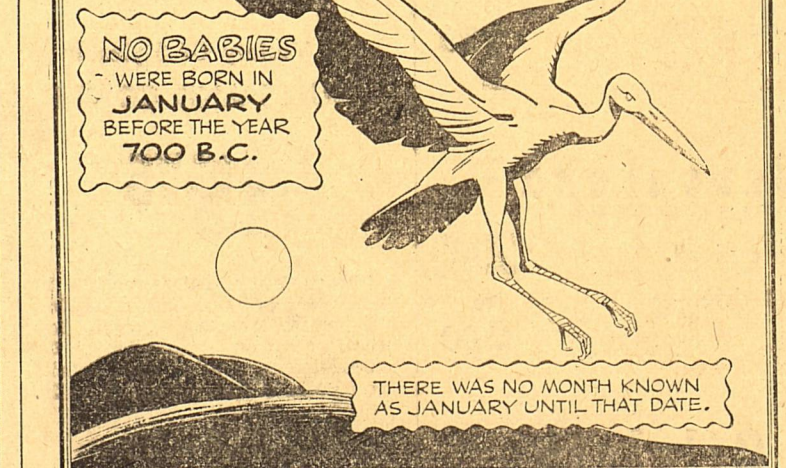
SIDE GLANCES



"You are not going to take her skiing! After all we've spent teaching her to dance, do you think I want her to get a broken leg?"

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



JANUARY IS THE HIGH MONTH OF THE AVERAGE YEAR FOR FUEL CONSUMPTION.

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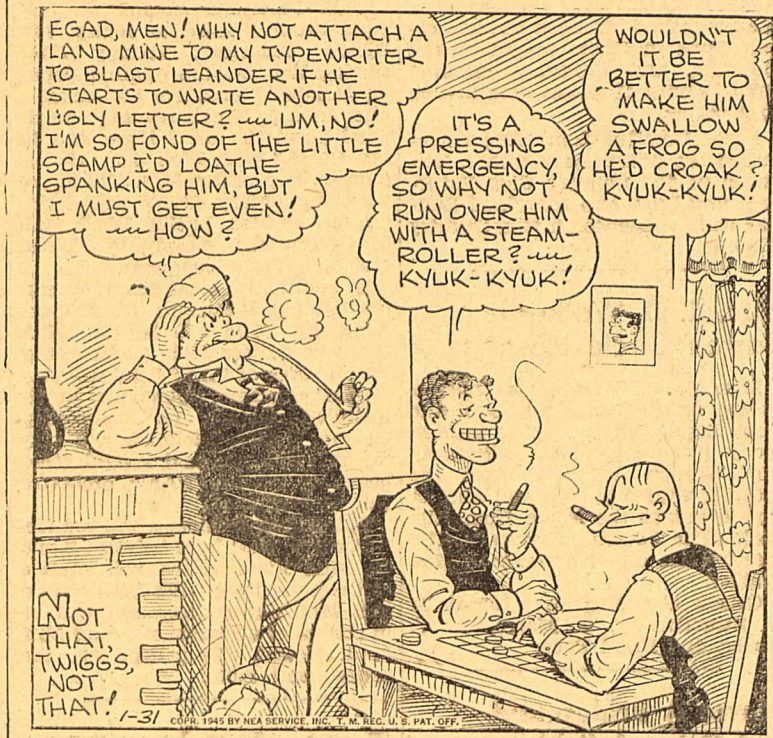
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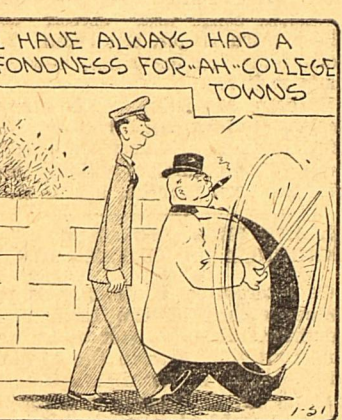
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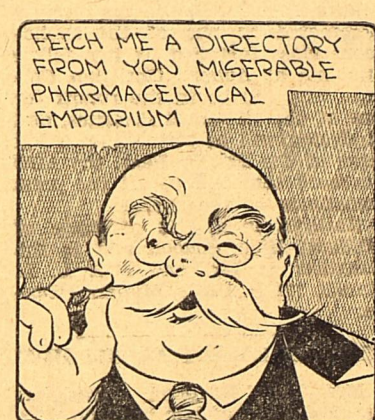
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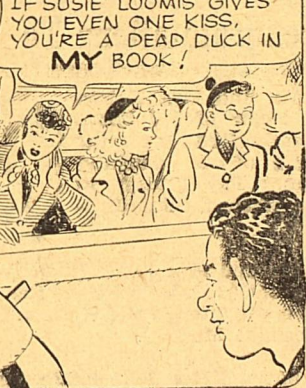
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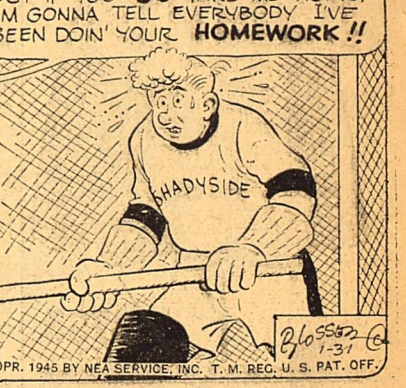
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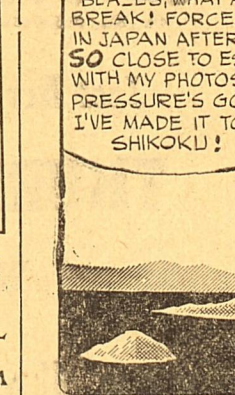


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By FRED HARMAN

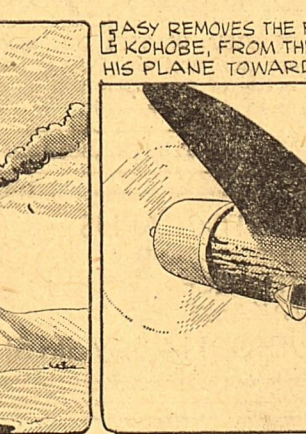


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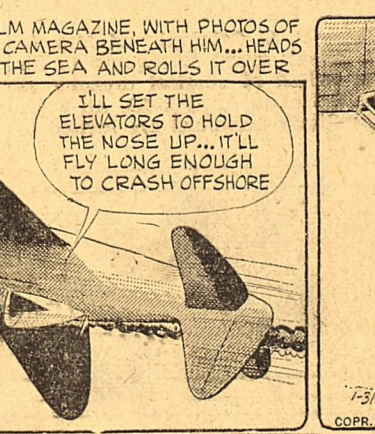
By V. T. HAMLIN



MEANWHILE, RED RYDER, UNSEEN BY THE NAVALS, HAS KEPT WATCH OVER HIS FRIEND, LITTLE BEAVER!



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LOST — Black male cocker, name "Java". White spot on chin and chest. Reward. 509 S. Big Spring. Phone 484-M. (278-3)

LOST—Leather pocket folder containing gas coupons, receipts, letters. Notify I. A. Searles, Tidewater. Phone 474 or 1630. (279-3)

Help Wanted

WANTED: Auto mechanics, top pay, permanent job. Murray Young Motors, Successors to Midland Motors, Ford Dealer. (272-1)

STENOGRAPHER wanted, must know shorthand. Phone 345. (274-1)

WAITRESS wanted, day or night work. Excellent working conditions. Apply Cactus Cafe. (281-1)

WANTED—Experienced waitresses, good money, short hours. Apply Log Cabin Inn. (160-1)

Help Wanted

EXPERIENCED waitresses wanted. Minute Inn. Phone 233. (280-6)

WANTED—Stenographer for a secretarial position with The Superior Oil Co. Apply in person. (280-3)

SALES clerk wanted; can use Army wives. Apply Montgomery Ward. (280-4)

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

BEAUTY operator wanted. Good commission or salary if desired. Phone 2177. (276-9)

WAITRESSES wanted. Apply Scharbauer Coffee Shop. (120-1)

CASHIER wanted. Apply Scharbauer Coffee Shop. (277-6)

WANT someone to keep 2 year old child from 6 a. m. to 3 p. m. — Phone 9547. (277-6)

DISHWASHER and cook wanted—6 a. m. to 3 p. m. Park Inn Cafe. Phone 9547. (277-12)

PBX OPERATOR wanted. Only permanent Midland resident need apply. See Mr. Hefner, Scharbauer Hotel. (278-3)

WANT large boy with good bicycle for South Side Reporter-Telegram route. Good pay to right boy. See Mr. Russell, Circulation Department, at once. (279-3)

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Situations Wanted

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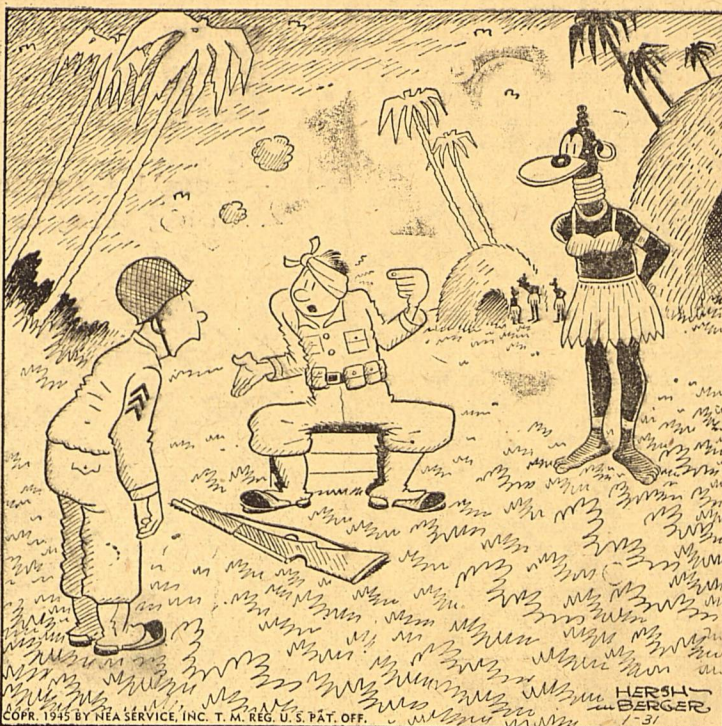
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Burp Or Wisecrack Costs Detroit \$25

LANSING, MICH.—(P)—A burp or wisecrack, whichever it was, cost Fred D. Cressap, 43-year-old Detroit consulting engineer, a \$25 fine in circuit court here Monday on a contempt of court charge.

Mrs. Cressap was testifying before Judge Leland W. Carr in trial of a friend's divorce suit here Monday when Cressap made a noise. Judge Carr held that Cressap had interrupted a "yeah" from the rear of the courtroom to help out his wife's testimony.

Said Cressap to court officers as he was held in contempt and lodged in jail overnight: "All I did was burp once in the court room, and that was a very small burp."

Judge Carr imposed the fine this morning, lecturing Cressap that he had consumed so much beer before the incident that "you were in no condition to be in court."

Lieutenant Reeves Receives Decoration

Lt. Robert H. Reeves, bombardier on a B-24 in the South Pacific, has been awarded the Air Medal with the Oak Leaf cluster. He is serving with the 13th Air Force.

Lieutenant Reeves has received three campaign stars and the Liberation of the Philippines ribbon. He recently returned to combat duty after serving as an instructor in New Guinea.

Mrs. Reeves and their daughter, Sherry Kay, are living in Cisco. Lieutenant Reeves is a son of Carl Reeves of Midland, and attended Midland High School.

Captured First Ship

The U. S. Coast Guard was the first service to capture a British man-of-war during the war of 1812, when its cutter "Jefferson" captured the British brig "Patriot."

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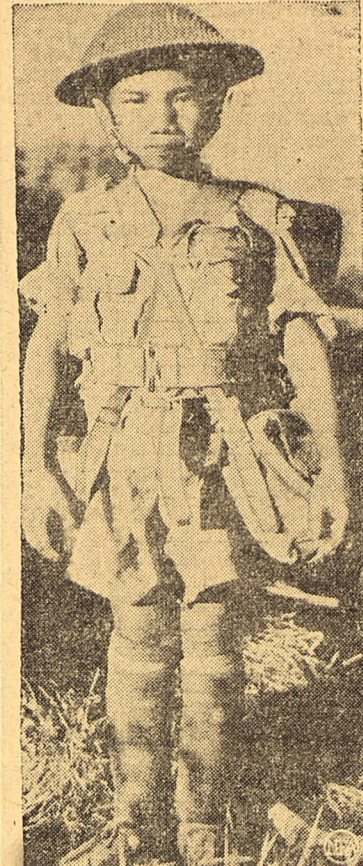
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Soldier Boy



(Signal Corps photo from NEA) Chinese boys start their soldiering at an early age. This 10-year-old youngster, carrying a heavy pack and wearing regulation uniform, was photographed as he boarded a plane with a China-bound division at Airstrip in Mitykina, Burma.

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Polled Hereford Bull Sells For \$3,500

BROWNWOOD — (P)—Bids from five states and the Union of South Africa for 69 polled Herefords brought \$31,300 in the closing session of the Brownwood Livestock Show Tuesday. Myer Lewis of Johannesburg, South Africa, paid top price of \$3,500 for the grand champion bull of Jim Gill of Whom, Texas.

'Phooey' Says Hoey Who Was Locked Out

WASHINGTON — (P)—"Phooey!" said Hoey. Senator Hoey (D-NC) found himself out of his office.

He had gone out without his keys. His secretary, Jack Spain, also went out, also without his keys.

So the custodian had to let 'em in. The Capitol custodian is always having to let some senator into his own office.

"Secretaries are always locking senators out," he explained.

Self Service Can Go Entirely Too Far

OAKLAND, Ia.—(P)—Barber Ben Mead, who has the equipment and patrons but not the manpower, has solved his problems by letting his customers do things their own way. Furnishing a choice of razors and other supplies from hot water to lotions, Mead lets his customers shave themselves for 15 cents. He does draw the line, however, when some persons want to cut their own hair.

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Ring Fans Vote Referee Has Supreme Power

NEW ORLEANS—(P)—Beginning with the featherweight bout between Augie Lapara of New Orleans and Billy Carroll of Montreal Monday night, the referee will be sole judge of boxing matches here.

At a boxing show this week fans were asked to show their preference between the judge system and referee. The referee got the loudest applause.

One Patrolman That Didn't Stutter

KANSAS CITY—(P)—Patrolman Joe Trabon, sent out to investigate a report that a dog had bitten a woman, is pretty sure that it did. The dog bit him, too.

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Sports ★ Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr

NEW YORK—(P)—This corner can't help but feel a little sorry for those kids who fell for the lure of easy money in that basketball gambling mess over in Brooklyn. . . a college student should be smarter than they were. . . maybe it looked like a lot of dough at the time, but a few hundred dollars isn't much when you have to accept a lifetime of regret and scorn with it. . . basketball will live down the scandal, just as baseball lived down the Black Sox affair, but the boys won't. . . it is doubtful, too, that either the appointment of a "czar" or pulling out of the big city arenas will solve the gambling problem for the colleges. . . A commissioner would need a small army of assistants to keep watch on all college athletes and it's just as easy to bet on a game played at Wahoo U. gym as at Madison Square Garden.

Today's Guest Star
Wendell Lohme, Newport, Vt., Daily Express: "Speaking of the cigarette shortage, remember when high school coaches used to tell their boys they'd kick 'em off the team if they caught 'em smoking?" (Nowadays a kid can become a regular just by telling the coach where to buy 'em.)

Larry Cismros, who took time out from machine-gunning Nazis to win the Armed Forces Welterweight title at Rome, writes Los Angeles friends: "After 32 months in the line a guy's nervous system ought to be shot, but I'm in pretty good shape. . . Lt. Dewey Fragetta, former New York boxing manager who has been doing a great job telling soldiers in the Pacific the latest sports news and yarns, has been assigned to headquarters of the U. S. Army Forces Far East. . . George Earnshaw, former Athletics pitcher has been upped to the rank of commander. . . telling about his new job as a Marine company commander. Lt. Thelton (Sonny) Wright, former Oklahoma U. Football and track star, wrote: "I have 337 men to be a mother and father to."

Germans Strafe Fifth Army In Italy

ROME—(P)—The Germans sent nine planes on strafing and bombing missions on the American Fifth Army sector south of Bologna Tuesday night in the strongest enemy air action on the Italian front in weeks. Ground operations were limited to patrol contacts on both the Fifth and Eighth Army sectors.

Czechs Recognize Lublin Government

LONDON—(P)—The Czechoslovak government in exile Wednesday night announced formal recognition of the provisional Polish government at Lublin, and said diplomatic relations would be started.

Czechoslovakia is the first of the Allies, except Russia, to recognize the Lublin government.

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Lamesa Wins Over Midland 31 To 22

LAMESA—The Lamesa Golden Tornadoes swept through the Midland Bulldogs for a 31-22 victory Tuesday night. High scorer for the Lamesa quint was Roberts, with 11 points, while Vertrees accounted for the majority of the Bulldog counters by tallying eight of the 22 points made. At halftime Lamesa was ahead 19 to 12.

Summaries:	FG	FT	TP
Midland—			
Hyatt, f	1	0	2
Edwards, f	0	2	2
Yeager, f	1	1	3
Hale, c	3	1	7
Vertrees, g	4	0	8
Vaughn, g	0	0	0
Cole, g	0	0	0
Totals	9	4	22
Lamesa—	FG	FT	TP
Nelma, f	1	2	4
Tabor, f	4	2	10
Roberts, c	5	1	11
Rhoades, g	2	0	4
Womack, g	1	0	2
Totals	13	5	31

In the "B" game Lamesa won over Midland 26 to 14. The halftime tally in the "B" game was 18-11 in favor of Lamesa.

College Officials Ponder Methods Of Gambling Elimination

BROOKLYN—(P)—College basketball authorities throughout the Nation, disturbed by the admission of five Brooklyn College players they had accepted \$1,000 to throw a game, pondered anew Wednesday methods of combating widespread gambling on games that one source estimated ran as high as \$10,000,000 weekly.

Leaders of the indoor sport, from Ned Irish, promoter of the double-headers at Madison Square Garden, to Wilbur C. Smith, president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, asserted that the action of the five Brooklyn players in the way typified the attitude of the college athlete in general. Smith called upon the "every-day fan, who is in no way to be confused with the professional gamblers, to help us by not betting on college athletics."

Grand Jury Called
Meantime, a Kings county grand jury called into a rare night session by Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, heard testimony from the five players; their coach, Morris Raskin; police and assistants district attorneys Edward Heffernan and Louis Andreozzi. The jury concluded its session shortly before midnight and was expected to hand up its findings to Judge Leibowitz sometime Wednesday.

Irish announced that "further action to diminish gambling on games and to protect the players from approaches by persons interested in influencing the outcome" was taken at a meeting of New York Metropolitan Athletic Directors and cage coaches.

Hitler -

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a nebulous promise of victory despite his growing reverses.

When "this most gigantic of all world dramas will have ebbed and peace bells will ring," Hitler declared, still at the head of Europe will be "that nation (Germany) which has led Europe for one and one half thousand years as the leading power against the East."

As Hitler spoke there were growing indications that President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Marshal Stalin already may have met in a momentous session.

Seemingly taking into consideration a possible "Surrender now" demand by the Big Three, Hitler declared:

"Every promise these statesmen are making to their people is of no importance because they cannot fulfill their assurances."

Brownwood Officers Capture Three Nazi POWs From Camp Hood

BROWNWOOD—(P)—Two Brownwood police patrolmen Tuesday night captured three German prisoners of war who escaped from Camp Hood Monday night while on work detail.

The captives were walking along a street in a Mexican settlement when discovered. They carried highway maps and a number of letters written in German.

No Lyn'—a Lion



This mountain lion was preying on sheep on ranch outside Kanab, Utah, so Stuart Hamblen of motion pictures brought him down with rifle with which he has bagged 87 bears, 14 mountain lions and a snow leopard.

Russians Silent To Nazis In Occupied Areas Of Germany

MOSCOW—(P)—The Red Army and the German population, as well as can be learned, are getting along in cold silence in the huge areas of the Reich occupied by the advancing Russians.

Without exception, every account of Russian officers or soldiers meeting civilians has told the same story—the humble and almost fawning attitude of the Germans which the Russians have met with silence.

Ordered To Evacuate
Dispatches say that the German High Command ordered the civilians to evacuate before the Russians could get them, and that in some sectors the Red Army has not met a single human being for miles.

Where they have had time, the Germans have done a good scorched earth job.

Unlike the Germans, the Russians apparently are not gathering up persons and sending them back to the Soviet Union for personal servants.

Skelly Executives From Tulsa Are Here

A party of Skelly Oil Company executives from the headquarters in Tulsa are in Midland for a visit in the West Texas-New Mexico district office of the company.

In the group are A. L. Cashman, superintendent of the land and leasing department; Joseph E. Morero, chief geologist, and James Woodburn, chief geophysicist.

While here they are conferring with H. Winston Hull, Permian Basin district landman; C. R. Steinberger, district geologist for West Texas and C. Stuart Noland, district geologist for New Mexico.

Guffey Completes Initial Training

William C. Guffey Jr. has completed his boot training at the United States naval base at San Diego. He attended Midland High School and was employed as a route boy for The Reporter-Telegram before entering the service. Guffey is a volunteer.

Gobbler's Knob Under Several Feet Of Snow

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA. — (P)—With snow five to eight feet deep on Gobbler's Knob, devotees of the famed Punxsutawney groundhog Wednesday considered using snowplows led by a bulldozer to help the little animal emerge for his traditional Groundhog Day weather forecast.

Pick, shovels and dynamite were ready and it was explained the latter may have to be used to get the old fellow out of his burrow and give the country what it's waiting for on the next six weeks of weather.

Fourteen Members Accepted By Lions

Members of the Midland Lions Club at their luncheon, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel, Wednesday voted to accept 14 new members into the club, who were obtained during the January membership campaign.

Voted into the club were: A. T. Wheeler, Ernest Neill, Ed Pritchard, W. H. Rhodes, Don Thompson, Raymond Leggett, L. B. Basham, A. L. Barr, A. B. Kelley, K. E. McFarland, J. B. McCoy, L. C. Bankhead, James G. White and A. B. Cole, Jr.

Midland Lions Lost
Announcement was made by the Rev. Hubert Hopper, president of the club, that the Midland organization was loser in a contest with the Odessa Lions Club as to which would have the most members present at a zone meeting held recently at Big Spring.

As a result of losing the contest the Midland club will play host to the Odessa club. Members of the Midland group voted to invite the Odessa Lions to Midland for a luncheon February 7.

The members also voted to formally initiate new members obtained in January by the two clubs at the luncheon.

The meeting concluded with group singing, using the new Lion song books.

Stettinius-Hopkins At Allied Headquarters

ROME—(P)—Secretary of State Stettinius and Harry Hopkins, who next to President Roosevelt may have most to do with shaping the United States' international policy, conferred at Allied headquarters in Italy Wednesday with two American military leaders and then departed for undisclosed destinations.

Their flying visits were said by Hopkins to be part of the preliminaries leading up to the Roosevelt-Stalin-Churchill meeting.

Cotton

NEW YORK —(P)— Wednesday noon prices were 40 to 85 cents a bale higher. March 21.81; May 21.65; and July 21.26.

Livestock

FORT WORTH—(P)—Cattle 2,200; calves 1,500; steady; good and choice slaughter steers and yearlings 14.00-15.25; medium to good beef cows 9.75-12.00; good and choice fat calves 13.00-14.00 with a few fancy heavy calves higher; good and choice stocker and feeder calves and yearlings 11.50-13.00; stocker cows 7.00-10.50.

Hogs 800; unchanged; good and choice butcher hogs 180 lb. and up 14.55; lighter butchers 13.25-14.50. Sheep 2,500; about steady; medium to good lambs 13.25-14.50; medium to good ewes 7.00-85; feeder lambs 11.50 down.

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