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SUGAR—Stamp 39 in book 4 valid for 5 pounds through Jan. 15, 1944.
SHOES—Book 1 stamp 18 good indefinitely; stamp 1 on "airplane" sheet of book 3 good indefinitely.

TANKS LEAD GLOUCESTER FIGHT

Skies Clear After Season's Heaviest Snowfall Here

Mercury Hits Low of 13 Early Today

More snow, officially measured at 3.2 inches and .08 inches of precipitation, and benefit to wheat but none especially to livestock ranges—that summed up three main points of the weather picture over the Pampa area today.

The thermometer was scheduled to go even lower tonight than last night, when the low was 13 degrees. The forecast is for 10 to 15 degrees tonight in the Panhandle; fair this afternoon, tonight, and Wednesday; not quite so cold Wednesday; fresh winds.

"There never was a cattleman who saw a good snow," Glenn T. Hackney, county farm agent, said in answer to a question as to the effect of snow-moisture on livestock ranges.

He did say there would be some benefit derived by ranges after the snow melted. Until the thaw, cattle can't get to the grass.

In downtown Pampa, the street department worked from 9 p. m. yesterday to 4 a. m. today clearing snow from traffic lanes on eight streets. Supt. Bush Haggard used four men, two maintainers, and a truck on the job, grading the streets, piling the snow in the center. Lanes were cleared on N. and S. Cuyler, E. and W. Kingsmill, E. and W. Foster, and E. and W. Francis.

Train service here was not affected by the avalanche of snow. The Santa Fe reported their train service was not hindered.

Most bus schedules yesterday were cancelled although single, round-trips were made to Borger, Childress and Amarillo.

The Panhandle Trailways expects to resume its "local service" to Borger and Amarillo today.

About 15 or more passengers en route west were stranded here last night, but all were expected to be transported out by bus today.

Pampa public schools will reopen after the Christmas holidays tomorrow, Supt. L. L. Sone said today, although some school buses may not be able to make full trips.

Worst roads are those south of Kingsmill, but most of the buses can make the main part of their routes, the superintendent said.

The first semester will end Jan. 28, and the second semester will begin Jan. 31.

(By The Associated Press)
A fresh norther whipped through
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New Helldiver Sinks Cruiser

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Born in the navy and baptized at Rabaul, the revamped "Helldiver" is bombing the life out of the Japanese.

It can land on a dime, the navy discloses and can keep pace with the Hellcats and Corsair pursuits. Yet it is the biggest and heaviest divebomber ever used by the navy, the army or the Marine corps.

It was remodeled from the original Helldiver with 889 major changes and in the words of Rear Admiral Dewitt Clinton Ramsey, chief of the navy's bureau of aeronautics—"it packs a terrific wallop for the Japs."

On Nov. 11 at Rabaul, a carrier-based Helldiver squadron, commanded by Lt. Commander James E. Vose, Jr., Manville, R. I., sank a light cruiser and a destroyer, probably sank a heavy cruiser, heavily damaged another light cruiser, and probably damaged a second destroyer.

The Helldivers left the scene of the raids and were attacked by enemy fighters but their speed carried them away without loss.

—BUY BONDS—

Two Writers Are Killed in Pacific

MELBOURNE, Dec. 28—(AP)—Brydon Taves, Australian bureau manager of the United Press, and Pending Arthur Raynor, Australian war correspondent, were killed in a plane crash while covering the American landings at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, Sunday morning.

Ian Morrison of the London Times and Haydon Lennard, war correspondent for the Australian Broadcasting Commission, were injured in the same crash.

I SAW . . .

Coach Otis Coffey congratulating Jerry Kerbow, center on the 1943 Harvester football team, who will enter the army's A-12 course at Texas Technological college, Lubbock, early next month. He leaves here January 5. Jerry took the test that resulted in his admission to the course, on November 9.

Five-One Garage 500 S Cuyler Ph 51

COME AND GET IT!!!



Here is a picture of a typical South Pacific chow line on Thanksgiving day—the day that Uncle Sam really came across for the boys in the Pacific war theater, according to Archer Fullingim, Y1c, who sent the picture to The News. He said the reason he wasn't visible to the cameraman was because he was at the head of the line. This chow line, made at the 35th C. B. mess hall was as long as you see it in this picture one hour before it began to shorten, and one reason was the boys were going through twice to get their fill of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, pumpkin pie and cranberry sauce. The smiling fellow holding his tray at the end of the line is Raymond C. Michaelsen, of Brooklyn, a buddy of Fullingim's. The uncertain looking building in the background is the chow hall. "It was good to know that Uncle Sam went to all that trouble to give us turkey and trimmings," wrote Yeoman Fullingim. "Such meals as that and the guy who gives them are worth fighting for."

Army Takes Control Of U. S. Railroads

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. (AP)—Swiftly taking over physical possession of the railroads, the army is concentrating troops with railroad experience to supplement any possible manpower shotages.

Secretary of War Stimson disclosed the use of troops at a special news conference.

Asserting that "terrific dangers" confront the nation if a strike is carried out, Stimson announced that seven railroad presidents had been appointed colonels and were ready to take over the operations of as many divisions.

In addition, Martin W. Clement, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, was named general advisor to Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, chief of army service forces, and Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross, director of transportation. Stimson said the two generals also would have the assistance and advice of the staff of the American Railroad association headed by John Pelley.

Stimson said an organization had been set up to operate the railroads and that wages and labor conditions as of 7 o'clock last night would be held in "status quo" until the railroads were returned to civilian management.

Somervell and Stimson declared emphatically that the railroads would be kept operating.

Somervell said that in addition to having troops with railroad experience ready to fill in on any jobs where necessary, the army also planned to use its trucks should the need arise and to make available army stocks of vehicles and food to supplement any civilian shortages.

America's entire railroad system went under army control today, taken over by order of President Roosevelt to avert a strike that threatened to interfere with "major military offensives now planned."

The president's action, announced

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Former Bolivian Chief Arrives On Secret Mission

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 — (AP) — Possibility of a complete shift in the make-up of the new Bolivian government emerged today with the expected arrival here of General David Toro, former chief of the Bolivian military purchasing commission in Washington who was reported last week to have headed an abortive counter-coup in La Paz.

Toro arrived in Miami mysteriously after disappearing in the Chilean embassy in La Paz last week, when it became evident that his coup had failed. He was expected here today.

Unofficially it was suggested that Toro, a former president of Bolivia, hopes to confer here on the attitude of this government toward developments in Bolivia—and perhaps consider plans for organizing a new Bolivian government.

Secretary of State Hull has already made it clear that the United States will not recognize the present Bolivian regime until questions as to anti-Allied participation in its whirlwind accession to power have been cleared up.

A recommendation that all the American republics consult before taking any action toward recognizing the regime was made by the Inter-American political defense committee in Montevideo, and Hull promptly forwarded "wholehearted" American approval of the proposal.

Several prominent Bolivians of different affiliations are now in North America, and it is believed that Toro may consult with them.

—BUY BONDS—

Pole Blows Up Self, Two Cops

MADRID, Dec. 28—(AP) — A dispatch from Vichy said today that an 18-year-old Polish Jew, arrested for subversive activities, had been blown to bits along with two police officals when a bomb in his pocket exploded.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday; lowest temperatures expected tonight 10 to 15 in Panhandle; not quite so cold Wednesday; fresh winds.

Yesterday 6 p. m.	23
Yesterday 9 p. m.	23
Midnight	23
6 a. m. today	20
7 a. m.	15
8 a. m.	15
9 a. m.	10
10 a. m.	10
11 a. m.	14
12 Noon	16
1 p. m.	18
Yesterday maximum	27
Yesterday minimum	13

Railroads In Texas Receive Army Orders

(By The Associated Press)
Seventy-five army officers summoned from posts of the eighth service command were instructed today to deliver official notice to Texas and other Southwestern railroads that the government has assumed control of their facilities, but that actual direction of railroading will be left in hands of current management.

Brig. Gen. Louis F. Guerre of the service command headquarters in Dallas called in the officers from a radius of 300 miles. These officers, after delivering the notifications, will remain with the railroads as liaison agents.

These orders fitted in with the general opinion of railroad officials that government seizure of their lines would not greatly affect operations. Rail men at the same time were divided on whether the president's move was a good one. Some union spokesmen said they didn't like it.

The service command stated: "All the lines in five states (Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and New Mexico) of the eighth service command will be taken over by the war department through officers assigned my Maj. Gen. Richard Donovan, commanding general of the eighth service command.

"Seventy-five officers were instructed by Brig. Gen. Louis F. Guerre, acting in the absence of General Donovan, to proceed to the operating headquarters of the railroads.

"There they will serve official notice on the operating or executive heads of the railroads that the president, acting through the secretary of war, has taken possession and control of the transportation facilities of the companies.

"The officers will not assume direction of the railroads. That will remain in the hands of the current management."

From Speaker Sam Ruyburn, vacationing at Bonham, came expression of a hope that government operation of the roads would, as in the case of the coal mines, be temporary.

"I think the president did right in not waiting until the last minute to insure a continued flow of supplies to our fighting men," he commented.

The opinions of rail men on the president's act varied.

—BUY BONDS—

Air Marshal Tedder To Aid Eisenhower

LONDON, Dec. 28—(AP)—In a move which clearly foreshadowed the mighty role air power will play in the main invasion of Europe, Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, Britain's master air strategist, today was appointed deputy to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of the Allied invasion armies.

Selection of Tedder, who cleared North Africa's skies of the German air force and directed air cover for the invasions of Sicily and Italy, was greeted with approval in London and his appointment was regarded as assuring that the building of air strength would gain new momentum.

It was announced at the same time that Gen. Sir Bernard (Tolly) Paget, who fought a grim battle of withdrawal in Norway and for two years was commander-in-chief of the British home forces, has been appointed commander-in-chief in the Middle East at Cairo.

Thus the lineup of commanders for an encircling assault from west north and south was virtually complete.

—BUY BONDS—

McCORMICK NO CANDIDATE

CHICAGO, Dec. 28. (AP)—Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, has advised an Illinois Republican leader that he is not to be considered a presidential candidate in the Illinois preferential primary next spring.

Steel Workers Return to Jobs

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 28—(AP)— A one-day walkout by more than 170,000 steel workers appeared ended today with the granting of their demands for possible retroactive pay from new contracts now being negotiated.

Reports from the scores of plants in nine states which were closed by the work stoppages showed most of the men were obeying orders telegraphed last night by Philip Murray, president of the CIO United Steelworkers of America, to resume "uninterruptedly the production of steel."

Murray's instructions were dispatched a few minutes after the war labor board in Washington issued a directive which incorporated suggestions of President Roosevelt that retroactive pay be guaranteed.

Steel operators had little alternative but to accept the order. Reports in informed sources were that the war production board would readily consider requests for higher steel prices, which Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the U. S. Steel Corp., said some time ago would be necessary to cover any added cost such as more pay to the workers.

—BUY BONDS—

Borger, Liberal Road Approved

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Oklahoma Highway commission has agreed to improve U. S. highway 83 across the Panhandle to permit army trucks to run from Borger, Texas, to Liberal, Kans., Chairman Ben Childers reported.

Capt. C. G. Beckenback, Dallas, and Capt. E. F. Phelps, Amarillo, conferred with the commissioners yesterday.

THE CIVILIAN AUTO OUTLOOK FOR 1944!

On the editorial page of today's Pampa News, Peter Edson, The News' Washington correspondent, passes along the vitally interesting findings of a nation-wide consumer requirements survey just completed by the government.

Everyone is interested in spare parts for the family auto, repair service, tires, tire recapping, tube patching, gasoline—what chance there will be to keep on driving during the coming year — how soon wartime shortages are going to catch up with the old jalopy and run it off the road.

The first of these articles appears today on the editorial page. Watch for the concluding article in tomorrow's
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U. S. Destroyer Sunk, Small Transport Damaged in Pacific

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. (AP)—An American destroyer was sunk and a small coastal transport ship damaged by Japanese bombs in the landings at Cape Gloucester on the western tip of New Britain island.

Secretary of the Navy Knox reported at a news conference today that both vessels went down, but the navy later announced that the transport was only damaged.

The ships were not identified nor was there any information as to the number of casualties.

Knox said Japanese claims, broadcast by the Tokyo radio, of the sinking of two heavy cruisers and two transports were "as fantastic as usual." The loss of the destroyer and the damaging of the transport resulted from an air attack four or five hours after the operation started, he said, and were our only losses.

The two ships brought to a total of 134 the number of American naval craft lost since the war started. No details on the destroyer were given, but Knox said the small transport was only about 100 feet long.

The Tokyo radio quoted a Japanese communique as saying that two Allied cruisers and two transports had been sunk and three transports damaged by Japanese naval planes that attacked an invasion convoy off Cape Gloucester Sunday. The broadcast, recorded by U. S. government monitors, said that the Japanese garrison there is engaged in fierce fighting.

Rear Admiral Harry W. Hill, who commanded a part of the task forces in the Tarawa and Makin landings, attended the news conference to describe briefly the attacks there.

"It was a big show of which every single American should be very proud," Hill said. "If they had been with me to go ashore the day before Thanksgiving and see that tremendous defensive point that had been taken by American forces in three and one-half days, they would have had a very, very thankful Thanksgiving.

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Ukraine Army Races Forward In New Drive

MOSCOW, Dec. 28—(AP)—Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's first Ukraine army swing southwest of Kiev today in a new plunge toward Rumania and the old Polish border, cutting two railroads out of the Germans' fast-dwindling network of communications and threatening the flank of the enemy forces along the lower Dnieper river.

Vatutin's spectacular advance through the town of Andrushevka, 120 miles from the Rumanian frontier, was preceded by terrific artillery barrages. It carried his troops forward approximately 40 miles from the starting point of his offensive in the Brusilov sector to within 15 miles of the Zhitomir-Odessa lateral railway line.

This strategic railroad, which Nazi Marshal Fritz von Mannstein cleared at heavy cost by his ill-fated November tank onslaught, was again in imminent danger, according to dispatches from the front.

Capture of Andrushevka put the Russians 20 miles northeast of the key rail city of Berdichev, even closer than they were last month before Von Mannstein's attack pushed them back from the Zhitomir-Korosten sector. Berdichev is on a major Axis railway feeding German forces in the Ukraine from Poland.

The Soviet forces, turning southwest from Brusilov, crossed the east-west Fastov-Zhitomir railroad and another line running southwest from Kiev to Vinnitsa and Zhmerinka which controls the eastern web of the vital Warsaw-Odessa rail network. They passed Vcheraishe, a town 70 miles southwest of Kiev.

Vitebsk, the White Russian fortified zone which is the goal of the other current Red army offensive under Gen. Ivan C. Bagramian, has been virtually isolated, following severence of the Vitebsk-Polotsk railroad yesterday. Germans in the Vitebsk sector now have a single escape rail link, leading south to Orsha and then southwest through Minsk to Poland.

—BUY BONDS—

Subsidy Pact Is Predicted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Efforts to compromise the hotly-waged food subsidy battle were spurred today by a prediction of Senator White of Maine, acting Republican leader, that the issue would be settled soon after congress reconvenes next month.

While White did not forecast the probable basis for agreement, he expressed confidence in an interview that some middle ground could be reached between administration and farm bloc supporters.

Democratic Leader Barkely of Kentucky, less hopeful of a nearly agreement, said he would be ready to start conferences next week with available members of the banking committee. Barkley and Senators Bankhead (D-Ala) and Taft (R-Ohio) were named as a sub-committee to attempt to reach a compromise before the group approved legislation, later passed and signed by the president, which extends present subsidy payments until Feb. 17.

With the subsidy controversy marked as No. 1 in importance for the returning legislators, Barkely said the senate will begin floor consideration of the next tax bill about Jan. 12, after President Roosevelt has delivered his annual message and submitted the new budget.

—BUY BONDS—

Japs Afraid Of Losing Rabaul

(By The Associated Press)
Japanese newspapers are insisting that Rabaul must be held at all costs, the Berlin radio said today.

The broadcast declared that all Japanese papers are stressing the critical situation on New Britain and voicing apprehension that the Japanese lack sufficient aircraft to defend the island.

The newspaper Mainichi warned against considering Rabaul too remote from the Japanese home country to be of real importance and said its conquest by the Americans would be bound to have great influence on the fighting at all fronts, the broadcast said.

Canadians Battling Nazi Flame-Throwers

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Germans were reported today to have turned flame throwers on Canadian Eighth Army troops, who were battling their way at payonet point through the streets of Ortona, in a grimly-desperate defense of the Nazi communications to Rome from the east.

(The German Transocean news agency announced the Germans had evacuated the Adriatic port.)

The Germans, turning Ortona into a "miniature Stalingrad," had been fighting the Canadians there a week.

Both Canadian and Indian troops of the Eighth Army took numerous prisoners in the bitter fighting for the port, a city of 9,000 situated 11 miles below Pescara.

Meanwhile American troops of the Fifth Army, with the capture of two more heights, tightened their hold on the important Samucro mountain range overlooking the Germans' strongly-held San Vittore backdoor to Cassino and Rome.

On both the Fifth and Eighth army fronts intensive Allied patrol activity was reported. American patrols, completing the consolidation of their Samucro positions a mile and a half east of San Vittors, were sent down the southwest slopes to find the village strongly held by the Germans.

Southwest of Castel San Vincenzo in the center of the Italian front, fierce local battles were raging for a ridge called Catenella Degli Mainardi, while other Allied forces captured a high point in the Monte Marrone range.

French Moroccan troops were attacking an important height "to which the enemy is clinging tenaciously" the communique said, but did not identify the location of the hill.

Fighter activity over the Fifth Army front increased with slightly better weather and fighter-bombers blasted Civitavecchia, northwest of Rome, hitting shipping, the railway yard and harbor installations.

Medium bombers ranged far north to attack viaducts at Recco, and Zoagli, south of Genoa, while

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Soldiers Appeal For New Guard

CAMP KILMER, N. J., Dec. 28 (AP)—Two soldiers, both under court martial sentence to several weeks of confinement, were picking up paper under the eyes of a military policeman who followed with loaded rifle. Suddenly the guard fainted.

The prisoners picked up their guard and his rifle, carried him to the nearest dispensary, then obtained permission to telephone the provost marshal.

"Please, sir," said one, "will you send us another guard? This one can no longer do his job."

The new guard came, but camp headquarters, in disclosing the incident today, said Col. Cecil L Rutledge, camp commander, commuted the sentences and returned the men to their outfits.

Smuts Proposes Post-War Plan For All World

PRETORIA, Union of South Africa, Dec. 28. (AP)—Field Marshal Jan Christiaan Smuts, urging an even tighter covenant against aggressors than was adopted by the League of Nations, proposed today that the United Nations led by the "big four" should be the temporary framework of a post-war international organization for maintenance of peace and security.

The vigorous 73-year-old premier of the Union of South Africa said that neutrals should be entitled to join the group but that defeated enemy powers should wait until "under the proper guardianship they have been cured of their dangerous obsessions and distorted outlook on the world."

In a broadcast accepting the Woodrow Wilson foundation medal for distinguished service, awarded at a New York ceremony, Smuts assailed critics who declared that the covenant of the League of Nations went too far, demanded too much and imposed obligations on its members which might possibly mean "dangerous entanglements."

"The covenant, in fact, did not go far enough and was not explicit enough in imposing definite obligations for the preservation of peace," he asserted. "Even those who tried to escape the light but necessary burdens of the league were engulfed in the infinitely heavier burden of the most destructive war in history."

Smuts, who sat at the Versailles peace table, said, "it is perhaps true that the founders (of the league) were dominated by idealistic expectations badly out of tune with the hard realism of the times.

"This time we shall have to mix realism with our idealism. And in a realistic spirit we shall be wise to avoid novel departures and should attempt to build empirically on the foundations already laid in this war. Thus we shall commence the peace with the group already existing in the United Nations and organize them for future peace and security."

—BUY BONDS—

Russians Urge Bulgars to Quit

MOSCOW, Dec. 28 — (AP) — An article in Pravda, official Communist party organ, has warned Bulgaria to withdraw from the war.

"The real national policy of Bulgaria requires the country to cease to be a vassal of the Fascist Germans and deprive the Germans of military bases, communications and other aid," said the article, written by Georgy Dimitrov, former secretary-general of the Comintern and a native of Bulgaria.

Beer Given To Nazi Prisoners

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 28 (AP)—Records of state police headquarters here may have the answer to nationally-circulated rumors which hinted recently that "Louisiana socialites" had entertained German prisoners of war at lavish eating-and-drinking "orgies."

The records carried this report today:

About 30 days ago the state police received complaints that war prisoners near Jennings were being afforded "to many liberties."

An investigation revealed that a rice farmer near Roanoke had been working a group of German prisoners as harvest hands. On Nov. 10 he took the prisoners and their guards to a nearby Lake Arthur restaurant for a seafood dinner and beer. The farmer said the men had been "good workers." He had employed them under an agreement with the federal government.

The police records said "there is no evidence feminine companionship was involved" during, or after, the seafood dinner.

—BUY BONDS—

Big Naval Battle Believed Continuing

LONDON, Dec. 28—(AP)—The British battleship Duke of York and a force of destroyers participated in the naval battle which resulted in the sinking of the German battleship Scharnhorst, the admiralty announced tonight.

LONDON, Dec. 28. (AP)—A Berlin announcement that several German surface units were engaged in the battle in which the British home fleet sank the 26,000-ton Nazi battleship Scharnhorst raised the possibility today the royal navy still may be chasing other enemy warships which attacked a Russia-bound convoy.

This belief also was supported by the two brief statements released by the admiralty which has followed the policy of withholding full details until an action is complete.

An admiralty communique last night said:

"It is not yet possible to give a detailed account of the action in which the Scharnhorst was sunk. It can, however, be stated that the convoy was unmolested and only minor damage was sustained by two of His Majesty's ships."

Target Hill Is Captured By Marines

(By The Associated Press)
American Marines have captured bomb-pocked Target Hill and have sent tanks into the battle for the Japanese air-strips on Cape Gloucester in the smooth-moving invasion of western New Britain.

The Leathernecks quickly consolidated their positions and moved inland from both beachheads where casualty-free landings were made Sunday east and west of Cape Gloucester to establish a second Allied foothold on Japan's key island in the Southwest Pacific.

The Japanese counterattacked by land and by air against the Arawe sector, where a task force of the U. S. Sixth Army moved in Dec. 15. The Americans, however, held firmly to their holdings 60 miles southeast of the Cape Gloucester front, and struck back.

Allied warplanes pounded anew at enemy instalations on other Japanese-held territory under siege by Australians in New Guinea and American troops on Bougainville.

Front-line reports from Cape Gloucester indicated that the Japanese were not prepared to fight it out on the beaches, possibly as the result of pulverizing naval and air bombardments which preceded the invasion.

Opposition flared for a while at Target Hill, a 450-foot elevation near the coast, but the Marine veterans of Guadalcanal drove the Japanese from what was regarded as a major obstacle on the first day of the landings.

Then the Marines under Maj. Gen. William H. Rupertus of Washington, D. C., turned their artillery on the Gloucester airdrome area while light and medium tanks moved toward the air strips. The latest reports placed the tanks on the jungle road six miles west and north of the objectives.

The main Marine landings were made at Borgen bay just north of Silimati point. Another force won a beachhead on the Dampier strait side on the western side of the Gloucester peninsula. Long island, halfway between Gloucester and New Guinea in Vitiaz straits, also was occupied.

Capture of the Gloucester air bases would give the Allies still another weapon for the campaign to neutralize Rabaul, the main Japanese base on the northeastern tip of New Britain.

Gen. Rupertus, commenting on the ease of the Marine landings, said "we had the old Marine luck—perfect weather for our bombers and naval gunfire, and a calm sea. I guess we must live right."

On the Arawe front, three Japanese counterattacks forced withdrawal of advanced American patrols to Umtingalu village where they made such a firm stand that the enemy broke contact the next morning.

—BUY BONDS—

Phil Regan to Sing For PAAF Soldiers

Phil Regan, noted singing star of stage, screen and radio, will sing for aviation cadets and enlisted men of Pampa Field tomorrow morning and afternoon, Col. Daniel S. Campbell, PAAF's commanding officer, said today.

Regan, who is featured with Betty Grable in the current motion picture, "Sweet Rosie O'Grady," will be accompanied by his pianist, Jack Golden.

Regan's Irish tenor voice will first be heard by enlisted men at the consolidated mess hall, where he will be present between 11:30 a. m. and 1 p. m. Between 2 and 3 p. m. he will appear at the cadet mess hall to serenade PAAF's student pilots, and from 5:30 to 6 p. m. he will sing for the colored boys of the 328th aviation squadron at their service club.

—BUY BONDS—

Germans Evacuate 'Ruins of Ortona'

LONDON, Dec. 28. (AP)—The Germans have evacuated the "ruins of Ortona," Adriatic port of 9,000 inhabitants which has been the scene of bloody street-fighting for more than a week, the German communique said today.

Canadian troops forced their way into the city Dec. 20 in the face of German bayonets, flame throwers and tanks.

Methodically then, street by street and house by house the Canadians pushed the stubbornly resisting Germans out of the town.

Today's Best LAFF

DOUBLE TROUBLE

LIVINGSTON, Mont. — Livingston's Richard Murphys (there are two of them, and each has a wife named Dorothy) thought their problems were solved when one joined the navy's Seabees.

Then the other Richard Murphy joined the Seabees, and the navy has a new headache. They're at the same base, work in the same office as storekeepers and—

Each is a Petty Officer Richard Murphy.

German Threat Riles Americans, Morgan Declares

LONDON, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Nazi threat to try American and British airmen as war criminals has made American crews "madder than ever," Lt. John C. Morgan of Amarillo, Tex., winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, told U. S. fliers at home in a broadcast.

"I think the Germans have made one of their greatest mistakes," said the Texan who received his country's highest award for "miraculous and heroic" performance in bringing in a Flying Fortress back from the July 28 raid on Hannover after the pilot had been killed and three of the plane's gunners lost consciousness from lack of oxygen.

"We have been pretty determined about getting through to our targets—and we have never turned back. But now that they've threatened to punish our buddies nothing is going to stop us from pounding them until they surrender unconditionally.

"The fighting qualities of American airmen and the perfection of our mechanical equipment are a marvel to the world. But now all our pilots, bombardiers, navigators, gunners, crew chiefs and ground crews will be doing not just a 100 per cent job, but a 150 per cent job.

"The Nazis thought they would scare us, but they simply made us madder than ever—and nothing in the world can beat an American when he's riled."

(Germany, claiming the bombing of her cities is a breach of international law, has threatened to try captured Allied airmen as war criminals, saying that Soviet Russia set a precedent for such action in the recent conviction and hanging of three Germans and a Russian in German pay for alleged atrocities committed during the Nazi occupation of Kharkov.)

—BUY BONDS—

Slayer Attempts To Take Own Life

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28. (AP)—Police reported that Gaetano Falciani, sentenced to life imprisonment for the slaying of Comedienne Gracie Fields' secretary, Violet Van Somerin, attempted to end his life by hanging Monday.

Officers said Falciani, convicted last week and later declared sane in his sanity trial by the same jury, was found hanging from a noose fashioned from torn strips of his shirt. He was unconscious and a fire department inhalator squad worked an hour before reviving him in the county jail.

Falciani tried to shoot himself shortly after his arrest, the police said. He once was a gardener for Miss Fields.

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at 6 o'clock last night (central war time) and effective immediately, took most of the capital by surprise because the wage controversy appeared to be well on the way to settlement.

But, said the president, "I can not wait until the last moment to take action to see that the supplies to our fighting men are not interrupted. I am accordingly obliged to take over at once temporary possession and control of the railroads to ensure their continued operation.

"The government will expect every railroad man to continue at his post of duty.

"The major military offensives now planned must not be delayed by the interruption of vital transportation facilities. If any employes of the railroads now strike, they will be striking against the government of the United States."

Seventee of the 20 unions had withdrawn strike calls and accepted the president's proposal to let him referee the dispute, and two more days remained before the Thursday strike dealine to induce the other three to do likewise. These three—conductors, firemen, and switchmen—represent about 150,000 of the country's 1,450,000 railroad employes.

Although the leaders of the three operating brotherhoods did not comment immediately, the possibility of an interruption of railroad service appeared definitely passed.

Lieut.-Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, acting for Secretary of War Stimson, carried out the railroad seizure order.

—BUY BONDS—

DESTROYER

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"The Japanese had built to stay," he added. "They wanted it for the same reason we wanted it. It was a key point for the whole southeastern corner of the Pacific. It was the closest point they had to us and the most vulnerable. They certainly had built in never to leave."

Hill praised highly the "beautiful job of uniform planning and coordinated command" which smothered Japanese air bases to such an extent, he said, that in the four days the navy was off shore at Tarawa and Makin "we saw a maximum of seven Japanese planes."

No losses were inflicted on his force, Hill said. At one time, he added, he saw a flash of fire over the horizon and "thought it was one of my ships." He learned later, he said, that it was a tremendous blast which sank the aircraft carrier Liscombe Bay and that she was 93 miles away at the time.

—BUY BONDS—

Beaumont Insurance Company Is Sued

AUSTIN, Dec. 28. (AP)—The attorney general's department has filed in 85th district court of Brazos county an anti-trust suit against the Beaumont Insurance Exchange, Inc., and all of its active members.

The petition which declared 60 per cent of the licensed local recording agents of Beaumont were active members of the exchange alleged:

Creation of restrictions in trade and commerce.

Attempts to lessen competition in the business of insurance.

Agreements among members to preclude free competition.

The state seeks penalties of $50 to $1,500 a day from June 26, 1932, foreclosure of liens against properties of the exchange, forfeiture of charter and an injunction against agreements, conspiracies and combinations in restraint of trade in violation of the anti-trust and monopoly laws of the state.

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Japanese Get Yule Greetings

By SPENCER DAVIS

ABOARD A TASK FORCE FLAGSHIP OFF BUKA, Dec. 24—(Delayed) — (AP) — Fighting men of this veteran task force, spending their second Christmas far from home, sent holiday greetings to the enemy early—with 25 tons of exploding steel in a midnight bombardment.

Jap airdromes and shore positions at Buka and the north tip of Bougainville were shield by the powerful force, including cruisers and destroyers. They approached the target area undetected and left without interference.

At 12:30 a. m. the flagship sent the first salvo thundering into Bonis airfield on the northernmost shore of Bougainville. In the ensuing 15 minutes several thousand rounds of high capacity shells ripped and slashed that field and Buka airdrome installations across the narrow strait.

Though both the strips have been inoperative the better part of two months, the enemy is persistently attempting to restore them to service and bolster defenses against possible landing attempts.

Evidence of this was seen when bursting shells ignited a large fire on Buka. Smoke pillars rose hundreds of feet above the fiery base. Great red flame balls from exploding ammunition or gasoline dumps were visible at sea more than an hour after the cease bombardment order was given.

Enemy barge and P-T nesting points in the islands and reefs off Euka were also hit as a heavy traffic of shells, gaudily ornamented by tracers, blazed shoreward. Response from the Buka shore battery was weak and completely ineffective. There was no aerial attack although a Japanese snooper plane dropped several flares.

Lt. Nel L. Broyles, Los Angeles, senior aviator, directed our fire by radio from his spotter plane hovering over the target.

—BUY BONDS—

WEATHER

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Texas today, bringing bitter temperatures but clearing away fog and rain that blanketed the state yesterday.

Dalhart, in the northern Panhandle reported a low of five degrees. Amarillo's minimum was 11, Pampa registered 13 and Clarendon, also in the Panhandle, recorded 17.

Yesterday's snow whitened Pampa with foot-deep drifts. Bus schedules from there, cancelled yesterday, were expected to be resumed shortly.

Icy pavements made motoring hazardous in the South Plains area but the highway department was removing the glaze from canyon grades. Lester Walling, veteran of the Pearl Harbor raid who was later given a medical discharge from the navy, was killed in Lubbock county yesterday when his car collided with a truck on an ice-glazed highway.

At Lubbock trains and busses were getting back on schedule.

Borger was blanketed in a 12-inch accumulation of 36 hours of snow. The temperature there dropped to 14 degrees.

No precipitation was recorded in Texas since 1:30 a. m. today.

Minimum temperatures reported included: Midland, 26; Gainesville, 30; El Paso, 23; Waco, 34; Dallas, 32; Austin, 34; San Antonio, 33; Corpus Christi, 43; Brownsville, 49; Fort Worth, 32; Houston, 39; Texarkana, 34; Corsicana, 31; Tyler, 33.

—BUY BONDS—

BRITISH ADMIRAY DIES

LONDON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Admiral Sir Frederick Fisher, 92, brother of Admiral Lord Sir John Fisher, first lord of the admiralty during the early years of the first World War, died on Dec. 28, it was announced today.

FIGHTING CONSTRUCTION BATTALIONS CELEBRATE SECOND BIRTHDAY



As, on December 28, the "Seabees," battling builders of the U. S. Navy, celebrate the second anniversary of their founding, their units are paving—frequently literally—the way to victory at posts from the frigid wastes of the Aleutians and Iceland to the burning, disease-and-insect-infested jungles of the South Pacific. Organized primarily as builders of bases and airfields, the Seabees can point with pride to their record as fighting men whenever and wherever they encountered the foe. Photos above typify their varied jobs and the varied conditions under which they work. Top, left. Erecting Nissen huts, Tutuila, Samoa; top, right: laying landing strip, Amchitka, Aleutians; left, center building road through jungle, South Pacific base; bottom, left: hauling 7-inch Navy gun to emplacement, South Pacific, bottom, right: building road of coral on South Pacific atoll.

European Battle Result to Shape World History

(Five Associated Press correspondents in London have written their forecasts for 1944, each discussing a phase of war with which he is intimately acquainted. In this, Lewis Hawkins writes of the general prospects for invasion. Next, William S. White will survey the outlook in the Mediterrancan theater.)

By LEWIS HAWKINS

LONDON, Dec. 27—(AP)—Among the few sure-thing bets for 1944 is the certainty that western Europe will see a military showdown that may shape the world's life for hundreds of years.

At the worst this show down will come in daring battle; at best, it will come in swift bloodless occupation of a Germany torn by British-American bombs and Russian carnage and finally collapsing under the hopeless certainty of disastrous defeat.

Not even the highest placed authorities in London, washington and Moscow—or even Berlin—hold the full answer. But none in the Allied or Axis capitals now can doubt seriously that at long last the United States, Britain and Russia are agreed and determined that 1944 must see the final accounting in western Europe at no matter what cost.

Few politico - military subjects have so gripped the imagination of so much of the world as has the "second front." Called for by the Russians as they reeled under the impact of the German invasion in the summer of 1941, it quickly became the touch stone for political sentiment and tinder for oral conflagration in millions of drawing rooms, offices and bars.

But, for reasons daily becoming more abvious, Washington and London decided on the North African occupation first and, to take this initial big offensive step, stripped the British isles of most American units and left no more than a safe garrison strength of British and Canadian soldiers.

This African testing of the British-American military team stemmed but did not stop the second front agitation and, as the spring of 1943 came, appeals again were sounded more loudly.

History may show that much of this agitation was part of a scheme between the Russians and the western Allies to maintain German apprehension. Regardless of whether this is the case, it is true that the German high command kept 40-odd divisions on guard in the west against an invasion that simply was not coming in 1942 and 1943.

It was not coming because Washington and London were committed to knocking out Italy first and at no time up through the summer of 1943 had gained the strength necessary to tackle Hitler in his own front yard.

Meanwhile, there is a reasonable chance that the coming winter will breed a despair black enough to force the Reich's callapse; but all plans are being made on the assumption that the fiercest kind of resistance will be offered by the Germans who still can muster a force of 1,000,000 men in a short time to battle for the rest.

What this could mean was shown starkly a few weeks ago when some 4,000 U. S. Marines paid a price of 1,000 killed and 2,500 wounded for tiny Tarawa island in the Gilberts. And that was after 2,800 tons of bombs and naval shell had all but pulverized enemy defenses far less strong and elaborate than most of those along Europe's coast.

Thus, accepting the assumption that the Germans will resist fiercely, and that no amount of preparatory bombardment can knock out determined men, the Allied commanders must be prepared to accept up to 75 per cent casualties among four or five assault divisions.

Records show that not in hundreds of years have there been more than four consecutive stormless days in the English channel from Sept. 15 to March 15. With all the supplies going into the beaches, it is doubtful that Allied chiefs would care to run the risk of having a beach-supplied force cut off by sudden storms.

U. S. Flyer Saves Girl's Life in East

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 28. (AP)—How the crew of an American transport plane helped save the life of a stricken child was told by Capt. Joe H. Deer of Corpus Christi who wrote from India.

High in the Himalayas, near the border of Tibet and China, Captain Deer wrote, an American missionary lived with his wife and small daughter. In the same Chinese village lived a German doctor, a close friend of the missionary.

"The missionary's child," the letter related, "developed pneumonia and although the doctor did everything in his power, the child became worse. Finally, the doctor said only a miracle could save her.

"He looked up to see an American transport circle and land in a small rice field. One of the engines in the plane had failed and the pilot had made a forced landing."

The doctor told the fliers of the little girl and they turned over the oxygen equipment of their ship to be used in treatment. The child recovered.

—BUY BONDS—

Nazis Use Barges To Create Fogs

LONDON, Dec. 28. (AP)—Hundreds of barges, once assembled by the Nazis for their grand invasion of Britain, are now serving as floating "fog pots" to help screen vital German targets against the increasing fury of Allied air assaults.

The craft the Germans never got to use have been pressed into emergency defense against the American precision bombers. They shoot tiny particles of liquid which forms a haze in the air. Thousands of portable smudge pots also are used inland, but they haven't stopped the bombing.

The Germans are still up to their old tricks of building fake towns, war plants and airfields in their efforts to lure the bombers from targets, returning airmen report.

Woodlands have been cut to resemble city parks all through Germarmany, France and the Low Countries. At one place, the Nazis even drained a large lake and built a phony airport on the site, only to see the bombers come over a few days later and wreck the real one.

—BUY BONDS—

Wave Frees Two Men for Army, Navy

DALLAS, Dec. 28. (AP)—Many a Wave has relieved a man for fighting duty, but Seaman First Class Ethel Aline Malone has been responsible for sending two men off to active duty—one in the army, another in the navy.

When the army drafted the hired man on her father's 225-acre farm near Charlie, in Wichita county, Miss Malone quit an office job in Fort Worth and took over responsibility for the farm.

She managed it for her father, W. L. Malone, and did the actual albor for a year. Then the army discharged the hired hand and Miss Malone was free to decide on another wartime job. She picked the navy Waves and after training at the naval air technical training center at Norman, Okla., was assigned to duty at the naval air station, Dallas, where she assembles motor parts. She is 23.

—BUY BONDS—

Brazilians Go To Front in January

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 28 — (AP) — A Brazilian expeditionary force of two divisions will leave for Europe in January, according to Joao Baptista Luzardo, Brazilian ambassador to Uruguay, who has returned here after a month's visit in Rio de Janerio.

Mainly About Pampa And Her Neighbor Towns

W. B. Butcher, radio instructor in the school for WAVES and naval reservists at the University of Wisconsin, left today for Santa Monica, Calif., after spending the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tex DeWeese, N. Gray street.

LOST—Milk cow. Black & Spotted. Call 2250J, or 520 Barnes.

A concert by the German band and choral group will be held at the service club at the McLean Prisoner of War camp at 8 p. m. Wednesday, Second Lieut. Rix P. Butler, chief of the legal section, has announced.

Smith, the Plumber is again in his shop and solicits your business. Repair work given prompt attention. C. E. Smith, 864 W. Foster. Phone 396.*

Census report shows that 2,102 bales of cotton were ginned in Gray county from the 1943 crop prior to Dec. 13 as compared with 1,294 bales for the crop of 1942.

Belvedere sells Beer—by cases to go. Now open 1 p. m. every day and Sundays—thru the holidays!*

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chisum and son Carrol spent Sunday visiting friends in Amarillo.

WANTED — Neat, experienced woman clerk for cigar stand and soda fountain at Schneider Hotel.*

Chief Petty Officer Mason Anderson, son of Mrs. W. N. Anderson, arrived Christmas Eve to spend the holidays here. Petty Officer Anderson is stationed at the San Diego naval training station in California and is a rifle instructor in the recruiting division.

Gala New Year's eve dance with favors for all. Pinky Powell orchestra. $1.10 per person at Southern Club.

Mike Keenan Johnson arrived here Sunday from St. Louis, Mo., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Leon Johnson.

Will lady who picked up truck air gauge please call 262 *

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith of Amarillo spent Christmas in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tabor.

Miss Frances Craver returned yesterday from Memphis where she visited her parents.

Among Yule visitors in Pampa were Cadet Zade Watkins, 22, army air forces, stationed at Tucson, Ariz., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Watkins, 1209 Clark, and Mrs. Elmer Watkins, Big Spring, daughter-in? law of the Watkins' and wife of Sgt. Elmer Watkins, infantry, now in the South Pacific theater.

*Adv.

—BUY BONDS—

Typhus Breaks Out in Naples

NAPLES, Dec. 28. (AP)—Naples, suffering an outbreak of typhus fever, has been closed to Fifth Army troops except for units based here, and Allied authorities are taking steps to protect the city's 1,000,000 or more civilians.

Two hundred and fifty civilians have been stricken, a 10-fold increase since the Allies occupied the city in October, but the Fifth Army's chief surgeon said not a single soldier had yet become ill. Mortality has been about 25 per cent of reported cases.

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CANADIANS

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other bombers crossed the Adriatic to bomb shipping near Zara in Yugoslavia.

Rail targets were destroyed on the Ancona-Pescara line and a factory and railway yard bombed at Anagni.

The raids were carried out without loss.

—BUY BONDS—

AMARO SHIFTED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 28—(AP) — Gen. Joaquin Amaro, former secretary of war, was named commander of a Southern Mexico military zone yesterday. He had been commander of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec region which has been abolished as a military unit.

Childress County Crash Kills Two

HILL FIELD, Utah, Dec. 28. (AP)—Two officers from Hill Field army air base were killed Christmas eve when their plane crashed near Arlie, Childress county, Texas, Col. Liburn D. Fator, base commander, said today:

The two were Second Lt. Stephen A. Rogers, 25, husband of Mrs. Leeta M. Rogers, San Antonio, and Second Lt. Stevie E. Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie E. Hughes, Altus, Okla.

The two were on a combat training flight, Fator said.

—BUY BONDS—

Veteran Movie Actor Expires

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 28—(AP)—Gustav von Seyffertitz, 80, former prominent film actor, died Christmas day, it was disclosed today. He was a native of Vienna.

Von Seyffertitz, a former stage actor, entered motion pictures in the earliest silent days.

—BUY BONDS—

A catfish caught in El Paso county, Texas, had three empty corned beef cans in its stomach.

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TUESDAY AFTERNOON

3:30—Save a Nickel Club.
4:45—Superman, Mutual.
5:00—One Minute of Prayer.
5:01—News, Philip Keyne Gordon.
5:15—Theatre Page.
5:20—Hawaiian Harmonies.
5:30—The World's Front Page.
5:45—Bob Murphy.
6:00—News, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Mutual.
6:15—The Johnson Family, Mutual.
6:30—Organ Reveries.
6:45—Confidentially Yours, Mutual.
7:00—Goodnight.

TUESDAY NIGHT ON THE NETWORKS

6:30—Fred Waring, NBC.
6:30—Salute to Youth, NBC.
7:00—Big Town.
7:00—Johnny Presents, NBC.
7:00—Watch the World Go By, Blue.
7:15—Lum and Abner, Blue.
7:30—Duffy's, Blue.
7:30—Horace Heidt's Orchestra, NBC.
7:30—Judy Canova, CBS.
8:00—Famous Jury Trials, Blue.
8:00—Mystery Theater via NBC.
8:00—Burns and Allen, CBS.
8:15—News, Here and Abroad, Blue.
8:30—Spotlight Band, Blue.
8:30—Fibber McGee and Molly, NBC.
8:30—Report to the Nation, CBS.
9 00—Bob Hope, NBC.
9:00—Raymond Gram Swing, Blue.
9:00—Suspense, CBS.
9:15—Listen to Lulu, Blue.
9 30—Congress Speaks, CBS.
9:30—Red Skelton and Co. NBC.
9:30—America Tohorrow, Blue.
9:45—General's Rev. CBS.
9:00—I Love a Mystery, CBS.
10:00—News, Blue.
0:15—Harkness of Washington, NBC.
10:15—R. C. Henle, Blue.
9:15—Sonny Dunham's Orchestra, Blue
9:30—St. Louis Serenade, NBC.
11:00—News, Goodmans Orch. CBS.
11:30—Hilliards Orchestra, CBS.

WEDNESDAY ON KPDN

7:30—Early Morning Preview.
8:00—What's Behind the News, with Tex DeWeese.
8:15—Tune Tabloid.
8:30—Musical Reveille.
9:00—Sam's Club of the Air.
9:15—A Woman's World.
9:30—Let's Dance.
9:45—Do You Remember.
10:00—Milady's Melody.
10:15—Let's Read the Bible.
10:30—Morning Varieties.
10:45—Treasury Star Parade.
11:00—Borger Hour.
11:15—Alpine Tronbadors.
11:30—News with Tex DeWeese.
11:45—White's School of the Air.
12 00—Ray Dady, News, MBS.
12:15—Babe Rhodets Orch. MBS.
12 30—Luncheon with Lopez, MBS.
1:00—Cedric Foster, News. MBS.
1:15—Luncheon with Lopez.
1 30—Mutual Goes Calling, MBS.
2:00—Little Show.
2:15—Bob Murphy.
2:30—All Star Dance Parade.
2:45—Lean Back and Listen.
3:00—Victory Marches.
3:15—Donuteers in Action.
3:20—Invitatio nto Romance.
3:30—Save A Nickel Club.
4 45—Superman, Mutual.
5:00—One Minute of Prayer, Mutual.
5:01—News, Phillip Keyne, Gordon, MBS.
5:15—Theatre Page.
5:20—South of the Border.
5:30—The World's Front Page, MBS.
5:45—10-2-4 Ranch.
6:00—News, Fulton Lewis, Jr. MBS.
6:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.
6:30—Halls of Montezuma, MBS.
7:00—Goodnight.

—BUY BONDS—

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Draft-Age Farmers Released for Temporary War Jobs!

State Headquarters for Selective Service permits draft-age farmers in this area to accept war jobs during slack seasons without affecting their deferment classifications.

Because men are urgently needed in vital war industries in this area, farmers and farm laborers may accept temporary jobs in essential industries under the following conditions as cited in a Headquarters memorandum of Dec. 6th to all local boards, WMC Area No. 6:

(A) They remain in their seasonal occupation for a period of not less than 8 months of the year;

(B) They become engaged during the off-season for farming operations in some occupation in war production or in support of the war effort; and

(C) Upon the reopening of the season in which they may pursue their normal seasonal occupation they return to the seasonal occupations that constituted the basis for their original deferment and resume their status as necessary men therein.

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Open House Held At Lively Home

Open house was held Sunday afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock in the Travis C. Lively home, 1012 E. Browning, honoring their daughter, Jeanne, who became the bride of Lt. Robert E. Duket, in a ceremony read Dec. 23 at the Pampa Army Air Field chapel. The open house was also in honor of their son, Lt. Travis C. Lively, Jr., who is stationed at the Hondo Navigation Training Post, Hondo, Texas.

Miss Joan Gurley and Mrs. Sherman White poured coffee at the serving table which was decorated in a Christmas motif. Others assisting Mrs. Lively with the serving were Mrs. Walter Dougherty, Mrs. S. C. Evans and Mrs. E. B. Bowen.

Approximately 75 people attended during the afternoon.

BUY BONDS

Shamrock W. S. C. S. Members Have Party

Special To The NEWS.

SHAMROCK, Dec. 28.—The W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist church and the King's Daughters Sunday School class entertained with a joint Christmas party at the church last week.

Mrs. Ethel Darlington had charge of the program, which opened with a prayer led by Mrs. O. T. Glasscock, followed by the group singing "Silent Night" with Mrs. William F. Holmes at the piano.

Mrs. Jack Montgomrey read a Christmas story, and Christmas carols were sung at intervals throughout the program.

Mrs. George Stanley read a group of Christmas poems, which included "Holiday" by Grace Noll Crowell. "The Keeper of the Inn," by Edgar A. Guest and "Giving" by an anonymous writer.

Gifts were presented to Mrs. L. E. Clay, president of the W. S. C. S.; Mrs. O. T. Glasscock, teacher of the King's Daughters class and to Mrs. Stanley.

A lace-covered table held gifts for the gift exchange, with the glow from lighted tapers in crystal holders providing illumination.

Mrs. A. J. Laycock acted as Santa, in distributing the gifts. A "Cheer Basket" was packed by the group. Refreshments were served.

Among those present were Mmes. O. T. Glasscock, Margie Fleener, Ethel Darlington, William F Holmes, M. M. Baxter, Jack Montgomery, Shirley Draper, Bill Orrick, D. J. Bulls, Matt Clay, Newton L. Carter, R. T. Hill, John B. Harvey, W. W. Baxter, A. R. Hugg, A. J. Laycock, L. E. DePew, L. E. Clay, Huey Cook, Mollie Riley and George Stanley.

BUY BONDS

Death Takes Fred Maynard

Fred Emmett Maynard, 60, cement contractor, and a resident of Pampa since 1926, died last night in a local hospital.

Funeral arrangements are pending the arrival of a son who is in the armed forces, and stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Maynard was born Feb. 18, 1883, at Long Prairie, Minn., and was a rancher in North Dekota before moving to Pampa 17 years ago.

Survivors are the widow; one daughter, Mrs. E. N. Franklin of Pampa; two sons, Herbert L., Brooklyn, N. Y., and Orval S., Amarillo; seven grandchildren, and four sisters, Mrs. Ruby Anderson and Mrs. S. P. Canakes, both of St. Paul, Minn., Mrs. A. J. Hughes, Oakis, Minn., Mrs. Arthur Holmquist, Caram, Mont.

BUY BONDS

If we had sufficient forces to put 1,000 planes in the air every two days, we could beat Germany long before June. But we cannot count on it. We must count on a land invasion.—Brig.-Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, 8th Air Force.

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Meeting Dates For Clubs Should Be In Social Calendar

The Social Calendar for 1944 is being completed between now and January 1. In order that each club or church organization might place their meeting date correctly in the calendar, a club representative must either call the society desk, or mail a list stating when the club meets. This list must be completed by January 1, and clubs are urged to enter their meeting dates.

BUY BONDS

Nichols Home Is Scene Of Christmas Party In Shamrock

Special To The NEWS.

SHAMROCK, Dec. 27—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Nichols, Sr., entertained the members of the A. R. T. club and their husbands with a Christmas party at their home on North Madden, Thursday evening.

A gaily bedecked Christmas tree held gifts for the gift exchange, with pyracantha berries and red carnations in beautiful decorative arrangement, making a festive setting for the party.

Games of "42" provided entertainment for the group. After the distribution of gifts, refreshments were served.

Among those present were Messrs. and Mmes. F. T. Garrett, A. P. Bumpers, W. W. Baxter, C. G. Cantrell, W. M. Slaughter, G. H. Burkhalter, Mrs. R. T. Hill and Mrs. D. J. Bulls.

BUY BONDS

China Flat Club Has Gift Exchange At Christmas Party

Special To The NEWS.

SHAMROCK, Dec. 27—The China Flat Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. W. L. Morrison on Wednesday afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. T. Reynolds. All joined in singing, "God Bless America," and Mrs. Roy Scrivner led in prayer.

Mrs. Morrison read a letter from Miss Murle Scales, Home Demonstration agent, stating that she had been granted a leave of absence to join the WAVES.

After presents were exchanged, refreshments were served to those present by the host. There were 16 guests present, including:

Mrs. Albert Owen, Tommy and Mae Owen of California, Mrs. Gus Wegner, Juanell and Janice, Mrs. Elmo Riley and sons, W. H. and Jerry Don., Mrs. L. J. Goza, Billie Earl and Jerry Don Alexander.

Members present included: Mrs. Inez Walraven, Mrs. Guy Valentine, Mrs. T. H. Morgan, Mrs. W. L. Morrison, Mrs. A. B. Sims, Mrs. J. A. Humphrey, Mrs. Roy Scrivner, Mrs. J. T. Reynolds, Mrs. W. E. Sheegog, Mrs. E. E. Sheegog, Mrs. Grover Copeland, Mrs. Alma Easterling, Ester Ann Scrivner, Mrs. C. D. Evans, Bettie Lou Easterling, Gracie Sue Easterling.

A short business meeting was held before the meeting adjourned.

BUY BONDS

Forum Club Given Christmas Party At Shamrock

Special To The NEWS.

SHAMROCK, Dec. 28—Mrs. Gus Leftwich was hostess to the Forum Club for their annual Christmas party last week.

A white Christmas tree, artistically decorated, bowls of red carnations, and a winter scene on the mantle, lent a festive air to the party.

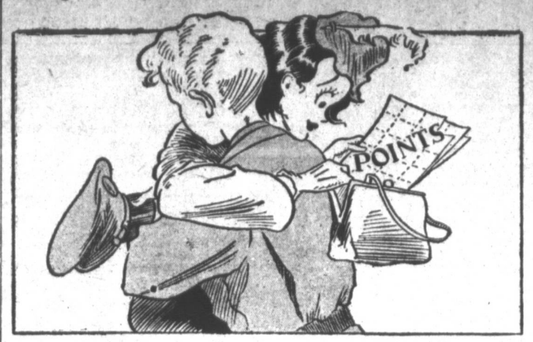
Mrs. Rufus Dodgen was leader of the program which consisted of a brief biographical sketch of Biblical characters, by each member.

Special music was given by Mrs. Shirley Draper, who sang "Bethlehem," and a trio composed of Mrs. Draper, Mrs. Walter Darlington, Jr. and Mrs. Lyle Holmes, sang "Silent Night," with Mrs. Holmes as accompanist.

At the close of the program gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

Guests were Mrs. Walter Pendleton, Jr., and Mrs. Clayton Heare of Amarillo. The members present included Mmes. Seibert Worley, Winfred Lewis, R. M. Barkeley, E. K. Bechtol, Sol Blonstein, Ralph Coburn, Rufus Dodgen, Shirley Draper, Lyle Holmes, Ansel McDowell, B. F. Risinger, Al Ryan, S. Q. Scott, Jack Shull, W. R. Wooten and M. A. Whitehurst.

College Coeds Are Rationed For Dates



By NEA Service

EAST LANSING, Mich.—Overtime on dates and week-ends away from campus are on the ration list at Michigan State College. Co-eds will have to yield precious ration points for late dates and for those week-ends spent at home when Johnny gets a furlough or Bill's three-day pass comes through.

The co-ed ration book contains 7 "A" coupons, 3 "B's," 8 "D's," 12 "L's" for the semester. Coupons are no good if detached in advance and borrowing or exchanging of coupons is not allowed.

"A" stamps are good for one night away from college houses. "B" coupons must be given up when a co-ed returns to campus on Monday morning instead of Sunday night. "D" coupons, provided that arrangements are made with the house mother beforehand, are usable for delayed return on week nights for such reasons as play rehearsal or out-of-town guests. "L" stamps take care of five-minute latenesses after the college curfew.

Freshmen may stay out until 9 o'clock during the week, 9:30 on Sunday and 12:30 on Friday and Saturday. Upper classmen have 10 o'clock permission week days, 10:30 Sundays and 12:30 for the week-ends. "Spartan" women have to observe an 11:30 "taps" during the week and a 7:30 "reveille." Anyone who sleeps past the deadline must pay for extra rest in "L" coupons.

It's expected that this Spartan program of rationed dating will make eyes look twice as bright and grades go up a notch or two.

Miss Ruth Millett, Tongue-In-Cheek, Offers Ideas For Keeping Your Maid

By RUTH MILLETT

A war wife who has encountered a good deal of smugness and thoughtlessness among women whose husbands are still at home suggests that the latter wives ask themselves these questions:

Do you invite a war wife for dinner in your home at least once a month, and make her feel that you are having her for herself and not just because you think she needs cheering?

Do you refrain from irritating her by such remarks as "I think the men at home are having it just as hard as the men in service. Joe has not had a Saturday off in months."

Do you check the impulse to elaborate on the wonderful time you and your husband had celebrating your wedding anniversary — when you know the war wife spent her last anniversary going to a movie with another woman?

DON'T BE TOO CRITICAL

Do you realize that she may feel resentful toward you if you criticize the behavior of another war wife, since you can't possibly fully appreciate the problems of a woman left alone?

Do you stop yourself before you have told her about the husband of a friend of yours who had his arm blown off in Sicily?

Do you remember always to ask about her husband when you see her on the street or at parties, and do you really listen when she starts to tell you news of him

Do you realize that she probably won't find anything funny in humorous remarks about the women her husband may be meeting?

If you can say "Yes" to all of those questions—you needn't worry that you're irritating the war wives of your acquaintance.

BUY BONDS



By ANN STEVICK
NEA Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The sky is not the limit on meals you eat out on legal holidays. In all sections where restaurant price-control is in effect, the restaurant must charge you no more than its customary differential for holiday meals. The country is two-thirds covered by regional control of restaurant prices. The middle-west and northern New England are not included.

Restaurant rationing is handled by regional offices of the Office of Price Administration. Therefore there is no over-all regulation. Some sections limit holiday prices to Sunday prices for the base period of April 4-11, 1943. Some sections are limited to 15 per cent more than daily prices. But in no section is more than the customery holiday addition to prices allowed. These additions are limited also for such services as corkage, checkroom, and parking. Allowed price increases apply only to legal holidays, not the holiday season.

STOVES WITH SEA-LEGS

A compact coal-burning stove of a type originally made for yachts has been tried and found good at the Bureau of Standards, where it is known as "Port-hole Pete." The stoves may be considered for war housing projects. However, expert judges from the War Housing Administration are dubious about the small oven and the appearance of space limitation in contrast to the fancy facades the American housewife usually sees. Yachters usually had these stoves made of heavy, high-cost materials, but they can be made cheaply of light sheet metals.

ODDS AND ENDS

Bread enrichment, previously required only for commercially baked white bread, has been extended to yeast-raised bakery products such as coffee cakes, buns, rolls, doughnuts, crullers. . . . In order to keep up supplies of candy bars in the vending machines of war production plants, an increased maximum price has been allowed for sale to such distributors. Others still will pay only 5 cents.

BUY BONDS

The Social Calendar

WEDNESDAY

W. M. S. of the Central Baptist church will meet.
W. S. C. S. of the Methodist church will meet.
W. M. U. of the First Baptist church will meet.

THURSDAY

Winsome class of the First Baptist church will meet with Mrs. John Jepp, 525 Warren.
Hopkins W. M. S. will meet.
W. M. S. of the Central Baptist church will meet.
Rebekah Lodge will meet.

FRIDAY

Viernes club will meet.
Sub Deb club will meet.
V. F. W. will meet.
Entre Nous club will meet.
Unity H. D. club will meet.
Rebekah Lodge will meet.

MONDAY

Legion Auxiliary will meet.

TUESDAY

Tri-county council of PTA will meet.
Merten Home Demonstration club will meet.
Business and Professional Women's club will meet.
Varietas Study club will meet.
Parent Education club will meet with Mrs. Joe Key.

BUY BONDS

Friona Sailor Is Commended

DALLAS, Dec. 28. (AP)—For his part in subduing a blaze aboard an American merchantman, Forrest William Osborn, fireman first class of Friona, Tex., was commended for his actions by the chief of navy personnel, the navy said today.

The ship was carrying high volatile supplies when she collided with another and fire broke out. Osborn is the son of W. C. Osborn, Friona.

Mike Records Marine Landing

(The following story, distributed by the Associated Press, was written by Technical Sergeant Harold Azine, formerly of WLS, Chicago, and WBAL, Baltimore, now a Marine corps combat correspondent.)

BOUGAINVILLE. — (Delayed) — When the Marines hit Empress Augusta bay beach on this island, radio history was made. For the first time, a man and a microphone recorded a landing operating against Jap-held territory.

The man is blonde, 29-year-old Marine Sergeant Roy A. Maypole, former producer at CBS, New York, whose equipment consisted of (1) a sound and wire recorder, and (2) guts.

At the invasion hour on the morning of Nov. 1, Roy was standing on the deck of a transport in the U. S. task force. In the midst of our intense air and naval bombardment of the Jap shore defenses, he switched on his portable recorder and began a descriptive account of what was happening, verbally identifying the ship-sounds, gun salvos, and bomb explosions while trying to keep his feet against the concussion blasts. When the men in the Marine landing parties started down the rope nets, Roy rushed his mike to the rail of the ship to get several 10-second "man-on-the-move" interviews.

Then he raced ashore in a landing boat and lugged his recorder in the direction of the heaviest fighting. This was on bloody Cape Torokina, where the Japs had constructed their strongest fortifications. Roy searched out an idle electricity generator, got it working, hooked up his recorder, and hastily made ready to broadcast.

BUY BONDS

London Censorship Will Be Tightened

LONDON, Dec. 28 — (AP) —More rigid censorship of war news flowing from Britain to the United States can be expected in the coming weeks as American and British forces mass their strength for the continental invasion under Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

This was foreshadowed with the disclosure by Capt. Eugene F. Nute, who is taking over as the army's chief press censor, that the military censorship setup is being expanded considerably.

He insisted however, that the move was only normal under the circumstances. The army censorship staff for the European theater of operations now numbers 30, virtually doubled in recent weeks, and it is expected to be increased soon.

"We are getting pretty cagey," Capt. Nute said, "since coming events may cast their shadows before them."

BUY BONDS

THERE GOES NO. 18

HARRISBURG, Pa.—An 84-year-old self-tyled clairvoyant, Detective Pat H. Taylor says, isn't letting rationing interfere with his art.

Taylor reports the seer told a woman to put dragon's blood, asafetida and a note containing the name of a troublemaker in her husband's shoes and then burn them.

Presbyterian Men Have Fellowship Dinner At Church

Men of the Presbyterian church will have their regular monthly meeting tomorrow night at 7:15.

Dinner will be served in the lower hall of the church and men and their guests are invited to attend. The evening will be spent in fellowship.

BUY BONDS

NEWS OF OUR MEN...WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Joe L. Vernon, 34, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Vernon, Box 172, Pampa, is now taking boot training at the U. S. naval training station, Great Lakes, Ill., upon completion of which he will be granted a nine-day leave.

Clinton Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Evans, 1001 E. Browning, has begun training as an aviation cadet in the army air forces training command school at Yale University, New Haven, Conn. Upon completion of the course at Yale, where West Point traditions and discipline are in effect, he will be commissioned a second lieutenant.

Back at Camp Gruber, Okla., where he is stationed with a corps of engineers unit, today was S/Sgt. William T. Broxson, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Broxson, 201 Ford. He has been in the army since Jan. 22, 1943, was made a staff sergeant last Friday, elevated from the grade of sergeant, came home on a two-day furlough, left Sunday to return to Camp Gruber.



Cpl. Walter C. Leonard, 20, left, and M/Sgt. James H. Leonard, 22, right, sons of Mrs. James E. Leonard, 727 Barnes, are shown above.

The younger son attended White Deer High school, where he played football and basketball; was employed by the Culberson Chevrolet company here prior to induction on Feb. 4, 1943. He was sent first to Camp Howze, transferred to Shreveport, La., on Nov. 19. Corporal Leonard is in the infantry.

Sergeant Leonard also attended high school and played football at White Deer High school, has been in the army five years, enlisting on Sept. 4, 1938. He has been stationed, in order, at Ft. Sill, Okla., Columbia, S. C., back at Ft. Sill, then to Camp Forrest, Tenn., Camp Phillips, Kans., Los Angeles. Sergeant Leonard is in the field artillery.



Former Pampa High school student, Cpl. H. V. Huffhine, 19, is in the coast artillery corps (antiaircraft) and stationed at Camp Haan, Calif. He worked for local bottling companies prior to induction in the army on March 18, 1942.

Corporal Huffhine was at Ft. Sill, Okla., then was sent to California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Huffhine, 838 S. Cuyler. They have another son, Warren N., 22, now a civilian radio technician at Pampa Field, who had been in the army for a year but received a medical discharge. He had been at Lubbock and San Antonio, was discharged at Ft. Sill, Okla. Warren is a Borger High school graduate.

Kitchen Chic



Aprons are big news these days—they even appear at cocktail parties. You'll need more aprons this year than ever before. See that your kitchen aprons are bright, gay and also very business-like! This one is a kitchen beauty.

Pattern No. 8575 is in sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46 and 48. Size 36 monotone, requires 2¼ yards of 35-inch material; 9 yards bias binding.

For this attractive pattern, send 15 cents, plus 1 cent for postage, in coins, with your name, address, pattern number and size to The Pampa News, Today's Pattern Service, 1150 Sixth Avenue, New York 19, N. Y.

Boys Pre-Service Training Curbs Juvenile Delinquency

By CAROL BERMAN
NEA Staff Writer

NEW YORK—"Give them omething important and constructive to do after school and work hours," is the keynote of the nation-wide anti-juvenile delinquency campaign being waged by Boys' Clubs of America.

"Among boys, the chief cause of delinquency is their coming home to empty houses and having nothing to do but go with the gang in search of excitement," a spokesman for Boys' Clubs explained. She pointed out that the restraining influence of dads and big brothers is missing now and many boys who are working have money for the first time, feel reckless and terribly important.

So directors of local groups, called BoysclubBs, have revitalized their psychological approach to make sure their programs don't seem like "kid stuff." Clubs are staying open longer hours—all day on Sundays and holidays—and providing, in addition to the sports and crafts, pre-service training for boys approaching military age, a chance to participate in organized home front activities and dances. In industrial areas, clubs are kept open for war workers coming off the graveyard shift.

Where most boys used to come to their local BoysclubB for basketball or baseball, they are now attracted by courses in pre-flight instruction, machine shop training for war jobs, military swimming, and ranger tactics including everything but how to handle a gun.

Victory Volunteers, a Boys Club organization that mobilizes boy power for home front duties, has also succeeded in getting boys off the streets and into the clubhouses. Each volunteer has four insignia to earn as he passes tests in health, strength, education and service. A Victory Volunteer is dropped from the organization if he does not live up to his pledge—"I will guard my health; I will develop my body; I will be honest and mindful of the rights of others; I will be obedient to my parents and all those in authority; I will be reverent and faithful to my religion; I will be loyal to the United States of America."

To what extent have these new activities succeeded in preventing or difficult to get exact figures," David W. Armstrong, executive director of Boys' Club of America said, but he showed me statements from probation officers and police chiefs attesting to the success of Boys' Clubs' war against delinquency. For example:

A county probation officer in Trenton, N. J., declared, "Much credit is due the Boys' Clubs of Trenton for the work done in an area which only a few years ago was another 'sore spot.' Now delinquency is negligible in that neighborhood, largely because of the Boys' Club.

And a judge in San Antonio, Tex., stated, "In my opinion a great deal of credit should be given the San Antonio Boys' Club for its part in helping curb delinquency in Bexar county."

Armstrong also told me that only one per cent of Boys' Clubs' 250,000 members—most of them coming from the nation's poorest and most overcrowded areas—have been turned down by selective service for physical or mental reasons, while the national average is about 30 per cent. He also pointed out that 50,000 boys have been inducted into Victory Volunteers and are adhering to its credo which leaves no room for any delinquent behavior.



Ready to dive into the pool fully clothed and with G. I. packs on their back, these members of Boys' Clubs of America are completing a course in commando swimming, part of the pre-service training they are taking. This is one of the favorite activities in the Boys' Clubs program planned to combat juvenile delinquency.

BUY BONDS

Deodorants Keep Clothes Fresh In Wintertime

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

Feminine fastidiousness? To preserve it is more important than ever this wartime winter. Clothes go out less often to be cleaned. Uncle Sam urges you to get more wear out of clothes between their goings and comings.

For protection of yourself and clothes, you need a dependable deodorant or anti-perspirant. It's always wise to be a pessimist on the score of what heated rooms, heavier clothing, physical activity, and inevitable fatigue resulting from more strenuous jobs, do to good grooming.

In deodorants there are creams, powders and sticks, any one of which can be used to prevent odor; to keep you and your fabrics safe. But if you need to protect yourself and clothes from moisture, team your deodorant with under-arm shields. To keep arm-pits dry, you need an anti-perspirant. How often you apply either type of good-grooming aid depends upon your individual needs. The warmer the room, the heavier your clothing, the more of a busybody you are, the more you'll nullify the anti-perspirant you're wearing, and the oftener you'll need to renew it.

BUY BONDS

Favoritism For Ewing Denied

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. (AP)—District jail officials have denied allegations that favoritism has been shown Orman W. Ewing, former Utah Democratic national committeeman now serving an eight- to 24-year sentence for rape.

The charges were contained in a suit by another jail inmate, Frank F. Fowler, who asked $6,666 for an assault he alleged Ewing made upon him.

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Ship Named For Texas Marine

HOUSTON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Named for a Texas lieutenant in the Marine corps who died of wounds received in action at Guadalcanal, the navy's destroyer escort vessel USS LaPrade will be launched here Friday, the navy announced today.

The warship will bear the name of the late First Lieut. Robert M. LaPrade, USMRC, a native of Kenedy, Texas, and a former student at Rice Institute here.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox has named as sponsor Mrs. J. T. LaPrade, Gregory, Texas, mother of the late Lieut. LaPrade.

BUY BONDS

Boy Scouts Get Camp at Houston

HOUSTON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Gift of a 2,400-acre campsite near Conroe to the Sam Houston area council of Boy Scouts was announced by George W. Strake, oil man and philanthropist.

About 38 miles from Houston, the tract includes 93-acre Grand Lake and a smaller lake of about 15 acres.

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Rightnowar Rites Postponed One Day

Funeral services for Mrs. Rhoda Geneva Rightnowar, 78, who died Sunday in a local hospital, will be conducted at 2 p. m. tomorrow in the chapel of the local funeral home, by the Rev. E. Douglas Carver, pastor of the First Baptist church. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery. Services had originally been set for today.

BUY BONDS

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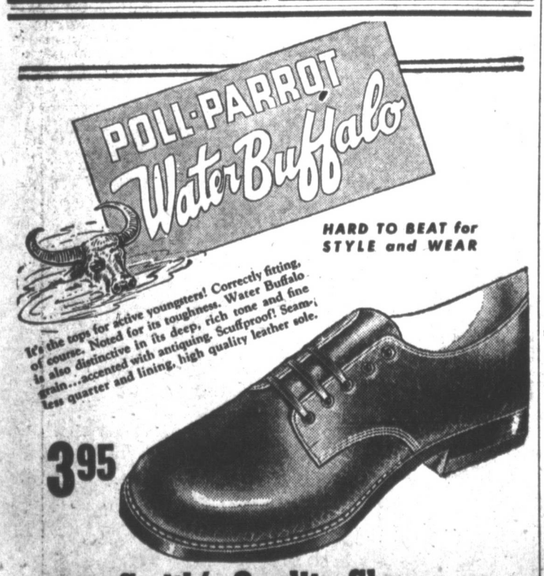
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Special To The NEWS

SHAMROCK, Dec. 28 — T/Sgt. Maston H. Clay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Clay, and one of the Panhandle's most decorated heroes of World War II, is in Shamrock on 20-day furlough from New Guinea.

A press release this week from "somewhere in New Guinea" stated that Lieut. General George C. Kenney, commander of the Allied air forces in the Southwest Pacific, has awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross to Sergeant Clay for "extraordinary achievement while participating in 200 hours of operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific area during which hostile contact was probable and expected."

The Shamrock youth had already been awarded the Purple Heart, The Air Medal and an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.

He is a photographer-gunner on a Liberator bomber. On his first flight last summer, a bullet struck his camera and he was wounded. It was for this that he received the Purple Heart.

He described his most exciting flight as one of the first raids on Rabaul last October. His crew was credited with the downing of four Zeros and two "probables" in this mission.

"Our number one engine on the left wing was shot out by a direct hit from a Zero, and our number four engine was drilled, became engulfed in flames and kicked out.

"We lost 5,000 feet altitude and were preparing to jump when the pilot managed to extinguish the flames in the damaged engine and get it started.

"All that saved us was the leader of the group and another plane dropping out of formation and covering us. It was estimated that 100 passes were made at us by Zeros on this flight, and a 20 mm. shell went through the turret and dented the helmet of the turret gunner."

Sergeant Clay went bird hunting last Tuesday for excitement. He expects to attend a training school in the states before being sent back to the battle front.

In telling of the presentation of the Distinguished Flying Cross to the sergeant, General Kenney said:

"These operations in which Sgt. Clay participated included bombing missions against enemy air dromes and installations and attacks on hostile naval vessels in shipping. Throughout these operations he demonstrated outstanding ability, courage and devotion to duty."

—BUY BONDS—

CONFUSING THE RECORD

LOS ANGELES—Superior Judge William R. McKay okayed Myra Terry as business manager for Janet Martin, 14-year-old film actress, but had to hurdle this hodge-podge of handles:

Janet's real name is Valya Valentina Tetiacov Terry. Her manager (and mother) is Alexandria Myra Tetiacov Terry, known also as Myra Sokolskaya, concert folk singer.

—BUY BONDS—

About 100,000,000 pounds of soap are required anuually in the nation's synthetic rubber production.

Joe E. Brown Relaxes at Home

By JAMES LINRSLEY

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 28. (AP)—Mrs. Joe E. Brown took a quick look back through the years on her 28th wedding anniversary and said that being successfully married to a professional funny man is pretty much like being successfully married to anyone else, although it does impose some special responsibilities.

The Browns have been long and happily married in a town noted for its short and unhappy marriages, but Mrs. Brown has an idea that the principles which worked in their case would be equally successful for almost anybody else. A lot of understanding and tolerance and application of the Golden Rule will do the job, she said.

Mrs. Brown had been busy preparing for Christmas which she observed in Joe's absence for the second time in 28 years, so the only place the interviewer could catch her was a beauty salon where she talked while the operators scurried around and did things to her hair. She had just received a letter from Brown, who is on a camp tour in the Asiatic theater.

"I think we're fortunate because only one of us has a career to worry about," she said. "Everybody knows Joe; nobody knows me. I could walk across a ballroom floor with a stocking dragging and no one would notice it.

"Joe is generous, sentimental and fine-natured, but a comedian's life is trying. In public everybody expects him to be funny. I can't understand it. People don't expect a surgeon to perform operations at a party. I've seen total strangers walk up to Joe and ask him to open his mouth. The only place a funny man can relax is his home, and I've made it my job to see that he can do it."

Lee Is Sworn In As Federal Judge

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 28—(AP)—Elmo P. Lee, Shreveport attorney, took the oath as judge of the fifth federal circuit court of appeals here Monday. The oath was administered by Philip H. Mecom, federal clerk of court, in the clerk's office. Attending the ceremony were members of the judge's family, friends and court attaches.

Judge Lee has made application for office quarters in the federal building here and will continue his residence in Shreveport.

Judge Lee was nominated to the judgeship to fill the vancancy caused by the death of Judge Rufus E. Foster. He was named after former Gov. James V. Allred of Texas had been nominated by President Roosevelt for the place, but his nomination failed approval in the senate.

—BUY BONDS—

GRATITUDE

EVANSTON, Ill. — Patrolman Francis Flood answered a dog-in-the-lake summons, ventured across several yards of ice toward a well-chilled German shepherd, lassoed the animal and pulled it to safety.

As he was trying to put the dog in a squad car it turned and bit him on the left wrist.



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All Classified Ads copy and discontinuance orders must reach this office by 10 a. m. in order to be effective in the same week-day issue or by 4:00 p. m. Saturday for Sunday issues.

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THE PAMPA News Job Shop can supply you with letter heads, envelopes, ruled forms, statements and sale bills. Call 666

LET US repair your radiator. We can save you money in putting it in condition to hold anti-freeze. Foster St. Garage.

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210 West Brown
Visitors Welcome
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SKINNER'S Garage 705 W. Foster, where you'll find block assemblys ready to go. Repair work done. Phone 337.

L. E. SCREWS Garage 308 W. Kingsmill can save you money on all repair work. Call 228.

4—Lost and Found

LOST—Navy blue envelope, style purse containing defense stamps, ration books. Please keep money and return purse and other contents to Pampa News or phone 146.

PARTY who took package from Plymouth Friday evening about 9 p. m. was seen and is known. Save embarrassment by leaving same at News office. No questions asked.

5—Transportation

FOR careful packing and hauling call us—we are licensed for Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Bruce Transfer—Phone 934.

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WANTED—Experienced married man for farm and ranch work. Write Box 100-B, care Pampa News.

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HELP Wanted—Man with accounting experience who is able to handle all book work in connection with manufacturing concern in defense work. Write giving experience, education and salary expected. Box 40-R. In care of Pampa News.

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Top wages paid, excellent working conditions. Apply in person to Cafeteria Manager. No phone calls.

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WANTED—Middle aged woman to care for aged couple at Wheeler, Texas. Call Mrs. Turner at 1204 or 772.

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15—Beauty Parlor Service

ELITE Beauty Shop, conveniently located down town. Come in and talk over your hair problem just east of Levine's.

THE Orchid Salon has highly experienced operators to care for your every beauty need. Call 654. Combs-Worley Bldg.

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18—Plumbing & Heating

DON MOORE, your dependable furnace man. Keep your home comfortable. Call 102.

21—Floor Sanding

A-1 Floor Sanding, expertly done. We take out of town contract work as wel las local —Call 62.

22—Radio Service

BILL'S Radio Shop for electrical repair work. Radio exchange, 904 W. Brown —The Big Radio.

29—Cleaning & Pressing

C. E. McMinn, manager Victory Cleaners, invites friends and customers to continue their patronage. 2200 Alcock.

30—Laundrying

Annite, the all purpose cleaner. Try it on white wood work and windows, upholstery, rugs Takes the dirt and leaves the color. Can be had in 5 lb. cans at 90c or in sacks and barrels for business places. Radcliff Supply Co. 112 East Brown St.

31-a—Tailor Shop

PAUL HAWTHORNE assures you of proper workmanship on all tailoring, alterations and repair work. 206 N. Cuyler, Ph. 920.

34—Mattresses

WE specialize in making new mattresses any size, also a few used inner springs. Renovating or any kind. Ayers Mattress Factory, 817 W. Foster. Phone 683.

35—Musical Instruments

FOR SALE—Slightly used medium size Grand Piano Phone 2039 or 1501 N. Russell.

36—Nursery

CHILDREN cared for in my home by hour or day. Phone 1804W.

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38—Miscellaneous

WE STILL have plenty of guns, wagons and good wheel toys. Shop over our store for last minute gifts. Thompson Hardware —Phone 43.

40—Household Goods

FOR SALE—Studio couch, makes bed also matching chair, dinnette suite, solid oak. Norge range in excellent condition. 519 S. Banks.

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ONE used end table with book and magazine shelf $10—one used occassional chair Velour upholstery $15. One metal floor lamp $5 at Texas Furniture Co.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for tools, furniture and rugs; let us bid on your household goods. Frank's Second Hand Store.

FOR Rawleigh Products see H. C. Wilkie at 1325 W. Ripley on Amarillo Highway. Phone 1767-W.

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LIVESTOCK

42—Live Stock

FOR SALE—Very choice Holstein, Guernsey & Ayrshire heifers $25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull free with 5 heifers. Homstead Farms, McGraw, N. Y.

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FEED your stock well for extra production during the cold weather. We have what you need. Pampa Feed Store, 522 S. Cuyler. Phone 1677.

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45—Baby Chicks

Baby Chick Booking

unson's pure-bred blood-tested. All popular breeds. Booking now for January and February. 14c each $13.50 per hundred. Harvester Feed Co.

Book orders for Baby chicks for January and February delivery. Hybreds and all other popular breds.

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51—Good Things to Eat

VICTORY Market is prepared to care for your food needs. Eat plenty of fruits for your health's sake. 325 S. Cuyler.

QUICK Service Market, conveniently located. Corner of S. Barnes and Frederick St., where they handle only the best in fruits and vegetables.

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FRYERS at all times. Raised the battery way. Also fresh eggs, Jess Hatcher, Phone 2096W.

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66—Dirt Hauling

RIDER Motor Co, for cement sand, gravel and driveway materials. Local Hauling. Tractor for hire. Phone 760.

74—Wanted to Rent

$10 REWARD for information leading to rental of furnished houseor apartment to young couple. Call Lt. Johnson at Hotel Schneider.

FOR RENT—REAL ESTATE

77—Apartments

NICE two room furnished apartments, modern, adults only. Under new management. Apply 215 N. Ballard.

FOR RENT—Two room unfurnished duplex, 534 N. Warren. Bills paid.

FOR RENT Three furnished apartment. Modern. Artie Shaw. 404 S. Cuyler (rear).

78—Houses

FOR RENT—Two room furnished servants house for colored. Apply 415 N. Somerville. Phone 756W.

79—Sleeping Rooms

AMERICAN Hotel has clean, neat apartments and sleeping rooms. Move close in for winter. 305 N. Gillispie.

FOR RENT—Bedroom private entrance, telephone privilege. 1101 Charles. Phone 1229J.

FOR RENT—Comfortable bedroom, also 2 garages available. Close in. 101 North Wynne.

FOR RENT—Two bedrooms. Desirable for couple or ladies. 320 N. Gillispie. Ph. 424 M.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

82—City Property for Sale

LIST your property with Lee R. Banks at 1st National Bank Bldg., Phone 388—for quick sales.

3 Room modern house, small house on back of lot, large chicken house. See owner at 519 S. Banks.

BEAUTIFUL home, 2 large bed rooms, hall, livin groom, dining room, kitchen, plenty closet space, floor furnaces, venitian blinds, $1750 down payment. Possession now. Shown by appointment only. M. P. Downs. Phone 1264.

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J. V. New, Phone 88.

LOVELY 9 room home N. Gray; 8 room duplex, Hill Street, 8 room modern, 2 baths close in, 4 room and 3 room, both modern on same lot, N. Nelson.

J. E. Rice, Call 1831 after 6

EXCELLENT buy—Nice 6 room modern house, enclosed back porch. Large lot, close in.

J. E. Rice, Call 1831 after 6

FOR SALE—Desirable income and residential properties.
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4th—a 4 room house on East Campbell, owkner occupied residence for $1785.
5th—a four room house, 3 lots on Scott St. $1000. See Henry L. Jordan, Duncan Bldg., Phone 166.

John Haggard Offer Now

Duplex on N. Warren.
Five room house, 1 acre land,
Six room house north Russell.
Two room house in Talley Add.
Five room house on Magnolia.
Four room house Short Street.

1st Nat'l. Bank Bldg. Ph. 909

If it's real estate or city property, don't fail to see Stone and Thomasson before you buy. Special: 5 room house on North Duncan, $4500. Excellent buy. Good terms. Call 1766.

House Trailers for Sale

New and Used House Trailers, $295.00 up. Small down payments, up to 18 months to pay.
Cash paid for good used house trailers.
Cope & Story Trailer Sales, 621 N. E. 8th Street, Amarillo, Texas.

87—Farms and Tracts

S. H. Barrett Has Farms

Ranches, and City property for sale. See him at 109 North Frost St. Phone 841.

FOR SALE—160 acres of land in Pampa—Clarendon highway. For particulars write Mrs. C. M. Zink, 6128 Prospect, Dallas, Texas, Phone T-36816.

90—Real Estate Wanted

M. P. DOWNS wants to buy 3 and 4 room houses, also want a 6 room house to be moved. Call 1264.

FINANCIAL

94—Money to Loan

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If you have had trouble shifting gears of late, the chances are that the transmission lubricant is much too light.

94—Money to Loan

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Phone 2492
109 W. Kingsmill

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95—Automobiles

Special Notice Car Owners

IF YOU have a car to sell see us. We buy any kind and model and we pay cash. C. C. Matheny Tire and Salvage Shop, 818 W. Foster, phone 1051.

FOR SALE—1941 Buick Special Sedan. Pre-War tires. Low mileage. See owner, 411 S. Russell.

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STATION WAGON, 41 Ford, 4 new pre-war tires, low mileage.

9000 mile Deluxe Chevrolet sedan, tires look like new, clean as a pin.

We have many more cars just as CLEAN. CHOOSE YOUR CAR FOR TH DURATION NOW!

CULBERSON CHEVROLET

Two Texas Naval Pilots Honored

DALLAS, Dec. 28. (AP)—Lieutenants (JG) Johnny W. Patterson of Palestine, Tex., and Monroe S. Doss of Seminole, Tex., both naval pilots, were given the Air Medal for effective bombing attacks against the Japanese in the Solomons islands, the navy announced today.

The citations said the Texans inflicted severe damage on the enemy last summer by daring attacks on shore installations and shipping in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Lieutenant Patterson's mother, Mrs. Grace Patterson, lives at Palestine. Lieutenant Doss' father is Scott C. Doss of Seminole.

—BUY BONDS—

Hedy Lamarr Is Ill of Influenza

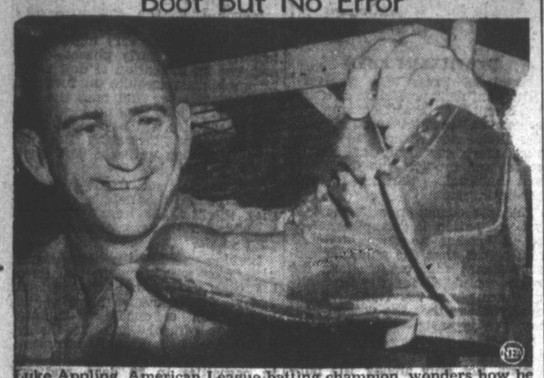
HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 28. (AP)—Hedy Lamarr was suffering today from influenza and her doctor said she had a temperature of 102 degrees. Her illness prevented her from starting with 150 film players on a tour of service camps and hospitals. Una Merkel, who arrived only last Friday from a tour of South Pacific camps, replaced Miss Lamarr for an assignment to Salt Lake City.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"He's practicing up for New Year's Eve!"

Boot But No Error



Luke Appling, American League batting champion, wonders how he would cover shortstop in jeep-like GI shoes. White Sox star has settled down to business of becoming soldier at Fort Sheridan, Ill

Van Buren Echoes Coach's Comment On Tiger Victory

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28—(AP)—Red-haired Steve Van Buren, standout star of Louisiana State university's football team, joined his coach Bernie Moore today in putting himself neatly on the spot for the Orange Bowl game with Texas A. & M.

The backfield ace, who was hurt in mid-season and saw the last two games from the bench, gave his injured ankle a workout under the warm sun and pronounced it fit.

"This is my kind of weather," said Steve ,whose home is in New Orleans. "My leg is about well and I'm ready to go."

Van Buren merely echoed Moore. The LSU mentor went further and declared his 200-pound star is nearing his best condition. "After a few workouts in the Florida sun he will again be out scoring ball of fire," Moore predicted.

This kind of talk doesn't worry big Steve. He doesn't mind being on the spot if his team can cancel out the 28-13 defeat the Texas Aggies hung on them last October.

BUY BONDS

Crude Output Over Nation Declines

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 28 — (AP) — United States crude oil production decreased 36,650 barrels daily in the week ended Dec. 25 to a total of 4,364,640 barrels daily, the Oil and Gas Journal said today.

California production dropped 4,650 barrels daily to 792,750; Eastern fields, 5,390 to 67,575; Illinois, 14,600 to 210,750; Kansas, 19,900 to 289,900; Louisiana, 520 to 353,530; Michigan, 2,300 to 50,800 Texas, 125 to 1,894,700; East Texas, 100 to 364,300, and the Rocky Mountain region, 2,900 to 121,910.

Oklahoma's output increased 3,300 barrels daily to 329,100.

BUY BONDS

WAKE-UP AMERICA Following Germany

(Los Angeles Examiner)

By Benjamin DeCasseres

As far as social security from "cradle to grave" goes, Bismarck, the author of German cradle-to-grave security, has an heir in this country. It is Senator Wagner of New York. I do not think that German-born Senator Wagner is the "blood-and-iron" sort of fellow that the ruthless and brutal-jowled Bismarck was. But he's got in him the same paternalistic patterns of mind that his fellow countryman had. And Bismarck was the progenitor of all that is enslaving in modern Germany.

Former Representative Samuel B. Pettengill, in a pamphlet, entitled "Bismarck's Golden Chain," says:

"When Senator Wagner of New York was a child Bismarck in Germany was putting 'social security' into effect 'as a golden chain around the necks of the workers.' Look at the German worker today. He gave up liberty for the promise of security. He now has neither. So also the Italian and Russian worker.

"Obsessed by the idea of the omnipotent state which can 'guarantee' freedom from want, etc., Senator Wagner has now sponsored a bill which will go far to weld a 'golden chain' (fool's gold) around the necks of American workers."

The bill Mr. Pettengill refers to is Senate Bill 1191—the "womb-to-tomb" security measure which allows the Government to pick your pay-envelope to pieces before you can take it home. Mr. Pettengill's line of argument against Senator Wagner's bill is so good and so nearly in line with what I have indicated in this column that I reprint here a few paragraphs:

"Private insurance is voluntary. And, by the way, our great insurance companies came through the last depression about 99 per cent, whereas 3000 cities and counties and one state of the union defaulted on the government promises and the United States itself repudiated its solemn promise to pay its creditors in gold.

"If the worker goes in for this womb-to-tomb insurance he not only handcuffs himself for the rest of his life he doesn't even leave his boy or girl a free choice. They, too, when they begin to work will have to cough over to the state. The worker of today would vote a government check-off against the bread and butter of his unborn children at a time when conditions may have totally changed."

Big Score Seen For Petrol Bowl Game at Houston

By BRACK CURRY

HOUSTON, Dec. 28. (AP)—The scoreboard clocked six touchdowns when the offensive powerhouses of Arkansas A. and M. and Southwestern Louisiana institute collided in the rain and mud in mid-season—so, ticket holders to the first Oil Bowl classic are primed for astronomic scoring when the two teams meet again here New Year's day.

Attack is the by-word of the two teams. Each has scored three touchdowns or more in every contest except one.

Their first game was a 20-20 deadlock at Memphis in rain and mud.

SLI has tallied 148 points in five games for an average of 29.6. The Tigers have counted 185 in seven games for an average of 26.5.

Wheelhorses of the Aggie offensive are Fullback Charles Steed, former Arkansas Tech star who scored 49 points this season; Halfback Wayne Marshall of Arkansas, who tallied 45 points; and End Sid Halliday from Southern Methodist university, who ranks third in Aggie scoring.

Other A. and M. aces include big Tom Dean, formerly of Southern Methodist and rated one of the best tackles in the South, and Olly Houch, former Oklahoma Aggie end.

SLI banks on speed and passing and features Alvin Dark, one of the nation's finest triple-threat backs. Weldon Humble, former Rice stalwart, leads the mighty SLI line.

The A. and M. crew rolls into Houston Thursday and SLI arrives Friday for final workouts.

BUY BONDS

Cape Gloucester Is Hit from Sea, Air

By DEAN SCHEDLER

ABOARD A LIBERATOR COMMAND PLANE OVER CAPE GLOUCESTER, Dec. 26—(Delayed)—(AP)—We came over the invasion coast on schedule while hot steel from sea and air units pounded the coastline of the Cape Gloucester invasion area.

The Marines landed on the northern shore of Borgen bay at 7:45 a. m.

Cruisers, destroyers and small craft shelled the coastline with tons of explosives while overhead a large formation of Liberators dumped thousand pounders smack on the objective — Target Hill, where the enemy was believed to have had well-prepared artillery positions.

The Japanese, rocked back by days of terrific slashing from the U. S. army fifth air force, had more uncorked on them this morning. The Marines' opposition at the immediate landing point certainly was pulverized from the pounding by the naval and air units.

The first wave of the landing force reached the beach at two points. One force invaded New Britain just north of Silimati Point on Borgen Bay, while the other force landed on the Dampier Straits side.

The Dampier Strait force put a wedge in the Japanese line of communication, preventing their escape down the southern coastline.

In the frontal landing in Borgen Bay area, the Japanese stronghold of Target Hill was shelled, bombed and strafed furiously prior to the landing.

The Mitchells' strafing attack was so closely timed that the last plane finished its machine gun and low level bombing run only minutes before the first barge hit the beach.

BUY BONDS

Steel Industry Output Drops

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—(AP)—Reflecting work stoppages in many mills throughout the country, operations in the steel industry this week will be the lowest in any week since the start of the national defense program in the summer of 1940, the American Iron and Steel Institute reported today.

BUY BONDS

HIGH COST OF WAR

LOS ANGELES—Yes, she was speeding, Josephine Lee, night club check girl, told the judge, but—

Only to prevent fresh sailors from leaping on the running board.

The court thought it over, then fined her $35.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"But, Mother, he's a commando and can stay out late!"

Pro Crowds On Increase During 1943

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—(AP) — A $200,000,000 increase in betting on race results, a falling off of attendance at sports events featuring amateurs while the pro crowds virtually held their own and a dearth of good boxers were the top characteristics of the 1943 sports year.

That, at least, is the opinion of the 86 editors who expressed their views in the Associated Press poll regarding the effects of the second year of war upon sports.

Almost every ballot mentioned the betting increase as the greatest of the war-bred changes. The estimated 1943 mutuel play in 15 states, is $710,779,432 compared to $563,579,895 in 1942. The sport was active in 19 states during 1942.

Latest figures show that 4,019 professional boxers are in the armed services. Despite their absence the ring had a successful year, with each of the 22 brawls held in Madison Square Garden to date having an average attendance of 14,637 and a gate of $51,646 compared with 13,228 and $40,333 in 1942.

That trend was evidenced in virtually all play-for-pay sports except major league baseball, where a falling off in attendance was reported.

However, the drop of 13 per cent in the big leagues is overshadowed by the 18.4 per cent decline in college football crowds and the virtual secrecy in which the national Tennis championships were determined at Forest Hills, N. Y., in September.

Some of the voters blamed the amateurs' lack of appeal to the widespread difference in strength between the haves and the have-nots.

One of the voters, however, pointed out that anything which happened in 1943 should not be counted upon too seriously "especially when Harvard and Boston college, two schools without football teams at the start of the season, close an informal campaign playing each other before 50,000 while Army and Navy, two of the East's best, meet before 14,000."

Virtually all the balloteers also agreed that 1943 was a year of experimentation and that sports in 1944—financial and martial conditions permitting — would start its climb toward the post-war era of expansion.

BUY BONDS

Navy Helldiver Now in Action

By JAMES J. STREBIG
Associated Press Aviation Editor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—The newest teammate of carrier-based killer crews, the Helldiver, was introduced this week with an official tip that it "gives the navy the speed and reach it has been seeking for its aerial Sunday punch—the dive bomber."

An old name but a brand spanking new warplane, the Helldiver was described by the navy as "fast enough to keep up with its speedy new fighter escorts, the Hellcat and Corsair."

Public discussion of the new dive bomber had been withheld until it saw battle action, although it was no secret that the plane was in the works. The prototype built by Curtis-Wright Corporation's airplane division flew in November, 1940, and the first production ship was in the air in June, 1942. But meanwhile there have been 889 major changes and thousands of minor adjustments in the Helldiver design.

As a result, the plane that is plastering the Japs today is the latest that engineers have to offer in every detail. Its official designation is the SB2C.

Performance and striking power still are secrets, but design information released by the navy makes clear the great advances made in the ship.

The diving flap mechanism operates three times faster than on the original model, an important item in combat flying. The flaps are split—that is, four flaps on each wing instead of two—to increase braking control in power dives. Flaps slow down the plane to make it easier for the pilot to aim at his target.

BUY BONDS

CALLURA TKOED

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28. (AP)—Bunch-muscled Phil Terranova is still the National Boxing association's featherweight champion after punching to a technical knockout here last night over Jackie Callura in the sixth round. Some 5,000 persons saw the title scrap.

You're Bound To Win on This One!

By News Sports Editor

The Associated Press is asking sports editors to vote in the poll to determine the most outstanding all-time achievement in American sports, under the question:

"What do you consider the three most outstanding achievements in American sports and why?"

Offhand, I'd say the three most outstanding were my three choices of winners that turned out losers. I said Pampa High would lick Vernon 13 to 6; the score was Pampa 7, Vernon 20.

Next, I saw Vernon taking San Angelo, but the reverse happened, San Angelo winning 26 to 0. To top it all, I picked Lufkin to beat San Angelo—score, San Angelo 26, Lufkin, 13.

Howard Hamilton, Pampa News linotyper, who also saw Lufkin as winner of the state high school football championship, concurs heartily in my vote.

Of course, I'm not up in the class with Putt Powell, Amarillo News-Globe sports editor, as he made nine wrong guesses in a row to my three, but give me time. The slogan around The Pampa News shop now is "to win, just wager opposite the way the sports editor picks them." They've got something there.

Just to show that I'm not downhearted, here's the Bowl Game winners: (ouch, my chin!)

Rose Bowl — Washington over Southern California.

Cotton Bowl—Would like to see Aulds of Pampa on the winning team, but the Longhorns are too much for the Ramblers, Texas.

Sugar Bowl — The Rambling Wrecks to wreck Tulsa.

Orange Bowl—Our Texas Aggies over LSU.

Oil Bowl—The SLy boys to win over the Porker Ags.

Sun Bowl — Southwestern to breeze past New Mexico.

BUY BONDS

Abemame Japs Kill Selves

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—(AP)—Sgt. Jim Lucas, Marine corps combat correspondent of Tulsa, Okla., who returned last week from Tarawa and the Southwest Pacific, related today how the quick thinking of a Marine officer prevented casualties among Marines sent to wipe out a nest of Japanese snipers on Abemama.

Following the capture of Tarawa by U. S. Marines, a group of scouts were sent to Abemama, 80 miles south. They were unable to "pin down" 24 Japanese snipers there and Lucas was assigned to accompany a battalion of Marines, sent to wipe out the enemy.

"When we got to Abemama," Lucas said, "we found the captain of the scouts had slipped up by rubber boat and found out where the 24 Japanese were located. He then hailed a destroyer and got them to shell that area.

"When we landed we didn't have to face fire. The natives on the island said the Japanese commander lined up the men, hired the natives to dig their graves, then shey shot themselves."

Unsung Hero



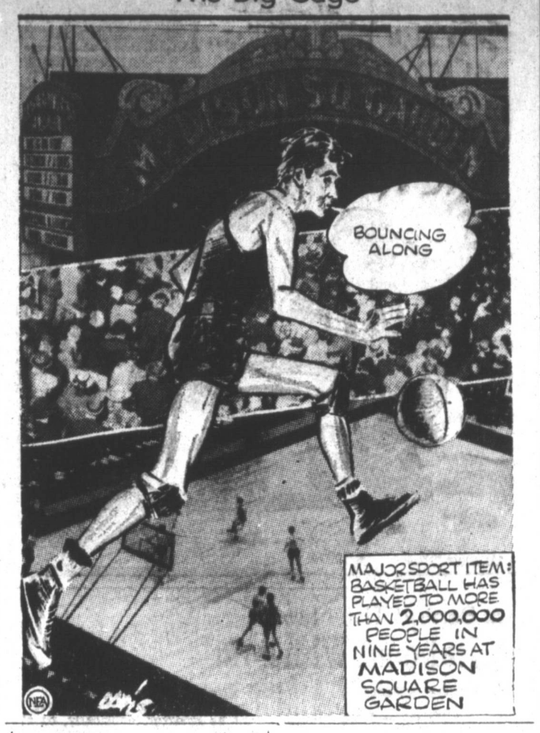
One of America's unsung heroes finally was "sung" when the plaque pictured above, was unveiled in the State House, Topeka, Kans., honoring octogenarian Dr Samuel J Crumbine, father of the crusade for abolition of the common drinking cup Sculptured by Kansas' Olive Kooken, the plaster plaque will be bronzed when unpriroitied post-war days arrive.

SIDE GLANCES



"It used to be the tires he wore out, but now look what's happening since he got big enough to wear my shoes!"

The Big Cage



Market Briefs

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—(AP)—Buying of aircrafts and scattered specialties helped the stock market keep a fairly good balance today although many leaders continued to stumble.

Dealings were slow and transfers ran to around 600,000 shares for the full proceedings.

Among favorites Hercules Motors and Waukesha Motors jumped to new 1943 peaks. In front most of the time were Boeing, Douglas Aircraft, United Aircraft, Glenn Martin, International Harvester, American Can and Union Carbide.

Backward were U. S. Steel, Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Chrysler, Sears Roebuck, Westinghouse, General Electric, Caterpillar Tractor, Allied Chemical and Du Pont.

At Chicago wheat advanced 1¼ to 1⅜ cents a bushel, and rye ¾ to 1. Cotton, in late transactions, was off 15 cents a bale to up as much.

A T & T	13	155⅝	155⅝	155½
Am Woolen	23	5⅝	5½	5⅝
Anaconda	40	24⅞	24⅝	24⅝
A T & SF	8	54⅝	54	54
Braniff	1	12⅝	12½	12⅝
Cent. RR N J	1	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
Chrysler	15	81⅝	80⅞	81
Cont Mot	199	5⅝	4⅞	5⅜
Cont Oil Del	10	31	30⅝	30⅞
Curtiss Wright	89	5⅞	5⅝	5⅞
Gen El	37xd	36⅝	36	36⅛
Gen Mot	51	51½	51¼	51⅜
Greyhound	4	19⅞	19⅝	19⅞
Gulf Oil	12	46	45⅞	45⅞
Houston Oil	12	7⅜	7¼	7¼
Int Harvester	4	73	72⅝	73
M K T	4	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝
Ohio Oil	10	18⅝	18¼	18⅝
Packard Mot	32	3⅞	3⅝	3⅞
Pan Am Airways	16	32	31⅝	31⅞
Panhandle P & R	2	⅞	⅞	⅞
Penney	2	97½	97¼	97½
Phillips Pet	19	45⅝	45¼	45⅝
Plymouth Oil	1	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
Pure Oil	19	16⅝	16¼	16¼
Radio	17	9⅝	9¼	9⅜
Sears	9	89½	89	89½
Socony Vac	20	12¼	12⅛	12⅛
Sou Pac	45	24¼	23⅞	23⅞
S O Cal	26	37⅞	37½	37⅝
S O Ind	8	33⅛	32⅞	32⅞
S O N J	35	54	53⅝	54
Tex Co	11	49¼	49	49¼
Tex Gulf Prod	3	5	4⅞	4⅞
Tex Gulf Sulph	7	34⅝	34	34⅜
Tex Pac C & O	4	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛
Tide Wat A Oil	12	13⅝	13½	13½
Twent C-Fox F	12	22	21⅞	21⅞
U S Rubber	34	43⅜	42⅞	42⅞
U S Steel	32	51	50⅜	50⅞
W U Tel A	7	43	42⅝	43
Wilson Co	5	8	8	8

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FORT WORTH GRAIN

FORT WORTH, Dec. 27—(AP)—Wheat No. 1 hard 1.69⅜-74⅜.

Barley at northern shipping point ceiling price, plus freight.

Sorghums No. 2 yellow milo or No. 2 white kafir at Fort Worth ceiling of nom. 2.40.

Corn, shelled, at northern shipping point ceiling prices plus freight.

Oats No. 3 white nom 93½-94½; No. 1 feed 93½-94½.

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CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 (AP) — Buying which came mainly from commission houses with eastern and northwestern connections pushed wheat prices up more than a cent today. Although the market was quiet for most of the session, the burst of buying around noon resulted in considerable activity.

At the close wheat was 1⅛-1¾ higher, May $1.66⅞-¾, oats were ⅝-⅝ lower, May 78¾, rye was ahead ¾-1 cent, hay $1.26⅛-¼, and barley was unchanged, July $1.19⅞.

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CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE

Hay	1.67	1.65¾	1.66⅞-¾
July	1.65⅛	1.63⅝	1.64⅞
Sept.	1.64⅜	1.62⅞	1.64

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FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH, Dec. 27—(AP)—Cattle 1,200; calves 600; steady to strong; good to choice steers and yearlings 13.25-14.25; common to medium steers and yearlings 8.50-12.50; cull yearlings downward to 6.50; beef cows 8.00-9.50; good fat calves 11.00-12.00; common and medium grades 7.50-10.75; stocker steer calves 8.00-11.75; heifer calves 11.00 down; stocker and feeder steers and yearlings 7.50-11.25.

Hogs 900; steady to 5c higher; good and choice 200-300 lb. butcher hogs 13.55 or 13.65; good 170-190 lb. averages 12.00-13.25; good 140-160 lb. weights 10.00-11.25; packing sows 11.00-50; stocker pigs above 100 ubs. 10.00.

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KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28—(AP)—(WFA)—Hogs 4500; good and choice 200-300 lb. 13.50; 310-350 lbs. 13.25-40; 170-190 lb. 12.50-13.40; 140-160 lb. 11.00-0225; sows 11.50-11.90; few 12.00.

Cattle 8900; calves 600; steers medium and good grade 12.00-14.00; good and choice 15.00-15; good and choice fed heifers; 12.25-14.00; common and medium 9.00-11.50; common and medium cows 8.25-1025; good and choice vealers 13.00-14.00; fleshy 1074-1104 lb feeder steers 13.25; good and choice yearlings 11.00-12.25.

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CHICAGO PRODUCE

CHICAGO, Dec. 28—(AP)—(WFA)—Potatoes, Idaho russet Burbanks US No. 1, 3.10-25; Colorado red McClures US No. 1, 3.50; Nebraska Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, 3.50; Minnesota and North Dakota Bliss Triumphs commercials 2.60-75; Wisconsin round white commercials 2.45; Florida Bliss Triumphs US No. 1,2.50 per 50 lb sack.

BUY BONDS

TIGERS IN BOWL CITY

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28—(AP)—Coach Bernie Moore brought his Louisiana State University Tigers to town Monday and arranged an immediate practice session for the Orange Bowl football game New Year's Day with Texas A. & M.

Basketball Scores

Oklahoma City tournament
Oklahoma A. and M. 66, Texas Tech 31.
Norman (Okla.) Navy 39, Texas Christian 37.
Southwestern (Texas) 34, Rice 33.
Oklahoma 47, Phillips 31.

BUY BONDS

Tulsans Practice At Bay St. Louis

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28. (AP)—Only 80 miles apart, Tulsa university and Georgia Tech continued sharpening their Sugar Bowl football weapons today, the Oklahomans scrimmaging at Bay St. Louis, Miss., and Tech working up to a possible scrimmage tomorrow.

On Tulane's cleat-torn practice field here, Tech's Eddie Prokop fired forward passes at an assortment of receivers, loosening up the thick pitching muscles which did much to make the Rambling Wreck a big football name during regular season.

Said Coach Bill Alexander:

"Come New Year's day and Sugar Bowl time, we hope to play plenty of football. That's about as far as I can go in the way of predicting the outcome of the game."

BUY BONDS

Gains in Winter Wheat Expected

By WILLIAM FERRIS

CHICAGO, Dec. 28. (AP)—Although the winter wheat crop is off to a poor start in the Southwest, crop experts today asserted that in the seven or eight months before completion of the harvest it is possible for a substantial improvement to develop in the outlook.

The department of agriculture, in its first estimate on the 1944 crop, issued last week, said the condition of the crop was 69 per cent of normal compared with 88 per cent in the previous year and 74 per cent for the 10-year (1932-41) average.

Because a much larger average was planted this year than last, the department forecast a 1944 wheat crop of 526,957,000 bushels against 529,606,000 bushels harvested last year. The slight decline was a disappointment in view of the hoped for expansion in production.

Crop experts also stated that there had been some moisture in parts of the Southwest after the government's survey was completed, which would reasonably lead to the assumption that the crop's condition had improved.

Grains were mixed this week. Wheat closed Thursday ⅜ lower to ⅝ higher than last Saturday, oats were ⅛-½ higher, rye was up ⅝-2½ and barley was ⅛ lower to ⅝ higher.

BUY BONDS

Sellers Sworn In As Attorney General

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Dec. 28—(AP)—Business establishments here were to close from 2 to 3 p. m. today for the swearing in of Grover Sellers as attorney general of Texas.

Sellers was an assistant under Attorney General Gerald Mann and was elevated by Gov. Coke Stevenson when Mann resigned. Mann was expected here from Austin and Gov. Stevenson said he would try to be present.

The 8th district courtroom where Sellers once presided was to be the setting for administration of the oath of office by Associate Justice George A. Johnson of the court of civil appeals at Texarkana, where Sellers formerly served as associate justice.

Prof. Sam J. King, 85, who taught Sellers at the old King school here, was to deliver the invocation.

Sellers and his family have been spending the holidays at his dairy farm on the outskirts of Sulphur Springs.

BUY BONDS

The first helicopter pilot's license ever issued in this country was received by Igor I. Sikorsky on May 20, 1940.

Cards Place Three Hurlers At Top Of ERA

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—(AP)—One club — the St. Louis Cardinals — placed three pitchers at the head of the earned run averages for 1943, the first time the trick has been turned in the 32 years the E-R-A has been a part of the National League mound statistics.

Mort Cooper of the Cards, Rip Sewell of the Pittsburgh Pirates, and Elmer Riddle of Cincinnati each won 21 games to lead in that department but the stinginess of the Cardinal trio dominated the league, the offical averages released today reveal.

Howie Pollet, who left the club in mid-summer to do his flinging for Uncle Sam, was the most miserly. He allowed only 1.75 earned runs for each nine-inning stint on the hill. Next came Max Lanier with 1.90 and Cooper with 2.30.

To make St. Louis' domination even more complete, the other Cardinal hurlers—Alpha Brazle and Harry Breechen—were the leaders among the club when Pollet entered the service, allowed only 1.53 earned runs in nine innings and Breechen 2.27.

Lumping all the pitchers into one group, the Cardinals grabbed the first five places—another top record. Cooper is the only right-hander in the quintet.

While the Cardinals topped the field under the E-R-A standard and Cooper, Sewll and Riddle won the most games, Whitlow Wyatt of the Brooklyn Dodgers finished the year with the highest percentage—.737 for his 14 triumphs and five setbacks.

The campaign's close interrupted a 10-game winning streak for the silent, scholarly member of the Dodger staff.

Two other records were established during the season, both going into the book to the credit of Ace Adams of the New York Giants. He appeared in 70 games to wipe out his own mark of 61 which was set in 1942 and finished 52 games to break the standard of 49 he set up the year before.

Sewell, whose perfection of the nothing-ball pitch shot his won-lost mark to 21-9 from 17-15 in 1942, hurled 25 complete games for the tops in that department.

Johnny Vander Meer, Cincinnati southpaw started 36 games, gave 162 bases on balls and fanned 174 for the crowns in those divisions. He has led the league in strike-outs for three straight seasons.

Hi Bithorn of the Chicago Cubs had seven shutouts and Al Javery of Boston was the work-horse of the league with 303 innings pitched. The latter also faced the most batters, 1,236; allowed the most hits, 288; gave up the most runs, 130, and the most earned runs, 106.

Javery's teammate, Nate Andrews, was the losingest hurler with 20 setbacks.

BUY BONDS

Wheless' Co-Pilot Is Reported Safe

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 28—(AP)—Christmas was truly a joyous occasion for Mrs. Mildred Teborek, wife of Lt. Ray Teborek, 26, of Cicero, Ill., Flying Fortress co-pilot who was reported missing in action Feb. 24, 1942, after the fall of Java.

She disclosed today that she had received a message from him recently, saying he had just arrived at an unstated destination from a Japanese prison camp near Moulmein, Burma.

Teborek was co-pilot with Capt. Hewitt Wheless, of Menard, Texas, whose exploit in piloting a crippled Flying Fortress that fought off 18 enemy planes during a Philippines bombing mission was eulogized by President Roosevelt in a broadcast April, 1942.

Mrs. Teborek, a former army nurse who met the flier when he was on duty with the famed 19th bombardment group at March Field before the war, said he flew with Wheless constantly when the unit was transferred at Albuquerque, N. M., and then ordered to the Philippines in October 1941. Teborek remained in Java when Wheless was sent to Australia.

In the postal card just received, Teborek wrote that 20,000 Australian, Dutch, English and American prisoners were quartered "in very plain huts" in the Burma camp.

BUY BONDS

Pampan Studies How To Remove Mines

Special To The NEWS.

HEADQUARTERS, European Theater of Operations—Land mines and booby traps—their construction, detection and safe removal—were objects of intensive study by a group of United States soldiers selected to attend a special course recently at the American school center somewhere in England.

Learning this highly specialized aspect of modern warfare from men who have had actual battle experience with such devices, the students were thus prepared to play vital roles in both offensive and defensive phases of the coming attack on the "Fortress of Europe."

Students in the course included Corporal Forrest B. Smith, Jr., 20, 414 W. Francis, Pampa.

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Nice Mess



"Not bad," said Col. Paul E. Howe, above, as he sampled meat and vegetable stew from cold "C" rations at Colli, Italy. Nutrition chief of surgeon general's office, he's on inspection tour of Army messes.

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—(AP)—That constant moaning you hear in the background these winter days isn't an echo of the big wind in Ireland, it's merely baseball magnates talking about the manpower prospects for next season. . . . Recently the Reds' Warren Giles pointed out that "the chief worry of major league baseball is player strength." . . . And Brooklyn's Branch Rickey tearfully praised the Giants for their "gameness" in making a few deals. . . . He and most of the other big league bosses Branch said, were "forced" to stand pat because there was no guarantee that the players they might get would be available next summer. . . . Rickey went on to point out that clubs with plenty of reserves could stand losses better, so it seems from here that there ought to be a heck of a lot of bartering right now with the teams that are short on manpower trying to build up their "stock piles." . . . Instead, it's the dullest trading season in years.

BUCK SAVES BUCKS

When Referee Buck Davis stepped on the floor and blew the whistle to open the basketball season in Helena, Mont., there were more than a few pop-eyed fans in the stands. . . . Because Buck was garbed in the regulation striped shirt, gym shoes—and tuxedo trousers — Davis insisted that he wasn't absent-minded—nor even a social climber—it was just that regulation black slacks for refs cost $12 and tux pants only $8.50.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Kenneth Jones, Peoria (Ill.) Journal-Transcript: "We haven't seen everything yet. We'll have to wait and see Buck Newsom trying to be dignified with Connie Mack."

ROUND TRIP

Sportscaster Steve Ellis worked his way through Miami University by managing a couple of boxers. . . . To plug his plugs, Steve used to go on the air waves with them and he made such a hit he was hired as a radio announcer. . . . Ellis promptly sold his stable of four fighters for $2,000, forgot his law education and went to work talking. . . . But the other day, Steve went right back where he started when he was hired to understudy Don Dunphy as a fight announcer—the difference being a lot more dough than he ever earned as a manager—and better fighters.

SERVICE DEPT.

Pvt. Luke Appling, the American League batting champ, claims it cost him $150 to be inducted into the army. Luke's home is in Georgia, but he didn't ask to have his papers transferred from Chicago at the end of the season so he spent the $150 on train fare, hotels and meals to reach Fort Sheridan, Ill.

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A Suggestion To Mr. Worley

A congressman always is on the spot when it comes to delving into the bag of his constituents back home and picking out a name to recommend for an appointment.

However, it should not be too difficult for Rep. Eugene Worley to recommend in the current case of the postmaster appointment in Pampa.

Inasmuch as it was a bit trying for Mr. Worley to choose from among the 11 original applicants he decided to let the civil service commission narrow the field by holding an examination for the job.

That has been done now and three names have been certified with a rating on their grades.

All three are good men, but just to make it easy for Mr. Worley we suggest that he let the civil service commission grades decide the issue.

It is almost certain that the sporting instincts of the other two men on the eligible list would cause them to find no fault with the appointment of a man who received a higher grade than either of them.

So, it would appear very simple to recommend appointment of the candidate with the highest grade and forget about other considerations, if any.

—BUY BONDS—

Pari-Mutuels

Notwithstanding the urgent need for new tax sources, Congress once more has decided against taxing parimutuels. Apparently it is felt that they are taxed heavily enough already, and that an increase would drive betting underground.

No such compunction has prevented continual increases in taxes on liquors, which have a long sad record of bootlegging and gangsterism connected with their underground operations.

For the moment, the consistency of the decision evades us.

—BUY BONDS—

Biddle Aroused

Attorney-General Biddle is angry because Governor Dewey of New York charges the federal government with protecting Louis (Lepke) Buchalter against hanging for murder.

Well, if Mr. Biddle is aroused, he has only to follow the traditional procedure and have the President grant Lepke a pardon for narcotics dealings, conditional upon New York's hanging Lekpe and revocable if New York does not go through with the hanging.

That would settle the matter, once and for all.

—BUY BONDS—

The Nation's Press

WORK SHARING FALLACY
(The New York Sun)

A thirty-hour week is included in some proposals for sharing work after the war to prevent national unemployment. Revival of the fallacy that depression can be prevented by limiting hours of labor may be expected. In the adoption of any policy restricting a working day to six hours the tendency is first to push through Federal legislation to that end, and then pass similar acts in Legislatures covering state-confined trades and occupations. The ultimate result is not to increase the national income, or the number of available jobs, but to impose a blanketing and costly limitation on employers generally, with consequences that would be injurious to labor.

Obviously the amount of labor in working hours that goes into an automobile, for example, is markedly different from the labor that goes into a suit of clothing, or into the building and painting of a house. The notion that a rigid national thirty-hour week will, by some magic, make jobs regardless of differences in the market, the prices and the profits of commodities is absurd. Yet at its annual convention in Newark, which closed on Sunday, the New Jersey State Industrial Council of C.I.O. resolved to open a drive for a six-hour day.

—BUY BONDS—

ONE MAN'S LIFE
(Boston Herald)

Release of Coast Guardsman Clifford Johnson from the Boston City hospital after nearly a year of treatment for burns received in the Cocoanut Grove disaster means something more than the final escape from death of a single man. Experimental treatments received by Johnson have been followed with extreme interest by the medical profession all over the country. What was learned in this case will be applied to the saving of other lives.

Mr. Johnson suffered injuries from which no person could have recovered a few years ago. Sixty-five per cent of his body was seared and blistered. Without modern treatment, he would have had to be given up as a hopeless case. But sulfa drugs have been developed within the last decade. New ways of applying human albumin, triple aniline dyes, and amina acids have been devised. Even other victims of the night club fire contributed to Johnson's continuing recovery thru their reactions to new treatments.

Important tho all these elements undoubtedly are, a further quantity of human determination and patience was necessary. The doctors and nurses who worked over this young coast guard recruit against mighty odds supplied it in good full measure and there was the further addition of his own will to live. In this slow, patient battle against death on the home front, we have one more example of how mankind may pull together and a fruitful indication of further progress in medical science.

Common Ground

By R. C. HOILES

"I speak the pass-word primeval. I give the sign of democracy. By God! I will accept tarpart of us the same terms."
"Nothing which all cannot have their counterpart of us the same terms."
—WALT WHITMAN.

Gasoline Shortage

Of course gasoline will get scarcer and scarcer. Every man who knows anything about production knows that when a price is set at less than the cost of reproduction, people will get only what has already been produced or in the process of production. They will get no new production.

And the administration has refused for months and months to permit the price of crude oil to be raised. The result is very little new drilling and hundreds and hundreds of high cost wells, known as stripper wells, being closed down.

What good does it do to keep the price of gasoline or anything else down if you cannot buy it? So when you run out of gasoline and the service station cannot supply you with even your meager coupon amount, you can lay it to President Roosevelt and his bureaucrats.

It will be remembered that Roosevelt in his second inaugural address said that the businessman had now met his master. The businessman cannot be held responsible for reduced production when the government is master over industry and arbitrarily sets selling prices at less than cost.

If they want complete government ownership that is one sure way to bring it about; set prices on commodities at less than cost so that they cannot be produced by private enterprise, and then the government will go in and produce them for much higher cost in labor and sacrifice than would have been the case had the government permitted the law of supply and demand to be the guide as to what people wanted produced.

And remember that when prices are not the guide as to what people want; that is, when the people themselves are not boss of production by telling the producers what they will pay; then the bureaucrats in Washington without experience will be the boss and the director of what is to be produced.

And also remember they always make their decisions not in the interest of the consumer but in the interest of the voter. The most stupid person's vote counts just as much with the bureaucrat as the vote of the man who knows his business and knows how to reduce the cost of living and increase real wages.

Yes, gasoline will get more and more scarce so long as we permit Roosevelt to be the master of industry as he proclaime himself to be.

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Roosevelt Thinks Himself a Realist

An Associated Press report quotes Roosevelt as saying, when asked what kind of a man Stalin was, that he thought he was much like himself—the realist type.

Yes, both Stalin and Roosevelt are "realists" when it comes to grabbing power and directing the lives of others against their will. If Roosevelt really thinks he is a realist, that is, a man who puts himself in harmony with natural laws, he has much to learn. His realism seems to be that we can borrow ourselves rich, that we can have more by reducing production, that bank credit is wealth, that we can fix prices and still maintain production.

If there was ever a non-realist, ever a dreamer in public office, ever a man who is raising the cost of living rather than realistically reducing it, it is President Roosevelt. That is so unless realism means bribing and corrupting the voters in order to keep oneself in power. If that be realism, Roosevelt is a realist.

FRANKFURTERISM
(Fort Wayne Ind. News Sentinel)

There can be little success for any effort to dispute the statement made, the other day, by the Number One political commentator of the newspaper having the largest circulation in Washington, D. C., that "No judge of the supposedly remote and unruffled Supreme Court of the United States has ever before been even partially involved in so much political activity and influence as Mr. Justice Felix Frankfurter is today." And it may not be a mere coincidence that Austria (where Mr. Justice Frankfurter was born) is "the only Nazi-trampled nation which was promised, at the recent Moscow conference, that it would be restored after the war." Certainly on the domestic New Deal front, the "hot dog boys" (as Frankfurter's proteges are familiarly known) have been well taken care of politically. They include Tom Corcoran, Ben Cohen, Dean Acheson, and literally hundreds of lesser lights. Soon after Frankfurter's graduation from Harvard, he went to work for one Henry L. Stimson, then New York District Attorney and now Secretary of War. And later, as the Washington political analyst points out: "A swarm of Frankfurter products moved in behind Stimson (as Secretary of War) until today the whole top organization of the greatest army in American history is Frankfurterized . . . The country knows about these various instance of Frankfurterism. The country knows about them and fears them. It fears Frankfurter. That's one big reason why this November's elections were a Republican clean-sweep—and will be again next year."

—BUY BONDS—

There can be no security, economic or military, until Japan is as thoroughly defeated as Germany.—Marshal Viscount Wavell, India viceroy.

One World



News Behind The News
The National Whirligig

By ROY TUCKER

IMPROVEMENTS — War planes are rolling off the assembly lines so rapidly these days that the figures are almost unbelievable. The present production rate will soon make possible the around-the-clock 360-degree pounding of Festung Europa promised by General Henry H. Arnold.

Recent relaxation of censorship restrictions permits publication of optimistic data hitherto withheld:

In seven West Coast plants new and improved fighting machines are coming from the factories at the rate of almost one hundred a day or one for every 15 minutes of continuous operation.

Construction speed-up is chiefly responsible. Prior to Dec. 7, 1941, the building of a four-engine bomber required the work of 70 men during an entire year. Today 17 men can do the same job.

In the short month of November these companies turned out two thousand five hundred eighty-one planes, while the record for October was only two thousand four hundred ninety-six. The goal for January is three thousand. Of the November output, six hundred were the "superdooper" bomber type.

These records have been achieved despite changes made in designs to increase maneuverability, speed and fire power and to strengthen defensive armor. The improvements were incorporated as a result of lessons learned during intensive attacks on Germany and France by Lieutenant General Ira C. Eaker's Eigth Air Force and the RAF.

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TOLL—The major obstacle to still greater aircraft output is turnover of personnel. Despite the efforts and promises of War Manpower Chairman Paul V. McNutt and of Bernard M. Baruch, this key problem has not been licked.

Factories have made the materials, the equipment, the engineering staff and the know-how. But they cannot keep people on the job. In this respect government, management and the unions have failed utterly.

A successful solition, it is estimated, would boost the current monthly production of around eighty-five hundred to twelve thousand or more.

Twenty thousand employes quit every 30 days. As a consequence, the man hours lost in the last 11 months reached a total which would have been sufficient to build more than two thousand Flying Fortresses—a greater number, perhaps, than we have in any single theater at the present moment.

The financial toll is terrific. It costs an average of two hundred dollars to train a single aircraft worker.

Thus, at the present rate of turnover, the dollar and cents depletion for 1943 is placed at forty-eight million dollars. Since it requires about seventy-five thousand dollars to make a fighter plane, the number of P-38's, Mustangs and Thunderbolts which will be sent against the enemy this winter will be six hundred forty less than it should be.

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ATTACKS—Southern congressmen may not press their demand for removal of Joseph F. Guffey as chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign committee. They had clamored for his scalp after his charge that the original soldiers' vote bill was sabotaged by an "unholy alliance of Southern senators and Northern Republicans."

On second thought they believe it might be smarter, politically, to allow the unpopular Pennsylvanian to retain his post; it will be more of a handicap to administration candidates if he remains than it would be if a more attractive figure were substituted. And they do not conceal their dislike of the White House group that gave Joe his first chance to get on the senate pay roll.

The new strategy may place F. D. R. in an embarrassing position. It might force him to call in his old friend and original supporter and suggest gently that he submit his resignation.

It is doubtful if any member of the upper chamber has ever been held in lower esteem by his colleagues than the erstwhile oil man from Pittsburgh. Some of the remarks regarding his earlier career would have been libelous if delivered elsewhere than from the privileged senate floor. One critic did not even call him "Mister:" he referred to the Key State politico simply as "Guffey."

Although these attacks exceeded the limits of parliamentary decorum, their authors were not called to order by the chair. No one objected, and on one rose to defend the victim. Nor did Mr. Guffey attempt to explain or justify his own explosive statement.

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HOSPITALITY—The Waves, Wacs and Spars stationed around the capital are discovering that they are not particularly popular with the local townspeople. For many this festive season was the most lonesome period of their lives.

While servicemen were swamped with invitations to private dinners, cocktail parties and dances, attractive girls in the services were given the cold shoulder except for official affairs. The neglect, however, does not appear to have been personal. There are about three times as many women as men in Washington these days, and the competition for uniformed escorts is keen.

An interesting phase of the report made by hospitality centers was the indication that privates and noncons were in far greater demand than officers. Folks seemed to think that since lieutenants and captains could afford to pay for their own celebrations the rank and file should get the better break.

—BUY BONDS—

So They Say

Big Allied invasion armies in Britain, Corsica, Sicily and other countries are ready for action, and it appears the Allies are making large-scale preparations for launching an invasion.—Turkish press.

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The other night several of my buddies were awakened by the mosquitoes walking around on their chests and turning over their "dog tags"—to find out what type of blood they had.—Seebee Fred Kuntz in South Pacific.

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In effect, private enterprise has been eclipsed (in Germany). The means of production have been controlled as thoroughly and effectively as if they had been owned and operated by the government. Total regulation has done a job equivalent to nationalizing.—Brookings Institution survey of German industry.

Around Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

This business of being discovered by Hollywood, Majorie Reynolds observed today, is rather embarrassing. Marjorie, you see, gets discovered just about every 20 reels. It's been going on, in fact, ever since she was a baby. Last season Hollywood discovered her as a dancer and she drew Fred Astaire, no less, as a partner in "Holiday Inn."

A few months ago Hollywood discovered Marjorie as a dramatic actress, and cast her with a Viennese accent in a heavy melodrama, "Ministry of Fear."

Couple of weeks ago Producer Edward Small discovered her as a comedienne. Now she's making with comedy in the film version of the 1920 stage farce, "Up in Mable's Room."

Marjorie sighed.

"It's nice, sure," she said. "Keeps me busy. And I like to work. But it's all rather embarrassing. People are forever coming up to me and saying, 'So you've been discovered AGAIN.' Makes me feel kind of silly."

Marporie Reynolds was only four when Hollywood discovered her the first time. That was as Viola Dana's daughter in the silent hit, "Scaramouche." She sat on Ramon Novarro's knee and movie-makers hailed her as a new child star.

For a couple of years a motion picture wasn't complete without little Marjorie. Then old age sneaked up on her and, at 12, she retired. Hollywood discovered her again when she was 15. She played the ingenue lead with the late Lew Cody in "Wine, Women and Song."

"I don't know what happened but that finished me as an actress," she said. "So for a couple of years I danced in the chorus at Paramount studio. Then Hollywood discovered me again—as a western heroine."

HORSE OPERA HEROINE

Marjorie guesses she appeared in 100 or more inexpensibe epics of the wide open spaces. Looking back, she says it was great experience. "But it wasn't always fun," she said. She particularly remembers the getting up at 3 a. m. to be on location by sunrise, the location trips to the High Sierras in busses, making herself up beside wood stoves, and one producer who found it convenient to save money by shooting two pictures simultaneously.

"The cowboys would ride one way in front of the camera, then change shirts and ride the other way," she said. "Both pictures had the same hero, heroine and villain—in different clothes."

Anyway, word got around that Marjorie was developing into a very good actress, and sure enough she was discovered again. This time Monogram studio took her off the range and put her into a big town newspaper office as a wise-cracking girl reporter in a detective series.

As usual, she said, there was a big hullabaloo about her "discovery." All this was repeated a few months later when Dance Director Danny Dare, needing a dancing partner for Astaire in "Holiday Inn," remembered the little blond who once danced in the Paramount Chorus.

YET TO BE DISCOVERED

Marjorie and husband Jack Reynolds, a film production expert before he became a lieutenant in the Army, got quite a chuckle over Paramount's ballyhoo. "You'd think," she said, "that I never saw a motion picture camera before." Incidentally, Marjorie is the only actress we know who took the name of her husband for a stage name. She was Marjorie Moore before her marriage.

For a girl who has been "discovered" so often, you'd think Marjorie would be a little weary of it all. As she says, it is embarrassing. But now she'd like to be "discovered" as a toe dancer and play the role of Marilyn Miller in the filmbiography Warner Bros. are planning.

"I've been a toe dancer for 17 years," she said, "but Hollywood still hasn't discovered that."

—BUY BONDS—

Office Cat . . .

Visitor—And what do you think of the modern girls, Uncle Eli?

Uncle Eli—Well, to be truthful, I gave up thinking about girls nigh onto two years ago. You see, I'm nearly 100 years old.

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And then there is that story of the exasperated college professor. His class seemed unusually dumb. Nothing he said seemed to shake them out of it. Finally the time came to end the session.

Professor—Now students, it is time for you to leave. And please do not flap your ears or bray as you go out.

—BUY BONDS—

August totaled 7,700 planes, and experts confidently expect that the total will reach well over 8,000 planes per month within a short time.

DR. FOSDICK'S 'ON BEING A REAL PERSON'

The Best and Worst Spring From The Use of Our Imagination

Anxious fear always involves the misuse of the imagination. Even when fear is physically induced, as in delirium tremens, its terrifying power lies in imaginative pictures that occupy the mind. Anxiety as humans experience it is possible only to a highly developed organism endowed with the gift of fantasy.

Animals suffer cruelly, but they do not, so far as we can tell, lie awake at night picturing difficulties that make them panicky about tomorrow. Such apprehensive dread is a tribute to one of man's supreme endowments—imagination.

Upon this endowment all inventive progress depends, for whatever man creates he first imagines; upon it all ethical life depends, for the beginning of serious goodness lies in a man's imagining himself in another person's place; upon it all spiritual wealth and development depend, for no values ever vitally belong to us until they have captured our imagination. It is equally true, that upon this endowment all ruinous anxiety depends.

The best and the worst in human life spring from our use of this faculty.

Our picture-making capacity can fill our minds with visual images of disaster, possible and impossible, until many of us spend our lives bearing troubles, most of which never happen. From hypochondriacs, exhibiting infinite ingenuity in imagining their various ills, to families whose habitual anxieties about one another range over the whole field of credible and incredible possibilities, such misuse of imagination curses daily life. As another put it, "An imaginary worry may be unreal, but a worried imagination is very real."

The clear recognition of the fact that we ourselves are creating this disaster in ourselves by the misuse of one of our noblest faculties can be, in many cases, a long step out toward freedom.

For one thing, most of us can exercise a considerable measure of control over our imaginations. To be sure, visual images rise unbidden, but all chronic worriers can, if they will, recognize the pet reels of moving pictures which they habitually run through their minds to stimulate anxiety.

A cowboy, enraged at the villain in a cinema, began shooting at the screen where the figures moved instead of at the projector where they originated. So we, tormented by the creatures of our imagination, center our attention on the mental screen where their visual procession moves rather than on the inner faculty where we ourselves project these obsessive and abhorred, yet self-created fantasies.

One of the sovereign cures for un healthy fears is action. Dr. Henry C. Link gives this illustration of a mother of six children;

"As a young woman I was troubled with the fear of insanity. After the birth of our first child, these fears persisted. We soon had another child and ended up by having six. I had to to all my own work. Whenever I started to worry about myself the baby would cry. Or the children would quarrel. Or I would suddenly remember it was time to start dinner, or that I must run out and take in the wash before it rained, or that the ironing had to be done. My fears were being continually interrupted by worries about my family, most of which were fears into which I had to put my back. Gradually my fears about myself disappeared, and now I look back on them with amusement."

This furnishes one explanation of the prevalence of nervous and emotional ills among prosperous and leisurely people. They have time to sit around, feeding their imaginations. In wartime they can listen over the radio to every news broadcast and commentator until, unlike a healthy soldier who is in the thick of affairs and who has a job to do that he must practically tackle, they welter in the whole world's worries, become morbidly distraught over dangers concerning which they do nothing practical, and end by adding to mankind's general hysteria without contributing any useful service. In ordinary peacetime such people are the prey of endless imaginary woes, so that it is commonly true that those worry most who have least to worry about.

War Today

By WILLIAM FRYE
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The confident prediction of General Eisenhower that Germany will be smashed in 1944 startled military circles accustomed to speak much more cautiously of coming events, and brought the usual—almost habitual — warning against over-optimism.

That preoccupation with the idea that the nation is "complacent" or apt to become so seems to stem from a fear that the public, necessarily aware that preparations are nearly completed for the final all-out assault on the Nazis, is not equally aware that the cost in lives may be staggering.

Nevertheless, the confidence in early victory over the Germans persists, not only among the public, but in official circles also. A year of consistent victory, even if most of it was in effect jockeying for position, has fed it, and recent official statements as well as the news from the war zones have confirmed the expectation.

Thus Eisenhower's statement at a farewell press conference in Algiers put in words that observers had deduced from the announcements after the Cairo and Teheran conferences, from the president's Christmas eve address, from the rapidity with which the invasion command is taking shape, from the spectacular advances of the Red army in its two rolling winter offensives, from the furious pace of the air war against Europe from Britain: the Allied high command expects the war in Europe to end next year.

But it does not expect that victory to come cheaply. The accumulation of huge striking forces for the invasion is cause for confidence, but it is also prima facie evidence that the command expects huge forces to be necessary. Casualties may be very high, particularly in the early phases—Tarawa was an indication of how costly amphibious assaults on fortified positions can be. And once the invasion is begun, enormous quantities of supplies will be needed in a constant and increasing flow to keep it moving until the last shot is fired.

The officials can hardly tell the Allied public the details of what they think might happen without informing the enemy of what they plan to do.

Leaving aside the battlefront news, from which anyone can form his own conclusions, the official statements sometimes seem to be based on a check-and-balance plan. An official on Wednesday openly tries to jolt public complacency by predicting a three-fold rise in casualties in 90 days and on Friday the president expresses certainty of victory—"though the cost may be high and the time may be long." On Minday, Eisenhower says flatly the time will not be more than a year, and Secretary Hull promptly warns the public that too much optimism will retard victory.

In all likelihood, the warnings will continue until Japan also is defeated as officials try to fix the fine line between confidence and over-confidence. They want the one, but abhor the other.

—BUY BONDS—

Americas Study Bolivia Set-Up

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 — (AP) — Secretary of State Hull has informed the Inter-American advisory committee for political defense that the United States "wholeheartedly approved" the committee's resolution not to recognize any American government set up by force without prior consultation among the American republics.

Hull disclosed that the resolution had been sent by the committee, functioning in Montevideo, to all the American republics except Argentina and Bolivia.

NORTH AMERICAN ANIMAL

HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured animal
5 Slackening of blood circulation
11 Father
13 Anger
14 Suited to a trade
16 Mineral rock
17 Leguminous plant
18 Wood sorrel
19 Any
20 Touch lightly
21 Unit of light
23 Like
24 Not good
25 Exclamation
27 Clutched
29 Snake
31 Sun god
33 Negative
34 They are found in U. S. national
36 Eft
38 East Indies (abbr.)
39 Fifth month
40 Expression of surprise
42 Sailor
45 Part of body
46 Upon
47 Chief
49 Boat rig
52 Reverential fear
53 Idol worshipers
55 Paradise
56 From
57 Concede
58 Greatest in number

VERTICAL

1 Spike
2 Merit
3 Grow old
4 Music note
5 Pace
6 Five and five
7 Perform on stage
8 Vessel
9 Secretly
10 Solomon Islands
11 South American rodent
12 One of their habitats is
15 Company (abbr.)
17 Boy
20 Child
22 Steal
24 Bellow
26 They like
28 Period of time
29 Near
30 Cut grass
32 We
34 Calm
35 Knapsack
36 Short sleep
37 Grasping
39 Male
41 Conceal
43 Exclamation of sorrow
44 Rodents
45 For fear that
46 Is in debt
48 Perform
50 Golf peg
51 Sea eagle
52 Bustle
54 Los Angeles (abbr.)
55 Type measure

Answer to Previous Puzzle



Peter Edson's Column:
ABOUT THAT CIVILIAN AUTO OUTLOOK FOR '44

By PETER EDSON
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The shortage of spare parts and the difficulty of obtaining repairs on passenger automobiles are getting seriouser and seriouser, but civilian auto transportation isn't at the breakdown point yet. This is the conclusion obtained from a nation-wide consumer repirements survey just completed by the Office of Civilian Requirements division of the War Production Board. It is the first definite information on this subject to having been based on guesswork or spotty local checks. This OCR survey was a scientific sampling of 4,937 families in 68 communities of 120 counties, conducted during the second week of November by the U. S. Census Bureau in the most advanced poll-taking technique, making it as accurate as any such survey can be. The information it contains will be used in figuring what to do about civilian shortages in the coming year.

The survey showed the parts and repair situation to be worst in the far west, easiest in the east.

On the average civilian's experience in trying to obtain services, difficulty in obtaining auto repair work was the sixth most frequently reported, being exceeded only by difficulty in obtaining shoe repair, dry cleaning, laundry service, radio repair and watch and clock repair. Trouble in obtaining tire recapping service was reported tenth on the list and difficulty in obtaining tube repair was thirteenth.

SCIENTIFIC SAMPLING

Numerically, of 4,937 families checked by the poll-takers, 930 reported having tried to get service within the previous two months. Of these, 351 reported no trouble, 517 reported trouble in obtaining service and 62 reported trouble in obtaining spare parts. So scientific a sampling is this survey that the poll-takers believe it will give an accurate national picture of the auto repair situation if each of these numbers is multiplied by a factor of 7,400, since one family out of approximately every 7,400 families in the entire nation was interviewed for this survey.

Carrying out this calculation, the Office of Civilian Requirements comes up with the finding that in the survey period, 6.8 million auto owners tried to get service, 2.5 million got it all right, and 4.3 million had trouble.

Project those figures on the total number of passenger cars supposed to be still running and maybe it will give an idea of how serious this is.

At the beginning of the war there were 28 million cars on the road. Today, 24.5 million cars are supposed to be in service, 2.5 million having been scrapped and a million cars having been stored. And if 4.3 million of the car owners are having difficulty in getting repairs, that's more than one car out of every six. Degree of trouble is of course not indicated. It may be a forced wait to get a grease job, and therefore unimportant.

But these delays can easily become important, later. Of the 24.5 million cars on the road, 15 million are now over seven years old, which is a good long life for any jallopy. Office of Defense Transportation estimates there will be a million fewer cars on the road this time next year than there are today.

STOCKPILE DOWN

They could be replaced by forcing the million cars out of storage. The stockpile of new autos, being held for rationing to essential users such as doctors and police, is now down to between 30,000 and 40,000. When they're gone, the only hope for replacement would be to force sales by the estimated 4.5 million non-essential drivers still operating cars. The minimum number of autos needed for essential transportation of war workers is estimated at 20 million.

American Automobile Association reports it had 31 million road service calls in 1941 and 38 million calls in 1942. For 1943 it estimates the calls will number 40 million and will be up in 1944.

The Haunted Man
or, The Ghost's Bargain

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CHAPTER XX

IN the few moments that elapsed while Milly silently took him to the gate, the Chemist dropped into his chair, and covered his face with his hands. Seeing him thus, when she came back, accompanied by her husband and his father, she avoided disturbing him, or permitting him to be disturbed.

"That's what I always say, father!" exclaimed her admiring husband. "There's a motherly feeling in Mrs. William's breast that must and will have went!"

"Ay, ay," said the old man; "you're right. My son William's right!"

"It happens all for the best, Milly dear, no doubt," said Mr. William, tenderly, "that we have no children of our own; and yet I sometimes wish you had one to love and cherish. Our little dead child that you built such hopes upon, and that never breathed the breath of life—it has made you quiet-like, Milly."

"I am very happy in the recollection of it, William dear," she answered. "I think of it every day."

"I was afraid you thought of it a good deal."

"Don't say afraid; it is a comfort to me; it speaks to me in so many ways."

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REDLAW raised his head, and looked towards her.

"All through life, it seems by me," she continued, "to tell me something. For poor neglected children, my little child pleads as if it were alive, and had a voice I knew, with which to speak to me. Even in age and gray hair, such as father's, it is present; saying that it too might have lived to be old, long and long after you and I were gone, and to have needed the respect and love of younger people."

Redlaw fell upon his knees, with a loud cry.

"O Thou," he said, "who through the teaching of pure love, hast graciously restored me to the memory which was the memory of Christ upon the Cross, and of all the good who perished in His cause, receive my thanks, and bless her!"

Then, he folded her to his heart; and Milly, sobbing more than ever, cried, as she laughed, "He is come back to himself!"

Then, the student entered, leading by the hand a lovely girl, who was afraid to come. And Redlaw so changed towards him, seeing in him and his youthful choice the softened shadow of that chastening passage in his own life, entreated them to be his children.

Then, as Christmas is a time in which, of all times in the year, the memory of every remediable sorrow, wrong, and trouble in the world around us, should be active with us, not less than our own experiences, for all good, he laid his hand upon the boy, and, silently calling Him to witness who laid His hand on children in old time, vowed to protect him, teach him, and reclaim him.

Then, he gave his right hand cheerily to Philip, and said that they would that day hold a Christmas dinner in what used to be their great Dinner Hall; and that they would bid to it as many of that Swidger family, who, his son had told him, were so numerous that they might join hands and make a ring round England, as could be brought together on so short a notice.

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AND it was that day done. There were so many Swidgers there, grown up and children, that an attempt to state them in round numbers might engender doubts, in the distrustful, of the veracity of this history. There, present at the dinner, too, were the Tetterbys.

It was sad to see the child who had no name or lineage, watching the other children as they played, not knowing how to talk with them, or sport with them, and more strange to the ways of childhood than a rough dog. But he kept by Milly, and began to love her, and, as they all liked her dearly, they were glad of that.

All this, the Chemist, sitting with the student and his bride that was to be, and Philip, and the rest, saw.

Some people have said since, that he only thought what has been herein set down; others, that he read it in the fire, one winter night about the twilight time; others, that the Ghost was but the representation of his gloomy thoughts, and Milly the embodiment of his better wisdom. I say nothing.

—Except this. That as they were assembled in the old Hall, by no other light than that of a great fire (having dined early), the shadows once more stole out of their hiding-places, and danced about the room, showing the children marvelous shapes and faces on the walls, and gradually changing what was real and familiar there, to what was wild and magical. But that there was one thing in the Hall, to which the eyes of Redlaw, and of Milly and her husband, and of the old man, and of the student, and his bride that was to be, were often turned, which the shadows did not obscure or change. Deepened in its gravity by the firelight, and gazing from the darkness of the panelled wall like life, the sedate face in the portrait, with the beard and ruff, looked down at them from under its verdant wreath of holly, as they looked up at it; and, clear and plain below, as if a voice had uttered them, were the words,

Lord, keep my Memory Green

THE END