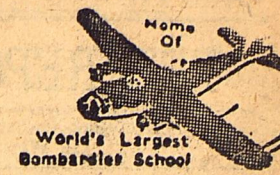




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PACIFIC NAVAL BATTLE RAGES

House-To-House Battle Rages As Artillery Supported Doughboys Drive Into Cherbourg

English Oust Last Nazi From Perugia

By LYNN HEINZLING

ROME—(AP)—Eighth Army veterans have hurled the last stubborn Nazi defenders out of ancient Perugia, communications hub 85 miles north of Rome, and advanced some four miles north of the city, Allied headquarters said Wednesday.

The Allied drive still was in steady motion although the Germans had thrown the elements of seven divisions

Midland County Fifth War Loan Bond Sales Lag

Midland County made slight progress Tuesday toward meeting its quota in the Fifth War Loan campaign.

Percentage of the quota attained advanced less than 1 per cent Tuesday. The percentage of the Series E quota advanced less than one-third of one per cent.

Wednesday morning Midland County had made 16.85 per cent of its overall quota of \$1,535,000, an advance of .95 of 1 per cent over the preceding day. Of the Series E quota only 19.89 per cent had been met, an advance of .32 of one per cent.

Total sales of War Bonds during the current campaign stood at \$258,759.75 Wednesday morning. Sales of Series E Bonds totaled \$74,606.25.

The report of total sales Thursday will show at least a \$60,000 advance as E. B. Dickenson, rancher, purchased \$60,000 worth of War Bonds at the First National Bank. The purchase was made too late to be included in the totals reported Wednesday.

Word was received Wednesday at the office of Mayor A. N. Hendrickson, county chairman of the War Bond campaign, that Dowell Inc., had allotted a \$3,000 War Bond purchase to Midland County.

"Free" Tickets Ready
All bond issuing agencies now have tickets for "Hit The Sky," Midland Army Air Field's musical review which will be presented Tuesday night at the Post Service Club. The tickets are given free with the purchase of a War Bond.

The show includes a cast of 100 and is described as colorful, glamorous and tuneful. The show will be followed by a dance.

Sales of Series E Bonds are expected to show an increase the remainder of the week as the result of bond rallies to be held in rural communities. A rally will be held at the Stokes schoolhouse at 8:30 p. m. Wednesday. Prairie Lea has a rally scheduled for 8:30 p. m. Thursday and a bond event is set for the Pleasant Valley community for Friday.

REVEALS PEACE FEELER

LONDON—(AP)—The British government information last Dec. 17 regarding views allegedly expressed by a Nazi official regarding possible peace terms but ignored it because it bore the marks of a typical German trick to sow distrust among the Allies. Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told Commons Wednesday.

War Bulletins

SHAFF—(AP)—The fall of Cherbourg appeared Wednesday to be a matter of hours.

STOCKHOLM—(AP)—Twelve American heavy bombers came down in Sweden Wednesday, boosting to 33 the number reaching Sweden in two days. Two bombers crashed in landing and it was not known immediately whether the crews were saved.

NEW YORK—(AP)—Russian troops "have advanced three miles beyond Viipuri," the British radio said Wednesday in a broadcast heard in New York by CBS.

SHAFF—(AP)—U. S. troops have captured Acqueville and Teurtheville Hague on the western tip of Cherbourg peninsula.

Germans Make Desperate Stand Against Yanks

By WES GALLAGHER

SHAFF—(AP)—U. S. doughboys supported by heavy artillery and air bombardment Wednesday assaulted two key fortresses guarding Cherbourg—one less than a mile from the commercial docks—and fought houses-to-house through the city's suburbs.

(An NBC broadcast from Normandy declared "out ground forces are moving into Cherbourg.") The power drive from the south hammered against Fort du Roule, on a hill at Cherbourg's outskirts and within a mile of the docks, and Fort Octeville, a little more than a mile to the west.

Cherbourg's great military port area, now exploding under German demolitions lies only two miles behind Fort Octeville.

The Germans were making a last ditch stand in these inner ring fortresses.

Heavy fighting was reported in the built-up suburban section of France's third greatest port.

The assault upon the forts started forward from St. Martin Le Grand, four miles south of Cherbourg, and advance units on the western flank drove to Acqueville, three to four miles west and slightly south of Cherbourg's city limits.

Fort du Roule, a major key to control of the besieged German stronghold, stands atop a 450-foot hill.

The French worked for more than a century building up Cherbourg's forts and defenses and the Germans now are making a last stand in the inner ring—which embraces part of the city itself.

Smoke hung over the city as the trapped German defenders carried out hurried demolitions in the (Continued on Page 6)

SPOC 1 Campbell Running Casing To Make Oil Test

By JAMES C. WATSON

Sinclair Prairie Oil Company No. 1 Campbell, Central Winkler County wildcat, bottomed at 12,305 feet, 260 feet in Ellenburger entered at 12,045 feet, with an elevation of 2,869 feet, is running a string of 5 1/2-inch casing to allow testing shows of oil which have been encountered.

None of the petroleum indications so far reported have been of any considerable size, according to the information released. However, the

STANOLIND 1 RILEY SHOWS SOME OIL SIGNS

Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 1 Riley, East-Central Gaines County wildcat, is indicating a possible new discovery, according to information released late Tuesday by the Fort Worth office of the operator.

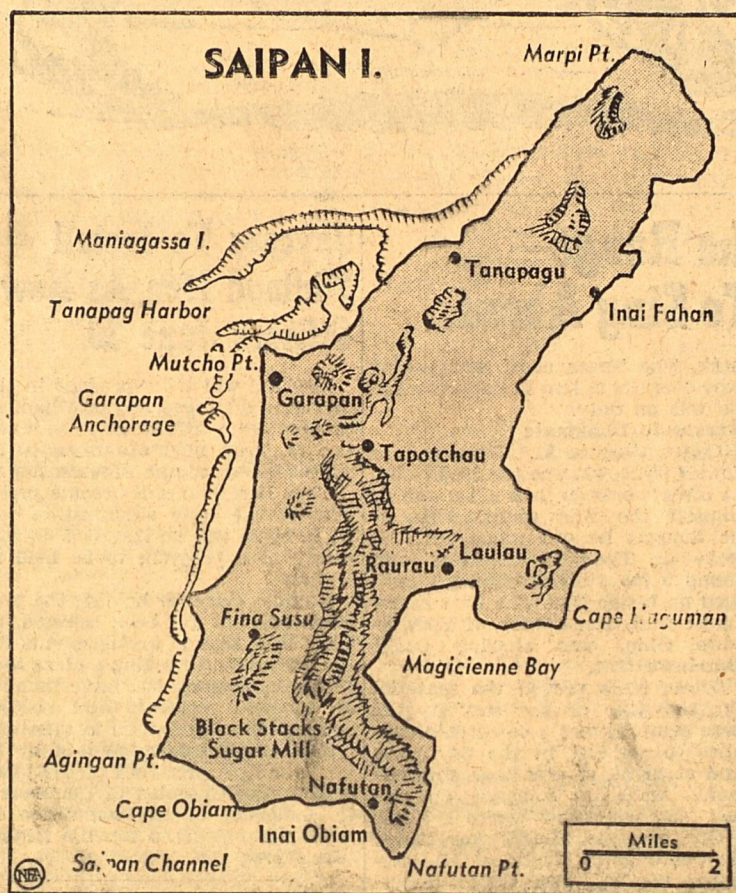
The test is now on total depth of 5,176 feet in dolomite. A Schlumberger is to be taken, and then 5 1/2-inch casing will be run.

A drillstem test was taken at from 5,657-5,147 feet for two hours. There was a steady blow of air during the period and 1,170 feet of drilling fluid was recovered. Of the fluid 720 feet was gas out; and 450 oil and gas out, of which 25 per cent was oil.

A core from 5,147-62 feet brought out a 13 1/2-foot section of porous dolomite, with some saturation, and bleeding oil in spots. A 14-foot recovery was reported from a core at 5,162-76 feet. It was the same material as the specimen above. The new possibility is in section 79, block H, D&W survey, seven miles west of the Cedar Lake pool.

operator decided to run the pipe, as that is about the only way any sort of a test can be made. The project is in section 11, block B-5, ps1 survey, about nine miles south of nearest Ellenburger production. Grisham-Hunter D&A Sinclair Prairie No. 1 Grisham-Hunter, section 14, block 73, ps1, (Continued on Page 6)

Yanks Gain Here



With a mighty naval battle looming off Saipan Island, Yank Marines and soldiers continued to make gains around the Jap-held island despite fierce resistance. Admiral Nimitz reported that Americans held the entire southern portion of the island, including the western shore of Magicienne Bay and Aslito airfield.

Bombers Hit Berlin, Fly On To Russia

LONDON—(AP)—More than 1,000 American Flying Fortresses and Liberators blasted Berlin and the capital's outskirts Wednesday and the German radio indicated that at least some of the planes flew on eastward—possibly in the first shuttle raid from Britain to new American bases in Russia.

The bomber fleet had an escort of around 1,000 fighters, making a total force of some 2,000 planes which carried the aerial war once more to the heart of the German homeland.

Basdorf, on Berlin's outskirts, also was blasted. German broadcasts admitted damage and casualties and threatened to retaliate with "bigger and more powerful explosives" than those used in the current rocket bomb offensive.

Meet No Fighters
First Liberator fliers back at British bases said there was plenty of flak over the targets but they did not see a single German fighter—a rare occurrence in raids on the hub of Germany.

Shuttle-bombing from Britain to Russia would complete the "ring of steel" thrown about Germany by Allied bombers. Flights have been made already from Mediterranean bases to new American airfields inside Russia. Russia's frontier is some 700 miles air line from England—easily within the range of both Flying Fortresses and Liberators which Tuesday flew more than 1,000 miles round trip to the Stettin area.

Hit Buzz Bomb Coast
Berlin Liberator said that U. S. formations were again over the Hannover and Brunswick areas in Western Germany and declared some had penetrated further east.

At the same time big fleets of Allied planes were observed streaking out across Dover Strait and disappearing in the direction of the German rocket bomb bases which now have been pounded continuously for five days.

40 Midland County Men Leave For Armed Services Examination

A group of approximately 40 Midland County men left Wednesday morning to take pre-induction physical examinations for possible entry into the armed forces. Names of the men, the exact number leaving, ages and other information is not released under the Midland County draft board's policy.

NEW YORK—(AP)—If the Germans continue defensive flooding of Holland it may be necessary to grant Holland an equivalent portion of German territory after the war to enable her people to survive. Foreign Minister Beelo Van Kleffens of the Netherlands declares.

Saipan Attack Lures Enemy From Hiding

NEW YORK—(AP)—A Japanese broadcast said Wednesday that a "fierce naval battle" is raging in the Central Pacific off the Marianas.

The British radio said "A Japanese spokesman was quoted as saying that this battle would have far-reaching effects on the Pacific war situation." CBS recorded the London report of the Japanese broadcast.

By J. B. KRUEGER

Associated Press War Editor

Japan's wary battle fleet, lured out of hiding by the American invasion of Saipan, Wednesday moved into position seemingly intent on engaging U. S. naval forces in what may develop into history's greatest sea action. The preliminaries may have started.

The elements for such a struggle were present: The Fifth U. S. Fleet, "with enough muscle" to take care of anything the enemy has; a strong Japanese force, possibly its whole fleet; and over a million square miles of empty ocean to maneuver in.

Admiral Chester Nimitz announced the enemy fleet was operating between the Marianas Islands and the Philippines, 1,500 miles apart. Axis broadcasters, declaring most of the U. S. Pacific Fleet was concentrated off Saipan in the Marianas, said the antagonists would fight bitterly for possession of the island, which is too close to Tokyo for Japanese comfort. B-29s could hit Japan easily from Saipan.

On its land front Japan was engaged in a correspondingly great effort to plug the leaks in its defensive dikes. Beyond captured Changsha in China its army of more than 50,000 men pushed south. (Continued on Page 6)

Admiral King Pleased With 'Cooperation' Of Japanese Fleet

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Admiral Ernest J. King, Navy commander-in-chief, expressing appreciation for the "long expected cooperation" of the Japanese navy in apparently moving into battle position, expressed confidence Wednesday in the outcome of a prospective naval engagement in the Western Pacific.

"The sooner the Japanese fleet fights, the better we'll be satisfied," King said. He made his statement after Navy Secretary Forrestal had reported that despite strict radio silence from the Pacific there have been some indications that American forces "may have succeeded in catching up with all or a part of the Japanese fleet Tuesday."

Forrestal added that there is, however, "no definite information" as to the prospective engagement. He based his comment upon a statement Tuesday at Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander in chief, had reported the Japanese fleet had been located in the waters east of the Philippine Islands and indicated that some engagements may already have been fought.

Forrestal reported that the Japanese fleet has been sighted at "various times during the last few days, milling around from 800 to 300 miles to the westward of Saipan Island" in the Marianas east of the Philippines.

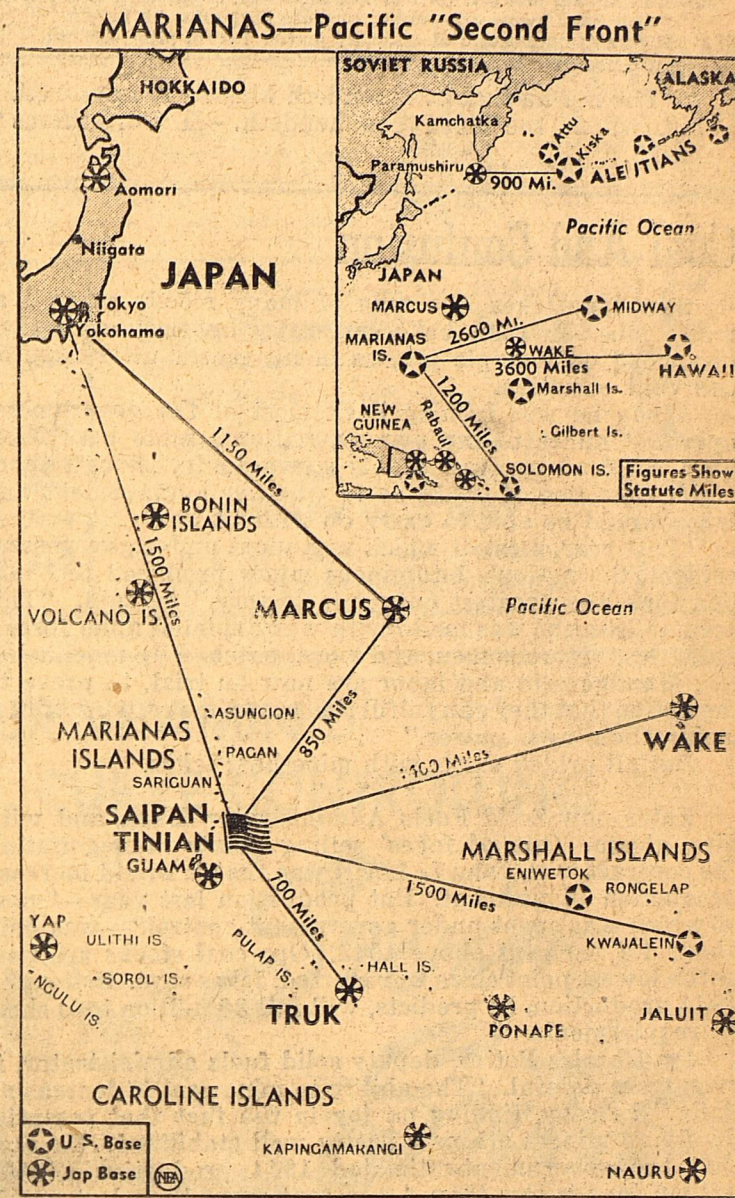
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Militarists Call German Rocket Bomb 'Fizzle'

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON—(AP)—From a strictly military viewpoint the Nazis' greatest secret anti-invasion weapon, the highly-touted flying bomb, is a fizzle.

This is the opinion of responsible military leaders here—men who were seriously worried a few weeks ago over the tricks the Germans might spring in the critical hours of invasion.



Maps above show the Marianas Islands, where, by landing on Saipan, Admiral Nimitz' forces virtually opened a "second front" in the Pacific. Saipan, volcanic, mountainous island only 1500 miles from Japan, is the enemy's great fortress between Tokyo and Truk, guarding the southern flank of the Japanese home archipelago. Large map shows Marianas in relation to other island groups and to Japan. Inset shows them in relation to entire Pacific area.

Victorious Russians Drive On Helsinki

LONDON—(AP)—Victorious Russian troops who occupied Finland's fortress seaport of Viipuri Tuesday drove on Wednesday toward the capital city of Helsinki, where the Germans were reported exerting pressure to keep their small ally from suing for peace with Premier Stalin.

The Finnish radio, which told of the Russian advance, urged all persons whose presence was not essential to evacuate Helsinki, which lies approximately 135 air miles west of Viipuri.

The Stockholm newspaper Dagens Nyheter said the Germans were endeavoring to block formation of a Finnish "peace cabinet."

The Moscow radio said Finland was on "the brink of defeat."

What steps the Germans would take to try to keep Finland in the war were uncertain. A Stockholm report said the Germans were threatening occupation of three Finnish ports along a 70-mile stretch at the head of the Gulf of Bothnia—Tornio, Kemi and Oulu—and the Aland Islands in the gulf between Sweden and Finland.

By these tactics the Germans could control shipping routes to the north and the nickel mines vital to both Germany and the Finns, the report said.

Small Loan Companies Hit By Court Injunction

AUSTIN—(AP)—Small loan companies operating approximately 90 offices in Texas have been enjoined from making loans with interest in excess of 10 per cent per year. The injunctions were issued in 28th District Court here Tuesday by Judge J. D. Moore who formally upheld validity of an act passed at the last session of the legislature permitting public prosecutors to enjoin making of loans in excess of that rate.

It is a question whether the Germans will ever release gas now, partly because they would have had to employ it in the first few days when beachheads were narrow if they had intended it to stop the invasion and partly because of the threat of devastating Allied reprisals.

Concern over Hitler's boasted arsenal of secret weapons was high in the weeks before invasion. Now it turns out, according to estimates made here, that what the Germans actually produced to make good their threats is an explosive-laden rocket plane of limited range (150 miles) and great inaccuracy—this is the weapon they relied on to break the invasion at the critical moment.

Apparently they conceived two main tactical uses for this weapon—to smash at London and to work havoc among ships of the invasion armada in the English Channel.

Distributing their limited number of rockets according to their fears of attack along the channel, they concentrated in the Calais area.

There they waited for the Allied ships to come across and there they were outflanked when Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower chose instead to strike into Normandy.

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For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth.—II Corinthians 10:18.

Coal And Confusion

Secretary Ickes is a man of many moods as well as many jobs. In fact, he occasionally lavishes more than one mood on a single job, as in his recent utterances on the coal situation.

When he was turning back most of the government-operated mines to the owners, national mine boss Ickes gave a proud account of his stewardship, though there were overtones of doubt as to whether management and labor would be able to carry on without him.

"Last year, most of which was spent under government control, the nation's bituminous mines produced 589 million tons, the greatest output in history," he said. "This accomplishment was made with war-depleted mine forces, older, less vigorous men, and worn, patched-up machinery. . . . Management and labor are now on trial, to prove to the nation that they can fulfill their wartime responsibilities under their own power."

But all prided exists with mine boss Ickes.

Enter now Solid Fuels Administrator Ickes, and with him, gloom. One of Ickes' selling points in negotiating the contract with John L. Lewis was that it would increase production 14 per cent. But production last year—"most of which was spent under government control"—was only about 1.5 per cent above 1942. Our coal stocks are now at the lowest point since war started, Ickes says. Estimated 1944 production, he predicts, will fall 30 million tons short of requirements.

Dr. Charles Potter, deputy solid fuels administrator, is even more doleful. "The ability to mine coal is decreasing daily," he says, finding no joy in the fact that essential draft-age miners are now pretty well stabilized. He says that the government-estimated 1944 production of 596 million tons is less than 4 per cent more than last year's consumption. But he doesn't figure it out that despite equally gloomy talk of a coal shortage last year, the consumption was about 573 million, as against a production of 589 million tons.

This year's coal needs are estimated at between 620 and 626 millions tons. And the coal operators, oddly enough, think they can deliver—"if there are no further heavy drains on manpower, and if some new machinery can be obtained." They have an idea that they can go it better alone, pushing production with the miners' willing co-operation, and increasing strip mining.

Maybe the operators are wrong. But if they are, the error is obviously honest, for there is no point in their trying to kid anybody. If there is a shortage they will get full blame for it now that Ickes has stepped out.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Intuition

German prisoners reveal that Hitler was on the Normandy beaches only two days before the invasions. Perhaps his vaunted intuition told him that he'd better hurry home to Berchtesgaden and tidy up before the company got there.

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Looks Like He Expects To Be Plenty Cool



Home, Home On The Range— Cadets Find Little To Sing About

They came, they saw, they conquered. That in a few short words is the story of Midland Army Air Field's Cadet Class 44-10's stay at the base combat camp on South Range 23.

Due to unforeseen conditions, Class 44-10 was two days late in arriving at the simulated combat camp, but immediately started to make up for lost time.

No One Neglected
They arrived at the camp late Wednesday morning and immediately drew supplies and started digging foxholes which were to be their insurance for the next four days.

While digging the foxholes, the details started coming fast and furious. Cutting down trees for camouflage, digging slit trenches, fusing and loading bombs, getting runners for Post Operations, getting cadets to load the bombs into trucks for transportation to the airplanes. There wasn't a cadet that was neglected on these little matters. Every one got his chance to do something. There was even guard duty to be pulled.

After the first few details had been completed, around 7 o'clock, supper was served. "Oh boy," remarked one cadet, "was that ever good tasting." They were eating steak, vegetables and jello out of the same little mess kit.

After supper came flying missions. The last one was down on the ramp at 3:15 a. m. Thursday.

Thursday morning was somewhat of a rest. Reville wasn't until 8 o'clock. Then breakfast. Gentle Hint

For those lucky cadets that were unable to dig their foxholes Wednesday, Lt. Allan J. Phaup, the class tactical officer, had plenty of picks and shovels at the end of the chow line as a gentle hint.

By Thursday noon everyone was sporting a beautiful suntan. Beautiful, that was until the rough parachute harness touched the tender shoulders. Then the hot Texas sun was blessed in more than one language and style.

On the first night of guard duty, Cadet Earl Adams, of Gordon, Texas, was officer of the day. The following morning, Cadet Adams was very curiously looking for any extra milk bottles in the area. Seems like someone took liberty of the ice-box and relieved several quarts of milk.

Carl Peay, district manager of the Banner Creamery, Wednesday noon was elected tail-twister of the Midland Lions Club at its meeting in Hotel Scharbauer's Crystal Ballroom.

Four candidates were nominated for the position. The Rev. Vernon Yearby and L. W. Sandusky tied for second and Paul Nelson, retiring president of the club, came next.

At Nelson's request, Jimmy Noiland served as master of ceremonies during the program. Frank Stubben and Sheriff Ed Darnell spoke in behalf of Mr. Yearby. Peay and the Rev. Hubert Hopper were campaign managers for Sandusky. Frank Monroe and Police Chief Jack Ellington spoke for Peay, and John Redfern Jr., and Joe Mims handled Nelson's campaign.

Let's Get Going

NEW YORK — (AP) — Pfc. Eunice Shepard of the Marine Corps women's reserve and Danbury, Conn., reporting for duty after completing boot training, entered headquarters, peered intently about the room where eight Marines sat at desks.

Shipping to attention.

"Sir," she said, "I joined the Marines to free a man to fight. Who's leaving?"

MANPOWER NOTE

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — A jury of 12 women was chosen to try a murder case. Three alternates were selected also. They're women, too.

The Texas cadet was asking why everything had to happen when he was on duty.

Tarantula Bunkmate
Cadet Charles M. Dutcher, of Iowa City, Iowa, was the lone cadet, in other words he had a tent all to himself the first night. That is, he thought he was alone until he woke up Thursday morning and found a large black tarantula curled up beside him. The next night, Cadet Rudy Hamborsky, of Youngstown, Ohio, was sharing Cadet Dutcher's tent.

Those tents proved the material for the joke of the stay at the base camp. It was a common occurrence to get lost in the day time, and at night, at any hour, someone would wake up someone up and ask, "Do you know where I live?"

One example of this was staged by Cadet John Engle, of Morganstown, W. Va., and Cadet Robert Chaplin, of Joplin, Mo.

Cadet Engle came in from one of the late missions and was seeking his tent when he woke up Cadet Chaplin who, weary eyed, gave him directions to the vicinity of his tent.

After wandering around for what seemed like half an hour, Cadet Engle woke the occupant of a tent and upon asking his familiar question, who should the answering voice belong to?

It was Cadet Chaplin. Cadet Engle finally found his tent and slept soundly for the remaining hour or two of that night.

Two of the cadets were anxious to set up their tent out in the wilds and quite a distance from the settlement. After pitching their tent in a nice quiet spot, a rather large rattlesnake was killed right along side the tent. The boys hastily moved to within a stone's throw of base camp headquarters.

Some of the cadets were extremely anxious to leave and get to the range. One of these cadets, Cadet Fred First, of Topka, Kan., got out of bed in a rush Wednesday morning and grabbed a barracks bag which he had so carefully packed the night before and ran to the trucks.

On the range, Cadet First decided to take a shower and put on some clean clothes. When he opened the barracks bag, he discovered that in his haste he had grabbed his laundry bag and that the nicely packed barracks bag was back in the barracks.

Staff Sgt. Cogburn Is Gunner Aboard B-17 In Italy

15TH ARMY AIR FORCE—Staff Sgt. Ernest P. Cogburn, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cogburn of Midland, Texas, recently arrived in Italy, has been assigned an engineer-gunner on an AAF B-17 Flying Fortress of the 15th Air Force, and flew his first combat mission over Porto Marghera in Northern Italy on May 19, 1944.

During this mission the big four-engine bombers based in Italy blasted Axis-controlled oil storage tanks used to supply Hitler's re-creating armies. Sergeant Cogburn has flown eight combat missions over enemy targets in France, Germany, Northern Italy, and the Balkans.

Sergeant Cogburn received training in airplane mechanics at Chanute Field, Ill., graduating in January, 1942. He won his wings as an aerial gunner upon graduation from flexible gunnery school at Kingman, Ariz., in November, 1943. Before enlisting in the AAF on July 2, 1941, Cogburn was an oil driller for the Texas-New Mexico Oil Company at Hobbs, N. M.

His group, a comparatively new unit of the 15th Air Force, won praise recently at a formal review from the commanding general of the 15th Air Force, Major Gen. Nathan F. Twining.

Jaycees To Install Midland Men As New Officers June 30

Midland will take its place in the limelight of Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce affairs June 30 when two Midland men are installed as state officers of the organization.

Clint Dunagan will become president of the state organization and U. A. Hyde will be installed as secretary at a program to be held in Midland.

Definite place for holding the program has not yet been selected, as those in charge of arrangements for the occasion are seeking a place that will accommodate the large number of Midland residents and visitors who will be here for the installation.

Ray Gwyn was appointed by L. W. Sandusky, president of the Midland Junior Chamber of Commerce, as chairman of the committee to make arrangements for the installation program.

Safe Filled With Ration Material Stolen From Matador Board

LUBBOCK—A safe containing a one day's supply of ration evidence was stolen from the War Price and Rationing Board at Matador some time during the weekend, Vance H. Apple, board operations executive of the district Office of Price Administration, announced.

A considerable number of gasoline ration coupons, tire certificates, sugar certificates and home canning sugar coupons, food certificates and food books, and one stove certificate were locked in the safe, which was taken when the thief gained admittance through a window.

The eastern band of Cherokees own 64,000 acres of land in the Great Smokies of North Carolina.

Furniture Price-Chiseling Also Adds To OPA Worries

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON — (AP) — OPA is striking out against furniture price chiseling. It has taken action against more than 200 manufacturers and, in some cases, retailers in the past four months.

Jobbers buy from manufacturers and sell to retailers from whom you buy. OPA officials say one of the sweeter rackets is creation of a lot of "dummy" jobbers to boost prices and bilk the public. This is the officials' story:

Not all the manufacturers are cheating. Many are playing fair, maintaining prices. Many are not. OPA put the furniture field under general price regulations two years ago. Generally, it meant a piece of furniture could not be sold now for more than a similar piece of furniture sold for in March, 1942.

There was a loophole there. By putting some extra cheap trimmings on exactly the same kind of furniture he made in 1942, a chiseling manufacturer might say it was not the same period he made two years ago.

He'd say it cost more to make

and that therefore he should get a better price for it. But for some of the money-hungry manufacturers not even this kind of cheating gave enough profit. They worked out another trick.

Some manufacturers set up "dummy" jobbers—sometimes members of their own firm with offices in the manufacturers' offices—to rake in extra cash and still pretend to stay within OPA rules.

SHERRY WINE IS JEREZ
The word "sherry" comes from Spain. Spaniards called their favorite wine "jerez," and Britons spelled it "sherris," later changing it to "sherry."

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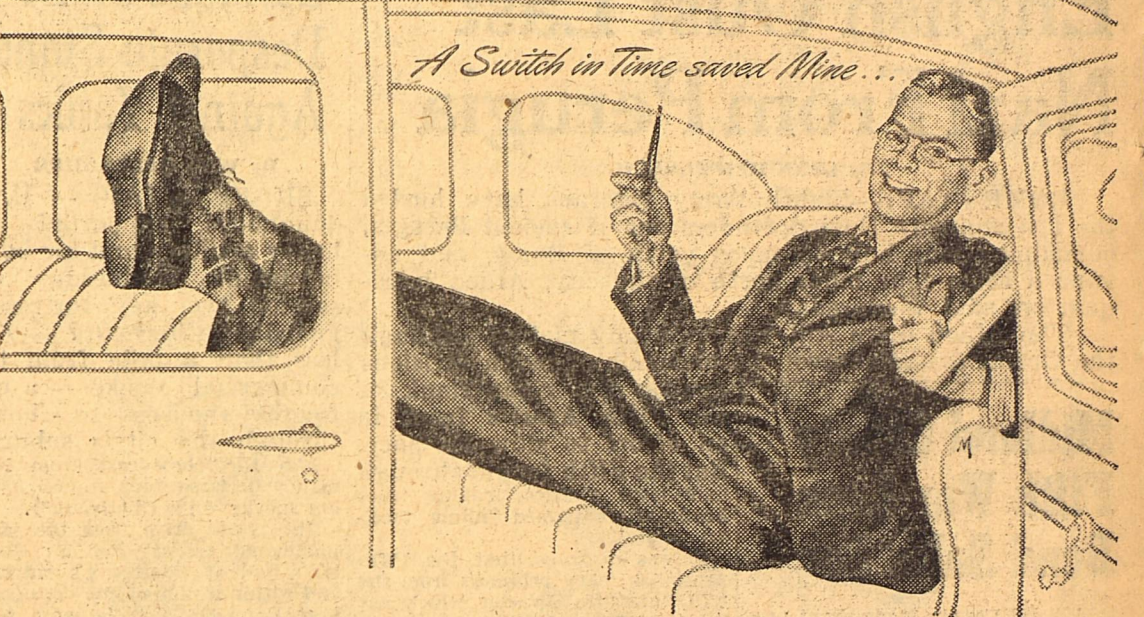
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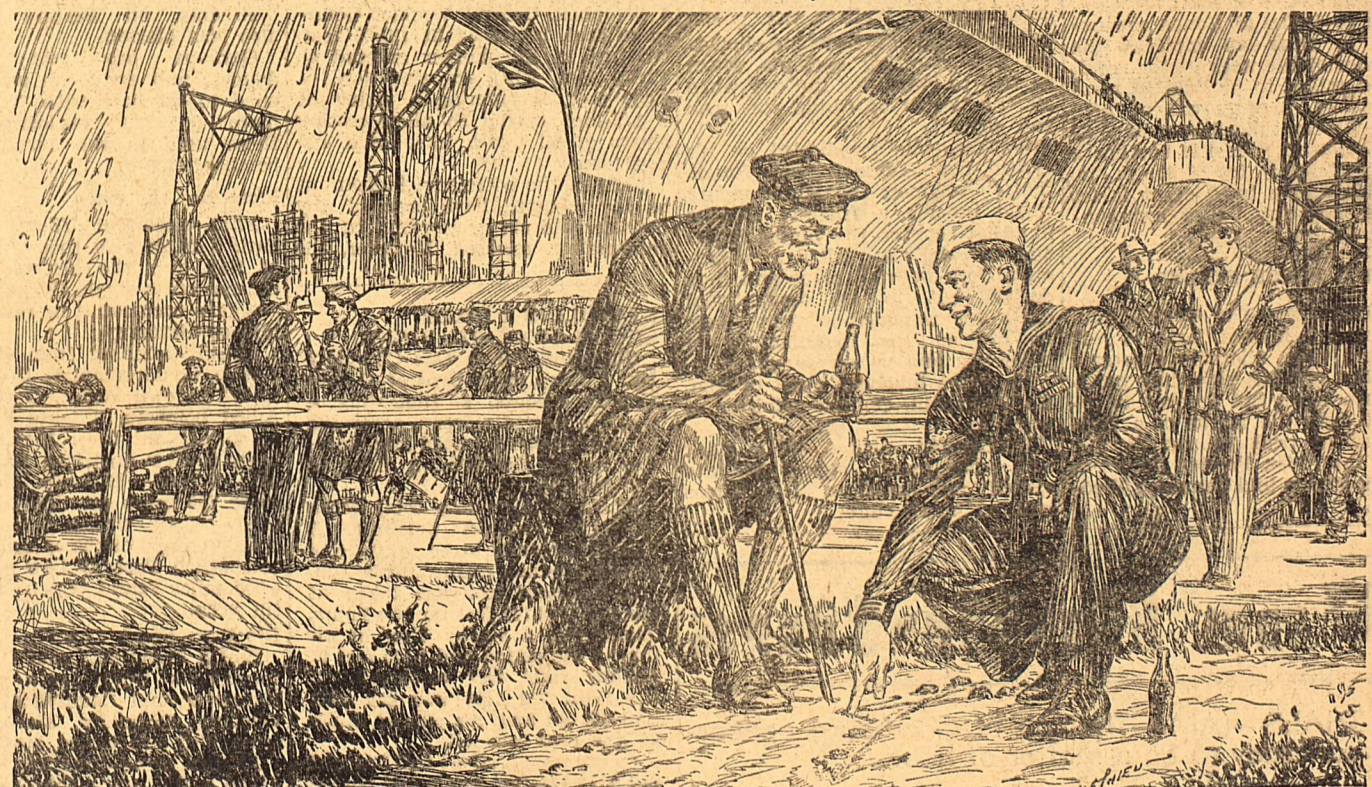
I'll hand it to folks. They've had the patriotism to hold down their speed. But imagine war restrictions ended. Man, you'll see old cars overdoing till they can't chug another mile. You'll see every repair shop crowded for months, but I'm figuring to duck that! Of course, I couldn't see everything coming when I originally had this engine OIL-PLATED. I'd simply overheard that any engine forms dangerous corrosive acids. It made sense to try protecting the engine by OIL-PLATING it with Conoco Nth motor oil. I switched to Nth. You can suit yourself about thinking it's the only oil or not, but first read

the whole label. You'll see where Conoco Nth oil's special synthetic fastens OIL-PLATING to your engine's fine inside finish. Then OIL-PLATING is really sort of a special surface to block steady acid corrosion. When repairs might be just a promise, and you can only pray for a new car, you're way ahead with your engine safely OIL-PLATED by Conoco Nth.

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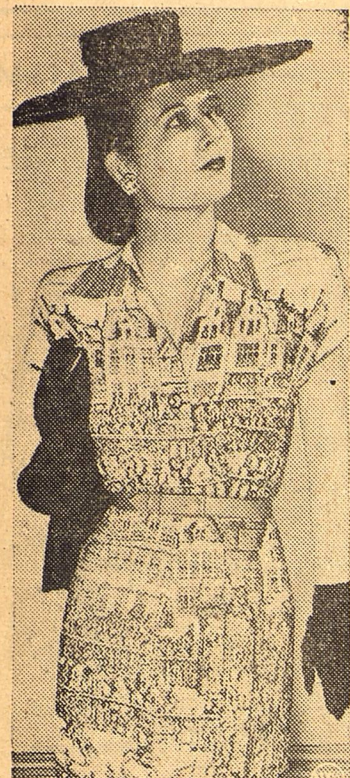


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It's natural for popular names to acquire friendly abbreviations. That's why you hear Coca-Cola called "Coke".

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Society

Up-To-Minute Olden Times



ARMORED knights mounted on steeds ride by cheering crowds lining streets of gabled houses in this unusual crepe conversation piece print by Mary Lee. The startling design, patterned after an old museum print of a gala medieval festival, adds style-plus to the simple summer frock.

40 Girls From Midland To Take Part In Play

"Ready, Mount!" barked the sergeant.

At the word mount, 30 beauties turned, each in a different direction. Again, the order from the sergeant, "Ready, Mount!" Still that beautiful, but uncomprehending look on the show girls' faces. At least one small pony had the courage to peep up and ask, "But where are the horses?"

Slowly the fact crept into the sergeant's consciousness, that all who ride in a 1 1/2 ton GI truck are not familiar with Army orders; too, with a West Texan, to mount, can mean only one thing, there must be a horse.

The GI truck now meets nightly in front of the city auditorium to convey 40 of Midland's most popular and talented young women to the Service Club at MAAF for practice on the forthcoming play, "Hit the Sky." The play, under the direction of Staff Sgt. Art Cole, is being produced during the nights of June 27, 28 and 29, proceeds going to the Fifth War Bond drive.

Girls appearing in the "South American" number are: Aileen Maxwell, Ruth Simmons, Louise McClain, Jean Burson, Edna Mae Elkin, Dorothy Hamilton, Mary Kelly and Kitty Jean Ellis.

Appearing in show girls are: Dorothy Bracewell, Deana Gray, Sue Buffington, Hazel Cottrell, Marie Watson, Mildred Brown and Marian Newton.

Rhythm girls are played by: Gene Funkhouser, Sally Hall, Shirley Culbertson, Maricella McClure, Mary Ellen Midkiff, Marjorie Barron, Joan Steinberger, Phoebe Lewis, Fatsy Pope, Ann Vannaman and Peggy Ayers.

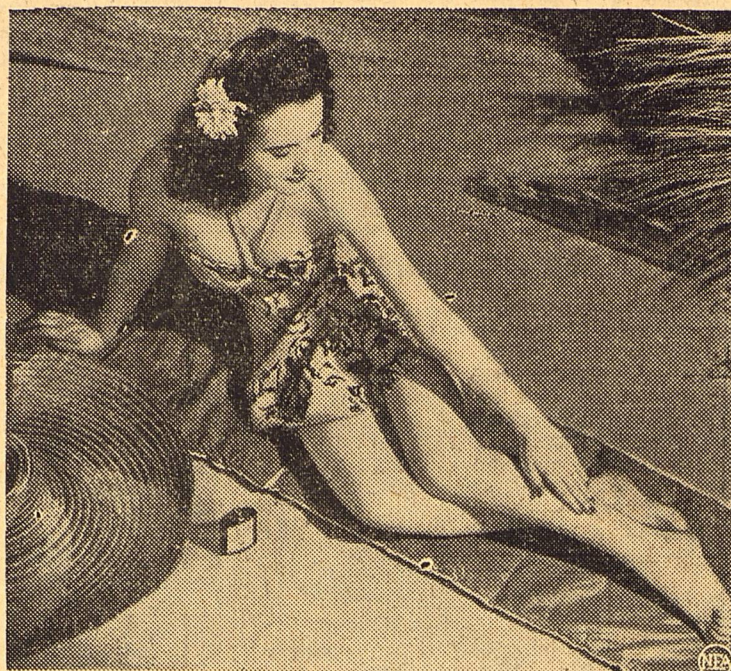
As fillers will be seen: Lillie Mae Stovall, Kathryn Weeth, Lucille Wamamaker, Pat Baker, Doris Marcom, Janie Johnson, Sue Sheppard, Marian Kaufman and Nancy LaForce.

"Hit the Sky," the GI musical show to be produced the week of June 27 by Midland Army Air Field in support of the Fifth War Loan drive, is rapidly swinging into finished form, according to Major Russell B. Brown, special services officer for the field.

Rehearsing the huge cast of a musical show is quite a job. About 50 girls, WACs and civilian workers, and 50 soldiers are cast in the show. Ten big singing and dancing production numbers set the pace for the performance. In addition there will be a wide variety of specialty acts and short, humorous skits. All of these numbers involve endless rehearsal, individually and in groups, and then the whole show must be integrated so that it will have what the professionals call "pace," with never a lull for the audience. The fact that "Hit the Sky" already gives promise of being an outstanding musical revue is a tribute to the work being done by the entire cast as well as of the groups handling the lighting, costume and scenery.

Performances of "Hit the Sky" will be given at the Post Service Club at Midland Army Air Field on the nights of June 27, 28 and 29. The Midland bond committee has chosen June 27 for Midland night. All admissions will be by purchase of War Bonds, at least one \$25 bond for a ticket. Every bond issuing agency in Midland now have tickets available for distribution.

Small Doses Of Sun Give You A Better, Longer-Lasting Tan



EILEEN O'BRIEN: Builds slowly toward beautiful bronze.

By ALICIA HART

NEA Staff Writer

The rush for the sun's riches is on, and some of the over-zealous seekers of golden beauty would make the Fortyniners look like sissies. There is danger in being over-zealous. Too much sun may not necessarily take its toll now, but it can result in a dry, lined skin later on—a skin that looks more like a Sam Browne belt than a dewy-fresh complexion.

Ask any lass who casts her lot with the glamor girls. Even though she's young and has less reason to be afraid than an older woman, she's as chary of the powerful downbeat of the sun as she is of a loaded gun.

One of these glamor girls is Eileen O'Brien, pretty home economist's helper, who's quotable because she's up on her vitamins, including Vitamin D. She says respect your skin's limit to the sun—six or eight minutes for your first bath, if you're fair; a doubled amount if you're dark. This should be the maximum exposure for all four sides. Then gradually increase your time in the sun to a reasonable daily dose.

"In the meantime," says Eileen, "you can double your intake of sun if you'll use a protection lotion of the tannic type, like the one issued to troops headed for desert warfare, which screens out a certain amount of the burning rays and lets you tan with less reddening."

4-H CLUB GIRLS LEARN HOW TO BUD FRUIT TREES

Members of the Midland-Cloverdale 4-H Club met at 2:30 p. m. Monday in the assembly room, Mrs. Dalton B. Hall, county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration on how to bud fruit trees. Those present were: Wanda Pearl Early, Lois Dee Eiland, Ruth Hall, Louise Hocker, Mary Frances Phillips, Billie Lajean Pigg, Bobbie Stewart, Jeanette Stewart and Doris Wilson.

WILL ENROLL IN SUMMER SESSION AT MEXICO UNIVERSITY

Mrs. R. W. Hamilton and daughters, Ann and Emily, and Mrs. E. B. Powell and son, Edgar, of Bar X Ranch, Stanton, Texas, left Tuesday morning for a trip into Mexico. Mmes. Hamilton and Powell will take special work at the University of Mexico, while the daughters will return to San Antonio and enroll in the summer session at the Blessed Sacrament Academy.

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PBEA Meets Thursday Night At 7 In Odessa

Last meeting of Permian Basin Engineers' Association until fall, will be at the Elliott Hotel in Odessa, Thursday at 7 p. m.

Program will be furnished by A. C. Bulnes, Shell Oil Company, Inc., who will give a lecture, illustrated with slides, on "Introductory Discussion of the Reservoir Performance of Limestone Formation." The lecture will be based on a paper recently prepared by Bulnes and Ralph U. Fitting.

The program will follow a dinner and social session, officials of the association said. Reservations should be made with Harold Berg, secretary, at Tidewater Associated Oil Company, telephone 1630, Midland.

Swimming Party To Be Held By Cadet Wives

Cadet wives will hold a swimming party at 10:00 a. m. Thursday in the Pagoda pool. All wives are invited to attend.

MRS. NOBLE WILL ATTEND WEDDING OF SON IN TENNESSEE

Mrs. Susie G. Noble, county clerk, and daughter, Elma Jean, will leave Thursday night on the Sunshine Special to attend the wedding of her son, Lt. William Noble, at the Army Air Field, Dyersburg, Tenn.

Visits Family

Machinists Mate Theron Ruple, stationed with the Navy in California, is visiting his wife and son here.

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Sgt. Jack B. Nobles, Battling In Italy, Remembers Dad On Fathers Day

According to the calendar, one day a year, during the month of June, we are reminded that special attention goes to our dads. The chocolate pie he likes must be baked; he must not be awakened early today; and heaped in front of his plate at the breakfast table, fancy-wrapped packages, later revealing a pair of socks, handkerchiefs, or a necktie, are awaiting to be opened.

Such is the day as designated by the calendar. But one day a year, however, celebrated, can never express the care our dads exercise in planning for our homes, providing

for our food and clothing, denying himself so that we might have a good education, and the million little things which go into the building and maintenance of a happy, prosperous family.

In appreciation of this fellow, our dad, one soldier battling for his very existence in Italy, found time to write a letter telling his dad what a swell guy he really is.

Sgt. Jack B. Nobles, son of John O. Nobles, wrote:

"Dearest Dad:

"I see from my calendar in front of me Dad's Day is not very long off. So I will try my luck at writing again with hopes that you get it on that special day.

"Dad, there is so many things I would like to say to you that I hardly know where to begin. To me Dad you have been the only Dad in the world. The times I have needed you most you have always been at my side with a helping hand and advice that was never wrong. During my absence

now you have been most faithful in keeping me posted on news from home. And when I have needed a boosting your letters have always come to my aid. Let me say, they have been a great inspiration and a source of true contentment all the way through. It is you, Dad, who has given me everything my heart desired and also the guiding factor in making me what I am today. Dad, I can't find words to express what I want to say to you so I am going to take your favorite song and change a few words and it says just exactly what I want to say.

What A Friend We Have In Dad

"What a friend we have in Dad. All our sins and griefs to share! What a privilege to carry everything to Dad who cares. Oh what peace we often forfeit, oh what needless pain we bear; all because we do not carry everything to Dad who cares.

"Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged, take it to our Dad who cares. Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share? Daddy knows our every weakness, take it to our Dad who cares.

"Are we weak and heavy-laden,

cumbered with a load of care? Precious Daddy, still our refuge, take it to our Dad who cares. Do thy friends despise forsake thee? Take it to our Dad who cares, in his arms he'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.

"Dad, these few words express every one of my sentiments and I just couldn't help but share them with you. Because I have always found a solace in your arms and that is where I will always come when I need comforting.

May your day be very bright and sunny and may everything your heart desires be yours. Because, Dad, I will always be thinking of you on that day and forever.

"This is all for now, Dad, but may our good Lord bless and keep you always in my prayer.

"Your loving son."



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Next to Yucca

Leave For Summer Camp

Betty Jo and Jimmie Green left Monday evening on a five weeks trip to Chelvey Camp in Estes Park, Colo. Betty Jo and Jimmie are the son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green, 706 West Louisiana.

Public Warning! BEWARE OF PIN-WORMS

Wartime living conditions may be the cause of spreading Pin-Worm infection. Scientific reports in many communities have shown at least one-third of the examined children and grown-ups to be victims of Pin-Worms—often without knowing what was wrong!

Watch out for the warning signs that may mean Pin-Worms in your child or yourself: the tormenting, embarrassing rectal itch, the uneasy stomach, bed-wetting, nervous fidgeting, thickly spotted stool.

New Discovery Hailed By Doctors

After centuries of distress caused by Pin-Worms, a new and highly effective way to deal with this stubborn pest has recently been discovered. This scientific discovery, hailed by medical authorities, is a remarkable drug (gentian violet). It is the vital element in P-W, the new Pin-Worm treatment developed by the laboratories of Dr. D. Jayne & Son, America's leading specialists in worm medicines. P-W tablets are small and easy to take, and they act in a special way to destroy the creatures. So don't take chances with Pin-Worms. At the first warning sign, ask your drugist for P-W, and follow the directions. P-W means Pin-Worm relief!

God's Front Porch

A Novel By KETTI FRINGS

About half the crowd got off at Heavenly Bend Junction so Pinky got off there, too. God met Pinky, who had been killed in a foxhole, and Emily, a war correspondent, at the train and shows them around the town a bit before taking them home. He explains that every race and creed is represented and points out the houses of Allah and the Jews among others. Emily wonders about the house with the swastika on the door but God tells her it's occupied by some fly-by-night people who aren't worth worrying about. Travelers stay at Heavenly Bend Junction until they stop longing to be back on Earth. Then they go on to the Big Valley.

WHEN Pinky learned the full purport of what the war had done to Heavenly Bend Junction and, particularly, the effect it had on the governing group of City Fathers, he had a sickness in his heart which no amount of the usual Pinky self-confidence and the old Pinky determination could heal. All that afternoon he sat in a corner of the porch, silent, apart. He had asked to be allowed to skip supper . . . and he was still on the porch, in the twilight, when the boarders filed out, lingered a while to chat and rock, then wandered off, their various ways, to find entertainment for the evening. Not quite all of them had left. Mrs. Johnson, the one with the knitting, who was an old-timer here, and a know-it-all, stayed on for a while, because Emily was still sitting on the steps, and Mrs. Johnson recognized a good audience when she saw one. And Ada Bronson, the pretty young girl with the unfortunate brace on her leg, was also there. Three females hashing it over. Pinky wished desperately that they'd leave, too, because earlier in the afternoon Pinky had discovered, on the porch, an object of great interest to him. It was propped on the railing, facing eastward. A small telescope. He had had only one

chance to look through it—that is, one chance when he was alone—during supper-time. But it had taken him quite a while to adjust it . . . ten minutes or so before he had finally found Martha. And then what he had seen had so dimmed his eyes, that he'd lost track of her again. He felt he was calmer now. If only they'd all leave so he could look again. BUT Mrs. Johnson gave no indication of moving. "I tell you, Emily, you can't imagine how things have changed. Why, in the evenings, in the old days, he'd be sitting out here on the porch with the rest of us. Right in that chair there. Rocking and looking down below—he can without the telescope, you know—and smiling and nodding and, sometimes, whistling. Remember, Ada?" Ada sighed wistfully. "Now he hardly ever sits out here. Up there in his room all the time. And not only him, but all the other people coming up. It's hardly pleasant anymore. Everybody going around and muttering. 'I'm so young . . . I never had my chance . . . why, why?' Like that soldier who just came up, the one whose wife—"

Emily sensed his antagonism, tried to fill in the breach. "I'd sure like to run out there, see what it looks like anyway." "Oh, you can't do that," Mrs. Johnson disillusioned her. "Once you're there, you're there. Unless maybe he calls you back to take a message somewhere." "Ye gods, I knew it. Angels! So that's what you are when you get out there." MRS. JOHNSON laughed smugly. "You are behind the times. Not angels—messengers. The thought messengers that he sends to earth. Except that he doesn't do it any more." "Why not?" "They can't get through. All that gun fire and the smoke and everything. I declare, people are really silly, thinking he's the one who's neglected them, when they're the ones who have done the whole thing." "Oh, I wouldn't say that," Emily straightened, intensely interested. This was something she knew about. "I did an article about it just last fall. Why, statistics show that there's more praying now than at any time in history. 'Religion's Comeback,' I called it." "Yes, I know," Mrs. Johnson continued undisturbed—in fact enjoying it, "but the praying's not getting through. With that layer of misery that's around the earth now, nothing can get through. That's why he's disbanded the service for the duration." "A messenger came to collect us!" "Oh, there're plenty of messengers there, the ones who got stuck there. Stranded. No contact with uphere anymore." Pinky groaned inwardly. How disappointing it all was. On the train, in the back of his mind, there had been one small consolation. "At least," he had thought, "no matter what happens to me, I'll be in the right spot to put in a good word for Martha. I can watch over her. And maybe, in a way, I'll even be able to see and touch the baby." But now . . . what could he hope for now? (To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY
America's Card Authority

The Cleveland Whist Club, sponsor of the Ohio State Tournament, was one of the first organizations in the country to raise \$500 for a War Orphans Scholarship.

The open pair event at the Ohio State, which established a new attendance record, was won in a walk-away by two of Cleveland's popular stars, Elmer J. Babin and Sidney Fink. As I have often said

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Corsicana Soldier Gets Out of England 30 Minutes Before Invasion

CHICKASHA, OKLA.—(AP)—Pvt. Alton W. Jones, Corsicana, Texas, who had been in England five months with an anti-aircraft unit, left by plane just 30 minutes before the invasion of the French coast started and didn't know about it until he reached North America. He was one of a group of 13 patients from England and the Mediterranean theater who arrived at Borden Army General Hospital Tuesday.

Timely Tumble

SHENANDOAH, IA.—(AP)—Water Commissioner Nye had a lucky fall. Nye dislocated an arm and was taken to a hospital where a doctor was summoned, the operating room and anesthetic prepared. Just as he was getting onto the operating table he slipped and the injured arm snapped back in place. Borden Army General Hospital Tuesday.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE —with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY —By J. R. WILLIAMS

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HERE'S A SAMPLE QUESTION: "HOW FAR DOES A HOUSEWIFE WALK IN A YEAR INSIDE THE HOME?"

THE NEXT QUESTION THAT OCCURS TO ME IS, DO THEY ALLOW SMOKING IN PADDED CELLS?

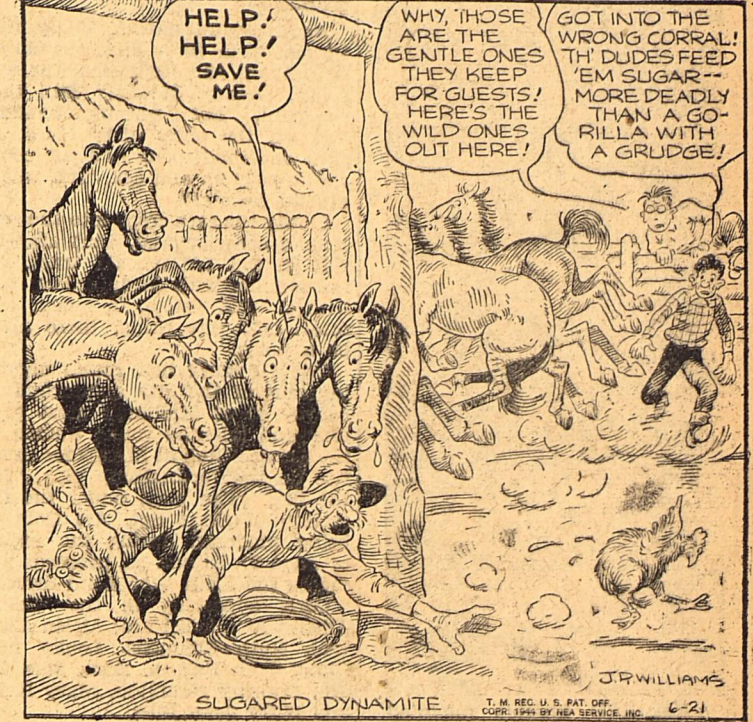
LET'S THINK UP A TOUGH NUT TO MAIL HIM AND START FIRE SIRENS GOING BETWEEN HIS EARS!

HELP! HELP! SAVE ME!

WHY, THOSE ARE THE GENTLE ONES THEY KEEP FOR GUESTS! HERE'S THE WILD ONES OUT HERE!

GOT INTO THE WRONG CORRAL! TH' DUDES FEED 'EM SUGAR— MORE DEADLY THAN A GORILLA WITH A GRUDGE!

SOUNDS LIKE A WONDERFUL JOB!



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES —By EDGAR MARTIN

SO YOU'RE THE ONE WHO TOOK MY LIBRARY BOOK!

OH, THAT! WELL, I DID BRING HOME AN EXTRA ONE

IS THIS IT? IT'S ONLY A CHILD'S BOOK!

GIVE IT TO ME!

MY MAP—IT'S GONE

MAP?

ONE KILLED IN CRASH

GALVESTON.—(AP)—One person was killed and three were injured when a car, driven by Dr. E. C. Swelley, Roscoe, Texas, was in collision with a truck near Jiffycock, in Galveston County, Tuesday.

Texas Scores FEPC In Speech in House

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Representative Fisher (D-Texas), asserting the Fair Employment Practices Committee "has gone so far afield as to undertake to violate the constitutional right of freedom of the press," told the House Tuesday its establishment as a permanent agency would substitute "tyrannical regimentation" for democratic government.

Midland Using Unusual Quantities Of Ice

Midland is using ice in unprecedented quantities this winter, L. W. Sandusky, manager of the Southern Ice Company, said Wednesday. Although full extent of summer heat is still some weeks off, Sandusky's concern is already putting out as much ice in Midland as they did during the peak months of last summer.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS —By MERRILL BLOSSER

IT'LL BE A LOT HARDER GETTING DOWN THAN IT WAS GETTING UP!

HOW'D HAPPEN?

I LAID THE BOTTLE DOWN SO I COULD REST A WHILE, AND IT ROLLED DOWN THE BANK INTO THE RIVER. IT BLEW ME INTO THAT TREE AND STUNNED ME! FOR A WHILE I KINDA THOUGHT I WAS OUTTA MY HEAD! WHY, NUTTY?

WELL, I HAD THE CRAZY IDEA THAT THE AIR WAS SUDDENLY FILLED WITH FISH!

WASH TUBBS —By LESLIE TURNER

RESULTS OF HEAVY ARTILLERY STRAFING ON OUR DEFENSE POSITIONS ARE MOST DISTRESSING, CAPTAIN MUT!

OUR SCATTERED SURVIVORS TO THE NORTH ARE FALLING BACK INTO THE JUNGLE AREA SURROUNDING HEADQUARTERS

WHAT OF THOSE TO THE SOUTH, SUNKIMOTO?

THEY'VE BEEN JUST SCATTERED, HONORABLE CAPTAIN!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD —By William Ferguson

AT NORTH CAPE, NORWAY, THE SUN HAS NOT SET FOR FORTY DAYS. . . AND IT WILL NOT SET UNTIL FORTY MORE DAYS HAVE PASSED.

Quoting Odds

"WHEN YOU PULL YOUR FISH LINE IN, IT'S OUT," SAYS LEONARD GABRIEL JR. Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

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NEXT: Where is the mouth of the Hudson river?

SIDE GLANCES

RED RYDER —By FRED HARMAN

I'M NOT HURT BAD—GET THAT BUSTED RED-HEAD!

I'M TRYIN'!

I'M CORNERED—CAN'T MOVE TILL DARK!

NEITHER CAN THEY!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

WHOA! BOOM SHOTS!

MEANWHILE, LITTLE BEANER, DISOBEYING RED'S ORDERS, PICKS UP THE TRAIL.

ALLEY OOP —By V. T. HAMLIN

KEEP WORKING ON 'EM, AZRO! I GOTTA CARRY OUT DOC'S WISH TO LOCATE KING SOLOMON'S MINES AND IN NO MOOD TO BE DELAYED—OPEN UP!

AYE, MY BROTHER, THE GUARDS STAND IN TERROR OF OUR HORSELESS CHARIOT. . . BUT THEY REFUSE TO LET US PASS THE GATE?

FURTHER PARLEY WILL AVAL US NOTHING. ANYWAY, THE GUARD SAYS HE DOESN'T HAVE THE KEY!

HUMAN! NEVER MIND.

I'VE GOT A KEY THAT'S OPENED UP LOTS TOUGHER THINGS THAN A DANGED GATE

Mackmen May Decide Junior Loop Champ

By FRITZ HOWELL
Associated Press Sports Writer

Connie Mack's Athletics haven't won a pennant since away back when, and they aren't hot choices this year, but there's a growing feeling they might have quite a bit to say about who emerges on top in the American loop's free-for-all.

Can't Connie's conglomerate of kids, castoffs and Cubans, mixed with a few of the better boys, served notice Tuesday that they are very much in the league. They were residing placidly in last place when Joe Cronin's spurring, second-place Red Sox came to town and 18,500 fans turned out to see the fun.

Red Sox Clubbed

When the smoke from the double-header cleared away, the Mackmen had jumped to a sixth-place tie, and had spoiled Boston's chance of slipping into first place by the St. Louis Browns, who split a twin bill with Chicago's White Sox.

The A's needed 11 innings to beat Boston in the opener, 5 to 4, with Eddie Busch, late of Elmira, singling in the winning run. The second was easy, veteran Bobo Newsom allowing two hits for a 2 to 0 shutout.

The Browns stretched their lead to a game and a half by salvaging the second from Chicago, 5 to 0.

Standings

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

American League

Philadelphia 5-2, Boston 4-0.
St. Louis 3-5, Chicago 4-0.
New York 3, Washington 1.
Cleveland 3, Detroit 1.

National League

Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 0.
Brooklyn 7, New York 6.
St. Louis 2, Chicago 1.
Philadelphia-Boston, p.p.d.

National League

Teams	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	37	16	.698
Pittsburgh	28	23	.549
New York	30	25	.538
Cincinnati	28	25	.537
Brooklyn	28	29	.491
Boston	24	34	.414
Philadelphia	21	30	.412
Chicago	17	31	.354

American League

Teams	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	33	26	.559
Boston	31	27	.534
Chicago	25	25	.500
Detroit	29	29	.500
New York	26	28	.481
Washington	27	30	.476
Cleveland	27	31	.464
Philadelphia	27	30	.474

after losing the 10-frame opener, 4 to 3. Al Hollingsworth won his first of the season in the nightcap.

Yanks Win One

Hank Borow came up with an other good mound chore, a four-hitter, and the Yanks loosed a 10-blow barrage behind him, as the world champs defeated Washington 3 to 1 with Bud Metheny's homer deciding it.

Cleveland beat Detroit, 3 to 1, but skidded into the cellar. Ray Mack, war worker, flew to Detroit for the twilight tilt, and his ninth-inning fly sent the winning run home as hard-working Paul Trout weakened. Trout has pitched 261.3 frames in six days.

Bucky Walters copped his 11th win with a neat two-hitter against Pittsburgh's Pirates, the Cincinnati star adding the 3-0 shutout to other outstanding mound chores which include a one-hitter, and a pair of three-hitters. The Reds eased into third place, .001 ahead of the Giants.

The New Yorkers had a chance to stay up there, splurging for four runs in the first frame against Brooklyn, but Les Webber relieved Rube Melton with two out and held the Otmen the rest of the way as the Dodgers won out 7 to 6. Luis Olmo's homer was the big blow for the victors.

Al Jurisich pitched five-hit ball for the loop-leading St. Louis Cardinals, but was in hot water all the way because of five walks and three hit batsmen. Pepper Martin and Stan Musial roamed far afield for sensational catches, however, and gave him a 2 to 1 win over the last-place Chicago Cubs. The Phillies-Braves game was postponed.

Homing pigeons were used extensively by both sides in World War I.

Sports Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr.

NEW YORK—(P)—As far as this department can learn, Alabama's coaching school is the only one that includes baseball—and it is out for the duration. . . . When he resumes activities, Coach Frank Thomas plans to call on former "Bama" and major league stars as Joe Sewell and Riggs Stephenson as instructors.

Sit Up and Take Notice

Pvt. Edward O. Spratt of Greensboro, N. C., a pre-aviation cadet at Kessler Field, Miss., puts in a claim for the world's sit-up record. . . . Averaging one sit-up every six seconds from noon to midnight, Spratt reached a total of 4,299 to beat the mark of 6,034 set by Sgt. Edward Beranek of the AAF training command school at Yale. . . . At the finish Spratt exclaimed: "I could have gone quite a while, but I figured I might as well get some sleep for the next day's training."

Shorts and Shells

The AAU is seriously considering night track meets in case the championships remain in New York, because afternoon attendance has been so unsatisfactory. Fewer than 4,000 customers turned out last weekend. . . . Gil Torres, Senators' third baseman, wears extra-long pants, like Al Simmons, to conceal what probably are the thinnest legs in major league baseball. . . . When Elmore Harris, the Morgan State College "unknown" turned on the heat in a 400-meter trial at the AAU track meet, defending champion Cliff Bourland asked Wes Wallace, "Where the hell is he going?" . . . Cliff found out when he sat on the sidelines and watched Harris win the title.

Service Department

Cpl. Billy Conn has been transferred to an "undisclosed station" after a short stay at the Greensboro, N. C., overseas replacement depot. . . . Wonder if that means he'll give the GI's overseas his version of past and future tussles with Joe Louis? . . . Thursday's Great Lakes-Lawrence College baseball game will be a clash of lieutenant commanders. Both Mickey Cochrane of the sailors and Coach Joe Kronzer of Lawrence's V-12 team hold that rank.

Legion Post Names Nominating Committee

A nominating committee to nominate new officers for the Woods W. Lynch Post of the American Legion was named by Post Commander C. C. Roripough at a meeting of the Legion held Tuesday night at the Scharbauer Hotel ballroom.

C. V. Lyman is chairman of the committee. Those who will serve with him are N. B. Winter, DeLo Douglas, H. A. Palmer, O. C. Harper and Charles Rosenberg.

Report on the committee's nominations will be made at the next meeting of the Legion.

U.S. Distillers To Produce Whiskey During August

WASHINGTON—(P)—Members of the Senate's liquor shortage investigating committee Wednesday applauded the WPB announcement that whiskey making will be resumed for a month but urged that stricter government controls be placed on distribution to offset the "bootleggers" and "black marketeers."

The War Production Board said Tuesday that alcohol would be released for the manufacture of from 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 gallons of 86-90 proof blended whiskey, about one-fourth of a normal year's supply.

August Is Month

Easing of the industrial alcohol situation was given as the reason. The whiskey will be manufactured during August.

Senator McCarran (D-Nev.), chairman of the committee which for several months has been investigating the liquor shortage, said his group would make public its report shortly, which recommended, besides the release of alcohol for blending purposes:

1. Tightening up of the laws under which enforcement activities of the alcohol tax unit have been conducted.

2. Control of distribution down to but not including the retail level.

Cherbourg —

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strategic harbor, now in plain view of the attacking American troops coming out of the hills surrounding their objective.

German defenses have stiffened and there are indications the Nazi high command has ordered a house-to-house fight by some 25,000 to 50,000 Germans now left with virtually no chance of escape. Allied broadcasts Tuesday night urged the trapped garrison to surrender.

Although the three main roads to Cherbourg from the south run into one main highway bottleneck just outside the city, the American troops apparently were closing in from three sides—south, west and east.

Capture Many Tons

Communique No. 31 from supreme headquarters this morning announced that the towns of Valognes, Les Pieux, Conville and Raville la Bigot were in Allied hands, but the advance American line runs some distance beyond these points.

Only patrol activity was reported elsewhere on the Normandy beach-head except in the Tilly-sur-Seulles area.

The British announced capture of Onchy, three and a half miles southwest of Tilly. At the same time the Germans launched three heavy counterattacks on the newly-taken British stronghold of Hotot, two miles south of Tilly. The attacks were reported held, but the situation in the village itself was obscure.

The Caen area even farther to the east was quiet.

A gale continued to blow in the Channel. Six-foot waves whipped over the invasion beaches, making unloading of supplies impossible for the time being.

Bad weather hampered aircraft over the battle area, but fighter-bombers blasted Cherbourg guns and forts. Many of the missions took to the air from landing grounds in Normandy.

In the Acquieville area the Americans stood less than two miles from the main highway leading out of Cherbourg to the tip of the peninsula to the northwest.

600 Expected At June 24 Barbecue

Arrangements are being made to provide for 600 people for the Scouts-Geologists-Landmen's barbecue and recreation program Saturday from 4 p.m. to 12 midnight, at the Odessa City Park.

That number of tickets had not been sold Wednesday noon, but directors of the affair think they will have enough patrons to justify that amount of food.

Tickets can be secured from the several committees and all who plan to attend are urged to secure admission credentials as soon as they know definitely they will attend.

Feature of the day will be the third and deciding game of the softball series between teams representing the Scouts and the Geologists. The series now stands one all, and the Saturday contest is due to be a strenuous exhibition.

Swimming and dancing will be the other items of the affair. Wives and children of scouts, geologists and landmen are eligible to attend, upon purchase of tickets.

British Minister Makes Public Apology For 'Pearl Harbor Blunder'

LONDON—(P)—In a personal apology to the House of Commons, Oliver Lyttelton, British minister of war production, disclaimed Wednesday any intention of saying in a speech Tuesday that United States lend-lease aid to Britain had forced Japan into attacking Pearl Harbor because, he declared, such a statement was "manifestly untrue."

Lyttelton explained that in an interpolation in a speech which he delivered before the American Chamber of Commerce he had merely tried to make clear Britain's gratitude for aid given her by the United States before the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor.

He concluded: "I want to make it quite clear that I do not come plain of being misreported and that any misunderstanding is entirely my own fault."

Fort Worth Livestock Market Glutted With Record Sheep Run

FORT WORTH — (P) — Fort Worth's livestock market had another crushing run of 40,000 sheep Wednesday morning, and trucks were lined up for more than a mile, waiting to unload their bleating passengers. Many of the sheep were dying.

Stock handlers, railroad employees, salesmen and buyers were physically exhausted from working 18 to 24 hours daily for the last three days, trying to cope with a total estimate of more than 120,000 sheep unexpectedly "dumped" on the market here.

Clay Kitchen, one large buyer, asserted that "the run has demoralized the market" and he pointed out that since the killing capacity of local packing plants is 7,000 daily, 90,000 of the sheep received this week would have to be shipped out.

By mid-morning Wednesday, the remainder of Monday's record-breaking run had been shipped out, but 50,000 to 60,000 more had come in since those were received.

Candidates File First Expense Accounts Here

Candidates were filing their first expense accounts at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble Wednesday. Wednesday is the first day for candidates to file their first expense accounts, and Monday is the last day on which they can file their statement of costs.

Those who had filed the first accounts until noon Wednesday were Mrs. Noble, Marshall Head, candidate for commissioner of Precinct 2; Lois Patterson, candidate for county treasurer; B. C. Girdley, candidate for justice of the peace; Joe Mims, candidate for county attorney; and J. C. Roberts, candidate for commissioner of Precinct 1.

Saturday is the last day on which candidates can pay their ballot fees, and Monday the primary committee will meet to make up the official ballot.

Absentee voting begins July 1.

WPB Officers To Be At CoF Wednesday

Midland residents needing assistance securing priorities will have the opportunity of laying their problems before two representatives of the War Production Board next Wednesday.

A letter from the El Paso office of the WPB received by the Chamber of Commerce said that Clifton W. Johnson, priorities manager of the El Paso office of the WPB, and Henry McKechnie, priorities analyst of that office, would be at the Chamber of Commerce next Wednesday morning to consult with those needing priorities assistance.

SPOC 1 -

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Southwest Andrews lower Ordovician exploration, is due to be plugged on a total depth of 11,322 feet in granite.

Tests were taken in the Ellenburger, Silurian, and Mississippian. None of them had more than slight shows of oil.

Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Price, Southeast Pecos County, the world's deepest oil test, treated with 34 gallons of mud acid and 500 gallons of regular acid, through perforations at 15,145-180 feet, over the total depth of 15,279 feet, according to an official treating report filed with the Midland office of the Railroad Commission Tuesday.

No Show After Acid

After treatment the well was swabbed for seven hours, down to 10,000 feet from the surface, and failed to develop any shows of oil, according to the report.

The operator is expected to soon test a zone around 11,560 feet where, according to unofficial reports, there is a possibility of developing oil production.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Carter section 23, block A-46, psi survey, eight miles west of Andrews in Central-West Andrews County, is apparently headed for the abandoned list.

Operator reports setting a 130-sack cement plug from 4,500 feet to 3,700 feet, and to have shot the 7 5/8-inch casing off at 1,002 feet. Slight oil shows at 4,150-4,500 feet, tested for about two and one-half barrels of oil per hour, during a short period after treating with acid. This hole reached a total depth of 11,812 feet before being plugged-back.

Forkell In Brown Line

Woodley Petroleum Company No. 1 Forkell, Northeast Yoakum County prospect, was being holed by about 20 feet in brown lime, topped at 4,200 feet, with an elevation of 3,613 feet.

Helmerich & Payne, Inc., No. 1 Wright, wildcat possible producer, about three miles northwest of the northwest extension to the Slaughterfield in East Cochran County, had drilled out cement on 7-inch casing which had been set at about 4,900 feet over the bottom at 4,925 feet, and was cleaning out to start making tests of the uncovered formation, which had shown considerable evidence of oil when cored about two weeks ago.

Shell Oil Company, Inc., No. 1 Sparks, Southwest Gaines County exploration to the lower Permian, had reached 6,414 feet in dolomite. Humble No. 1 Doss, in South Gaines, had penetrated past 5,770 feet and was drilling ahead in lime.

Shell No. 1 Cox, Northwest Andrews deep wildcat, was digging below 10,787 feet in shale and lime.

Looks Like Pipe Job

Shell No. 1 Tankersley, Irion County Ellenburger prospect, was reported to be waiting on cement at total depth of 8,357 feet. Apparently a string of pipe had been run. The bottom of the hole was said to be in sand section.

Col-Tex Refining Company No. 1 Miller, Northwest Mitchell County lower Ordovician effort, was making hole under 8,175 feet in dolomite.

1 Moss, Central Yoakum County prospect, was preparing to treat section from 5,185 feet to the total depth at 5,268 feet in lime, with a total of 10,000 gallons of acid in three stages. Slight shows of oil have been found in that horizon.

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1 Brier, South Crane County exploration, was reaching hole to total depth at 6,125 feet, preparatory to taking a drillstem test.

A core at 6,110-25 feet recovered seven and one-half feet of hard, dense dolomite, with bottom six inches being fractured and porous.

Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 2 Sealy-Smith, extensive effort to the one-well Tubb pay pool in Southeast Winkler County, had reached 1,666 feet and was going ahead in lime. It is about to the level at which oil should be encountered.

Stanolind No. 4 Sealy-Smith had penetrated to 5,329 feet in lime.

Walter F. Smith To Go To Shreveport

Walter F. Smith of Midland, for the last six years manager of the West Texas district of the National Supply Company, is being transferred by the company to Shreveport, La., for an important assignment in connection with recent developments in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Hugh A. Crider, who for the last three years has been Smith's assistant in West Texas, is being promoted to the post of manager in this district.

Livestock

FORT WORTH — (P) — Cattle 4,400; calves 1,400; steady; common to medium steers and yearlings 8.50-13.00; good and choice steers 13.00-14.00; beef cows 7.50-11.00; good and choice fat calves 12.00-13.50; common to medium butcher calves 7.50-11.50; cull calves 6.50-7.25.

Hogs 1,403; unchanged; most 180-270 lb. butcher hogs 13.55; heavier hogs 12.00 down; good and choice 15.0-17.5 lb. 9.75-12.00; sows 9.75-10.75; pigs 6.00-8.50.

Sheep 38,763; lower; medium to choice spring lambs 11.00-14.00; common to good shorn lambs 8.50-11.50; shorn ewes and aged wethers 4.25-6.00.

RETURNS TO NEW YORK

M. L. Bryant, sound operator's mate first class, has returned to a New York receiving station after spending a 30 day rehabilitation leave with his wife, children and parents here. Bryant has completed an 18 month tour of duty in the Caribbean and South Atlantic.

HOUSTON BANKER IS BUSINESS VISITOR HERE

John Churchill, assistant vice president of the First National Bank in Houston, was a business visitor in Midland Wednesday.

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Midland County Has Few 'Teen-Age' Marriages, License Records Show

By JOHN FLEMISTER
Reporter-Telegram Staff Writer

Midland County boys and girls are waiting until they are grown before getting married.

This statement is at variance with reports going around the nation that marriages between boys and girls who have just quit believing in Santa Claus are quite common.

A check of marriage license records at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble reveals the average age of the Midland County bride is 23. Average age of the groom is 28.

Youngest Girl 15

Youngest girl to secure a marriage license the past month was 15, and she did so with her parents' full knowledge and consent, as proven by affidavit. She married an older of 21. A sort of May and December kind of thing.

The oldest man to secure a license the past month gave his age as 51. He didn't marry the oldest woman to kae out a license. Not by a long shot. Age of the bride for his license was given as 28.

Oldest woman to take out a li-

License was 40. She married a man of 47.

Youngest Man 16

Youngest man to secure a license was 16. Unlike his bride of 19, he had to have an affidavit from his parents indicating it was "ok" by them for him to get married.

Another young man of 19 had to have his parents' consent to marry a girl of 19, who could get a license regardless of what her parents thought about it.

There were only two instances where the bride was older than the groom. One was the 16-year-old boy who married the 19-year-old girl. The other was a girl of 21 marrying a man of 20.

There were three cases where the ages of the bride and groom were the same.

The 51-year-old man who married the woman of 23 was 23 years older than the bride, but there was the case of the 40-year-old man who took out a license for himself and a bride of 23, a difference in ages of 17 years.

Legion To Investigate Possibility Of July Fourth Celebration

First step toward holding a Fourth of July celebration in Midland this year was taken by the Woods W. Lynch Post of the American Legion at a meeting held Tuesday night.

The members vote unanimously to give Post Commander C. C. Roripough full authority to appoint a committee to study plans for holding a celebration, and if found practical, to put plans into effect for a Fourth of July event.

Members who spoke in favor of investigating the possibility of holding an event pointed to the significance of the day, and that it should be doubly significant this year.

NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SAN ANTONIO — (P) — Lt. Col. Nathan H. Press has been designated as executive officer of the San Antonio Army Service Forces depot, Brig. Gen. J. A. Porter, commanding general, announced Wednesday.

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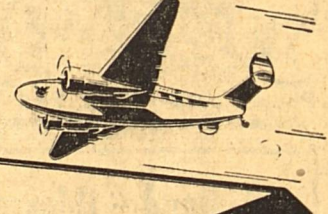
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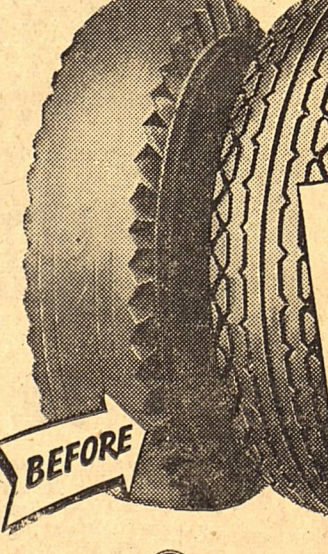
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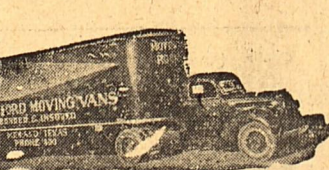
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