

# Washington Officials Appeal for 75 Workers To Load Carbon Black Here

## 75 LOADERS ARE NEEDED, CABOT 41 CARS BEHIND

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**Picture, if you will, a Pampa soldier stranded at the front of a trench, with the enemy soldier in his hands. You can get him out of that dilemma by taking the necessary equipment. Go at once to the USGS office and tell them you are ready to help that Pampa soldier at the front.

Need for Pampa carbon black in carrying on the war became so urgent today that government agencies in Washington sent through an appeal for 75 men or women to load the vital material for shipping to war production centers. This appeal for workers, not now engaged in essential war work, was relayed here through O. R. Terry, manager of the United States employment service with offices in the Combs-Worley building, 206 N. Russell street.

## Planes Strike Twin Blow At Luzon Island

By LEONARD MILLIMAN Associated Press War Editor

Squadrons of land-based U. S. planes making their first strong double-strike at Luzon Island where the decisive battles of the Philippines will be fought, blew up a Japanese ammunition train and probably sank eight enemy ships, including three warcraft.

The successful attacks revealed apparent Japanese preparations to meet an expected invasion of Luzon or to strike at nearby Mindoro Island where Tokyo radio has said Americans were bringing in reinforcements.

U. S. bombers and attack planes caught the ships in Lingayen gulf, the original Japanese invasion route 150 miles north of Manila. They left three large freighters, two small freighters and three escorting warships sinking.

On Southwestern Luzon across a narrow water channel from Mindoro, 50 marine Corsairs attacked four ammunition trains. One was blown up and three damaged. Twenty locomotives were attacked in the same area.

Fifteen Nipponese planes raided Mindoro while U. S. air forces damaged five Japanese vessels in raids against the island.

A Pacific fleet review said that with most of Japan's outer strongholds "reduced to rubble and ashes" the home islands are now open to attack by naval task forces as well as bombers. But, it cautioned, "the road to Tokyo is rough and long, x x x the hardest battles in the Pacific war are still to come."

Current reports of land fighting came largely from the cleanup campaign on Leyte island in the Philippines where 995 more Japanese were killed, and Burma with Japanese withdrawing from mutually-advantageous front.

## Plans To Combat Polio Are Made

Discussion of a polio case was held when the Gray county infantile paralysis committee met Friday night in the city commission rooms, following a dinner at the Courthouse cafe.

The committee agreed to aid L. M. McCathern in giving further treatment to his six-year-old daughter who contracted the disease in Lake Charles, La. this year.

The victim to the Kenney treatment there and at Warm Springs, Ga., said that physicians term "very little success."

Gray county organization agreed to aid in giving the McCathern child the Billig-Harvold surgical operation which is to be performed in Los Angeles, Cal. The amount of \$100 was given for the operation.

Plans were also made for the March of Dimes and the President's annual birthday ball in order to raise money in Gray county to aid polio victims. W. B. Weathered and W. C. deCordova were appointed to be in charge of the March of Dimes drive and the birthday ball.

Members attending the meeting Friday were C. A. Huff, president; D. L. Parker, treasurer; Dorothea Ward, R. Sec.; Rev. Edgar W. Henshaw, L. L. Sone, R. A. Webb, members of the advisory committee.

Other members who were not present are Fred Thompson, Jack Hanna, Travis Lively, R. L. Posey, C. O. Green of McLean and W. E. James of LeFors.

Mrs. Dorothea Ward, R. is securing literature concerning treatment for polio and will distribute booklets among Pampa clubs and civic organizations. Last year, Mrs. Ward was given a special course in the Kenney treatment in Dallas and she is the only nurse in Gray county who has received these instructions.

## Delegates To Elect New Panama Leader

PANAMA, Jan. 2.—(AP)—National assembly delegates who have taken refuge in the Panama Canal Zone will meet within 10 days to elect a new president to challenge the continuance in office of President Adolfo de la Guardia. Deputy Alfredo Aleman, a leader in the movement, said last night.

It was erroneously stated in yesterday's story about the first baby born in the county in 1943 that Dr. Frank W. Kelley was the attending physician, when the physician was Dr. J. H. Kelley.

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## Vinson Studies Pro and Con On Cattle Ceilings

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—A decision soon whether price ceilings will be set up for live cattle was forecast today as Stabilization Director Fred Vinson studied pro and con arguments.

Another vigorous protest against the proposed "cap was laid before him yesterday by a delegation of producers and feeders, accompanied by a group of farm state Senators.

On the other side, the office of price administration and New York area meat retailers are urging adoption of the program as the only way to check what they regard as a serious black market situation.

Speakers for the cattlemen told reporters that "on the hoof" ceilings will "make our present beef black market look like a sideshow."

In a prepared statement submitted to Vinson, Paul Thompson, Clinton, Ind., feeder, opposed the proposed \$17.75 per hundredweight flat ceiling as a measure which would cut beef production.

Pointing out that until recently choice cattle sold for as high as \$18.50 a hundred pounds, Thompson said that OPA's plans for a lower ceiling would discourage feeding to heavy weights, with a resulting loss of beef tonnage.

P. O. Wilson, secretary of the joint livestock committee, said that under the OPA program controls would be imposed as to the type, grade and number of cattle which could be killed by slaughterers.

These restrictions, he said, amount to rationing—a measure opposed by cattlemen—and "would cause processors to pay well under maximum prices even though they could afford to pay full prices."

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## TAPPER TAPPED

Screen Actress Ann Miller, above, famed for her tap dancing, has been tapped by the Artists' and Sculptors' Institute of New York as one of the world's most glamorous women and "outstanding personality."

Five-One Garage, 600 S. Cuyler, Ph. 51.

## FLASH BULLETIN

PARIS, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay, Allied naval commander, was killed today.

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# NAZIS HOLDING ON IN FRANCE

## Byrnes Suggests 'Teeth' for 'Work or Fight'

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## Navy Announces Loss of 4 Ships By Enemy Action

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Loss of a submarine, a medium landing ship and two motor torpedo boats was announced today by the navy.

The 1,525-ton submarine Harder is overdue from patrol and presumed lost, a communique said.

The landing ship LSM 318 and the PT 300 were lost as a result of enemy action in the Philippine area, and the PT 311 was lost to enemy action in the Mediterranean.

The landing ship was sunk during a Japanese air attack off Ormoc Dec. 7.

The submarine Harder was of a type which carries a normal complement of 65 men. The normal crew of a landing ship medium is 52 and of PT boats from 11 to 15.

Next in kin of all fatalities and all severely wounded crew members of the LSM 318 also have been notified.

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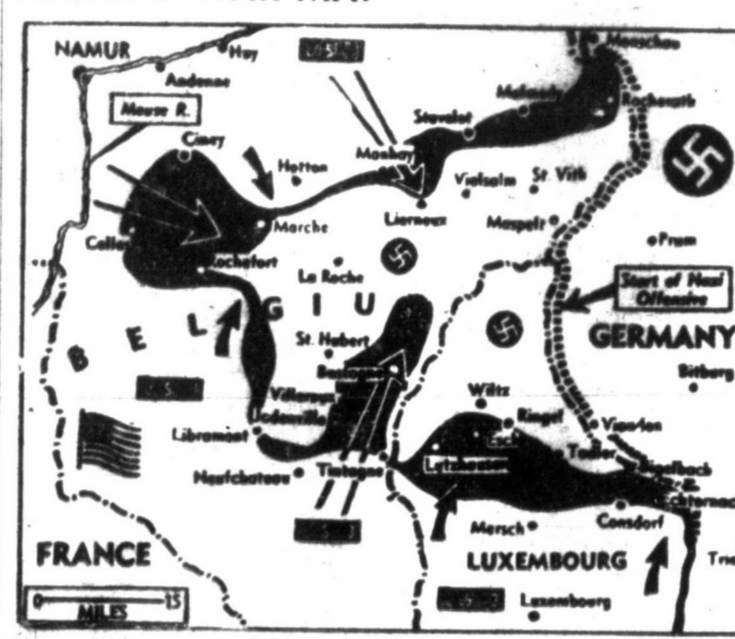
TULSA, Okla., Jan. 2.—(AP)—United States oil production declined 7,200 barrels daily in the week ended Dec. 30 to 4,714,350 barrels per day, the Oil and Gas Journal said today.

Texas output was up 50 barrels to 2,111,600. Oklahoma showed an increase of 600 barrels with a total of 360,000. East Texas, stationary at 371,000; Rocky Mountain area up 2,250 to 1,245,500; and Eastern field, up 2,950 to 62,450.

California production fell off 3,500 to 885,250; Illinois, down 1,400 to 202,800; Kansas down 8,100 to 271,000; and Louisiana down 4,000 to 360,650.

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## TODAY'S WAR MAP



Yanks continue drive against nose and waist of Nazi push. Black area shows how the Germans have been pushed back from their furthest point of penetration. (NEA Telemap.)

## General Says Avery Will Not Cooperate With Army

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Byrnes asserted today that Sewell Avery and other officials of Montgomery Ward and company refused to cooperate with the army in the seizure of their properties in seven cities under the general's direction.

"They also refused, he said, to do 'certain acts' necessary to his mission and 'this will make it necessary for me to take appropriate personnel at each of the properties.'"

Gen. Byrnes, director of the army special services division, seized the properties under Presidential order Thursday. His preliminary report to Secretary of War Stimson today clarified for the first time the position of Avery who refused to recognize the validity of the seizure and said the company could not obey it.

The general said that at each property in Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, Denver, Portland, Ore., San Rafael, Calif., and Jamaica, N. Y., an opportunity was given to representatives of Ward's to conduct the business under my direction, x x x with the least disturbance to the normal operations of the properties and without prejudicing the legal rights of the company.

"Mr. Sewell Avery, chairman, and other representatives of the company refused to do certain acts which were necessary for me to carry out my mission. Again they refused. This will make it necessary for me to place operating personnel at each of the properties. This personnel will include officers of long experience in the merchandising field."

## Treasury Turns Down Proposals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Tax law revisions proposed by war mobilizer James P. Byrnes were promptly disclaimed, though not criticized today by the Treasury.

Byrnes, in a report to President Roosevelt and Congress, suggested immediate changes designed to stimulate private enterprise when Germany is beaten. At the same time he declared that any general relief from record wartime tax burdens is impossible until Japan also is knocked out.

A Treasury spokesman, emphasizing that Byrnes' ideas on taxes do not represent the official views of that department, said: "Secretary Morgenthau was not consulted and knew nothing about it."

Byrnes, whose report drew favorable comment on Capitol Hill, foresaw no immediate prospect for softening the burden on individual income taxpayers.

## Triumphs of 1944 Costly to America

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—We regret to inform you that x x x.

Messages like that went to the homes of 495,052 Americans in uniform in 1944.

They bore the news that a son, a husband, a brother had been killed, or was wounded, missing, interned, or a prisoner.

Official army and navy casualty figures, as of Dec. 14, disclose that 82,534 Americans lost their lives in combat during the year.

Of these, 70,676 were in the army and 11,858 in the navy, marine corps and coast guard.

An additional 318,157 were wounded—288,312 in the army and 29,845 in the other services.

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That's the price of the triumphs of 1944.

## Wide Survey Of Oil Production Cost Is Planned

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—An industry-wide survey of crude oil producing costs has been ordered by the OPA to determine whether ceiling prices are adequate or an increase should be granted.

Chester Bowles, price administrator, said the survey was ordered at the request of the House small business committee and various individual producers, but that action did not mean a change in OPA's position that there should be no general crude price increase.

"This will give us additional data for determining whether OPA's stand against a price increase is justified," said Bowles.

The House committee made its recommendation for a survey after receiving testimony from members of the industry. One of its hearings was held in Austin, Texas.

Appointment of a national crude oil industry advisory committee will be one of the first steps. It will be composed chiefly of independent producers, but contain representatives from major oil companies.

Bowles said also that he would appoint a national industry advisory committee representing oil refiners, which would have as one of its functions the determination whether the refiners could absorb any general price increase to producers.

OPA in the past has granted individual adjustments in producers' ceiling prices, and premium payments financed by government. Such adjustments also have been granted since Aug. 1 to stripper pools.

## Executives Seek Dismissal of US Anti-Trust Suit

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 2.—(AP)—The Western Association of Railway Executives today asked for dismissal of the government's anti-trust suit, contending that a 1942 law suspended anti-trust prosecution of industrial activities deemed necessary to win the war.

The suit, filed in U. S. district court challenged the justice department's right to bring the civil suit, alleging that because of the 1942 law the complaint "fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted" and that the court "is without jurisdiction of the subject matter."

Named defendants in the government's suit, filed here last August, were the Association of American Railroads, its officers and directors; the Western Association of Railway Executives and its officers, J. P. Morgan and company, Inc., Kuhn, Loeb and company, 47 western railroads and their chief executives and more than a score other individuals.

Counsel for the Western railroads alleged that public law No. 603, passed by Congress June 11, 1942, prohibits civil anti-trust prosecutions involving activities which the war production board's chairman has certified are " requisite to the prosecution of the war."

They contended that railroads were placed in this category March 20, 1943, when Donald M. Nelson, then WPB chairman, issued WPB certificate No. 33.

"CLOTHIER DIES" HOUSTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—John A. Shudde, 52, associated with his four brothers in the clothing business, died here yesterday.

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## THE ROAD TO BERLIN

By The Associated Press  
1—Western Front: 301 miles (from near Duren).  
2—Russian Front: 304 miles (from north of Warsaw).  
3—Hungarian Front: 304 miles (from Iron river).  
4—Italian Front: 547 miles (from near Alfontone).

Jeep Wrecker Service Pampa Satisfy Lane, Ph. 101, night 1421-J. Adv.

## Third Army Makes But Small Advance

By WILLIAM L. RYAN Associated Press War Editor

American Third army troops, driving into the narrow waist of the Germans' Ardennes bulge, have broadened to a mile and a half their arrowhead salient above Bastogne and in two days of bitter fighting have resealed desperate German attempts to pinch off their supply line to the Belgian town.

With his garrisons in Belgium now endangered, Field Marshal Rundstedt has struck against the northern flank of the American Seventh army from the old Maginot line fortress city of Bitche eastward to and along the Rhine.

The operations against the Seventh army showed some of the signs of a major counteroffensive, although as yet they have been localized in nature and not conducted in great strength. There was the possibility, too, that Von Rundstedt was making the first of several strong diversionary efforts designed to relieve the pressure on his now hard-pressed troops in Belgium and Luxembourg.

German troops gained some ground in a wooded region, south of Bastogne, five miles southeast of Bitche, but the Seventh army has been able thus far to turn back or hold their efforts elsewhere along this front.

Allied artillery today beat off German self-propelled guns which the enemy ferried across the Maas (Meuse) river under cover of darkness north of Capelle, in Western Holland. This was the boldest enemy thrust on this long-dormant Canadian front in six weeks.

Another indication that the Germans were beginning to feel the Allied pressure came yesterday when they threw their carefully hoarded planes in a series of heavy attacks upon Allied airfields in France, Belgium and Holland.

In the swirling series of air battles at least 188 planes despite the fact that they had achieved an element of surprise. Thirty-three additional enemy planes were destroyed in other operations during the day.

First reports said the Allied lost 25 planes, but this did not include the losses of the U. S. Eighth air force which has not yet been fully stated. In all the Americans and British put approximately 6,000 planes in the air. The Germans asserted that 427 Allied planes were wrecked, in the air and on the ground.

On the Eastern front the fall of the Buda section of Budapest to the Soviet army appeared to be a matter of hours. The Russians brought giant rocket mortars into Budapest on American-made trucks and blasted the enemy's street fortifications.

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## 254 Persons Killed In U.S. in Three Days

A total of 254 persons was killed in the United States during the three-day New Year's holiday week.

The death toll this year was boosted by 48 fatalities in a collision of two Southern Pacific trains near Ogdon, Utah, Sunday. Otherwise, traffic mishaps accounted for 96 deaths, with 54 attributed to fires and 46 from miscellaneous causes.

Last year the New Year's death total was 242, traffic accidents causing 150 fatalities.

Utah led with 48 deaths in a tabulation by states, with California next with 32, Pennsylvania and Illinois each had 16.

## BUS IS RECOVERED

KENEDY, Tex., Jan. 2.—(AP)—A passenger, six-wheel trailer-type bus, which disappeared Saturday from a San Antonio parking lot, was recovered here yesterday.

## ENEMY SPITE WORK

STAVELOT, Belgium, Jan. 1.—(Delayed)—(AP)—Army officers estimate that fanatical Nazi S. S. Elite Guard troops slaughtered without provocation at least 100 Belgian civilians during the first few days of the recent German breakthrough.

Acting mostly under direct orders from German officers to kill all civilians encountered, Hitler's pampered troops clubbed, shot and burned to death men, women and children without mercy.

"We know positively of 63 Belgian civilians they killed in the Stavelot area," said Capt. Melvin H. Handville, former state trooper from Syracuse, N. Y., who investigated German atrocities in this area.

"We have confirmed reports of similar killings in other sectors," he added.

"Their SS troops have been more cruel here than anywhere else. We heard of many instances in other places where they shot down Belgian unarmed men for no reason, but this is the first place I have known them to kill women and children."

The Germans practiced similar excesses in this area in August, 1914, when they marched across Belgium.

In addition to atrocities against

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## Law Backing Up Labor Board Is Highly Endorsed

By The Associated Press

Here, in brief, are War Mobilizer Byrnes' new ideas for the home front:

That 4-F's should be drafted for limited military service or war jobs if present manpower controls fail to do the needed job.

That Congress should pass legislation backing up war labor board orders.

That larger draft calls will have to come in the next few months; reconsideration of farm deferments may be required.

That work of reconverting to civilian production must be shelved "until our military men tell us they have enough."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Drastic manpower proposals, edging closer to the "work or fight" act which lawmakers have long avoided, were thrown today into the battle on the home front.

Advanced by James F. Byrnes, the program would force 4-F men into war roles and put statutory teeth into manpower rules if present labor controls fail to spur the nation's armament output to needed levels.

The suggestion, made by Byrnes last night in his first report as director of the office of war mobilization and reconversion, are still merely threats.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Administration backing to put into law James F. Byrnes' "work or fight" edicts for 4-F's developed today on the eve of the new Congress.

Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex) emerged.

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## McEntire Trial Set for Jan. 15

A venire of 150 men was picked today in Judge W. R. Ewing's 31st district court from which a jury will be picked to hear the trial of E. G. McEntire, who has been charged with murder. The trial will be held January 15.

On October 23, McEntire, 60, fruit stand operator in the 600 block on S. Cuyler, is alleged to have fatally shot Kenneth W. Conway, 34, rig builder Conway was said to have been shot by a 38 revolver bullet after he and McEntire witnessed a boxing bout between his son and McEntire's grandson.

Judge Ewing reported a light docket today.

The case of W. S. Marsh, who was arrested by police and charged with maintenance of illegal gambling devices, will be brought before the grand jury Monday.

## Union Printers Go Back to Their Jobs

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Members of the International Typographical union, who yesterday failed to report for work had returned to their posts today.

Members of the night shift returned in time to start preparation of the Record-News, morning publication, after the Daily Times, afternoon publication, had missed its first issue in 25 years.

In a series of meetings yesterday the publishers' committee's offer to join the union in a request for a federal conciliator was accepted.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy; after dark, tonight and Wednesday, slightly colder in El Paso area tonight.

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8 A. M. 20  
9 A. M. 20  
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11 A. M. 20  
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# Return of Spikes, Two-Way Stretches, 1945 Predictions

NEW YORK—Top and toe aspects of the fashion future are going to be literally rosy with a rash of pink into shades of red and reds promised—some of several colors primed to step out from under wartime color restrictions. But what may bloom brighter on the 1945 horizon for many women will be the return of three-inch heels, one inch platform soles on shoes, two-way stretch girdles, lastex swim suits and a new "inca" rayon which gives a pre-estate of post-war wonders.

This "wunkerkind" fabric—finer than the finest silk shirting—which backs up a Yankee Doodle boast that we can concoct a better silk job than the worm, is a one-denier spun rayon yarn made up into fabric for wear uses. Government surplus turned into women's and children's read-to-wear fashions met very test before they were launched with flying colors—both plain and printed. In dry-cleanable and washable finishes, the tubbable fabric washes like a handkerchief, takes the hottest iron, sheds wear-wrinkles and is really something to shout about.

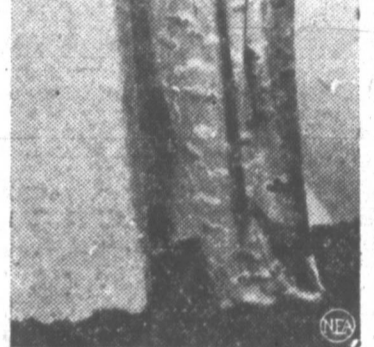
Pre-war, two-way stretch girdles are expected to trickle into stores and because of steadily increasing quantities of synthetic rubber for elastic yarn the lastex swim suit is hoped around May to become a part of regular lines. Shifts of war may knock blith expectations, however, into a cocked hat.

Expected on shoe counters are platform-soled boiler-uppers, new patterns, more colors and three-inch heels. If manufacturers can prove that no additional labor or material is needed to indulge you in your little footwear whimsies. Because leather is limited and fabric has been used successfully before as a color medium, expect to see more bright gabardines, linens, cottons, woolsens, etc., than calico, suede and reptiles.

Hats? It's no military secret that they will dip into every shade of pink from spun sugar pallor to pure raspberry soda in styles which will stick to two general types oh-so-feminine and the haberdasher. In size there will be a general dwarf-



This John Fredrick's turban-bonnet of pale pink straw trimmed with leaf-green satin is typical of the new 1945 miracle rayon crepe.



A hot iron and tubbing are no threat to this Adele Simpson-designed evening dress because it's made of the new 1945 miracle rayon crepe.

ing down from last year's super-structure, which as far as Mrs. Average American was concerned was no-go.

From the crystal gazers, here's the rest of the round-up. Furs will go dark again, lengths will continue to be perkily short, and newest styles will be the wrap-around-and-clutch. Jewelry will be small-scaled, more precious-looking, and lucky stones will be favored. There will

A return engagement of three-inch heels and platform soles are promised in the New Year. The modernistic platforms above are of red gabardine.

be fewer sheer hose—the 50 denier yarn needed to make cobwebby sheaths is needed for to make tires, bomb chutes, parachute cords—so we'll have to get used to and like the 75 and 100 denier stockings which are what stores call "service sheers." For handbags, expect to see almost for every material but leather in sizes that will bow to material shortages but with roominess promised by three-dimensional design.

## We, the Women

Another New Year faces us when the confident, breezy greeting "Happy New Year" has an empty ring. No matter how much we wish it could be a happy New Year—we know what the year has in store and suffering it will bring, not only to our men fighting overseas, but to their loved ones here at home.

Ever the blessings we at home still enjoy, warmth and food and personal safety, can't help but be happy in a world where war has deprived so many of what we used to call the necessities of life.

The comforts of home are a constant nagging reminder of the hardships so many people, including many of our finest young men, are enduring.

So it won't be a happy New Year—no matter how hard we wish it might be. Let's find a more suitable greeting, then, this year. One that has no mocking echo.

A NEW GREETING

Instead of greeting each other with a false cheerfulness and a "Happy New Year" that says something that a few persons have been saying since our first New Year at war.

Let's say to each other, "May the coming year be kind to you and to your loved ones."

May I say it now—and may it please come true:

"May the New Year be kind to you and yours—wherever they may be."

## OPA Has Finished War's Worst Year Officially Asserts

Though 1944 will be remembered as the crucial year of the war, it will also be remembered for other reasons. District Director Howard R. Gholson of the office of price administration, prophesied today as he recounted the major accomplishments of OPA for the year that has just passed into history.

"The year 1944 will be remembered for the determined stand Americans took against inflation," Gholson declared as he stated that during this year of great inflationary pressures when Americans had 130,000,000,000 dollars to spend and only about 90,000,000,000 dollars worth of goods to spend them on, the cost of living was held to a rise of only 1.6-10 percent.

Gholson said a major move to strengthen the price control program—placing ceiling prices on 25 most essential commodities—was working, he says, but it needs the continued backing of the public.

Another important move was the posting of official ceiling prices in restaurants, since restaurant prices threatened a potential threat of 9,000,000,000 dollars yearly.

Another move, which is a new development effective Jan. 15, is the posting of prices for dry cleaning and pressing.

"One of the most important actions of 1944 was the so-called 'converter' regulation which limits the amount of 'over-finishing' and 'fancying-up' of fabrics we have seen so much of lately.

"Enforcement activities covering everything from food sales to over-cleaning rents have been an effective way of administering justice to those who refuse to observe the wartime rules of rationing and price control," Gholson stated.

Fraining the aid of volunteers and the cooperation of merchants, the district director said, "without the contribution they are making in holding the line against a high cost of living, the rationing and price control programs could not hope to accomplish their purpose of fair distribution of scarce goods at reasonable prices."

During World War I, typhus killed 10,000 people in six months in Siberia.

## Lt. Tibbets Is Dinner Honoree

Judson Tibbets, first lieutenant, was honored recently with a dinner party in the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Tibbets of LeFors.

Lt. Tibbets is now in the army air corps and his headquarters are in Washington, D. C., and Asheville, N. C.

Dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tibbets of Alameda, parents of the honoree, Mrs. Mildred Tibbets and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williams, Mrs. Keith Howell, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lacy and children, Mrs. J. K. Porter of Wellington, Mrs. W. M. Tibbets, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jordan, Glenn and Ferrell Tibbets and the honoree.

## Young Life Goes Out with Old Year

PRESCOTT, ARIZ., Jan. 2—(AP)—Four-year-old Joey Stazenski, whose tragic plight brought a pre-Christmas visit from Santa Claus, died this week of the old year.

The boy, victim of a malignant throat tumor, died in the arms of his father, Stanley P. Stazenski, in a lonely ranch house 18 miles north-west of here.

## KPDN NEWS

- 1340 K.C.
- around the clock
- TUESDAY
- 4:00 Mutual Musicale
  - 4:15 Chick Carter, Boy Detective, MBS
  - 4:30 The Publisher Speaks
  - 4:45 One Minute MBS
  - 5:00 One Minute of Prayer, MBS
  - 5:01 Griffin Reporting, MBS
  - 5:05 Theatre Party, MBS
  - 5:30 Superman, MBS
  - 5:45 Dance Music
  - 6:00 - also Lewis J. news, MBS
  - 6:15 - Louis Armstrong's Orch., MBS
  - 6:30 - Dance Time
  - 6:45 - Music and Lyrics, MBS
  - 7:00 - Frank Sinatra, MBS
  - 7:15 - Sunny Skyler Serenade
  - 7:30 - Roy Rogers Show, MBS
  - 8:00 - Gabriel Heater News, MBS
  - 8:15 - Real Stories from Real Life, MBS
  - 8:30 - American Forum of the Air, MBS
  - 9:15 - War News Analyst, MBS
  - 9:30 - Bill Hard's Orch., MBS
  - 10:00 - Radio News, MBS
  - 10:15 - Eddy Stone's Orch., MBS
  - 10:30 - Sign Off
- WEDNESDAY
- 7:30 - Early Morning Previews
  - 8:00 - What's Behind the News
  - 8:05 - Interlude
  - 8:15 - Organ Reveries
  - 8:45 - Let's Read the Bible
  - 9:00 - Musical Varieties
  - 9:00 - Billy Repaid, MBS
  - 9:15 - Do You Need Advice?, MBS
  - 9:30 - Shady Valley Folks, MBS
  - 10:00 - Arthur Gersh, news, MBS
  - 10:15 - Do You Need Advice?, MBS
  - 10:30 - Walley Townsend, MBS
  - 10:45 - What's Your Idea, MBS
  - 10:50 - Lenny and Ginger, MBS
  - 11:00 - Treasury Salute
  - 11:15 - Hank Lawson's Music Mixers
  - 11:30 - News-Tex DeWaves
  - 11:45 - Treasury Salute
  - 12:00 - Parade Program
  - 12:15 - Terry House Party, MBS
  - 12:30 - Luncheon with Lopez, MBS
  - 12:45 - American Woman's Jury, MBS
  - 1:00 - Cedric Fuster News, MBS
  - 1:15 - Jane Cow, MBS
  - 1:30 - Job Carter's Orch., MBS
  - 1:45 - True Detective Mysteries, MBS
  - 2:00 - Morton Downey, MBS
  - 2:15 - Palmer House Concert
  - 2:30 - The Smoothies, MBS
  - 2:45 - Dance Music
  - 3:00 - Walter Compton
  - 3:15 - The Johnson Family, MBS
  - 3:30 - Job Carter's Orch., MBS
  - 3:45 - The Haney Man
  - 4:00 - The Cavaliers, MBS

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## This Is MUTUAL

## Mr. and Mrs. Parks Entertain Guests Tuesday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Parks, 1305 Mary Ellen, entertained a group of friends last night in their home when a group of colored movie slides were shown by Capt. Henry E. Hertner, a brother of Mrs. Parks.

Capt. Hertner was stationed with the army in Hawaii for 42 months during which time he took a series of typical Hawaiian scenes and slides of various floral studies.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. H. A. Hertner, Capt. Hertner, of Amarillo; Miss Mary Sherridan of Dallas; Mrs. J. B. Parks of Pueblo, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilcox, Mrs. Michael Bara, Lt. Com. and Mrs. H. H. Hicks of Corpus.

## Luncheon Set Tomorrow For Baptist W.M.U.

W.M.U. members of the First Baptist church will have a luncheon at the church Wednesday at 1 o'clock. Luncheon will be preceded by an executive board meeting at 12:30. Members of circle one will have charge of the dining room and circle two members will present the program on "Working Together for a Century." All members are urged to attend.

## Buffet Dinner Is Served Monday In Heiskell Residence

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Heiskell entertained on New Year's day with a dinner party in their home, 725 E. Kingsmill.

Dinner was served buffet style to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lard and daughter Gaylon Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lard and son David of Amarillo, Roy Lard, Herman Sanchez, Claude Heiskell, Mrs. Orville Heiskell and son Larry.

## 'Little Guy' Has Memories About The Old Year Too

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2—(AP)—For home front man of the year this corner nominates once more an elderly guy going over in his muddled head what the year has meant to him.

This time it's the year 1944. His hair was a little thinner, his eyes a little dimmer, he had had one more tooth pulled and three more filled. And as he sat down in the home-bound bus he felt just a little siffer in the joints.

"You're getting a little older, boy," he told himself. "And, boy, you show it."

Bit by bit he remembered: The day we invaded Europe. All that day he had tried to think how he'd feel, wading ashore, with the krauts shooting at him. Something would have happened to him, he knew, but it always did.

He'd never had felt so nervous as he did then, him here and all that there, but he was glad to be alive that day because it was a day which would be in the history books forever.

The summer came, when we were going good in France, and he bet the boss three bucks war in Europe would be by Christmas. It was three bucks he lost and the boss said "I wish I had never won it."

The robots started—do you say it, boy or not?—and the Superfortresses finally cut loose and nipped the Nips, and he suddenly wondered if Adolf Hitler was still alive.

And if he was, would old mumble-mouth Hitler let himself be taken alive. That would be the greatest trial in history, maybe. The little guy knew he'd read every word of it.

Gasoline was still scarce; living costs were supposed to be up only a point or so, but it seemed like lots more than that. It hurt, and he was kind of glad now the government had started taking taxes out of his salary.

The Washington big shots were still grinning about manpower, but they had made it awfully complicated. There was still rationing, okay. He wasn't starving. He was getting along.

He almost forgot the elections. They were pretty good while they lasted. He thought: We sure get over elections fast, don't we?

The next stop was his stop. He felt cold. He got off and went into the store around the corner from his house.

"Did I save a pack for me, Joe?" the little guy asked brightly.

"Not a pack," Joe said, "we ain't had a pack in the place in two days."

"That's the way it goes," the little guy said. "This time last year liquor was short. Now it's cigaretties."

The little guy wished Joe a happy New Year, went out, turned down the street to his house and suddenly remembered: Who won the world series?

In Cuba, the click beetle is worn as an ornament in the hair, or among the folds of dresses of Cuban ladies. It gives off a brilliant green light and looks like a living emerald.

## Civic Culture Club Entertains Members And Guests at Party

Civic Culture club members highlighted the holiday season with a New Year's dinner held for members and their husbands in the City club rooms Monday.

Dinner was served from a table decorated in keeping with the Christmas season. A small tree was used and holly decorated the table.

Guests spent the evening singing Christmas carols and playing games. Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweazy, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cole, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Shackleton, Mrs. Claude Lard, Mrs. Katie Vincent, Mrs. J. I. Howard, Ola Isbell and Mrs. Roy Kilgore; one guest, Mrs. W. M. Hass of Eldorado, Kans.

Civic Culture club will meet Jan. 9, in the home of Mrs. J. B. Townsend with Mrs. Fred Sweazy hostess.

## Entre Nous Club To Meet Friday With Mrs. Benton

Members of the Entre Nous club will meet Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. C. C. Stockstill will be hostess and all members have been urged to attend the meeting as new officers will be installed and plans will be made for the year-book project.

## Martha Pierson Entertains With Morning Coffee

To entertain a group of friends who are attending colleges and universities this year, Miss Martha Pierson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Pierson, 1121 Mary Ellen, was hostess at a coffee Thursday morning. Girls who were home for holiday vacations and a group of Pampa girls were guests.

The hostess poured coffee from a silver service which was placed on the serving table centered with a colorful Christmas arrangement featuring red candles interspersed with spruce and holly. Polonaises were also placed in the entertaining rooms.

Guests included Margie Hill, Eugenia Phelps, Joyce Turner, Betty Ann Culbertson, Edey-June Mullinax, Joyce Wanner, Dorothy Druman Calder, Vivian Laflerty, Doris Jean Caldwell, Elaine Carlson, Wanda Giles, Juanita Osborne and the honoree.

## NO 'GI JOE' SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Jan. 2

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Jan. 2—(AP)—"We're tired of being regarded as government issue," said a spokesman for a group of overseas veterans at the army distribution center. "We've got names and we want 'em used. So from now on we will protest the use of the phrase 'GI Joe' by individuals, or by military and newspapers."

Their New Year's resolution: A boycott on the use of "GI Joe."

## Skating Set

By MRS. ANNE CABOT

Want a bright, flashing skirt for your sessions at the rink or on the skating pond? Why not do a remake job on a couple of old plaid skirts, the lower part of a full coat or an old black velvet evening gown? Bright leaf appliques of felt or red or green wool interspersed with wool flower embroidery will make this costume a winner!

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# BORGER INDUSTRY LOOKS TO FUTURE

Carbon Black, Oil, and Gas of This Region Will Develop Considerably Following War, Says Magazine Article



Better, by Half

By cutting his cigarets in half and using a holder to smoke them, Lt. Lloyd Kiser, above, combat flyer now at Don Cesar Convalescent Center, St. Petersburg, Fla., makes a hard-to-get pack last twice as long. He picked up the idea overseas.

## Mainly About Pampa and Her Neighbor Towns

O. B. Schiffman left Thursday for Okema, Okla., where he will transact business.

Courtesy Cab, 24 hr. taxi, Ph. 441.

Mr. Howard Cooper is in Pampa charging his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Cooper. He has been stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., but will report for duty at Ft. Riley, Kan.

Mrs. Claude Whitefield and daughter, Claudie May, of Moonbush, Texas, are here visiting her mother, Mrs. R. H. Ester, and her sister, Mrs. Gene Smith, and family, and Mrs. Claude Heiskell and family. The Whitefields also visited relatives in Borger.

Wanted to rent 3 or 4 room unfurnished house by Jan. 15. Call 1690-4.

Bob Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Reynolds, left Sunday for Chicago where he will re-enter the university.

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Charles Carpenter, U. S. Navy, has returned from duty in France and is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Carpenter, 403 N. Banks.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Anderson during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Don G. Eason, Donna and Jeff Lee Eason, all of Paso Robles, Calif. Mickey Eason is now a student in the army-navy academy at Carlbad, N. M.

Other guests in the Anderson home were Sgt. Jeff Fuller of Healdton, Okla., who has recently returned to the States after completing 50 missions over Germany; Mr. and Mrs. Ben E. Anderson and daughter, Bevelis, of Leveland, Texas.

S. L. Duane Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Williams, 501 N. Faulkner, who spent a few days here in the early part of December with his parents, is now taking training at St. Louis.

## Population Increase In 1944 Estimated

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—(AP)—Metropolitan Life Insurance company statisticians estimated today that the United States' population increased by 1,400,000 during 1944.

Nearly 3,000,000 babies were born, the company reported, and the general death rate was approximately 10.7 per 1,000, about two per cent lower than in 1943.

The death rate figure took into account "all deaths among the men overseas, whether or not suffered in combat," the report added.

It wouldn't surprise me if we had to re-equip the whole American lat Army—WPB Chairman J. A. Krug.

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Michael's son, Joseph, M., pulled up stakes after a while, came to New York in 1879, and the real story of the Huber interests began to unfold.

Joseph first imported the Huber colors from Germany, then took a flyer at manufacturing them for ink production in the United States, soon was making the finished ink himself. And with that the Hubers were on the way to becoming not only one of the largest independent ink manufacturers in the country, but also in the operation of a string of kindred enterprises with holdings all the way from New York to the Panhandle of West Texas.

During the last war the company needed a particular pigment for black inks, started turning out carbon black to supply it, now is one of the world's leading producers of carbon black, and a top supplier of it to the vast tire industry.

Hans W. Huber, son of Joseph, heads the corporation bearing the family name. Although one of the busiest men in American industry, Mr. Huber finds time for performing heavy wartime chores for the government. In 1942 he went into the war production board as consultant; became chief of the facilities division; latterly has been assistant to the director general of operations and director of the concentration division.

R. J. Cashion is the corporation's vice president and general manager. Another vice president, E. M. Eckhart, is directly in charge of Huber's large and expanding operations at Borger.

## P. T. A. Council To Have Meet Thursday

A meeting of the City council of Parents and Teachers will be held Thursday, Jan. 4, in room 219 of the Junior high building.

An executive board meeting will be held at 2 o'clock with a general meeting at 2:30. Hopkins school will present the program.

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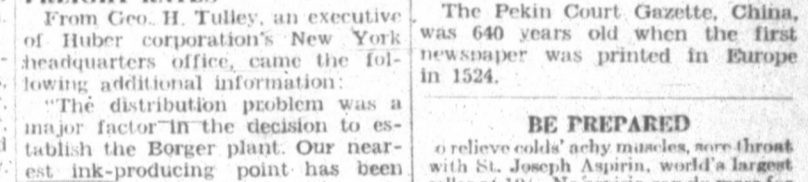
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**Common Ground**  
By K. C. HOILES  
"I speak the pass-word, I give the sign of democracy. By God I will accept nothing which all cannot have their counterpart on the same terms."  
—WALT WHITMAN.

**Unions Method of Measuring Their Harm**  
—Union-labor advocates like to quote the small percentage of hours lost in strikes as evidence that unions do mighty little harm to society.

They use the wrong yardstick to measure the harm, however. They use the direct time lost in strikes in an attempt to show that they curtail production only a very small percentage. This is not the case.

If the total amount of curtailment of production due to union-organised and theories of human relations could be added to the present production, the standard of living of the average worker would be very much higher than it now is.

The great harm unions do to society is in restricting production in various ways.

Probably the average income of the ordinary worker would be \$500 a year more if it were not for curtailments due to beliefs similar to the labor union philosophy. This would be an increase of only \$25 billion a year in production which any economist can easily see would be added to the wealth in the United States each year if there were no interferences with the free exchange of goods and services.

Labor unions interfere with the free exchange of goods and services by the following methods:

They limit the hours that people dare work in connection with the making of longer hours prohibitive.

They limit the number of people who dare to learn to do jobs with better pay.

They restrict the amount of work each worker may do.

They often require payment for the use of new inventions as the musicians' union now requires for phonograph records and as printers have done for years in connection with the union extension.

They advocate tariffs and immigration restrictions that cause wars which destroy wealth and greatly curtail production. They advocate laws that prevent men from associating together whose association would stimulate production.

They bring about a state of inequality of wages among workers which results in workers excluded from the non-competitive wages becoming so disheartened and discouraged that they stop work and demand the government support which they are unemployed workers reduces production and in the long run reduces the real wages of all workers.

They retard the formation of capital by their demanding and receiving wages above their true value. This retards increased production and keeps wage levels down.

They throw many other workers out of work besides those on strike because of lack of materials.

The greatest harm, however, that labor unions do to society is to hold back the moral and honesty of the people. The breakdown of the belief that each man should be paid on a free market, competitive basis leads to lack of self-reliance and to self-pity, covetousness and hate. These characteristics lead to wars.

These are some of the things that the labor unions do that really are of great harm to the workers as a whole. Undoubtedly the yearly harm done to the ordinary workers because of the economic beliefs of labor unions is never \$1000 a year that it is \$500.

So it is easy to see that the direct number of hours lost due to strikes is no way of measuring the amount of harm labor unions do to their fellow workers. It is simply a trick argument to keep other workers from realizing the end harmful results of labor unions.

I have never found a labor union advocate who held any position of responsibility who would publicly attempt to defend the basic principle of the active bargaining which is the basis of all modern labor unions.

The columns of this paper are open to any one who will answer questions on this subject.

**POLAND QUESTION MARK**  
(New Orleans Times-Picayune)

Mr. Churchill indicates that Britain now has fully acquired the Russian claim on Polish territory east of the Curzon line. Poland will be compensated, he adds, with territory taken from Germany—Danzig, and all of East Prussia south and west of Konigsberg; and mass transfers of population will be effected.

There is no need to stress the peculiarities of the British position, or the difficulties that must have attended the reaching of this decision. On this side of the water, there can be no real comprehension of the facts and ethics involved in this "case." Regarding the official United States attitude, Mr. Churchill says that President Roosevelt is "aware of everything that has passed," but that the American viewpoint has not been precisely defined. Considering the fact that we have a war, or a couple of wars to win, we should think that this is exactly what the American reaction should be.

Nevertheless the cause of international peace and security may be seriously prejudiced by this development. As the record stands the natural conclusion is that in this first case of Mr. Big against Mr. Little, Mr. Big has won hands down. We have seen before, in this cataclysmic decade, that Mr. Big does not necessarily stop with one Mr. Little or with the Messrs. Little. Britain has seen it, too. That is all that can be said, except that it is unfortunate there has not been enough bigness among the big to produce a solution determined by mutual trial.

A new sound recording machine makes records on a cellophane tape.

**This Changing World**  
By ERSKINE JOHNSON  
THE FILM PARADE: Stan Laurel — After 20 years in the movies, Stan plays his first dual role—with one-half of it serious—in "The Bullfighters." He's still not sure how audiences accustomed to Laurel as a funny man will take him as a hot-tempered, impatient Spanish matador.

**June Haver**—After seeing some photographs of June, a Liberator crew in England named their bomber "Gotta Haver."

**Humphrey Bogart**—It's Bogey's story about the Hollywoodite in Washington, walking down Pennsylvania avenue and looking at all the government buildings. "Say," he said to a policeman, "which side is the war office on?" The policeman took a cynical look about him and said, "Ours, I hope."

**Ken Murray**—Ken lives next door to Lana Turner and watches her every time she comes into the house. "But," he says, "I'm not quite enough—she's always one shade ahead of me."

**Acquainta**—Competition among the saring girls will hit a new high in Acquainta's next movie for Monogram. She'll wear a jeweled saring.

**Belita**—After winning Hollywood fame as an ice skater, Belita is now touring the country as a ballroom dancer. Her partner is Bobby Spector, champion U. S. ice skater, whom she'll probably marry.

**Publicity Unwanted**  
FRANK LLOYD—Director Lloyd was interviewing a new cook. She said she would take the job providing she did not receive any publicity. "I'm tired," she said, "of reading cranks about Hollywood's household help in the newspapers."

**Minna Gombell**—Noticing a lonely WAC in a restaurant the other day, Minna asked a waiter to send her a drink. The waiter returned a few minutes later and said, "She said to buy you a drink, man. Then he whispered, 'She's the daughter of George Adams, the Chicago millionaire.'"

**Walt Disney**—Walt will introduce a new dance, the Samba-Jongo, in his new movie, "The Three Collaborators." It's Brazilian live with rocking chair rhythm.

**LT. Buddy Rogers**—The Navy will soon give Buddy an honorable discharge after three years of service.

**Lena Horne**—Lena's next movie will be "Sweet Georgia Brown," with an all-Negro cast.

**Will Wright**—Will claims the biggest pair of ears in radio. When he played a role in a Clark Gable picture, Gable jokingly remarked that they were running "ear to ear" for the acting honors.

**Esther Williams**—On a hospital tour at Port Eustis, Va., a blinded veteran was introduced to Esther. He brought tears to her eyes when he said, "I can't see you but the fellows say you're awfully pretty. Could I have a picture just to hold?"

**Job Seems to Be Open**  
PARKYAGARKUS—Sign spotted by Parky in a Hollywood shop: "Help Wanted. Man or Woman. Young or Old. Day or Night. Dead or Alive." And Ozzie Nelson swears to seeing this sign in a cigar shop window: "No—Not Even Under the Counter."

**Sir Alexander Korda**—He says: "The greatest films of World War 2 will be made when stars, directors and authors now in active military service return to the studios to tell the story with sincerity and authority."

Quality of weapons has remained an important factor in our production of armaments. It is a well-founded criticism of ordnance quality—Maj. Gen. Levin H. Campbell, Army Ordnance chief.



**NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS**  
**The National Whirligig**

By ALBERT LEMAN  
**POWER**—This year can be made a much happier one than we at this critical moment foresee if we draw upon our great untapped resources—both spiritual and physical.

New York industrialists frankly admit that the public—including themselves—placed too much reliance on potential rather than actual power.

Because the United States has the volume of material to do many things, we sometimes think that things have already been accomplished. Despite marvelous production records, we did not deliver supplies to the front in the quantities we assumed. Nor were the Germans as badly off as we were led to believe.

**TARGETS**—Steel men assert that, although the combined steel capacity of the United States and Great Britain was stupendous, Nazi output for military purposes in 1943—year in which present weapons were made—was equal to that of the Anglo-Americans.

We turned out one hundred five million tons of ingots but many of these went into shipping, transportation, machinery and civilian goods. Approximately sixty million tons were assigned to ground and air forces—the same amount that Berlin manufactured for the Wehrmacht at home and in occupied countries.

We can swing the balance in our favor by stepping up our operations and allocating more metal to the armed forces.

Even though Hitler has enlarged the giant Hermann Goering works in Central Germany and other industries in comparatively safe Austria, he has lost mines and plants in all liberated countries. German high quality steel mills in the Saar and the Ruhr are constant targets.

A conservative estimate is that his production "will be halved—a serious handicap in a prolonged war."

**BLITZ**—We must augment aviation, even though U. S. Army Air Forces since Pearl Harbor have flown a million and a quarter sorties.

Some people discount the effectiveness of these flights, partly because homes were built too high, but the reckless boasting of General Arnold's publicity boys. Granting that many bombs missed, every hit destroyed or damaged something that might otherwise be used against us now.

The initial Nazi blitz wreaked havoc in Poland and France because, in the absence of anti-aircraft guns, screaming Stukas could dive low and unnerve or annihilate rifle and infantry units. Their attack guns force planes to great heights.

The country on both sides of the Meuse is heavily screened by pine trees where tanks and artillery can harbor off the roads without detection or easy striking. The concentration of open country or large cities would expose the

concerned with the way other countries run their boundaries so long as they do not interfere with the way this country runs its business, and so long as there is no outside interference with the way other countries run their business.

The doubt begins to arise, however, that the American people may not get their every wish in the attainment of these ideals. That is difficult for Americans to understand.

Why should this country—admittedly the most powerful nation in the world whether you measure it in dollars, guns, ships, washing machines, schools, or beauty parlors, have to give in to weaker parties, compromises or ideals which should make sense in any land or language?

The question is further complicated by the fact that all over this world the people of nations oppressed by aggressors look to the United States for friendship and support in the self-determination of their future.

Putting these two together—the desire of the smaller nations to get a square deal and the American sympathy for the underdog which prompts the desire to see them get a square deal—the question arises as to how the United States can insist they get it.

First, Soviet Russia and the Kingdom, the powers which seem to want to dictate the affairs of other weaker nations, know that the United States will not back out of the

**Around Hollywood**

By ERSKINE JOHNSON  
THE FILM PARADE: Stan Laurel — After 20 years in the movies, Stan plays his first dual role—with one-half of it serious—in "The Bullfighters." He's still not sure how audiences accustomed to Laurel as a funny man will take him as a hot-tempered, impatient Spanish matador.

**June Haver**—After seeing some photographs of June, a Liberator crew in England named their bomber "Gotta Haver."

**Humphrey Bogart**—It's Bogey's story about the Hollywoodite in Washington, walking down Pennsylvania avenue and looking at all the government buildings. "Say," he said to a policeman, "which side is the war office on?" The policeman took a cynical look about him and said, "Ours, I hope."

**Ken Murray**—Ken lives next door to Lana Turner and watches her every time she comes into the house. "But," he says, "I'm not quite enough—she's always one shade ahead of me."

**Acquainta**—Competition among the saring girls will hit a new high in Acquainta's next movie for Monogram. She'll wear a jeweled saring.

**Belita**—After winning Hollywood fame as an ice skater, Belita is now touring the country as a ballroom dancer. Her partner is Bobby Spector, champion U. S. ice skater, whom she'll probably marry.

**Publicity Unwanted**  
FRANK LLOYD—Director Lloyd was interviewing a new cook. She said she would take the job providing she did not receive any publicity. "I'm tired," she said, "of reading cranks about Hollywood's household help in the newspapers."

**Minna Gombell**—Noticing a lonely WAC in a restaurant the other day, Minna asked a waiter to send her a drink. The waiter returned a few minutes later and said, "She said to buy you a drink, man. Then he whispered, 'She's the daughter of George Adams, the Chicago millionaire.'"

**Walt Disney**—Walt will introduce a new dance, the Samba-Jongo, in his new movie, "The Three Collaborators." It's Brazilian live with rocking chair rhythm.

**LT. Buddy Rogers**—The Navy will soon give Buddy an honorable discharge after three years of service.

**Lena Horne**—Lena's next movie will be "Sweet Georgia Brown," with an all-Negro cast.

**Will Wright**—Will claims the biggest pair of ears in radio. When he played a role in a Clark Gable picture, Gable jokingly remarked that they were running "ear to ear" for the acting honors.

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Quality of weapons has remained an important factor in our production of armaments. It is a well-founded criticism of ordnance quality—Maj. Gen. Levin H. Campbell, Army Ordnance chief.

**Oil Industry Has Big Year in State**

CORSICANA, Jan. 2.—(AP)—The year 1944 was record breaking in production and drilling by the oil industry. In the service of transportation agencies, and in service by gas utilities in Texas, Railroad Commission Chairman Beauford H. Jester said.

Jester is retiring as chairman to be succeeded by Olin Culberson. He said the number one objective of the commission for 1945 would be reduction of natural gas waste in Texas to "an absolute minimum" and the bringing about of "the most advantageous utilization of this valuable natural resource."

In a statement sketching the 1944 record of activities supervised by the commission Jester said that:

By midnight Dec. 31 Texas would have produced for the year 739,781,126 barrels of oil, an increase of 51.77 per cent over the record breaking 1943 production of 487,436,107 barrels.

To meet urgent war demands the state furnished 93.6 per cent of the national increase in crude oil production for the year. Ninety-five per cent of the state's production of 64,000,000 barrels of manufactured gasoline of various types.

1944 was a year of increased Texas drilling activity, with 3,440 oil wells, 333 gas wells, and 1,204 dry holes drilled compared with 2,381 oil wells, 197 gas wells, and 1,594 dry holes in 1943. Commission records show that last year 82 wildcats found oil, 22 gas, and 892 were dry; that to Dec. 16 this year 177 found oil, 38 gas, and 819 were dry holes.

"1944 again breaks the record of natural gas consumption in Texas. The natural gas utilities are to be congratulated on the way they met increased demands."

Texas transportation agencies handled a volume of traffic 17 per cent in excess of that of 1943, a record-breaking year, and "maintained schedules to a remarkable degree."

**HOLD EVERYTHING**  
MEXICAN HALL



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**WAR TODAY**

By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press War Analyst

The Polish question—which long has been one of the delicate problems of the British-Russian-American combine—has come flaming into the new year like a rocket-bomb, and nobody knows where it's going to land.

It looks as though the Polish national committee of liberation in Lublin may have achieved a decisive coup by breaking relations with the exile Polish government in London and proclaiming itself the provisional government of liberated Poland.

The Lublin committee is, of course, working with the blessings of the Soviet government and will have presented the world with a sturdy fait accompli if Moscow recognizes the provisional government, as is generally anticipated.

However, the most intriguing aspect of the situation as I see it rests in another contingency. Supposing that coincidental with the Lublin committee's move the Red army launches its long awaited offensive against the German Vistula line and starts pushing the Germans back out of Western Poland.

It must be assumed that the Lublin committee would take over Polish territory as fast as it was liberated and organize it under the new pro-

visional government. This would mean that the Lublin government would be in control of all Polish territory west of the Curzon line as soon as the Germans were evicted. Then what would opponents of such a settlement of the Polish question do about it? Possession, you know, is nine points of the law.

In any event the Anglo-American members of the big three still will have to declare their attitudes toward the Lublin committee's action. Moscow has made its support of Lublin clear, and many observers believe that if the Soviet government formally recognizes the Lublin provisional government, France will follow suit.

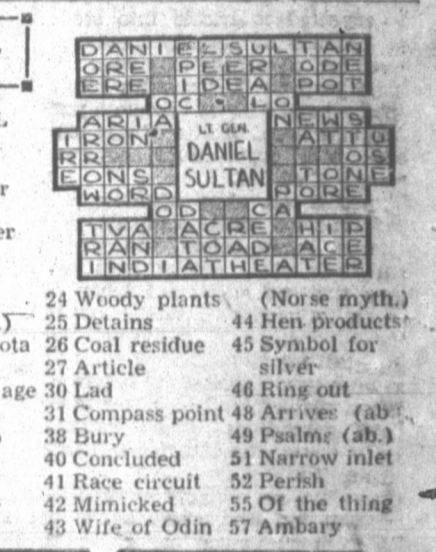
**So They Say**

Our soldiers are not dancing their way through this war, and it's time the people over here realized it. Ammunition is being rationed, and the 5th Army has only one six-inch gun on the entire Italian front. —Rep. Paul W. Shafer of Michigan, back from Europe.

It may come as a surprise to many, but it is time we realistically face the fact that not all Japanese have been barbarians. Horrible military atrocities were performed only over the worst of commanding officers. —Dr. Wilson M. Thune, North India YMCA secretary.

**First Award Winner**

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| 2 Silent film     | 2 Person          |
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| 12 Roof of the    | 4 Sodium          |
| 13 Mouth          | 4 Greek letter    |
| 14 Enigmas        | 5 Trial           |
| 15 Be indisposed  | 6 Expanded        |
| 16 Flowers        | 7 Ventilate       |
| 18 English river  | 8 Yards (ab.)     |
| 19 Deer track     | 9 North Dakota    |
| 21 Pulls along    | (ab.)             |
| 22 Interpret      | 10 Of greater ac- |
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| awarded the       | 14 Observe        |
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| acting            | 20 Trifoliate     |
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| 28 Railroad (ab.) |                   |
| 29 Opera (ab.)    |                   |
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| 41 Narrow road    |                   |
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| 53 Doctors (ab.)  |                   |
| 54 Peeking        |                   |
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**The WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED**



A Day in a Virginia Planter's Life (April 1713)

In the midst of a dream Edward Swain awoke, and for a time he hardly knew that he had been dreaming. It seemed very real, a scene from life, yet it was misty in spots, as dreams are. Parts of it were funny too, but at first he could not remember exactly why. Oh yes. He had been captured by a war party of the Tuscarora Indians who took him to their camp. After awhile they brought him out to where they were all sitting around a fire, and from their malicious looks he knew that they intended to make cruel sport of him.

Then he stood up and began to talk to them. All of a sudden he knew their language—or so he knew it—and he made a jolly speech, and told some jokes. He was surprised at himself; he had no idea that he could speak so well. The Indians roared with laughter.

After his thoughts about the dream had drifted away Swain was still only half awake, so drowsy indeed that he did not realize where he was. He turned over on the soft feather bed and was about to drop into a doze, when he heard the hall clock downstairs strike six. It had a loud, dull, hammer-and-anvil note that quivered in the air, and was very different from the thin, silvery sound of his own clock at Belmore plantation. All at once he knew that he was in the "home" of his friend Henry Randall, near Williamsburg, where he stayed as a guest whenever he attended the meetings of the House of Burgesses. The dark curtains of the bed were drawn close together in the fashion of those days, when people were mortally afraid of night air so he did not know the sun had risen.

But he was wide awake at once and before the last quivering sound of the clock had died, on the air he was getting up. It was Tuesday, the first of every morning; it was also the custom of everybody else in colonial Virginia except a few sluggards. He went to a bedroom window and looked upon the awakening day. The sun was just above the horizon. Its long, level rays glided across the tops of the pine trees and ran across the brown fields. The April green of the new leaves on the trees made intricate patterns against the bleacher whiteness of the sky. Behind the house, in full view from his room, were the slaves' quarters—tiny log cabins with white smoke coming from their clay chimneys. Near them were the stables, the kitchen garden and the sprawling black-and-white barns. Slow-moving white and black servants went about their tasks with the sedate and dignified reluctance of unpaid labor. A Negro girl came from the cow-shed with a wooden pail full of milk. At the border of an adjoining field a white man of servile condition was hitching a horse to the harness of a plow.

As Edward Swain looked peacefully over this sunlit and peaceful scene he felt a sense of wonder to be alive. But this pleasant idea had hardly entered his mind before it was slashed to pieces by unfriendly memories that came like armed men prepared to ravage and destroy.

In some way, Edward recalled, he had offended Governor Spotswood. If he only knew what he had done he might make amends, but the Governor—when asked point-blank by Harry Randall—said that Mr. Swain had not offended him in any way. Nevertheless, that same day, he withdrew Edward Swain's proposed appointment as deputy treasurer of the colony.

And that was not all. At this session the House of Burgesses sat down on the bed to calculate the number of days, in his calendar—at this session of 20 days—had lost more than 500 pounds sterling 2 cards and dice. It was more than he could afford. Thank God, the session is now over, he mused, and I am going home today.

Then there was the disturbing memory of his first attempt last Tuesday to make a speech in the House of Burgesses. What a fool he had made of himself!

Before the House there was a bill for increasing the import duty on slaves. It was already 20 shillings for every Negro brought into the colony, regardless of age or sex, and now they were trying to raise the duty to 25 shillings. Just think of it. Tobacco now is two-pence a pound and everything else rising in price. An adult slave was worth from 30 to 40 pounds, but after one had been brought into the colony it was a long time before he could be trained to farm work, and many died in the first year or two. The proposal to raise the import duty was a destructive measure. Of the colony, he thought, he had doubt whatever, and he had solved it. He forgot what he intended to say.

It had been humiliating. The pleasant spring morning had lost its charm when it appeared again; the background of that speech. He took off his nightcap and went over to the pewee basin on a stand in the corner and soberly washed his face and hands. (To Be Continued)

**Open Season**

Things are all in a dither at Louisiana State university, where good-night kisses by women students have been banned. It seems to us that in this day of manpower shortage any coed who can find a man on the campus to kiss should be congratulated, not reprimanded.

**The Nation's Press**

**DEWEY'S DIFFIDENCE**  
(The Chicago Tribune)

Gov. Dewey is said to be deeply concerned over recent developments in American foreign relations. The defeated candidate did not himself state his opinion publicly. He had dinner with Herbert Brownell Jr., the chairman of the Republican national committee, after which Mr. Brownell undertook to himself state his opinion publicly.

We can understand Mr. Dewey's diffidence. He is in no position today to raise his voice in protest against the consequences of the administration's acceptance of the Anglo-Russian deal because he underwrote the administration's foreign policy throughout the campaign. It was plain at the time that Mr. Roosevelt had sold out the substance of a decent settlement in Europe and Asia for the shadow of the Dumbarton Oaks agreement. Instead of exposing and denouncing the administration's obsequiousness and its folly when he had the chance to do so, Mr. Dewey cried "Me, too." Obviously, he is not a man who feels sorry for him. He made his choice deliberately, expecting to derive an advantage from it. He was warned against the mistake but chose to ignore the advice.

The pity of it is that he has hurt not only himself, but the Republican party and the country as well. If he had taken a forthright position of opposition he might have been defeated, but he has taken a splendid position now to go ahead, vindicated at every point. If the harm done by Mr



### Crisis of War Is Given the People

The full threat of the German offensive—a longer, bloodier war than dreamed of even two weeks ago—has been laid before West Texans by the war manpower commission through the newspapers, the West Texas chamber of commerce and the 130 local chambers in the area.

To these chambers has gone a letter from E. W. Hardin, president of the WTC, transmitting an appeal from the WMC that they actively join in getting across to their communities the facts of the crisis. The call by C. E. Bell, state war manpower director, is that West Texas labor go all out in helping fill the national quota of 311,000 new war workers needed to meet Gen. Eisenhower's huge demands for munitions and supplies for the GI's combatting the Nazi onslaught.

Hardin's letter asks area chambers to meet and publicly endorse the war manpower commission's plan for meeting this emergency. The plans call on every worker now employed to stay on the job if it is a war job; if not, to immediately go to the nearest U. S. employment service office and ask for referral to a war job, either at home or elsewhere. Workers are asked to not take any job except on referral by the employment service, and employers are asked to not hire any worker except on USES referral.

### Belgians Slain

(Continued from Page 1)

civilians in the Stavlet area. German troops probably massacred more than 150 American troops. This is a very conservative figure.

The state department has officially protested the slaughter of 135 out of 150 American unarmed soldiers lined up in a field and machine-gunned near Malmady. In other cases American truck drivers, trapped by fast-moving panzers, were pulled from vehicles, disarmed and ruthlessly shot.

Atrocities against civilians around Stavlet have been thoroughly documented by army officers through questioning of survivors and voluntary statements by captured Germans who acknowledged the part they played in the killings.

Most revolting was the massacre of 20 to 25 Belgian men, women and children herded into a barn and shot by engineers from the First Hitler panzer division. The Germans then fired the barn to destroy the evidence.

As a result of the slaughter of civilians and American troops in the Malmady-Stavlet area, Yanik who later cracked into the Elite First 853 division fought with a vindictive hate lacking on other battlefields.

In a series of savage battles more than 50 per cent of the division was wiped out and the division itself is no longer a potent fighting unit.

One German officer complained to an American major.

"Do you really believe all the propaganda against Himmler and Hitler?" he asked. "Do your men regard our SS panzer division as a bunch of criminals and gangsters?"

The major answered both questions in the affirmative and the performance of the American army against Hitler's SS troops shows it knows how to deal with them.

Other hits which have been running so long that they are accepted as Broadway fixtures are the suave melodramatic "Angel Street" which will celebrate its fourth birthday soon and the nostalgic valentine, "Life with Father," which is galloping along into its sixth successive year in New York and on the road, and is expected to out-live by other past perennials, "Abie's Irish Rose" and "Tobacco Road." This play is fast using up all the children in the theater, and grown-up graduates from the juvenile cast now form a sizable alumni society, 18 of whom are in the army, navy and air force.

### Plants Official Wires From Front

DALLAS, Jan. 2—(AP)—Morton H. Harrison, regional director of the smaller war plants corporation, says he has received a telegram from Maury Maverick, national SWPC manager, from somewhere in France.

Maverick, also a vice chairman of the war production board, is touring battlefields with other WPB vice chairmen at the invitation of the war department, said Harrison. He said the purpose of the trip was to gather first-hand information for the exact job home front production must do in 1945.

"Here in sight of the world's battlefields it can easily be seen that we are in the most critical phase of production and fighting," the telegram read in part.

About all the Japanese are able to do is to cut a few trails, build a small airstrip and make minor provision for landing supplies. In contrast, our seizure of an island is accompanied by engineer troops and construction equipment following immediately behind the assault waves.—Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, Army Service Forces chief

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## THEY ARE THE TOPS ALL AROUND!

By EPIE KINARD  
NEA Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—Lofliest names on Broadway, where thousands of Joes, gobs, war workers, visiting firemen and their feminine counterparts queue up to buy their first glimpse of flesh-and-blood actors, are strenuously alerting Margaret Sullivan and girlishly glamorous Mary Martin, who, judged by the biggest salaries knocked down on the street, are tops.

Until Margaret Sullivan yielded her bright spot in "The Voice of the Turtle" to actress Betty Field, she starred as Broadway's highest paid performer. For her verbal juggling feat in a comedy based on a furlough love story where conversation is tossed back and forth as airily as a ball that never falls, she earned \$4,000 a week, which included a piece of the show's profits.

Diaphanously draped Mary Martin pockets around \$2,750 every Saturday night—a salary which includes a percentage of box office receipts and varies according to the take—for singing, dancing and strip-teasing in that set-to-music fantasy, "One Touch of Venus," a last year's cliche which is still packing 'em in.

Third runner-up to the two gilded gals in the Broadway sweepstakes is veteran funny man Bob-By Clark, who, for his fire-cracker wit, innuendoes, broad wits, shouts and glares earns a big chunk of change in "Mexican Hayride," plushy musical hit.

Following close behind if not neck and neck with Clark on the fast Broadway track are pneumatic Mae West, whose "Catherine Was Great" is a come-up-and-see-me version of Russian history. Queen Ethel Barrymore of the theater's royal family, stars in tear-jerking "Embezzled Heaven." Both of these stars sturdily pull weak plays while the three actors in the lead are luckily cast in hit shows.

**HOTTEST HITS**  
The five hottest hits, judging by advance sell-outs and by the size of the boom-town hordes who push, fight, stand in block-long lines for uncomplaining hours on holidays, election days, Holy Days or rainy days to get tickets, are two Americana-spiced musicals, the old "Oklahoma" and the new women's rights saga, "Blonde Crazy." Tops, too, are "The Voice of the Turtle" which gives audiences the sneak thrill they'd get from watching a love affair through a window—and "Remember Mama," a play which has a by-word, and will be the next animal pet of toy and souvenir manufacturers because of the exalting talents of endearingly wailing Frank Fay, who makes him his companion both at home and abroad.

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**COSTS VARY**  
Dramatic hits like these and the more current, ones cost between 20 and 50 grand to produce, depending upon how many sets are used, how many actors are in the cast, and what size was the stars demand. Weekly box office grosses range from \$18,000 to \$25,000 depending upon how big the theater is, and how much is charged for a cardboard. Top ticket for a top smash will cost you \$4.80, and 75c more if purchased through a legitimate ticket broker.

A lot more money—it will run anywhere from \$100,000 to \$300,000—is sunk into a musical hit, and the amount depends upon how lavish the sets, extravagant the costumes, and whooped up the star-studded cast. Sell-out musicals will gross from \$31,000 to \$46,000 weekly, depending again upon the size of the theater and the price of tickets. To see the most expensive musicals in town, if you're lucky enough to get a duet—go to "Mexican Hayride" or "Song of Norway" or the new "Sadie Thompson" (familiar stage play "Rain" set to music). You'll pay \$8 for an orchestra seat, bought at the box office.

None but the sucker will pay black market prices to furtive and seedy characters, unscrupulous bell boys or other chiselers who try to turn a few crooked bucks by selling tickets with more than fixed broker's fee of 75 cents added to the price.

Mail-order sales, made way in advance and directly through the box office, grow in importance as Broadway becomes the Great White Way of all the country, scattering seeds of little Broadways all over the post-war U. S. A., theatrical folks hope.

**National Service Is Opposed by Group**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2—(AP)—The Methodist Conference on Christian Education unanimously adopted a resolution last night opposing compulsory military training in peacetime.

The resolution, introduced by F. C. Toll of Detroit, asked other church groups to take a similar stand.

It is estimated that during O. Henry's most productive period (the first decade of this century) he drank two quarts of whisky a day.

The longest canal in the world is in China, completed in 1350 after 600 years spent in its construction. It is 2,100 miles long.

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### Mama Porker Does Her Part



"Milbank Lady," purebred Hampshire sow, shown above with little Billy Ricks of Los Angeles, Calif., is certainly doing her bit for the war effort. Since Pearl Harbor, "Lady," who weighs 800 pounds, has produced 11,650 pounds of pork.

### Your GI Rights

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON SERVICEMEN'S PROBLEMS

By ANN STEVICK  
NEA Staff Correspondent

Veterans can buy a stethoscope, a buzz-saw, an auto, a piece of fath-er's veterinarian practice, a stocked-up grocery store, or lease the ten-ant rights to Aunt Sage's front porch on a GI business loan, if they can find a lender who will go for it, encouraged by the 50 per cent backing of Uncle Sam, whose guaranteed half of the loan is limited to \$2,000.

Rules issued by Veteran's Administration show, that loans can be approved for buying a business consisting of real or personal property, for equipment, machinery or tools, for regular business practice, business stock or working capital, and is not covered. In most cases, Brig. Gen. Frank Hines, VA chief, pointed out, the veteran who has borrowed money for a business set-up can stock it on consignment according to regular business practice.

Rules demand a credit report from the veteran from an approved institution. Five credit bureaus including Dun and Bradstreet, Retail Credit Association, Hoover-Holmes have been approved so far. Credit report forms ask for pre-war references and addresses as well as current ones, and the usual queries about family stability, past business experience, and bill-paying record.

Lending terms limit interest to 4 per cent, repayment time to 20 years after buying the business, or bones or physical set-up of a business; five years if you take on anything else such as good-will of going business; three years on loans for equipment, machinery or tools, unless you're borrowing just the down payment which is limited to \$1,000; one-year limit up to \$500, two years up to \$1,000, one year for purchase of supplies such as scrap or cleaning fluid for a cleaning shop.

**SWPC AND RFC HELP**  
First year's interest on the guaranteed portion of loan will be paid by VA, but charged against any future bonus the veteran may get. Payments may be arranged on a monthly, quarterly, or seasonal basis, and may vary as earnings of business vary.

Smaller War Plants Corporation and Reconstruction Finance Corporation field set-ups may help the banker by looking over the proposition after forms are complete to decide whether it fulfills the requirements of a reasonable chance of success. No telling how this will be decided, but from VA viewpoint, expressed by General Hines, specific experience in the line of business must be demanded, if other things look hopeful.

Applications for business loans should be in the hands of bankers within three weeks. You can get a head start by sending to VA for a certificate of eligibility, having photostats made of your discharge so the precious original won't be lost, and lining up the cold dope on the particular business you want to buy. You don't borrow money on the general yearning for a service station or a flower stand. You must have located the specific business you want.

Many schemes, or rackets between friends, which are possible under these lending rules, will be subject to the cold eye of a banker or a VA loan expert, and will be further curbed by the rule that any losses paid by VA on a loan will remain a debt due the U. S. by the veteran or his estate.

### National Service Is Opposed by Group

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2—(AP)—The Methodist Conference on Christian Education unanimously adopted a resolution last night opposing compulsory military training in peacetime.

The resolution, introduced by F. C. Toll of Detroit, asked other church groups to take a similar stand.

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### Russian Cowboys Hit Long Trails

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WASHINGTON — Soviet Russia has adopted the technique of the old West—mass herd-driving—in restocking liberated areas with cattle. The retreating Germans systematically destroyed livestock in Western Russia as they fell back. Then millions of cattle, sheep, and goats were bought in Central Asia by the Soviet government. Hundreds of herds were sent ahead to mark off routes with plenty of water and pasture. Some 540 veterinary stations and 250 control stations were set up along 23 routes, which totaled the distance around the world.

The trek began last spring. Millions of head of livestock grazed their way across Russia, Byelorussia and the Ukraine, all the way from Kazakhstan, Kirov and Volokda. They were tended by 25,000 herdsmen.

To have taken them by rail would have tied up for a whole month some 60,000 freight cars, and 1,000 locomotives, says an official bulletin issued by the Soviet embassy here.

The cattle were driven slowly enough that they gained in both weight and numbers. One Cossack cowboy named Persidsky started from Kazakhstan with 600 cows weighing about 200 tons. He reached Voroshilovgrad with 660 cows and calves totaling 230 tons.

### Carbon Black

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The immediate war need for the carbon black which is piling up in Pampa awaiting shipment.

"It is a shame that our boys at the front can't get the benefit of this carbon black," Terry said. "Certainly there must be 75 persons in the Pampa area who can get this job done. This is an appeal to the patriotism of residents of our area. The black has been produced. It is ready to ship. All that is needed to speed it on its way to the place where it will do the most good, the place where it will save lives—is to get somebody to load it."

Terry pointed out that his knowledge Pampa never had failed to rise to any emergency when an appeal was made showing the necessity.

"Nothing ever was more of a necessity than our need for these 75 workers," he said. "We need them to go to work tonight or tomorrow morning at the latest. They will be doing just as important a job as the men on the battle fronts who are waiting for it before they can go ahead and fight."

### NEWSPAPERMAN'S MOTHER DIES

DALLAS, Jan. 2—(AP)—Mrs. Katie Cross Record, 84, mother of James R. Record, Fort Worth newspaperman, died last night in a Dallas sanitarium.

Other survivors include: Phil C. Record and Tom Record, and a daughter, Mrs. J. M. North, all of Fort Worth.

### SIDE GLANCES



"I'm standing guard for Papa and Mama who are not feeling well and asked me to see that nobody for heaven's sake rings the door bell!"

### PAAF Will Sell Surplus Goods

Surplus goods on property turned into cash will be received at the office of the purchasing and contracting officer at Pampa army air field until 10 a. m. Jan. 15, Capt. Edwin E. Goodman, purchasing and contracting officer, announced today.

Bids should be made in triplicate, he said, and subject to conditions established by the government.

The surplus property includes condulets, connectors, fuses, clamps, sockets, conduit bends, conduit couplings, chico fibre, entrance fittings, linemen's flares, guy hooks, insulators, canopy hoppers, ground wire protectors, lamp shades, copper sleeves, floor mops, sash balances, static proof bolts, gauge glass and other items.

### Old Friends Reunited In Italian Village

Two boyhood buddies from the Panhandle of Texas ran across each other in Italy the other day.

Major Seldon Simpson, son of Col. and Mrs. E. A. Simpson of Amarillo, wrote his parents of the incident. He had been released from a hospital after recuperating from a battle wound, and was preparing to re-join the cavalry in France. He was passing through little Italian town when he saw an officer who looked strangely familiar.

It turned out to be Tom Bralley of Pampa, son of former District Judge Cliff Bralley. He and Major Simpson had been close friends in their college days.

Bralley entered the service by way of the cavalry at Fort Bliss, but now is commander of a quartermaster battalion charged with fuel distribution somewhere in Italy.

### German Spies

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June 13 at Amagansett, Long Island, and four others June 17 at Ponte Vedra Beach Fla. All eight were captured and six were later executed. Hoover said that Gen. Francis Biddle would decide what charges would be placed against Colepaugh and Gimpel.

The FBI director said the two agents, after landing, went to Bangor, Me., and stopped briefly in Boston before coming to New York where they went to separate hotels, bought expensive clothes, and made purchases to construct a short wave radio transmitter to communicate with Germany.

Colepaugh, who once attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology, also served in the U. S. navy until discharged in 1942 "for the convenience of the government."

He went abroad as a mess boy on the Swedish exchange ship Gripsholm, leaving the ship at Lisbon where he offered his services to the nazis, Hoover said. He was enrolled in the Elite guard and sent to school in Berlin, The Hague and Dresden where he was taught radio, photography and use of explosives.

### David Lloyd George Raised to Earldom

LONDON, Jan. 2—(AP)—David Lloyd George, Britain's foremost elder statesman who held a seat in Commons for 54 years, has been raised to an earldom, receiving the highest distinction on King George VI's New Year's honors list.

The award came less than a week after Lloyd George had announced he was retiring from Commons for health reasons, and only 16 days from his 82nd birthday.

The king thus sends to the House of Lords the man who in many years of public life fought that house bitterly and at times threatened to destroy it.

In 1940 he led the attack on Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain in a speech so lashing that the government fell.

After the Russian revolution, typhus killed about 3,000,000 people.

### Houston Man Named To Gas Committee

CORSIKANA, Jan. 2—(AP)—William J. Murray, Jr., of Houston has been named to head a committee of petroleum engineers to aid the Texas Railroad commission in studies to prevent waste and conserve gas in Texas fields, Beauford H. Jester, state commissioner, has announced.

This was one of the last acts of Jester in his capacity as chairman of the commission. Olin Culberson became chairman yesterday. The newly formed committee will meet in Austin within the next ten days.

Murray formerly was an engineer with the railroad commission and later was with the petroleum administration for war with offices in Houston. At the present time he is connected with a firm of independent oil operators at Corsicana.

### Labor Board

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ed from a legislative conference with President Roosevelt to say he thought Byrnes had "some fine things" in his war mobilization report of yesterday.

But war agency officials prophesied that the whip-cracking document would add momentum to the home front effort merely by disclosing the sternness of enforcement measures which the administration is willing to support.

Flatly predicting that larger draft calls in the next few months would aggravate the manpower shortage, Byrnes proposed stern measures for 4-F's not doing essential work.

He proposed that Congress make it possible to induct them all, then assign them to things they can do despite their physical impairment.

This might mean limited service in the army, Byrnes said, or steering the inductees into jobs in critical war plants—by which means the government could see that they stayed in war work.

Congress could decide, he said, whether the latter would stay in uniform and whether they would be working for the government or for the war contractor.

Striking at agricultural deferments—which he said cover "the largest remaining source of young men for military service"—Byrnes said it was necessary to reconsider the standards by which youthful farmers are deferred from military duty.

For the present, professional baseball and football need not fear a ban like that on horse racing, he indicated. But he declared bluntly that he believed medical examination should be given 4-F athletes who "prove on the football field every Sunday their physical prowess."

He advocated that Congress at once give the war labor board power to make its decisions "mandatory and legally enforceable in the courts," as a means of checking work stoppages. Seizure of firms for non-compliance frequently is an inadequate remedy, he said, and imposes on government "onerous responsibilities of running private business."

Byrnes put reconversion firmly on the shelf "until victory is within our grasp, until our military men tell us they have enough supplies and that we can afford to reduce production."

While armament schedules in the first half of this year are not much above present production, Byrnes said 45 per cent of the programs are critical—and "critical production no longer feeds pipelines or goes into strategic reserves—it is going right into battle."

"We have already made one too early start toward reconversion," he observed, explaining that last summer's flurry of peacetime planning left the nation unprepared when it was necessary to speed up munitions again.

### WAR IN BRIEF

**WESTERN FRONT:** U. S. Third army broadens thrust at narrow waist of Nazi bulge; Nazi gains slight on U. S. Seventh army front.

**EASTERN FRONT:** Fall of Buda appears only matter of hours.

**PACIFIC:** Land-based planes strike at Luzon Island, blow up Jap ammunition train, probably sink eight enemy ships.

**AERIAL:** Escorted American heavy bombers invade Western Germany again today; revised figures show at least 221 German planes wrecked in yesterday's widespread combat.

**FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY**  
By The Associated Press  
Jan. 2, 1941—Large unit of German air force transferred to Italy. Lord Beaverbrook, British minister of aircraft production, announces that U. S. bombers are being flown across Atlantic in streams. Dublin reports German incendiary bomb picked up near Curragh.

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**Battle Briefs**

**IN THE LAND OF THE TREE**  
A mopping-up party was clearing the last hold-outs from the last dugouts on one of the Marshall Islands. As the fuse was set to discharge the demolition, a Jap came running out with hands held high. "Don't shoot," he said. "I'm your brother in Brooklyn." He finally convinced authorities that he does have a brother in Brooklyn.

**CHOCOLATE-COATED CRISIS**  
The dive-bomber, because of a broken oil line, was forced down in the South Pacific, miles from anywhere. The radioman-gunner broke out a life-raft, and just before the plane sank, he looked around to see how the pilot was faring during the critical moments. "There he was," said the radioman-gunner, "climbing out of the plane with the plotting board in one hand and a box of candy in the other."

**BUILD A BETTER MOUSE TRAP—**  
At a South Pacific base, a Marine cracked his watch crystal. With no watch repair facilities at hand, the Leatherneck mournfully faced the fact that he would be without the use of his time-piece. But browsing through the post exchange he got an idea. He bought an amber-colored, transparent plastic cigarette case and with his pocket-knife fashioned a new crystal that fit his watch perfectly. Now he's swamped with orders from his buddies.

**CONFUSING BUT AMUSING**  
Post Office Department officials recently issued a bulletin advising Army and Navy personnel in the San Diego, Cal., area that mail was being deposited in trash boxes on street corners throughout the city. Servicemen apparently mistook the trash boxes for street letter boxes.

**NAVY VIGILANCE**  
The three white stripes on a sailor's collar don't stand for anything at all. . . . The United States Navy is the only one in the world which never has had a mutiny. . . . Because he uses his right hand to pipe officers over the side, the boat's crew is allowed to salute with his left hand. . . . The rank of commodore, recently restored to the U. S. Navy, is equivalent to a brigadier general in the Army.

**JUST WARMING UP FOR MAIN EVENT**  
A Marine sergeant, light-heavyweight boxing champion of this artillery unit, had a battle when he and fellow-Leathernecks went ashore in the invasion of Saipan. He was wearing a black eye handed him by an American sailor during a shipboard bout a few days before the attack. The sergeant won nevertheless.

**Crosby Outshines Sinatra in Poll**  
CHICAGO, Jan. 2—(AP)— Bing Crosby outranked Frank Sinatra in the 1944 musicians' poll, conducted annually by Down Beat Magazine, and results just announced.

Crosby was acclaimed favorite male singer (unconnected with a band) with 2,406 votes to 1,606 for Sinatra and 690 for Dick Haymes. The poll is conducted each year among the magazine subscribers: musicians and popular music fans, including servicemen.

Duke Ellington edged out Woody Herman to win the swing band title and Charlie Spivak beat Tommy Dorsey in the sweet band division.

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Dinah Shore was first, in the contest for best girl singer (unconnected with a band), with Helen Forrest and Joe Stafford running second and third.

And, of course, the king of corn was Spike (Der Fuchser's Face) Jones, complete with cowbells and funny hats.

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