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THE LAST STRONGHOLD
The United States is the last great stronghold of the profit and loss system of capitalism free enterprise. It is the last great nation of a republican or constitutional form of democracy. The years of the present century have witnessed its great industrial development unparalleled in the annals of history. The lot of the average man under this form of government has been better than at any time under any other form.

All of this should be as obvious as the alphabet to anyone with even a rudimentary knowledge of the world we live in. And yet this is precisely what millions of us have apparently forgotten because of the enormous, diverse pressures of these chaotic times. We have seen scores of nations, once free, succumb to one kind or another of dictatorship, of totalitarianism, of determinism, of super-government. And there are many of us who seem to think that it is necessary and desirable that we follow in their path.

The plain truth is that the American system has given unequalled and hitherto unknown advantages to the common man. In no other country, for example, has the automobile become a necessity, owned by almost every working family, as against a luxury possessed only by the well-to-do. In no other country have the basic conveniences of living, such as electricity, been made available to everyone at a cost within everyone's means. In no other country has labor, organized and unorganized, received so much for its work, or enjoyed constantly improving living and working conditions. The United States in a great depression is actually more prosperous than most other nations in a boom.

We hear much talk about the "distribution of wealth"—and it is usually buttressed by the argument that only communism, socialism or some similar doctrine can produce it. The fact is that there has never been a wider distribution of true wealth than in this country. Forty-five percent of our families, comprising 58,000,000 individuals, own 83 percent of the nation's goods and property. Two-thirds of our families own 40.3 percent of all private wealth. And the constant tendency is toward even wider distribution of our resources.

In Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD (NEA)—There's usually a certain amount of excitement in any divorce even in Hollywood. But Laraine Day seems to be having more than her share. Filing suit for divorce against her recently estranged husband, Ray, today of their 13-month-old adopted son, but no mention was made of their 13-month-old adopted son. But no mention was made of their two adopted daughters, aged 3 and 5.

BATELIN SINATRA
It's almost unbelievable that Frank Sinatra can get into so much trouble. But where there's a temperance, it seems they can't make up their minds who is the straight man and who is the comic. And that's funny in itself.

So They Say

Atomic bombs can now be made cheaply and in large quantities, which makes them destructive.—Dr. Albert Einstein.

NATIONAL AIRLIGLIG

By RAY TUCKER
COMPLETION—John L. Lewis professes to feel no concern over the amount of fuel which increased use of oil and gas may make against his miners' product, although many of his aides do not share his confidence. The United Mine Workers, strategists do worry about the potential competition of atomic energy. Engineering studies show that this form of fuel, which may be developed commercially at a faster rate because of recurring coal strikes, cannot be used by cities and industrial plants at the present time because of its high cost in comparison with bituminous coal now selling at \$7 a ton, power generated by nuclear fission is too expensive.

STUDY—The Atomic Energy Commission recently created by President Truman will soon accept the knowledge of the technological problems that must be solved before nuclear force can be harnessed for industrial purposes. Their scientific advisers have already worked out many of the insuperable obstacles in the way.

Common Ground

By R. C. HOLES
Church Leaders Largely Responsible for Coal Strike
The leaders of the Federated Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Methodist church and the Presbyterian church should be held responsible for the coal strike. The nation today faced with a coal strike is reaping the natural results of what church leaders have been advocating for many decades.

There is no evidence that Russia intends to withdraw from the outpost she has established. Although Tito may have embarrassed Moscow by some of his emboldenments with the Western powers, there is no indication that he is out of favor. The reparations which will be paid into Russian sphere by Italy, once the treaty is signed, are too inconsequential to have hurried the decision.

Atomic Bombs Can Now Be Made Cheaply
Atomic bombs can now be made cheaply and in large quantities, which makes them destructive.—Dr. Albert Einstein.

For Her

For Her
GIVE THAT much useful and appreciated gift—a pair of beautiful fur-trimmed slippers. They are beautiful, Shop Friendly Men's Wear.

many years. They could not carry the weight of the shield now necessary to prevent dissemination of the deadly emanations from the exploding atom. But engineers say that the difficulty could be overcome for servicing industries and cities by housing the atomic plant deep underground.

NAPOLÉON—Feature writers and cartoonists frequently describe or depict John L. Lewis as "Napoleonic figure." But it is unlikely they realize what an important influence the mine chieftain's admiration for Napoleon has had on his own career.

WHENCE THEIR NAME
Oklahomans are called "Sooners" because pioneer settlers of that state frequently won their races to homestead sites by hiding inside the border, thus arriving sooner than those who started from back of the line.

Elephants Don't resent being fed tobacco. Many of them enjoy small quantities of it.

Linda Darnell's Health Is Worth Around \$5,000,000

By BOB THOMAS
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—At this writing, Linda Darnell's health is worth around \$5,000,000 to her studio, but she refuses to worry about it. "I didn't cast this picture," she says blithely.

OFFICE CAT
Old Negro (in information window) What time do you train for Kansas City?
Old Negro—Yes, ma'am, but how long for five?

Use These Suggestions

For Him
For Children
For Home
For Everybody
For Her
For Him
For Him

(To Be Continued)

Coal Strike

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The court had asked both government and UMW attorneys to make recommendations. One government source intimated that the government might seek to have a \$500,000 a day fine imposed on Lewis and his union for as long as the work stoppage continued.

As the morning waned, UMW attorneys left the judge's chambers to talk with Lewis in an anteroom, where the big union leader had been pacing the floor. Then they returned to the judge's chambers and at one minute to noon Judge Goldsborough appeared on the bench to convene court for the purpose of declaring a recess until 2 p. m.

Reporters asked Joseph A. Padway, AFL general counsel, if he could explain the postponement. "I cannot tell you anything," he

said. "No comment." Lewis likewise said "no comment," as he left the courtroom and entered an elevator. The recess announcement came immediately after Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough who yesterday held Lewis and the United Mine Workers in contempt, had entered the court after the two-hour delay.

Assistant Attorney General John F. Sonnett, in charge of the government's legal team, strode rapidly from the court room and left the building.

He was escorted fore and aft by deputy marshals calling, "one side, please." Sonnett answered none of the questions shouted at him. "No comment," he said grimly. Lewis had alternately paced the floor of an ante-room and conferred with his lawyers during the behind-the-scenes maneuvering.

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"The doctor says he can't find a thing wrong with you—unless you eat all this!"

111th Communication Masonic Grand Lodge Of Texas Opens Today

WACO—(AP)—The 111th communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas was to open here today with approximately 2,000 Texas Masons in attendance.

Grand Master Pat M. Neff, former Governor of Texas and at present President of Baylor University, was to open the convocation at a morning session.

Neff is the only person to achieve the titular leadership of both Baylor University and the Grand Lodge, two institutions chartered under the Republic of Texas.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas and the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters yesterday closed annual meetings prior to the opening of the communication.

Jesse D. Cox of Melvin was installed as Grand High Priest of the chapter, succeeding W. H. Telfair of Port Arthur, while Emory Christian of Whitewright was elevated to Grand Master of the Council, succeeding Joe X. Newcomb of San Antonio.

Chapter officers elected in addition to the Grand High Priest included: Herbert Wheeler, Commerce, scribe; Clarence Young, Abbott, treasurer; Frank Oldham, Waco, secretary.

Chapter appointive officers: Burton G. Hackley, Brownfield, orator; I. B. Longmire, Jacksonville, captain of host; P. E. Pearson, Wichita Falls, principal sojourner; W. T. Elder, Wichita Falls, master of third veil; Marvin P. Halden, Austin, master second veil; Samuel Rizzotto, Waco, senior steward; Ervin Daniel, Big Spring, junior steward; J. F. Bednar, Navasota, guard.

To serve with Grand Master Christian will be the following executive council officers:

W. R. Worley, Wichita Falls, deputy grand master; Fritz Werner, Laredo, grand principal conductor of work; Clarence Young, Abbott, treasurer; Frank Oldham, Waco, recorder.

Council appointive officers: Lee Newman, Shamrock, conductor; Bruce Brannon, Commerce; chaplain; J. Wesley Moulton, Savoy, Marshall; Rayford C. Lewis, Orange, steward; Sam Fuqua, Paris, sentinel.

Local Man Attends Cleaners Clinic

Ernie Voss, manager of the dry cleaning department of Your Laundry Dry Cleaners, returned last night from the Oklahoma Cleaners Association Clinic which was held at the Biltmore hotel, Oklahoma City. This was the first of the association's annual meetings since the war.

The two principal instructors at the clinic were representatives of the National Cleaners and Dyers Association at Silver Springs, Maryland.

Outstanding topic for discussion was "Modern Methods of Cleaning and Dyeing New Materials."

Industrial

(Continued from Page 1) American comrades" at a meeting Friday.

In Copenhagen officials clamped down wartime restrictions. Only half the city's street lights were burning, public transport was curtailed, including reduction of railway traffic to one third the pre-war level. Gas consumption was ordered cut 50 percent.

Comparatively mild weather helped Italians, but the U. S. strike continued a severe jolt for Italy's industry.

At Bern, Robert Grimm, fuel administrator, said that continuance of the American strike would force the Swiss government to ration even poorer grades of coal.

In Brussels, the Belgian government issued a communique declaring "severe restrictions are required in the use of coal, gas, and electricity."

Dutch officials said should the strike continue for a month gas and electric services would be in danger. Sweden was not immediately affected, the country being largely dependent on water power and wood fuel.

U.N. Meeting

(Continued from Page 1) consideration of general arms limitation, including prohibition of the atomic bomb.

Well-informed sources said Bernard Baruch, U. S. representative on the atomic commission, might make a "very important" statement at the session which would tie in with disarmament.

When the political committee failed to discuss disarmament yesterday, British Representative Sir Harley Shawcross wanted to know who was "stalling" and was told that Russia had requested the postponement.

Pampa Independents to Play Shamrock Tonight

A team of the Pampa Independents will tangle with a Shamrock Independent five in a basketball game tonight in the Junior High School gymnasium beginning at 7 o'clock.

Other games between various local independent teams will follow. At the present time, the independents consist of about five full cage teams. There will be no admission to the games tonight.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR PERMIT

The undersigned is an applicant for a Retail Liquor permit from the Texas Liquor Control Board and hereby gives notice by publication of such application in accordance with provisions of Section 10, House Bill No. 77, Acts of the Second called session of the 44th Legislature, designated as the Texas Liquor Control Act.

"The Retail Liquor permit applied for will be used in the conduct of a business of D. & S. Liquor Store, 824 S. Hobart St., Pampa, Texas.

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Get Carter's Pills right now. Take them as directed. They gently and effectively "unblock" your digestive tract. This permits all 2 of Nature's own digestive juices to mix better with your food.

You get genuine relief from indigestion so you can feel really good again. Get Carter's Pills at any drugstore—50¢. "Unblock" your intestinal tract for real relief from indigestion.

ZALE'S Jewelers advertisement featuring various jewelry items with prices and descriptions. Includes 'HOW TO PLAY SANTA!', 'AVALON WATCHES', 'TRIPLE ENSEMBLE', 'ZALE DIAMONDS', and 'BULOVA WATCH'. Also features a '10-Piece DRESSER SET' for \$17.95 and 'COLLAR PIN and TIE HOLDER' for 6.50. Contact information: DIAMOND IMPORTERS ZALE'S Jewelers, 107 N. CUYLER.

Montgomery Ward advertisement for coats and suits. Text: 'SAVE NOW ON FALL'S NEW STYLES GOATS AND SUITS 50% OFF!' Includes sub-sections for 'SUITS WERE 14.98 TO \$27 CLASSIC • TAILORED • DRESSMAKER', 'SHORT COATS WERE 19.98 TO \$38 BELTED OR STRAIGHT STYLES', and 'FUR TRIMMED WERE \$33 TO \$48 LUXURIOUS FUR TUXEDOS'.

Advertisement for Carter's Pills. Text: 'DON'T WAIT... THEY'RE GOING FAST GET SET FOR THE HOLIDAYS! COME TOMORROW AND SAVE'. Includes a testimonial: 'I just want a nice clean story about a married couple who had ordinary problems and worked them out together.' and 'We used to have books like that, but it's been a long time.' 'Well by gum!' said Aunt Sarah, angry clear down to the tip of her umbrellas. 'I'm going home this minute and write me a book myself. A book about common ordinary folks I've known all my life. If I can't turn out something better than this shelf trash, I'll give up apple pie.'

Leaves From a Correspondent's Life Notebook

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK—(AP)—Jimmy isn't on any list of American export products.

But he is going abroad. Some lucky country that wants American automobiles and books and vacuum cleaners is going to get Jimmy instead.

Young, carefree grumpy Jimmy! Jimmy is going over on a "do good" mission for a Philanthropic organization which I am not at liberty to identify. That's what the organization thinks. But Jimmy is really going over to carry out a private philanthropic program of his own—the personal enrichment of Jimmy at the least possible expenditure of energy he can put out.

Since Jimmy is a symbol of one kind of modern American carpet-bagger now going overseas to fatten on foreign distress, it might be of interest to listen to him describe his plans in his own frank winning way.

"I was getting nowhere fast on the job I had," he said at a party the other day, "and besides there was too much work to do."

"I thought there must be something better than this for Jimmy."

"I looked around and heard about this deal and brother—this is just what the doctor ordered."

"I'll make about a hundred bucks per—yes, of course, per week. What'd you think? Per month? That's a laugh. Little Jimmy ever lives on a hundred a month!"

"But the hundred bucks—that's just the beginning. I'm going to have a nice easy trip over."

"There's a lot of work to be done, all right, but that's all taken care of. I'll have a staff of two or three people, and believe me, they're going to do all the work. You know Jimmy."

"But wait. The best part of the deal is I figure it ain't going to cost me a penny. I've made arrangements with a dozen different contacts to ship me cigars over. I know cigar prices have dropped there, but I can still peddle them for a profit to take care of me and plenty of entertaining on the side."

"So when the whole thing blows up—you know a deal this good won't last forever—I'll be sitting pretty with all my salary in the bank. Then when Jimmy comes back home he won't have to ride the subway looking for something good again."

And little Jimmy stood there grinning his frank boyish grin, like a weasel with a plump chicken hanging from his jaws.

Later, a man who had met Jimmy at the party, told me that Jimmy had been thinking ever since about that little guy, and wondering why I myself or someone else didn't just step on him."

Well, in good time Jimmy will step on himself with his own big mouth. But meanwhile he's going abroad wearing a "Made in the U.S.A." label.

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HORIZONTAL

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- 13 Rescue
- 17 Type measure
- 18 Help
- 19 Face
- 20 Fatigue
- 21 Bog
- 22 Era
- 23 Malicious burning
- 26 Broom
- 28 Accomplish
- 29 Preposition
- 30 Stigary
- 33 Speed
- 37 Statute
- 38 Through
- 39 Open space
- 41 Work units
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- 46 Maiden
- 47 Small bottle
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- 49 Debarred
- 52 Pennants

VERTICAL

- 1 Feudges
- 2 Level
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- 30 Metallic dress
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- 32 Pitcher
- 34 Exhausts
- 35 Golf team
- 36 Sea enclaves
- 40 Mountain
- 41 Always
- 42 Cereal
- 43 Festive
- 44 Low quarter
- 45 Wise man
- 46 Right (ab.)
- 47 Down

Santa Claus is coming! Everybody goes crazy at once. Bill collectors quit dunning you. Divorce lawyers pull in their shingles. "Pistol Packing" Mama goes out of the juke boxes and in comes "Silent Night, Holy Night." The nation's heart beats to "Auld Lang Syne."

The widow and her kids get a free meal, all the forgotten and the lonely of the land are remembered.

But Santa comes and goes. The fire of human kindness dies into afterglow. Neighbor and neighbor get back to the old business of bumping brows, the butcher puts an extra thumb on the scales again, and no lady says "Pardon" at the crowded soap sale counter.

Why? Why? And how come? Because, dear fellow wine bottles, human nature isn't all sweet wine. We used up most of the wine at Christmas. Until time brings the new wine harvest, we're half drags, cloudy, bitter and sour-grapey.

So, to speed up the re-filling, we need a big titanic day devoted to draining off the dregs. We had a day to be good. Let's have one to kick the dog on—a glorious day spent in telling of our neighbors, beating our wives, spanking the kids, cursing our friends, making faces at the boss, tripping mothers-in-law, and yelling "Down with capital, labor, the government, world peace and the men who invented time clocks and the installment plan!"

We could call it "Anti-Santy Day," "Anti-Smile - Day," "Poison Mom" Day, "Who-Do-You-Think-You-Are-Anyway" Day, "Why-Did-You-Come-Into-My-Life" Day, "A-Lo-You-Care" Day, "So-This-Is-What-I've-Been-Working-For" Day, or just plain "To-Hell-With-It-All" Day.

Let's begin with the day income taxes fall due next March. Just so everybody will start off on an even footing—mad.

For that one day the only penal offense would be for giving anything except a trown and a cantankerous hour. For twenty-four wonderful hours everybody would leer at orphans, throw banana peels under floating fat ladies, gossip at full throat over his neighbor's love life, hiss at statesmen, and do up to speed all the little dirty, mean and vexatious things that take a normal man's full year-at-home, at work, and on the roads he pites between them.

When all the spite rage, disappointments, bitterness, frustrations, and other internal atom bombs of daily life had been drained away, everybody could look up, give coast-to-coast bay at the moon, then crawl happily to bed.

Canned rations for soldiers were issued during the Civil War. The word "can" itself comes from canister projectiles.

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LEFORS NEWS

Mrs. Myrtle Hilton were in Pampa Saturday.

John Kavanagh of Amarillo was visiting in the Perry Barham home over the weekend.

Those visiting here over Thanksgiving from college at Canyon included Wayne Hill, Joe Page, Bob Johnson, O. V. Gomer, Fred Brock, George Trout, Nathan Turnbo, Kenneth Tubbs, Dan Johnson, Wayne Bagley, Joyce Bagley, and Mary Joyce Daniels.

Mrs. John Prichard is ill at her home.

Mrs. W. E. Jones and daughter, Vesta Grace, visited in Perryton on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Scott were in Pampa transacting business Monday.

Bobby and James Eddie Berryman have returned to Oklahoma University at Norman, after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Berryman.

Perry Barham of Amarillo was home over the holidays visiting his wife, son and mother. He is attending college there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fulcher and

Club Will Have Rotary Ann Night

PANTHANDLE—(Special)—Rotary Ann night will be held Dec. 13, it was decided at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club. Mr. and Mrs. Amarillo, and R. G. Gough, Borger.

Virgil Mott of Pampa will present a musical program at that meeting. L. C. Curtis, chairman of the Club Service Committee, spoke on the functions of that committee. Visiting Rotarians were P. A. Paul, and R. G. Gough, Borger.

WAKE UP PEDRO! YOU ONLY HAVE 17 DAYS LEFT TO DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT LEVINE'S

VICTIM WASH TUBS BERRY DEE ALEYS OOP PENNEY FRECKLES BOOTS LILABNER

It was a cold and silent ride out to the 700SPOT with Shiny and Bubble. Meanwhile Janet was worried.

TELL ME AGAIN, MISS LIT!

HE SAID HE WAS GOING OUT ON THE LAKE IN THE OUTBOARD FOR HALF AN HOUR AND FOR ME NOT TO WORRY--

OH, I ALMOST FORGOT!

HARDY, HE WANTED YOU TO LEAVE THE KEY TO THE LIQUOR CABINET ON THE RADIO FOR HIM!

KEY, JANET? THERE IS NO KEY TO THE LIQUOR CABINET!

AND VIC DOESN'T DRINK?

BEAT IT OVER TO YOUR PLACE, HARDY? WE'LL PICK YOU UP IN THE JAMCUP AT YOUR FRONT, IF VIC'S GONE.

JUST LET ME ONCE GET MY HANDS ON THAT BUCKINGHAM 16H— LIKE THIS!

OH, DO BE CAREFUL, MR. MCKEE!

I'LL TEACH YOU TO SELL ME A WORTHLESS PIECE OF JUNK FOR \$20,000!

AND POSE AS A GOOD SAMARITAN WHILE YOU RAILROAD ME INTO AN ASYLUM AND CLIP ME FOR ANOTHER \$36,000!

MR. MCKEE! YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR OWN STRENGTH!

LITTLE BEAVER NOW OWNS A PAPEROCK.

TRULY AND I CALGHT IN BELENS' PEN PENCILS.

THAT AIN'T YOUR SOCK WATER, CURT!

HE'S TRYIN' TO DRIVE US OUT OF HIS PLACE, DAVE! WE'VE GOT TO FIGHT BACK!

WHAT'LL YOU DO FOR OPERATING CAPITAL?

OLD POP FISH HAS A PROPOSITION THAT MIGHT PAY OFF-- I'LL CALL HIM!

WELL, GOOD MORNING, YOUR HIGHNESS!

AS I WAS SAYING, WILLIE, ONE CANNOT BE TOO CAREFUL OF ONE'S ASSOCIATES!

THAT OLD WELLS-FARGO BOX OUGHTA BE GOOD FOR EIGHTY THOUSAND!

OKAY, POP, FOU IT UP WITH OOP!

OF ALL THE GREEBY, SKLONKISH, LOW DOWN LUCKY, GOOD JUMPIN' WEEPKERS!

SEE HERE, YOU SIMPLY HAVE TO LEARN TO CONTROL YOUR TEMPER--

I GUESS I DID LET GO, SORT OF, FATHER.

WE MUST LEARN NOT TO BE DISTURBED BY TRIFLES-- NOW, WHAT'S YOUR TROUBLE?

WELL, AS YOU SAY, FATHER, IT'S A MERE NOTHING.

I SIMPLY GOT YOUR FOUNTAIN PEN JAMMED IN THIS DRAWER AND BROKE IT ALL TO PIECES, I MEAN KIND OF--

I WOULDN'T MISS THE WORLD! HENRY, DON'T LAUGH-- THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE DRAMA!

I CAN'T FIND LARD SYLVESTER! WHERE IS HE?

TRYING TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH THAT HORSE BACKSTAGE!

HEY, SQUAREHEAD, YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO COME ON FOR TWO ACTS! GET OFF STAGE!

THIS WAS HIS IDEA.

COME BACK IN THE THIRD ACT!

SOMETHING TELLS ME THERE IS GONNA BE ONE!

WHACKO!

GREAT GOSH! TEN O'CLOCK!!!! I'LL HAVE TO GET AN ALARM WITH A BRASS BAND ATTACHED!

WELL, WITH JUST THREE HOURS SLEEP-- JEEPERS! I HOPE THE OLD MAN DOESN'T SEE ME CHECK IN!

HMM! LOOKS LIKE A CENTURY PLANT THAT'S JUST BLOOMED AND IS RESIGNED TO ANOTHER HUNDRED YEARS!

LOOKS AS IF I MIGHT HAVE TO HAVE A FATHERLY TALK WITH YOUNG RUGGLES!

THE TEA-LIVS STATE THAT YOU, JINX RASPUTINBURG, GUNG BE THE FEMALE BARTY IN "THE MOST THRILLING LOVE SCENE OF ALL TIME."

WAIT-- I'M PUTTING ON MY GLASSES-- AHA?--HM??--GULP!-- THE TEA-LIVS SAY-- "TH MALE PARTY GUNG BE A SCORCH, FRY, OGGLY--

WHO GUNG BE THE MALE PARTY?

OOPS?-- IS NO TEA-LIVS? IS A DAD FLY?-- AHA?-- NOW-- IS DIFFERENT?-- MALE PARTY GUNG BE A TALL DOCK HAMERICAN? IS NO FLIES ON HIM?--

SO-O?-- WITH HIM I GUNG GO THROUGH "THE MOST THRILLING LOVE SCENE OF ALL TIME."-- HOKAY? I WAIT?-- IS WORTH WAITING FOR?

Army Command Debates End of Draft Holiday

WASHINGTON—(P)—An Army decision is expected this week on whether to resume the draft in January after a two-month holiday—a step manpower advisers are reported to favor.

Officials said recommendations are in the hands of Secretary Fairson and General Dwight D. Eisenhower, chief of staff, awaiting action.

Those advisers favoring a call on

Selective Service for a quota next month are understood to contend it would spur volunteer recruiting as well as supplement it.

Latest reports show volunteer recruiting took an upward turn in the third week of November, after a steady decline for more than a month. Recruits, including regulars who re-enlisted or extended shorter terms of service to three years, totaled 5,006, compared with 4,444 the previous week.

But for the entire month a total of only about 20,000 was expected, representing little more than half the 37,000 monthly fixed by the War Department as a minimum requirement of the regular Army.

It was to determine the recruiting trend that the draft decision has

been postponed since the October quota of 25,000 was "temporarily cancelled, when on half filled, along with the November quota of 16,000. Selective Service was informed at that time that there would be no more calls for men from the War Department at least until after the year's end.

The action was laid to a temporary state of Army over-strength which has since been reduced by discharges. It left Selective Service with a backlog of qualified registrants between 19 and 25 considered ample to meet renewed monthly calls of 25,000 the first quarter of 1947.

Officials are giving no hint whether the Army will ask extension of the draft beyond March 31. That question is wrapped up with the War Department's announced intention of pressing in the new Congress for universal military training on grounds that some form of compulsion is imperative to meet needs of the regular Army, the National Guard and organized reserve units.

If extension should be asked, officials have said the War Department would propose that the draft terminate with the start of universal training.

OUT OUR WAY



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

By J. R. Williams

Bond Is Posted in Death of Husband

FORT WORTH—(P)—A \$7,500 bond has been posted by Mrs. Naomi Ford, 22, charged with murder in connection with the Saturday slaying of her husband, Will Ford, Jr., 30-year-old carpenter. Ford was found shot to death, having been struck in the back of the head.

39 Texans Die in Turkey Day Holiday Accidents

(By The Associated Press)

The long four-day Thanksgiving holiday in Texas claimed a toll of at least 39 persons.

Traffic accidents took by far the largest number—20. Six others died of gunshot wounds, two from burns, two from falls, three from drownings, one from poison, one from choking on Thanksgiving day food, one in an airplane crash, one from suffocation, and two suffocated in a closed automobile.

Nine persons lost their lives during the 36 hours ending at midnight last night.

Bobbie Jim Sparks, 16, of Kermit, was killed in a three-car crash late Saturday near Odessa. Seven others were injured. Joyce White, 15, of Odessa, was critically hurt.

Mrs. Maria Diaz Lopez, 68, was fatally injured while crossing a Learedo street Sunday evening. She was struck by a car and died en route to the hospital. A charge of negligent homicide was filed against the driver of the car and his bond

was set at \$1,000.

Leo Bottevin, 17, of San Antonio, was fatally injured when struck by a bullet from a .22 calibre rifle. He and a companion had been shooting at tin cans hung on a clothes line. Accidentally shot in the leg by his own gun was Marcus M. Osborne, 23, of San Antonio. The trigger of his gun snapped as he placed it in a car while on a hunting trip near Fulton.

Wayne Hopper, about 20, was accidentally killed by the discharge of his shotgun near Plainview about sundown yesterday while hunting. Justice of the Peace W. J. Lewis conducted an inquest and returned a verdict of death by accident.

William N. Chaffee, 31, of Bowie was killed instantly when the automobile in which he was riding collided with a truck near West Alford.

Clyde H. Gibbons died yesterday of injuries received Saturday night in an automobile collision near Bay City. Fifteen-month-old Judy Ann Werla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Werla, died shortly after the accident.

Elmer DeLeon, 34, died of suffocation yesterday after falling into quicksand in a 34-foot water well at Sand Springs.

Guinn H. Pounds of McCarney was instantly killed yesterday as his airplane crashed at the Big Spring Municipal Airport.

Texas Today

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This is a sort of Horatio Alger story with an O. Henry ending.

A Dallas deliveryman discovered a blazing trash fire in the middle of stacks of inflammable merchandise at a warehouse where he had gone to make a delivery.

He grabbed a fire extinguisher and put out the flames. Employees who hadn't noticed the fire were grateful and thanked him. He went back to his office.

Then the boss of the warehouse telephoned him. He proceeded to upbraid him for "meddling into something that wasn't any of your business."

Another good samaritan is Louis Murad of Tyler. Murad is a cafe owner, and a veteran of the first world war. He owns a tract of 50 acres near town, and offers to give it to a group of 40 World War II veterans.

He says he'll give it away in one-acre chunks. It's all clear and ready for use, except one portion which is wooded and which Murad wants to reserve for use as a community park.

The Tyler Morning Telegraph, which gave publicity to the offer, also will handle all inquiries.

Gainesville is raising \$11,000 for a Gainesville community circus building. It's the only one in Texas, probably the only one in the country.

It will be 30 by 110 feet in size and will be on the edge of the Cooke County fair grounds. It will be the home of the famous Gainesville Circus, staffed by local circus fans and stars.

And back to the subject of fires, a very hot subject no less:

Palestine firemen are still baffled by a run they made to an apartment house. Two fire trucks roared up to the building, which was spouting smoke. Firemen fought through the smoke, which choked the building, looking for flames. They looked and looked. They became almost frantic and looked some more. But they never did find a fire, never found where the smoke came from.

James F. Holt of Houston came to the City Clerk to protest what he called the too-short parking time allowed by parking meters. Before he left he had two parking tickets.

"I've got documentary evidence the parking time is too short," he said, pulling a parking ticket from his pocket.

"I've got one of those, too," Mayor Otis Massey said, showing his. Holt grinned and offered to match the mayor. Massey agreed pulled out a coin and said "heads."

Heads it was and Holt left the meeting with two tickets to pay.

Sherman City Commissioner James B. Moorman discovered that the cost of living has even boosted the price of death.

He was surprised to find a bill for \$78 for a book. The city clerk explained that it was a record book in which they list deaths. He said that the price used to be a lot less.

A quick glance at the police blotter.

In Dallas a burglar broke into a cafe, found only a few pennies in the cash register, so took the cash register.

Burglars who broke into another Dallas cafe were either more enterprising, or hungrier: they took 32 pounds of butter, 32 pounds of oleomargarine, two cases of eggs, 24 pounds of bacon, \$50 in nickels from a music box, and 450 pennies.

Oddest thief of the week: James Harmon of Corpus Christi reported the theft of 180 feet of white picket fence. He said the fence was valued at about \$250.

At Big Spring, bottles, rocks and knives were used by 25 or more men involved in a brawl which was finally broken up by City Police plus State Highway Patrolmen using tear gas.

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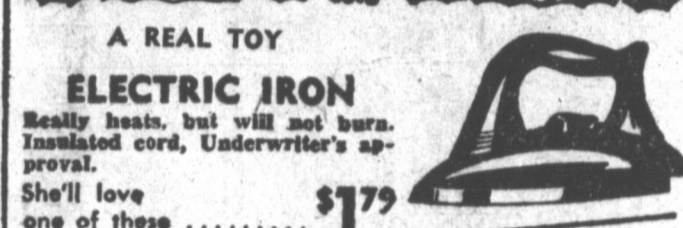


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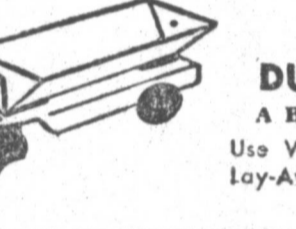
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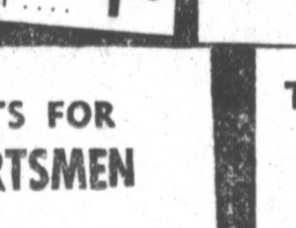
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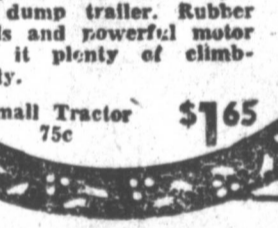
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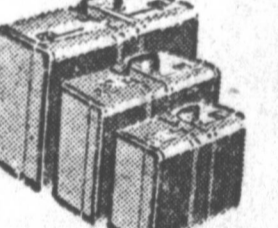


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