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Americans Bomb Southern Germany

ULM, AUGSBURG INDUSTRIAL, RAIL CENTERS REPORTED HIT

LONDON (UP)—American bombers in "very strong" force plunged deep into southern Germany to attack skimpily fortified opposition today and drove home a many-pronged attack, to round out what may have been the Nazis' toughest 24 hours of the air war.

The Berlin radio said the United States bombers attacked Augsburg and Ulm, industrial and transport center of southwestern Germany. Bombs fell in "densely populated residential areas" of both cities and caused considerable casualties, the Nazis claimed.

The daylight broadside followed by a few hours a record aerial assault by the Royal Air Force which scattered more than 3,300 tons of explosives across southern Germany and France during the night.

The employment of a "very strong force of American bombers—the maximum term employed so far by United States authorities in this theater—in a follow-through on the record RAF attack indicated that Germany probably was taking its worst aerial beating.

It was recalled that a "strong force" on Jan. 29 dumped more than 1,800 tons of explosives on Frankfurt, and today's armada was "very strong."

The first bombers back from southern Germany said the thin fighter opposition was overwhelmed by escorting Thunderbolts, lightnings, Mustangs and Spitfires, giving the heavyweights another holiday run.

The Americans bombed through broken clouds which prevented accurate observation of the results. Anti-aircraft fire was described as only moderate and not disturbing.

The German DNB agency said that "owing to the bad weather" only a part of the Nazi air defenses were able to go into action against the "extremely strong" U. S. fighter escort.

Ohio Town Opens Teen Tyne Club

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, (UP)—What to do with those week end date nights no longer is a problem to Zanesville, O., high school students—thanks to genial, white-touched Perry Wilson and his "Teen Tyne" club.

Wilson, boys' secretary of the local YMCA, was perturbed at the sight of high school boys and girls meeting on street corners and in cafes. He determined to do something and the "Teen Tyne" club resulted.

Located in a wing of the local YMCA, the "Teen Tyne" club includes a lounge replete with grand piano, reading table and books, a "snack" room with food bar and soft drinks and a "ball room" with the familiar "juke box."

Students in the last three years of high school are eligible to become members upon payment of a \$1 fee to cover operating costs. The students set their own behavior patterns through a 23-member governing committee.

Zanesville youngsters have but one complaint: "it should be open week nights as well as week ends."

THRIFT BORES COLLECTOR SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (UP)—Perhaps the most distinguished person in town was a certain deputy county tax collector.

He spent numerous perspiring and jittery moments counting—by one—1,387 pennies.

The counting started when a thrifty housewife raided her over-sixed piggy-bank and used the contents to purchase 1944 automobile license plates.

COUNTY GOES OVER IN RED CROSS DRIVE

Homer Smith, county chairman for the Red Cross Funds drive, announced today that Eastland county has oversubscribed its quota in the drive and now has a total reported to the county office of \$18,887.45.

The county quota was 18,000 and the total now on hand is in excess of that quota by \$887.45 and all contributed in the first two weeks of the drive. It was pointed out that the drive does not close until the last of March and anyone who wishes to make a contribution may still do so.

During the week beginning March 23 all theatres in the county, as well as in the nation, will take a Red Cross collection at each showing of the picture each day during that week. It is estimated from past experience that several hundred dollars will be contributed to the fund in this manner.

Smith asked that his appreciation be expressed through this newspaper to all of the workers who have made it possible for Eastland county to reach its quota so quickly. He said, "If anyone has been overlooked in the County campaign for funds their contributions may be sent to the Chapter office at Eastland or to him. The generosity evidenced in the county is a fine tribute to the large number of servicemen fighting for their country. Fifty-one community chairmen with their assistants have done a splendid piece of work in the 1944 Red Cross War Fund."

The organization would have had no success had it not been for the conviction in each community that it was a privilege to contribute liberally to the Red Cross. Eastland County Chapter thanks each and every donor and reminds them that within the next month they will have an opportunity to give blood when the Mobile Unit of the Blood Bank visits the county. Registrations may be made in each community or at the County Office.

Following is the list of communities and the amounts which they have contributed up to noon Wednesday: \$4510.85, Eastland; 4300.00, Cisco; 4539.31, Ranger; 2143.55, Gorman; 869.75, Rising Star; 357.55, Carbon; 259.50, Olden; 100.00, Desdemona; 150.00, Pioneer; 76.50, Morton Valley; 220.64, Alameda; 104.20, Scranton; 53.35, Colony; 130.69, Flatwood; 51.75, Kokomo; 48.00, Cottonwood; 30.90, Cook; 52.00, Lutheran; 56.00, Cross Roads; Tabernacle; 27.00, Shady Grove; 34.00, Okra.

36.25, Dan Horn; 75.40, Romney; \$52.00, Staff; 100.00, Leon; 37.75, Tudor; 37.00, Lake Cisco; 18.50, Dothan; 28.25, Corinth; 25.15 Crocker; 12.68, Bullock; 20.00, Midway; 22.20, Pleasant Hill; 21.78, Nimrod; 28.00, Union; 9.00, Long Branch; 10.00, Haskell.

17.75, Center Point; 12.40, Reagan; 14.70, Grapevine; 17.50, Hodnett Grove; 13.10, Lone Cedar; 21.50, New Hope; 14.50, Yellow Mound; 10.00, Mangum; 5.00, Reich; 15.50, Bluff Branch.

Other changes recommended by the Social Security Board in its report include protection under the law for men and women in the armed forces and part compensation for loss of wages due to sickness and disability. At present the insurance provisions provide only for payment in case of death, unemployment due to loss of job and retirement at age 65.

Odd Burglaries Bring Apology

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—List these as goofy burglaries:

No. 1—Burglars entered the Orange Crush Bottling Company, obtained \$600 from the safe by using a hammer, punch bar and file from the firm's tool room.

No. 2—He or she took \$10 worth of stamps, \$2 in cash, three bottles of rum (the good kind), a gold pen knife, a roll of Scotch tape, and two cartons of mints from the Houston Poster Advertising Company.

And he or she left a note in a secretary's typewriter, reading: "I'm sorry that I had to do this, but I found it necessary. Please excuse me. Yours respectfully, A friend."

CLOSE-UP OF NAZI BATTLESHIP IN NORWAY FJORD



HERE IS A DARING RECONNAISSANCE PHOTO OF Germany's once-mighty battleship, the Tirpitz, badly crippled and useless to the Nazis now. The picture was made in a Norwegian fjord, into which British midget submarines made a daring foray to torpedo the battleship several months ago. (International)

Twenty-Seven are Given Red Cross Service Stripes

Twenty-seven Eastland county women have received stripe awards from the Red Cross in recognition of their having given the number of hours required by each unit to the making of surgical dressings in the year 1943. Ten are from Eastland, nine from Ranger and eight from Cisco.

They are: Mesdames R. N. Wilson, H. J. Tanner, W. H. Taylor, Curtis Hertig, Clyde Griswold, chairman of the board, D. J. Fiency and Parks Poe, are hold-overs, having been elected at the last election.

To date the names of two candidates have been filed at the City Hall, that of C. T. Lucas for re-election, and John W. Jackson for the place now held by C. B. (Clyde) Wellman. Wellman is understood to be away from the city for some time and therefore would not consider being a candidate for re-election.

Parsons Funeral Held Sunday P. M. In Eastland

Funeral services for J. D. Parsons, 84, who died at his home in Mineral Wells Friday night, March 10, were held at the Church of God in Eastland Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. E. Haintenbeck, the pastor and longtime friend of the family officiated.

Interment was in the Eastland cemetery. Survivors include the widow, the former Miss Alice Reeves whom he married in January 1890, and the following children: Misses Margaret, Cleopatra and Luda Parsons and J. D. Parsons of Houston. Also surviving are Mrs. J. W. Horn and Miss Vera Parsons, nieces of Eastland; Mrs. Effie Sorrels, a niece of Stamford, seven grandchildren and one great grandchild, and a brother T. F. Parsons of Ranger and a sister-in-law, Mrs. E. A. Parsons of Eastland.

Mr. Parsons was born in Arkansas on December 7, 1859. He was one of the real pioneers of Eastland and for many years resided on his farm just east of Eastland, later moving to Eastland. He went from Eastland to Mineral Wells about two years ago.

Late Bulletin

LONDON (UP)—A new type of German plane—a four-engined, twin-tailed fighter—was reported by some American pilots to have risen to challenge today's United States air raid on the Reich.

SUITS FILED

The following suits have been filed in Eastland county district courts: J. H. Barton vs. H. H. Emmerson et al damages and remission; Alton Hooks vs. James Willis Hooks, divorce; Lois J. Frasier vs. Bart T. Frasier, divorce; Mack Ervin vs. Edith Ervin, divorce.

TWO TO ELECT ON EASTLAND COMMISSION

In the Eastland City election coming up on Tuesday, April 4, there are two vacancies, the places now held by C. T. Lucas and C. B. Wellman, to be filled. The other three members of the five man commission, Victor Cornelius, chairman of the board, D. J. Fiency and Parks Poe, are hold-overs, having been elected at the last election.

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Mrs. Seaborn Dies, Funeral On Last Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. M. N. (Marion) Seaborn, 66, died Thursday last week at the City-County hospital in Ranger. Funeral services were held at the Eastland Baptist church Saturday afternoon, March 11, with Rev. Homer J. Strnes, the pastor, officiating. Interment, with Hamner's in charge, was in the Eastland cemetery.

Survivors include the husband, two daughters, Mrs. N. O. Thompson and Mrs. J. M. Mitchell of Eastland; two sons, O. B. Seaborn of Albany and Neil Seaborn of the United States Army. Also two brothers, Lawrence Simmons of Eastland and T. E. Simmons of Snyder, and sister, Mrs. M. L. Ward of Gostine.

Pallbearers were Homer Smith, Clyde Karkalits, Ed Miller, John Hart, J. A. Beard, Carl Johnson.

Mrs. Seaborn was a member of one of the pioneer families of Eastland and Eastland county.

Fred Brown Is Speaker At The Lion's Club

A talk on "Some Advantages from Coordinated Efforts in Community and Town Building," was made by Fred Brown before the Eastland Lion's club Tuesday. Brown was introduced by Frank Jones in charge of the program for the day.

Brown, who has been a resident of Eastland only since last November, but who stated that he had purchased a home here, was buying a lot in the Eastland cemetery and expected to live the rest of his life here and die here, pointed out many advantages possessed by the smaller towns over the larger ones. Eastland, he stated, is far above the average town of its size in many respects.

As this section of the country develops commercially after the present war, small towns, such as Eastland, are due to experience considerable growth and development, Brown said.

Visitors at Tuesday's meeting were Joe Graham of Ranger former president of the Ranger Lion's club; Austin Flint, Cisco; Brant Garner of Eastland and Ranger; Geo. I. Lane of Eastland; Lt. Sgt. Clyde Karkalits of the U. S. Air Corps, who is here from Spearfish, South Dakota, on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Karkalits, Sr.

Bobbie Jones was voted to membership in the club and the Club secretary was instructed to notify him.

Clyde Karkalits will have charge of the program for next week, which will be held at noon Tuesday due to the fact that the room in the Methodist church used by the Lions, will be in use at the usual meeting time.

Lion President, E. L. Miller, presided at Tuesday's meeting.

Mrs. Wilson Dies, Funeral On Last Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. Gimetl Wilson, 88, widow of the late J. H. Wilson, died Tuesday morning at the home of her daughters, Mrs. Coe McLeroy, and Mrs. J. M. Wilson of Cisco. Funeral and burial was in Cisco

A. F. TAYLOR IS BURIED MON. AT EASTLAND

Funeral services for Austin F. Taylor of Eastland who died at the City-County Hospital in Ranger Sunday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock, were conducted at the First Baptist church in Eastland Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Ministers in charge of the services were Rev. Homer Starnes of the Eastland church, Rev. L. Durwood Fleming of the First Methodist church in Eastland and Rev. H. R. Whately of the Haskell Baptist church. Interment was in the Eastland cemetery, and services at the grave were conducted by the Eastland Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Taylor who had been in ill health for more than a year had been confined to the hospital for two weeks.

Despite his suffering he remained optimistic and cheerful to the end.

He was born in Mills county July 31, 1888 and had made his home in Eastland for 25 years and for the past 16 years had been county engineer. He was the son of the late Rev. J. J. Taylor a pioneer baptist minister who had resided at Goldthwaite many years prior to his death. He was a member of the Baptist church and a Mason.

He was married on Dec. 26, 1912 at Goldthwaite to Miss Fannie Bell Waetherly.

Besides the wife he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John Kilgore of Brownwood and Mrs. M. H. Perry who is making her home at Eastland while her husband is in the service of the Navy; four brothers, Gordon Taylor of Dallas, Dr. L. F. Taylor of Haskell, Walter of Phoenix, Ariz., Rev. Sam Taylor of Rising Star and one sister, Mrs. Sam Williams, Scottsboro.

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Twenty Men From County Accepted For Army, Navy

Below is a list of selectees who have passed the induction station examination for the Army and Navy. Some of these men are already in service, while others will soon be sent to the reception center.

Johnnie Wayne Bennett, Gorman; Dennie Bernard Blair, Gorman; Loyd Richard Willis, Cisco; John Dalton Yardley, Cisco; Damon Washington Benson Nimrod; Thomas Ray Culwell, Rising Star; Norman Ray Box, Ranger; Closses Cecil Crowder, Cisco; Jean Byron Shannon, Cisco.

Lonzo Boyard Wyatt, Carbon; Charlie Arthur Wink, Cisco; Dennis Hill Campbell, Eastland; Carl Burns Pennell, Jr., Carbon; Eldrad Clifton Hanning, Ranger; Sahern William Hainey, Desdemona; Alva Boyd Cunningham, Gorman; Garland Guy Lassater, Cisco; Roger Edward Hirst, Gorman; Clifton Leon Perkins, Rising Star; John J. Cimenas, Eastland.

Do you want a job like this?

WANT A job where every hour you work is one that helps win the war? Want a job that gives you a chance to increase your skill, or learn a new one? A job that gives you new experiences, new friends?

Then join the Women's Army Corps and take over a vital job in the Army.

For full details about the WAC, apply at any U. S. Army Recruiting Station. Or write: The Adjutant General, 4415 Munitions Bldg., Washington 25 D. C. (Women in essential war industry must have release from their employer or the U. S. Employment Service.)

WSCS ANNUAL CONFERENCE HERE 3 DAYS

Sessions Open Tuesday Morning, March 21—Many Prominent Women on Program

About 300 women from over the Central Texas Methodist conference are due to arrive in Eastland on March 21 for a three-day session of the annual conference of the Women's Society of Christian Service.

The program will open Tuesday morning, March 21, at 10:30 o'clock and will close at noon Thursday, March 23rd.

The main address will be delivered Tuesday morning by Mrs. Gid J. Bryan, conference president, of Italy. At the afternoon session Tuesday, Mrs. George Sexton, president of South Central Jurisdiction, will be the principal speaker and Mrs. Grady Pipkin will be soloist.

At Tuesday evening's session, which begins at 7:30, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer of Woman's Division, of New York City, will be the speaker.

Wednesday morning's session opens at 8:45 with an address by Mrs. K. M. Orgain. Conference treasurer, of Waco. Mrs. Pat Miller will be soloist.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. L. A. Hoover, Jurisdiction of Youth Work, of Lincoln, Nebraska, will be the principal speaker. Mrs. A. H. Johnson will be soloist.

Returned missionaries will be on both the Wednesday morning and afternoon programs.

Wednesday night at the American Legion Hall a Youth banquet will be held at which Mrs. L. A. Hoover will be the speaker and Miss Drago's Harmony Girls will sing.

Thursday morning's session begins at 8:45. Sid Anderson of Rising Star, who is a returned missionary and former Jap prisoner, will speak. Judge V. T. Seabery will also be a speaker on this program.

A Memorial Service for deceased members of the Society will be held Thursday morning, conducted by Mrs. J. H. Cole of Cisco.

The Lord's Supper will be observed during the Thursday morning session when the sacrament will be administered by Pastor L. Durwood Fleming of Eastland and District Superintendent J. H. Cole of Cisco.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Loretta Herring Tuesday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Loretta Herring, who died Monday, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Church of Christ with Minister A. F. Thurman officiating. Hamner's of Eastland was in charge, with burial in the Eastland cemetery.

Pallbearers were Henry Calloway, Bascom Roberson, R. B. Reagan, W. W. Linkenhogger, Dan Childress and Bill Teatsorth.

Survivors include her husband, Brooks Herring, three sons, M. P. and Tom of Eastland and M. B. of Abilene. Also two brothers, Ed and Perry Murray of Oklahoma City, one sister, Mrs. Nina Dowdy of San Antonio; nine grand-children, two of whom, J. L. and M. P. Herring, are in the United States armed forces, J. L. being overseas.

Mrs. Herring was a member of the Eastland Church of Christ in which she had been a faithful worker for many years. For many years until the condition of her health prevented, she taught the Church of Christ Bible class.

MRS. LEE POE DIES

Mrs. Lee Poe died at her home in Cisco Tuesday morning. She was the widow of the late R. L. (Lee) Poe, prominent farmer and Cisco banker who died eight years ago. Funeral arrangements, pending the arrival of a granddaughter, was set for today (Friday).

Eastland relatives include: Dr. W. S. Poe, Mrs. Frank Lovett, Mrs. Edgar Alton, Mrs. Ruth Poe Herrington, J. C. Poe and Parker Poe.

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Chinese Ambassador, Wife Embassy Guests Are Many Make Study of Americans And Varied, Says Writer

By HELEN ESSARY
Central Press Columnist

WASHINGTON—Some of the embassies and legations in Washington are wondering why they haven't been smarter in the past at their job of learning America.

Until the war strain on international relations set everybody who can read and write to thinking of how to get on with (or get ahead of) other people "to my own best advantage," the representatives of foreign nations stationed in this capital have often limited their acquaintances in the United States to a few narrow groups. This custom, so I understand, has also been followed by many of our diplomats abroad.

Most embassies and legations in Washington lately have changed this stuff-shirtish policy and are going in briskly for finding out about all sorts of Americans. The most conspicuously successful foreigners of this new group of behavior are the Chinese. They are really learning America—or, rather, the United States. Applying themselves to the task of getting under the glowing American skin as doggedly as the rich pre-war Chinese used to school their sons for Oxford and a study of correct English folk-lore and customs.

The present representative of China, Ambassador Wei Tuo-ming, and his brilliant wife are certainly modern examples of China's 1944 Open Door policy. Both of them, especially Madame Wei, are determined to meet as many kinds of Americans as it is possible within the limits of dignity, time and space.

There is never a meal, except of course when they are accepting hospitality elsewhere, when the ambassador and his wife do not have guests at the embassy in Woodley road. The dinner and lunch parties are generally large. Sometimes they number 50 or 60 people. For breakfast there are seldom more than four or six guests. In addition to these formal and informal gatherings the ambassador and his wife give many afternoon and evening receptions.

The guests on these varied occasions are not chosen from pared-down "lists" controlled by professional secretaries who would rather die than not be chic. They include a greater variety of people than any Washington embassy has ever welcomed before within its doors. Smart diplomats realize, as one of my knowing friends in the state department tells me, that you learn more about a country and what it is thinking from people who have not yet "arrived" than from old smoothies, who fancying themselves important and in the know and who "tell nothing to nobody." The newcomers, not having found out how to hide their thoughts, unwittingly reveal public opinion.

The best source of news and of gossip, which is the beginning of news, is the ladies' lunch. At dinners and cocktail parties women have to work at being fascinating because men are present and may say "nice versa." And it is hard for a shrewd diplomat or reporter either to find out what anybody present thinks about anything.

Watching Mme. Wei at one of her own charming luncheons is one of the most fascinating pastimes Washington has to offer. She is about the liveliest thing in town. Likewise the smartest. She is gay and informal and friendly and constantly alert to her job of making friends for China.

At Twin Oaks, the ambassadorial residence, Mme. Wei, the wife of an embassy secretary and perhaps Mme. Wain, who directs public relations, distaff side, await the guests in the center hall. As each guest steps inside the door of the house, she sees instantly Mme. Wei and her assistants standing with hands outstretched smiling an animated greeting.

Madame Wei entertains at lunch

At a recent luncheon, Hostess Wei, in her snuffing Chinese costume of beige brocade, figured delicately in jade and accented by fat jade earrings and very high-heeled jade green shoes, seemed to be in a dozen places at once.

The guests were seated at tables of eight. Mme. Wei first at one table. Then moved on to other tables.

The guests chose the first luncheon course from about a dozen plates of Chinese hors d'oeuvres, shrimp and pork tenderloins and fish eggs and heaven knows what else, cooked to Chinese taste. Cheerfully informal Mme. Wei picked a small piece of the work in her fingers and said to her guests: "See, I eat it this way without the bother of knife and fork. It tastes better so." The guests ate the broiled baby pigeons without fingers, too.

The guests left feeling friendlier toward China than when they had come.

Prisoner Of War Committee Is Set Up In The County

Relatives and friends of American prisoners of war and civilian internees in enemy lands can now receive the latest information on prison camp conditions and privileges through the newly organized prisoner of war sub-committee of the Eastland County Chapter American Red Cross. Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter announced today.

Under the chairmanship of Mr. Wm. H. Taylor, the sub-committee will supply and distribute information on relief measures taken by the Red Cross in behalf of American nationals held by the enemy, and advise of postal and other regulations governing communications with prisoners, Mrs. Perkins said.

Stating that about 46,000 Americans are held by Germany and Japan, the Red Cross spokesman said the prisoner of war sub-committee will be provided with lists of prisoners from Eastland County and will advise their next of kin how they may send mail and gifts to them.

The new sub-committee will function as a part of the Eastland County Red Cross Chapter's home service program for service men and their families.

In reviewing the function of his sub-committee, Mr. Taylor said: "We shall do our best to provide relatives and friends of prisoners of war with the most recent and accurate developments concerning prison camp conditions, relief measures, and communication regulations. As new information is received, it will be supplied to the local newspapers for publication. We shall also be pleased to consult with next-of-kin and others concerned with prisoners of war and to advise them in any way possible."

Recruits Sought For Marine Corps Women's Reserve

Under command of Lieutenant Margaret M. Schmidt, U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve, and on a four month's tour of Texas, a Marine Corps trailer unit designed to exhibit the advantages and opportunities the Marine Corps Women's Reserve offers women, will visit Abilene Monday and Tuesday of next week. It will be parked in the business district.

Lieutenant Schmidt is the youngest woman officer in the Marine Corps and came up the hard way . . . from buck private to a commission through merit and hard work. Her crew consists of Staff Sergeant Judson Barber, USMCR, who does the driving and "man's" work, and Staff sergeants Mary and Martha Taylor, identical twins with perfect Georgia accents, and recruiters of the first water.

The Women's Reserve trailer, complete in every detail, has been designed as an office and also as an exhibit of the many occupations women are filling in the Marine Corps so that men may be relieved for battle duty. It is, with the cab towing it, 85 feet long, and is a sight well worth seeing.

All women, but particularly those between 20 and 36, with no minor dependents, either married or single, of normal height and weight and in good health, are invited to visit the trailer while it is in Abilene.

The party will arrive from Ft. Worth and is enroute to Oklahoma City.

O. W. Statham Died Saturday at Hospital In San Antonio

O. W. (Ollie) Statham, former Eastland county resident, died Saturday in a San Antonio hospital. The body was returned to Cisco for burial and funeral services.

Son of a Methodist minister who pastored churches at Eastland and Carbon and a brother of W. B. Statham and Mrs. Inez Rieck of Cisco, the deceased was, for a number of years, engaged in the drug business at Cisco. He had until recently been residing at Brownwood.

Survivors include the widow, a son, C. M. Statham of San Antonio, and a daughter, Mrs. Gerald Merkett of Cisco.

Born at Oaville, Texas, the deceased was about 60 years of age. He was a life-long member of the Methodist church.

Knights of Pythias meet every Tuesday night at Castle Hall, South Side of the Square
Tom Lovelace
K. R. S.

THE LONE RANGER

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BY FRAN STRIKER



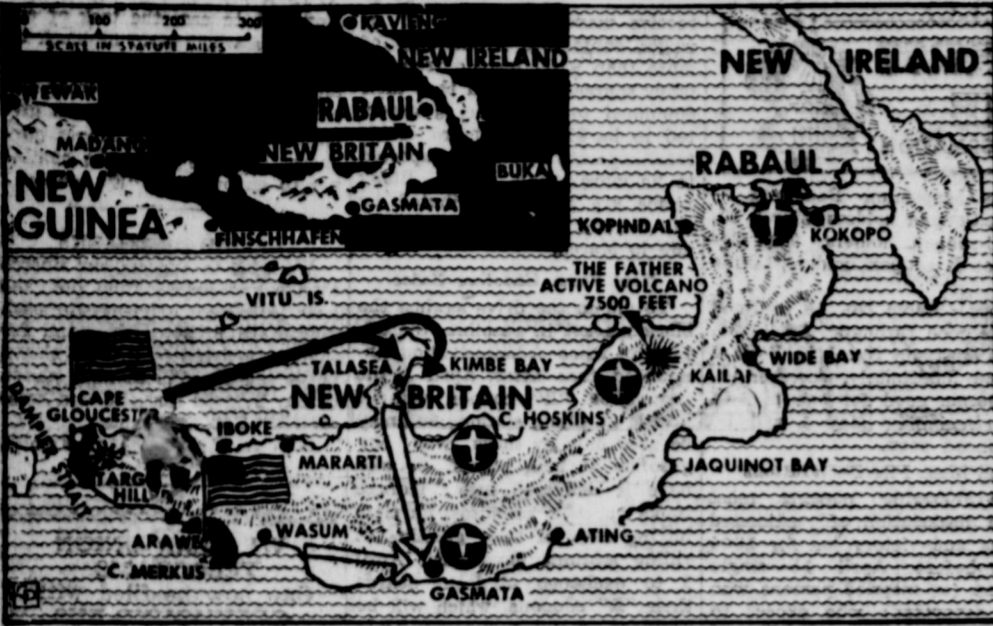
Little Annie Rooney



LAFF-A-DAY



AS MACARTHUR'S FORCES PUT SQUEEZE ON RABAU



MANEUVERING FOR A MOP-UP on New Britain and the capture of Rabaul, once mighty Jap air base on the island, U. S. forces under Gen. Douglas MacArthur have made a new landing on New Britain, placing the Yanks only 160 miles southwest of Rabaul.

WHAT OF THE HOME FRONT?

The Petroleum Industry War Council today described the Petroleum Reserves Corporation's proposed multi-million dollar international oil pipeline in the Middle East as a project unrelated to this war...

PIWC, the petroleum industry's national war agency created by Petroleum Administrator for War, Harold Ickes, recommended to the government and the petroleum reserves corporation...

Simultaneously, PIWC strongly reiterated its request that Petroleum Reserves Corporation be dissolved thus restoring American foreign oil development to private enterprise...

In a resolution perfected by its Committee on National Oil Policy, the PIWC contended that:

"The proposed contract, providing for the United States government undertaking to own and maintain an international pipeline system in the Middle East, is against the interest of the people of the United States and all the American oil industry..."

Chairman John A. Brown of the PIWC Committee on National Oil Policy, declared:

"At the February 2, 1944 meeting of this Council, a resolution was adopted advising against our government entering the oil business and recommending that the petroleum reserves corporation be dissolved..."

"A letter by the Secretary of the Navy addressed to a Senate Committee, within the past few days, indicates an intention to find additional projects for commitments by our government not connected with this war..."

PIWC's resolution avowed that the Middle East pipeline project "cannot be considered a war measure because it is likely that the pipeline can be completed and in operation before the termination of the present European war."

Foremost among manifold objectives raised by PIWC to the proposed Middle East venture of Petroleum Reserves Corporation was:

"The contract assumes, if it does not commit the United States and its Nationals to, marketing a large additional amount of oil to be produced from the Persian Gulf Fields in competition with other world sources of supply..."

"Direct participation by the Government of the United States in a pipeline system traversing the territory of three foreign nations can easily lead to international misunderstandings and pave the way to a future war through the involvement of our national honor..."

Any advantages to the United States and its people from construction of the Middle East pipeline could all be obtained "through vigorous and sympathetic diplomatic support on the part of our State Department..."

PIWC pointed out that the Persian Gulf to Mediterranean Sea pipeline would result in any new oil or oil reserves for the United States or its citizens and would not make acceptable any oil not already acceptable.

"It is not necessary for the United States Government explained, 'The oil in the Persian Gulf is already on the seacoast and can be shipped by tank steamer anywhere in the world.'"

"It is not necessary for the United States Government to build this pipeline. If it is justified from a commercial standpoint the companies should, and are able to, build it—if not commercial, it should not be built."

A copy of the resolution adopted by PIWC is attached.

Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps!

Former Eastland Man Mentioned In Post News Story

In the Story, "Up Where The Pig Guns Speak, by Allen Raymond in a recent issue of the Saturday Evening Post, mention is made of Capt. Fred Scott, formerly of Eastland and a nephew of Mrs. Geo. Hipp of Eastland...

The writer said Scott had an instinct for comfort and told how he salvaged a bath tub from an abandoned house, set it up in his camp house somewhere in Italy and with tin cans heated water on a fire-place for use in bathing and shaving.

Army Seeks Music Instruments For Men In Service

City-wide collection of musical instruments for the soldiers at the front begins today. A part of a nation-wide campaign to provide our fighting men with the means of making their own music the drive is directed at rounding up the hundreds of saxophones, banjos, and other instruments that lie forgotten in closets and attics throughout the city.

Sponsored by the Army as a means of building the morale of our fighting men, collection of musical instruments will make it possible for soldiers all over the world to form orchestras in their camps or posts, or to gather around in the evening and "make music."

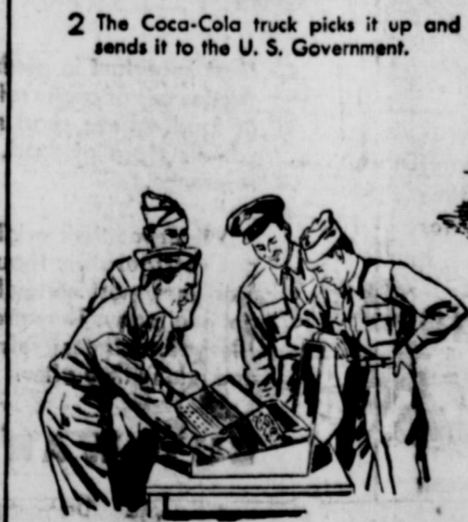
The Army has requested "Coca-Cola" Bottlers all over the country to act as agents for this campaign. Anybody having any unused instruments may take them to any grocery store, filling station, drug store or other place that sells bottled Coca-Cola. The trucks of the Texas Coca-Cola Bottling Company have agreed to pick the instruments up at these places and ship them off to the Army which in turn will distribute them to the soldiers.

Any instruments except pianos, bull fiddles, or phonographs are urgently needed, according to R. A. McDaniel, Manager of the local Coca-Cola Bottling Company. He points out that because of war production demands, it has not been possible to manufacture as many musical instruments as are needed in our Army camps.

Our Boys Need Musical Instruments on the Battlefield and in Camp

You can help send them this easy way.

That forgotten musical instrument in your storeroom is wanted! Some boy in uniform, halfway 'round the world, is asking for it now. Harmonicas, accordions, ocarinas, flutes, bazookas. In cooperation with the United States Government we have worked out a plan to speed these gifts on to their destinations without trouble or expense to you.



- 1 You take your instrument to your nearest Coca-Cola dealer.
2 The Coca-Cola truck picks it up and sends it to the U. S. Government.
3 They send it to the boys in camp and overseas.
4 Your gift brings some lonely soldier joy. Thank you.

Don't delay. Dig out all your old musical instruments today and start them on their journeys to our homesick fighting men.

TEXAS COCA COLA BOTTLING CO.

THESE 'JAP' PLANES DIDN'T EVEN GET INTO THE AIR



CAUGHT ON THE GROUND by carrier-based planes of the U. S. Navy, Jap planes burn fiercely on their home fields on Saipan island in the Marianas. Official United States Navy photo.

A. J. Maxwell Of Carbon Dies At Ranger Hospital

A. J. Maxwell of Carbon who had been a medical patient at the City-County hospital for sometime, died at the hospital Tuesday morning. The body was removed to Cisco, the home of a brother, and funeral services and burial will be there.

Though he had been a patient in the hospital for sometime, it was thought that his condition was improved as he had rested better on Monday night, but a sudden turn for the worse came early Tuesday and his death followed shortly.

New Postal Rates Go Into Effect On Sunday, March 26

Effective Sunday, March 26 the rate on local first class mail, except post cards and postal cards, at city delivery offices advances from 2 cents per ounce to 3 cents per ounce. The air mail rate inside the Continental United States advances from 6 cents per ounce to 8 cents per ounce. The rate of 6 cents per half ounce for service often overseas has not changed.

There is an increase of 3 percent in parcel post rates. Insured and c. o. d. fees are doubled. There is also quite an increase in registry and money order fees. The rate for return receipts advances from 3 cents to 4 cents, and restricted delivery from 10 cents to 20 cents.

Navy Seeks More Skilled Workers For The Pacific

Shortage of skilled workmen handicaps the efforts of our West Coast and Hawaiian Navy yards now when maintenance of the U. S. Navy at top fighting strength is of vital importance in shaping the course of the war in the Pacific, Lt. Comdr. N. N. Dahl, not been possible to manufacture as many musical instruments as are needed in our Army camps.

The drive will last through March 27.

Pet Skunk Drops In On Wedding

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—Cicero, a deodorized pet skunk, led a few Kansas Citians who were not 'in the know' as to the animal's "deodorized state" a merry chase recently.

Escaping from the home of its owner, Verda S. Reynolds, Cicero walked in on a wedding reception at a church a few blocks away. Several persons recognized Cicero before the gathering was completely disrupted, and the skunk was looked upon chiefly with calm but cool glances.

The following afternoon Mrs. T. F. Branscum and Mrs. Earl Branscum sisters in law, started to enter the T. F. Branscum auto mobile parked in front of the residence. The women looked in the back seat, and there sat Cicero. The women retreated, and Cicero advanced.

OSCAR SILENT ON JUMP

SATTEL, (UP)—Oscar Roscoe Brown, a parachute tester for a local firm has made a world's record parachute jump, but he won't talk about that. The jump was from a height greater than 40,000 feet and was a military secret, but Oscar turns away all questions about the leap with a permanent smile. Oscar is a 200-pound rubber dummy, and every jump he makes is a success because if the chute doesn't open Oscar will bounce right back

to enter the T. F. Branscum auto mobile parked in front of the residence. The women looked in the back seat, and there sat Cicero. The women retreated, and Cicero advanced.

Advertisement for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company featuring a woman's face and the text 'Her Biggest Job is War'. It promotes Long Distance service for war efforts.

HOME DEMONSTRATION TRAINING SCHOOL HELD

A training school for Home Demonstration Council and club officers was held in Eastland, Wednesday, March 8, starting at 10:30 a. m. Seven clubs were represented.

Mrs. Josie K. Nix and Mrs. E. Barron had charge of the presidents school. The duties of presidents, order of business, and parliamentary rules were discussed.

The vice president, with Miss Myra Tankersley in charge studied the duties of the vice president.

Mrs. D. E. Webb was in charge of the secretary-treasurer, where they had a round table discussion on duties of the secretaries and treasurers.

The reporters, with Mrs. Thad Henderson in charge studied "The Handbook for Club Reporters," edited by Laura Lane of Texas A & M extension service.

The recreation chairman, Mrs. Ernest Schafer, stressed a ten minute recreation period at each club meeting. She gave a list of inactive games to be used.

Mrs. John Love, presided over the Council delegates. They stressed that each club have an alternate delegate.

Mrs. A. H. Dean, finance chairman, ask each club to pay \$4.00 into the Council Treasury.

Mrs. E. E. Todd reported for the sponsors. She said the tickets for 4-H girls to Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth had been received. She ask each girls club to have a co-sponsor.

Mrs. Josie K. Nix, exhibit chairman, announced the clubs would exhibit all work done through the year.

Expansion chairman, Miss Willie Word, suggested clubs expand through canning centers, testing cookers, and passing on new ideas to non-club members.

Mrs. Dick Weekes, legislative chairman, stressed that club women study the county budget laws and house joint resolution no. 18.

Miss Myra Tankersley, reporting for marketing committee, suggested selling farm products cooperatively. She ask each club to find out how many of their club members would like to buy pineapple, strawberries, etc. cooperatively.

Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, county Red Cross chairman, thanked the rural people for their help in the Red Cross drives. She announced a blood mobile unit would be here soon after Easter and each one wanting to become blood donors report to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Schafer, gave this list of things needed for Camp Bowler: pencils, ash trays and good used

magazines were needed most. Others were books, bingo prizes made candy, cookies, pot plants, games of any kind, tooth paste, combs, handkerchiefs, after shave lotions, playing cards, toilet soaps and stationery.

Plans for t-o-e district T.H.D.A. conference to be held in Eastland in May, were discussed and the following committees appointed:

Arrangement Committee—
Mrs. D. Hall
Mrs. Josie K. Nix
Miss Willie Word
Registration Committee—
Mrs. D. E. Webb
Mrs. Dave Harper
Mrs. A. H. Dean
Food Committee—
Mrs. Theibert Jones
Mrs. Lee Burkhead
Mrs. E. Calvert
Decorations Committee—
Mrs. E. E. Todd
Mrs. K. F. Kirk
Mrs. Eula Meador
Badges Committee—
Mrs. W. B. Starr
Mrs. Dick Weekes
Mrs. Rufus Buckley
Mrs. M. P. Farnsworth.

Program and Publicity—
Mrs. Thad Henderson
Mrs. Ernest Schafer
Mrs. W. W. Fewell
Mrs. D. Jobe.

The chairman announced Miss Gladys Martin, former County home demonstration agent, would speak over the Farm and Home program from A&M at 6 o'clock a. m., March 23rd.

Mrs. Josie K. Nix, Mrs. W. B. Starr and Mrs. Billy Bacon were elected delegates to the district conference with Mrs. A. H. Dean, Mrs. Dave Harper and Mrs. J. S. Turner as alternates.

The next council meeting will be April 12, in the court room at Eastland.



Dr. Flowers Will Be Speaker At Abilene Meeting

Dr. John Gariand Flowers, who will speak at a meeting of the teachers of the Oilbelt Association in Abilene, Friday night, has been president of Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos since September 1, 1942, is a native Texan, educated in the public schools of this state and the teachers colleges at San Marcos and at Commerce. He received his B. A. degree from the latter institution in 1924.

After serving as teacher and superintendent in the public schools of this state he became director of the teachers college training school in Commerce from which position he went to the Montclair, New Jersey, teachers college in 1928 as Director of Integration and Professor of Education which position he held for nine years. While in Montclair the Ph. D. degree was conferred upon him by Columbia University in 1932, after having received his M. A. degree from that institution in 1925.

Dr. Flowers became president

of the Teachers College in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, in 1937, remaining there five years before returning as president to the first college he ever attended.

From 1934 to 1937 he was editor of the National Yearbook, Supervisors of Student Teaching. He has written and published three books in addition to editing the National Yearbook.

Recently Dr. Flowers was appointed chairman of the Texas Division of the Regional Committee on Post-war Planning of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, which committee is composed of the presidents of Texas University, A. & M. College, and T. C. U., the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Dean of the Junior College at Tyler.

He is affiliated with the National Education Association, Texas State Teachers Association, National Society of College Teachers of Education, The Scholarship Societies of the South, Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi, all professional organizations.

During World War I, he served for two years as educational director in army camps. He has a son now in the service, and is active in organizations supporting the war effort.

Dr. Flowers is a member of the National Research Committee of the Boy Scouts of America, is a member of the Methodist church, and the Rotary Club.

Dr. Flowers will speak to the teachers of the Oilbelt Association in Abilene Friday night, March 17, at the Senior High School Auditorium. A large number of teachers are expected to attend from the 23 counties of the Oilbelt, which include: Archer, Baylor, Callahan, Clay, Eastland, Fisher, Foard, Hardeman, Haskell, Jack, Jones, Knox, Mitchell, Montague, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Taylor, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Young. Dr. G. C. Boswell, vice-president of the association, will preside.

TOWN and FARM in WARTIME

Prepared by OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION

REMINDEES

Tire Inspection Deadlines—For A-Coupon holders, March 31, for C-coupon holders, May 31, and for B coupon holders, June 30.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in Book One is good through April 30. Airplane stamp No. 1 in Book 3 is good indefinitely. Another ration stamp good for one pair of shoes beginning May 1 will be announced soon.

Who Must File Declarations
The following persons must file a declaration of estimated income and victory tax for 1944 on or before April 15—single persons (or married persons who have separated) who expect to receive more than \$2,700 of wages subject to withholding or more than \$100 from all other sources, provided total income is expected to be \$500 or more; married persons if they expect to

Meats, Fats—Brown stamps Y and Z in Book Three are good through March 20. Red 10-point stamps A8, B8, D8, E8, and F8 in Book Four are good through May 20. Waste kitchen fats are redeemed at two ration points plus four cents a pound.

Processed Foods—Green stamps K, L, and M, are good through March 20. Blue 10-point stamps A8, B8, C8, and E8 in Book Four are good through March 20.

Sugar—Stamp 30 in Book Four is good indefinitely for five pounds of canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

Gasoline—In 17 East Coast states, A-9 coupons are good through May 8. In states outside the East Coast area, A-10 coupons are good through March 21.

receive more than \$3,500 of wages subject to withholding or more than \$100 income from all other sources, provided that their combined total income is expected to be \$1,200 or more or his total separate income is expected to be more than \$624. Blank forms are to be distributed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue late in March.

New Farm Gasoline Rules
To aid in the drive against the black market in gasoline, the Office of Price Administration announced that after April 1 the five-gallon "R" coupon will be invalid at filling stations and may be used only by those who buy gasoline at bulk plants or who have it delivered into storage tanks on their premises. Farmers buying most of their gasoline at filling stations have until April 1 to exchange at local boards their "R" coupons, which will be accepted at filling stations. After March 15, "R" coupons and "E" coupons in all cases must be endorsed whether for gasoline delivered into storage tanks or picked up at willing stations.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for beautiful floral offering, for kind word of sympathy at the many acts of kindness during the illness and of our beloved husband and son, May God bless them.
Mrs. A. F. [Name]

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAMS
Can now be filed at GREYHOUND BUS STATION
Lamar and White S
After the main office closed for the day

Tests Reveal
Foe's Arms Not Equal To Ours

CLEVELAND (UP)—An estimated 600,000 pieces of captured Jap and Nazi ordnance—rifles, machine guns, field guns, and assorted cannon—have been tested at seven arsenals in the United States.

And they are not as good as American equipment, according to Col. H. M. Reedall, chief of the Cleveland Ordnance District.

Disclosing some tests made in comparison with American-made ordnance, Col. Reedall says the Jap rifle is inaccurate at a range exceeding 350 yards. The American Garand, however, hits the mark at far greater distances.

Though the Jap machine gun is "deadly" at short distances and can spit bullets at the rate of 60 rounds in three seconds, it is "not the equal" of the Browning .30-caliber machine gun at 500 yards. Besides the Browning, it can fire twice as fast in a minute.

Col. Reedall says American equipment is often changed after comparison with captured enemy material. As an example, he cites the fact that armor on American tanks has been increased in thickness to withstand heavier shell fire and additional armor has been welded on the outside of upper tank hulls.

Captured ordnance—after it has been completely tested by American Army experts—is shipped to service training centers to acquaint our fighting men with weapons they will face "in action."

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—BY—
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IN ARMY EVACUATION HOSPITALS

You saw, perhaps, the story of the Army Evacuation Hospital at work behind the battle fronts in a recent issue of Life. If you are a gas refrigerator owner, the picture showing a "Servel" in use providing refrigeration for safe storage of a good supply of blood must have been interesting. It is part of the equipment of our well supplied and equipped evacuation hospital units. It is one reason why gas refrigerators are not now available.

BUILT FOR LONG LIFE

THE GAS REFRIGERATOR NEEDS LITTLE CARE

Other than cleaning and defrosting, the Gas Refrigerator needs little care to make it last. This is because the gas refrigerator has no moving parts to wear and need repairing or replacing.

In cleaning the gas refrigerator see that the durable outside surface is not scratched with finger rings, utensils or an abrasive cleaner. Usually it can be cleaned with a damp cloth. Occasionally it may be necessary to use a mild soap.

Clean shelves with any good soap and water. The interior porcelain finish should be cleaned with a lukewarm soda solution.

To keep the refrigerator operating at high efficiency it should be defrosted at regular intervals, and preferably during late evening hours.

OWNERS ARE GLAD THEY HAVE ONE TODAY

Most important in getting full and complete satisfaction out of a gas refrigerator is proper storage of food. Above chart shows correct locations for various types of food. Tear it out and keep for reference.

Whatever their original reason for selecting a gas refrigerator, thousands of owners on Lone Star lines most certainly can be satisfied they've got one today. They are assured of low-cost, trouble-free, noiseless refrigeration for the duration, and a long time after.



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—Earl Bender & Company—
—Abstracts — Insurance — Real Estate — Rentals—

Baptist Church
Homer Starnes, Pastor
9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
10:55 a. m. Morning worship.
7:00 p. m. Training union.
8:00 p. m. Evening worship.
Monday—
3:30 p. m. WMS and Sunbeam.
Wednesday—
8:00 p. m. Mid-week service.
Thursday—
7:00 p. m. Choir practice.

St. Francis Catholic Church
Bryan Street
Mass every day at 1:30 a. m.
By Fr. Donahue, S. J. Station of the Cross on Tuesday night.

Church of Christ
A. F. Thurman, Preacher
Corner Daugherty and West Plummer Streets
LORD'S DAY:
Bible classes 10 a. m.
Devotional, Preaching 11 a. m.
Devo. and Preaching 8:00 p. m.
MONDAY:
Ladies' Bible Study 3 p. m.
WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m.
EACH SECOND LORD'S DAY:
Business Meeting 3:30 p. m.
Always glad to have you with us—COME!

First Christian Church
Rev. A. J. Blunk Pastor
J. B. BLUNK, Pastor
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Men's Bible class 10:00 a. m.
Judge Clyde Erickson and J. F. Collins, teachers.
Morning worship and communion service 11:00 a. m.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
Youth choir meetings Wednesday nights at 8:00 o'clock.
Missionary Society meets on the first Monday in each month.
Church Board meets on the first Sunday night in each month.

The Church of God
At Lamar and West Valley Streets
W. E. Hallenbeck, Pastor
Program for the week:
Sunday
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11:00 A. M.
Young People Meeting at 7:15 P. M.
Evening Services at 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday
Midweek prayer services at 7:45 P. M.

Church of The Nazarene
P. L. Pierce, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
George Washington said "The perpetuity of our nation depends on the religious education of our youth."
Then, bring the children to Sunday School.
Church hour, 11:00 a. m. Sermon subject, "Importance of Vision, or The Peril of Blindness."
Young peoples meeting, 7:15 p. m. An interesting program will be presented.
Evangelistic Service, 7:45 p. m. Subject, "Retribution, or Chastisement for sin."
Everyone will find a hearty welcome to each and all of these services. Why not everybody go to church Sunday; you will feel better and accomplish more through the following week by doing so. Thousands of our "Boys" overseas would pay a nice premium to have this privilege that is free to all of us.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES
"Matter" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 18. The Golden Text is: "Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God" (Leviticus 19:4).
Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "The withereth the flower, the bud, by the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isaiah 40:8).
The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The fading forms of matter, the mortal body and material earth, are the fleeting concepts of the human mind. They have their day before the permanent facts and their perfection in Spirit appear" (page 263.)

A thousand planes flying to an objective 1,000 miles away can carry 5,000,000 more pounds of bombs on 100-octane fuel than on 91-octane.

The Methodist Broadcaster
Weekly News Of
First Methodist Church
L. Durwood Fleming, Pastor

PLEASE DO NOT PASS IT BY
It is often that we pass by important happenings, never knowing that we are poorer for having missed them. There is real power in being able to discriminate—to choose and to refuse. Some people possess the art of noticing, some acquire it, while others "pass by on the other side." Let's stop just a minute to notice a statement about a very important meeting that will be in session soon, and here in our very city!

Our church and community will be host to the Third Annual Session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This will include the whole of the Central Texas Conference. It is one of the most important things that could happen to the spiritual lines of our city. Some look upon it as a burden in entertaining such a conference, especially during war times. But it is fortunate that most of us do count it a real privilege and honor in being able to furnish the church and city for such a meeting. In war times it is even more important that we make whatever sacrifices needed to keep the "flame burning." We're going to need the glowing embers of such a meeting just a few short years hence in order to light the world's path.

Detailed information about the conference will appear in other columns of this paper and you will want to inform yourself about the daily schedule. One mention about personalities on the program in order here and its about the coming of Dr. Sid R. Anderson. He was the outstanding Methodist minister in China in pre-war days, being the pastor of the Moore Methodist Church in Shanghai. He has been interned for months by the Japanese and has only recently returned to this country. The responsibility of the conference will be recompensed in his coming, if for no other reasons. Eastland and our church here can well afford to expose itself to the message and spirit of this man. How about it?

Our local church will furnish no little part of the program. Our choir will support the special services and furnish special music in several instances. Our organist will be on hand for all calls. Mrs. Ed Willman, the local WSCS president, will give greetings, Judge Virgil T. Seabery will speak, and Mr. Fleming will bring one of the messages.
This conference will convene next week, Tuesday morning to be exact, and will continue through Thursday noon. You will not find these two signs anywhere around, "For Methodists Only" nor "For Ladies Only." The conference, significant in every aspect of its program, is for the whole city, men included. **PARENTS! ARE YOU THERE?**

Children to be prepared for church membership will meet with Mr. Fleming each afternoon after school hours, for the week of March 27-31. Has your child made his or her Christian decision and entered the church? If not, this is your invitation to take the matter very seriously. The class of children will be received into church membership on Palm Sunday, April 2. If you are interested, the minister would

like to talk to you about this matter.
HOLY WEEK SERVICES
April 2-9 is a holy time, and we will commemorate this week with services at the church. Make your plans to be present each evening.
ALL SERVICES ON THE INCREASE

The season of the year reminds us that we are more needed in our places at the church than usual. It is the best time of the year to go to church. Have you been checking the "Roll Call?" My friend, you are needed right now! We will be expecting you this coming Sunday.

Old Music Makers Are Sought For Men In Service

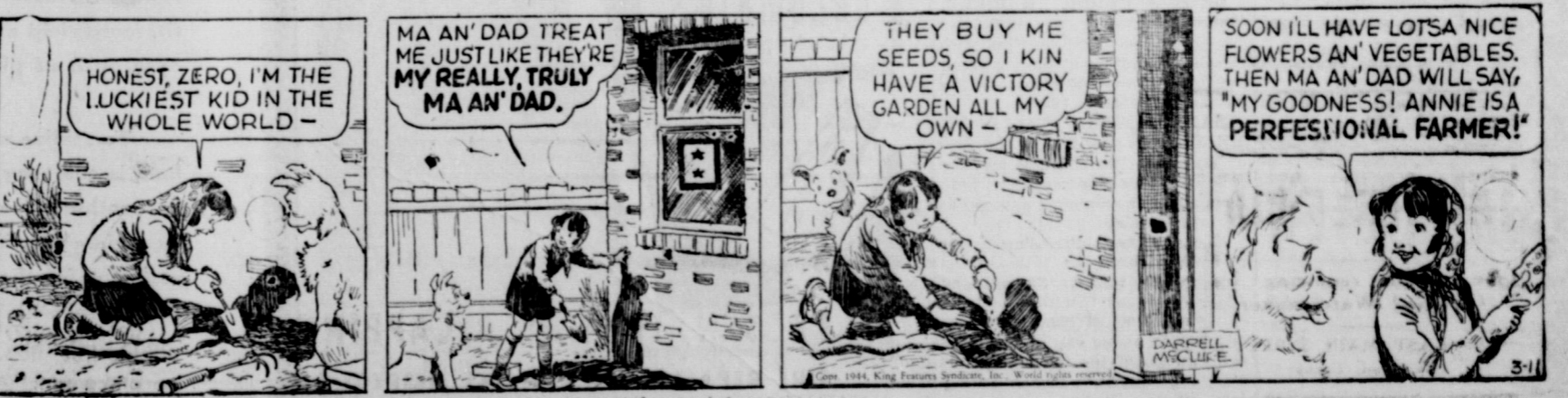
G. I. Joe is not only going to continue blasting Japs and Nazis at an ever-increasing rate, but he is going to do it to music—thanks to a nation-wide campaign to collect musical instruments for the boys across the seas. This campaign, now going into its final week, is being sponsored in Ranger by the Texas Coca-Cola Bottling Company at the request of the War Department.

Small instruments such as harmonicas, ocarinas, accordions, guitars, banjos, etc., are particularly needed. Those wishing to donate are asked to take them to a "Coca-Cola" dealer. "Coca-Cola" trucks will pick them up and forward them to the Army, which will send them overseas at once.
In Ranger there are hundreds of musical instruments that would delight the hearts of lonesome soldiers. Everyone is urged to dig down in basements, attics and storage rooms for those musical instruments that aren't being used and take them to the nearest "Coca-Cola" dealer.

"There are few if any comforts around a foxhole. The least we can do is give our boys a little music," according to R. A. McDaniel, manager of the Texas Coca-Cola Bottling Company, who is in charge of the local campaign.

Conduct Of Texas Co-Eds Beats Boys
AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—University of Texas records show that girls are better behaved students than boys—or else the co-eds are more clever in their misdeeds, the boys might rejoice. Since the beginning of the regular winter semester, the Dean of Men's office reported 17 boys and four girls have been classed as disciplinary probation, and six were suspended from the university.
Cheating on examinations was the most common offense. Other penalties were drawn for misconduct, cashing "hot checks", selling other students' books, plagiarism, and violating university living quarter rules.

LAFF-A-DAY



Society

BURR STARE MANAGER ENTERTAINS EMPLOYEES

Glenn D. Jones, manager of the Eastland L. C. Burr Department store, was host to the store employees at a steak dinner given at the Majestic Cafe Wednesday evening. Those present were: Mesdames J. B. Blunk, R. A. P. Poole, J. U. Johnson, J. R. Gilkey, Pauline Harkrider, Vera Halbert and daughter, Jane, and Messrs. Grady Allison, Charles Jones.

THREE GIRLS FROM COUNTY TO GET CAPS

Three from Eastland county attending Harris School of Nursing at Fort Worth will receive their caps at a capping exercise tonight (Friday) at the Mulkey Memorial Methodist church in Ft. Love and Louise Taylor of Eastland and Mary Irene Williams of Ranger.

HOMES NEEDED FOR VISITING WOMEN

About 300 women, delegates to the Annual WSCS conference, are expected in Eastland Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 21, 22 and 23, for the session and the Local WSCS has issued an appeal to citizens of the town to open their homes to these visitors. Those who can accommodate two or more delegates are requested to communicate with Mrs. Frank Castleberry.

ALPHA DELPHIANS HAVE TEXAS DAY PROGRAM

Children from the West Ward school under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Herring, Mrs. Harry Sene and Mrs. Mildred Amis, gave a splendid Texas Day program at the Alpha Delphi club, Thursday afternoon, March 9.

Warren Wolff acted as master of ceremonies. A chorus of 40 sang "The Eyes of Texas," and "Texas, Our Texas." Douglass King gave Lexie Dean Robinson's "Wheel Song" two poems, "Little Things," from Maifred Hale's book, "Sunshine In The Night," and "Someone Prayed," by Grace Noel Crowell, was given by Patsy Eubank Nancy Merrall sang an adoption of "Got A Touch of Texas."

Dorothy and Heidi Throno gave dance numbers. Bobby Womack gave some stories from the book, "I Give You Texas," by Boyce House.

"Texans Part In The War," a brief news cast, was read by Patsy Eubank. Wendell McGraw sang new words to "I Am An Old Cow Hand."

History of Texas songs was given by Mrs. Merrell, "So This Is Texas," by Mrs. Dr. L. C. Brown; "Good Neighbor Pulley In Texas Schools," was given by Mrs. Kenneth Wingate.

DEMONSTRATION MEETING

The Morton Valley home demonstration club met Tuesday March 7, at 2 o'clock in the school lunch room. The vice president, Mrs. D. D. Franklin presided.

The Council report was given by Mrs. Thad Henderson and a report blank was filled out.

Three new members were welcomed to the club, Mesdames Geo. Lawrence, C. E. Bush and Floyd White.

Ways of promoting interest in the club were discussed.

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PERSONALS

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Mrs. Howard Hagood is in Key West, Florida visiting her husband, Lt. Haygood.

The Maverick Carral is the name that has been given to the Youth Canteen which is to open soon in the basement of the Eastland National Bank.

Miss Hallie Morris, superintendent of the City-County hospital at Caliente, Nevada, came Sunday for a visit to her mother, Mrs. Ida Morris, and to be with her brother, S-Sgt. Ray Morris and other relatives. She plans to return to Nevada today (Friday).

S-Sgt. Ray Morris and sister, Miss Hallie Morris, left Tuesday for Corsicana to visit their sister, Mrs. H. H. Pantton; Mrs. George Bell of Houston and Mrs. Eli Harris of San Antonio. Ray is on furlough after 16 months spent with the United States air corps in Guatemala.

A. C. Simmons, with the personnel department of the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation, Ft. Worth, was here Sunday visiting his wife.

Percy Harris, Jr., employed in government work at Fresno, Cal. is expected this week-end for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Harris. He is enroute to a point in New Jersey where he will be employed in the future.

Pfc. M. P. Herring, U. S. Infantry Nashville, was here Tuesday to attend the funeral rites of his grand-mother, Mrs. Loretta Herring.

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Mesdames May, Harrison, Made

NOTICE OF ELECTION BE IT SO ORDERED BY the City Commission of the City of Eastland, that an election be held on the 4th day of April, 1944, at which election there is to be elected 2 Commissioners to succeed Commissioners C. B. Willman and C. T. Lucas, whose term of office expires at that time, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the name of all candidates for said office shall be filed with the City Secretary at the City Hall not later than 5:00 p. m. on the 31 day of March 1944.

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Oscar Wilson, Presiding Judge and Clerk.

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A COPY OF THIS ORDER, signed by the chairman of the Board of City Commission of the City of Eastland, Texas. Attested by the City Secretary of said City, and same to be published according to article Seven Section Eight of the City Charter.

A. T. ESTEY, Secretary.

K. B. TANNER, Secretary.

March 1, 1944. Victor Cornelius, Chairman of the Board of City Commission.

Singing Sunday Afternoon Well Attended

The popularity of the regular monthly singing held at the Eastland Church of God was evidenced by the large crowd present at last Sunday afternoon's meeting of the class. Singers and leaders of singing were present from all over this section.

A good program was rendered at the close of which representatives from singing organizations over the country extended invitations to those present to attend their singing at time and places announced.

A. E. LeClaire was re-elected president of the Eastland class. LeClaire who has been attending singing conventions for forty years and for the past 22 years has been an officer of one or another singing organizations, never sang a song in his life he states. He likes to hear good singing, however, and is a very popular official.

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