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# Congress Warned Of Price, Wage Freeze

## Minister Of Finance For France



French Premier Robert Schuman, left, greets his new Minister of Finance, Rene Meyer, prior to Cabinet meeting in Paris, which report to be planning a general mobilization of striking dock workers, miners and railway men in an effort to break the Communist-led strike of 2,000,000 workers. (NEA Radio-Telephoto).

## EXPECTS AID BILL ACTION NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON — Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr., said today after a meeting of the House Republican steering committee that he expected Congress to complete action on the interim foreign aid bill next week.

The Senate began today its second week of debate on the bill to authorize \$597,000,000 emergency aid for France, Italy and Austria. Leaders pressed for Senate passage by nightfall.

The House GOP steering committee met with Republican members of the House foreign affairs committee to hear an explanation of the bill which was expected to be brought to the floor by midweek.

Martin said the meeting was "purely informational." He said he personally favored the inclusion of aid for China in the bill. The Senate version contains nothing for China.

The House bill, which is still subject to final vote in the House foreign affairs committee, would provide \$488,000,000 for the three European countries and \$60,000,000 for China. The administration had asked \$597,000,000 for the three European nations only.

"I have always advocated aid for China in this bill," Martin said. "It is just as urgent here as in Europe. If we are fighting Communism in Europe we have got to fight it in Asia, too. And time is very essential."

## Merchants And Banks Are Warned About Vets' Checks

Eastland merchants and banks were requested today to ask for sufficient identification before cashing veteran's readjustment allowance checks. Hollis Bennett, manager of the Eastland office of the Texas Employment Commission, said that he had received word from Austin that at least 50 Texas veterans had been the victims of theft and forgery of their readjustment allowance checks.

In at least two cases indications were that the veteran had knowledge of the forgery and apparently had acted in collusion with the individuals who cashed the checks. If evidence supports collusion, the veterans themselves will also be subject to prosecution.

Victims were all recipients of the \$20 a week unemployment allowance provided by the G. I. Bill of Rights. Manufacturers not only will be subject to charges of theft and forgery but also to action under the penal sections of the G. I. Bill. Bennett said the TEC state office at Austin has received 50 affidavits from veterans that they did not get the allowance checks sent them. But investigations reveal that the same checks bearing spurious endorsements have been cleared through Texas banks to Austin for payments. Such checks necessarily are dishonored by the government and returned to the banks sending them in. The TEC representative said that all penal action under Title V of the G. I. Bill is handled by the Veterans Administration and that he had been informed that the 50 cases had been turned over to the chief attorneys of the regional VA offices. Prosecution, he said, will be in either state or federal courts.

## Ten Ten Years As Mayor No Fun

PITTSFIELD, Mass. (UP)—James Fallon, who served a "sentence" of 10 years as mayor of Pittsfield, sent condolences rather than congratulations to Mayor-elect Robert T. Capeless.

"It would be hypocritical on my part to tender you congratulations," he said in a letter. "Wherefore I am tendering my condolences.

"However, your youth and enthusiasm may shake off the handicaps that were placed on me. While serving the sentence, I have learned something that may be beneficial. If so it is at your disposal."

## "You'll Find Out" Coach Told Pointedly

MADISON, Wis. (UP)—Harry Stuhldreher, University of Wisconsin football coach, had a reply at a university rally at which faculty members were asked to give their names and positions.

"As of today, I'm athletic director and football coach. After tomorrow's game, I don't know," Stuhldreher said.

"Never mind," replied M. C. Frank Holt, public services director, "plenty of people will tell you."

The University of Minnesota expects to hit an enrollment peak of 30,000 by 1965.

## Violence Flares Afresh As Arabs Oppose Partition

JERUSALEM—Violence which had taken 14 lives in the middle east since the United Nations decided to partition Palestine broke out afresh in Jerusalem today as Arab leaders called a council of war to block the decision.

A Polish Jew was shot and wounded gravely outside the Damascus Gate here at midday. Officials said he was hospitalized with neck wounds. First reports of the outbreak had said the Jew was killed.

The Arab League summoned its leaders to meet Saturday in Cairo to map strategy for "safeguarding Palestine for the Arabs." In announcing the meeting, Premier Riyad Al-suh of Lebanon, who will preside, voiced conviction that the partition agreement never would be carried out.

## Communist In France Oppose Emergency Laws

PARIS—The Communist majority of the general confederation of labor flung an all-or-nothing challenge at the government today, announcing that it would never negotiate to settle France's chaotic strikes if emergency measures now before the Assembly become law.

The sudden breakdown of feelers toward negotiation served blunt notice that the Communists would plunge ahead with their program to battle the government all along the line, regardless of what happens.

New strikes plagued the crippled country. The Assembly debated amid Communist-created bedlam the measures which Premier Robert Schuman demanded to put legal weapons in the hands of the government.

## Customs Seizures Offer Variety

MOBILE, Ala. (UP)—Shoppers visiting the federal building here can find a greater variety of merchandise than at a five and ten cent store.

More than 650 articles, seized by the customs department from seamen and travelers entering the port this year, have been offered for sale. Among items which the owners sought to smuggle in were grass skirts, perfume, cameras, marmalade, and jewelry.

Also included, and sold at auction, were stockings, a bicycle, an alarm clock, a sextant, many watches and bracelets, whips, canes, fans, dolls and a dagger.

Production of alfalfa seed this year was estimated at 54,000 bushels in Minnesota.

## WORK OF BIG FOUR SLOWED BY CRISIS

LONDON — The French crisis, in which the "cold war" between the East and the West was being fought with action instead of words, threatened today to slow down still further the snail's pace of the Big Four conference.

Foreign Minister Georges Bidault of France planned to return to Paris tonight for urgent consultations with his fellow cabinet members.

If he is absent tomorrow, Bidault might assign his deputy Maurice Couve de Murville, to sit in for him on the council of foreign ministers. But no decisions would be possible without Bidault at the conference table.

One influential member of the American delegation admitted that the ministers were parrying for time while the issue was being joined in Paris.

"The East and the West are debating their conflict with words here," he said. "In Paris, the cold war is being fought in the streets and the chamber of deputies. If the Communists win in Paris, our arguments here will become even more academic."

Secretary of State George C. Marshall continued consultations with his delegation and staff on German policy. He planned a private meeting with Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Great Britain soon.

Rebuffed in his first attempt to have a quiet talk with Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov of Russia, Marshall was anxious to try to clear up with Bevin some outstanding Anglo-American deadlocks.

## C. C. Dooley Is Delivered To The State Penitentiary

Sheriff J. B. Williams and Deputy Cecil Graham went to Huntsville today to deliver C. C. Dooley to the State penitentiary.

Dooley was sentenced to a total of 10 years from Eastland county on swindling charges. He escaped from the Eastland County jail one time while being held.

## Mrs. A. H. Brown Died This Morning At Eastland Home

Mrs. A. H. Brown, who has been critically ill for some time, died at her home on North Walnut today about 10 a.m.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at press time. Mr. Brown is employed by the City.

The North American population more than doubled in the 60 years between 1880 and 1940, according to Encyclopaedia Britannica.

## WOULD RESULT IF SELECTIVE CONTROLS NOT AUTHORIZED

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman warned Congress today that failure to authorize "selective" price and wage controls now may make it necessary later to impose a general freeze on prices and wages.

Harriman told the House banking and currency committee he does not like price and wage controls. But he said that if the limited powers are granted the administration will try first to correct price abuses "by appeals to industry and to consumers."

He said that a voluntary program could be undermined by a thoughtless or selfish minority.

For the reason, he added, powers to impose limited, direct control of prices and wages, and to set up consumer rationing on a few items, should be granted now.

"Adequate advance preparation makes for fairness," Harriman said. "I believe that it is advisable to start developing a program now rather than to risk the need of hasty action later when the only feasible course might be to put on the brakes by some type of general freeze of prices and wages..."

Pressing the administration's campaign for anti-inflation legislation, Harriman reiterated President Truman's request for consumer credit controls, allocation of railroad equipment and facilities, export controls, and priority and allocation powers.

He said these controls can make a substantial contribution to the anti-inflation program.

## Three Alarm Fire In Philadelphia Takes Six Lives

PHILADELPHIA — Six homeless men employed in making Christmas toys for orphans were killed today and 20 others were injured in a three alarm fire which swept through a charity organization building.

Firemen searched for hours through the blackened wreckage in the belief 17 other men were unaccounted for, but at 10 a.m. Battalion Chief Ray Wilkinson said no other bodies were found in the four-story industrial institution of the Volunteers of America, Inc.

The fire broke out shortly after 1 a.m. trapping 68 men sleeping in dormitories on the second and third floors.

That Reminds Me  
By FRANK A. JONES

## THE WORLD NEEDS THEM TO MUCH

A boy with a rifle had just shot a bird. The bird, which a few moments before had been a beautiful living creature, vibrant with life and song, lay dead at the feet of its killer. Its gay plumage was blood soaked and bedraggled and the music of its song was forever stilled. One wanton shot had taken from the world about us a living and vital presence... a presence which, if its destroyer should spend a lifetime he could not restore, even for a single moment. I have often found myself wondering what pleasure man can possibly find in wantonly and ruthlessly destroying bird life. Indeed there is nothing that can replace a bird which flies with complete freedom into the deep blue of the sky and gives itself over to the joy of its beautiful song of freedom. Sometimes an unkind word whether intentionally or thoughtlessly spoken kills the song in the human hearts and blots out its as truly as the killer's bullet stills the song of a happy bird. The world needs the song and the beauty of the birds too much, and it needs happiness in human hearts too much to carelessly or ruthlessly destroy them.

## TWENTY-THREE DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

There are twenty-three more days until Christmas and as we approach the yuletide would it not be well for us to give thought in advance to the gifts we will give and to whom they shall be given. I think too often, after Christmas is over, we can look back on the things we have bought and for which we have spent considerable money and find that the sum total of them represent little of real value. There are few appropriate and worthwhile things, but the majority of them are of little value, are chosen hurriedly and often not appropriate or suited to the needs and the desires of the recipient.

## THE PROCESS OF SOIL EROSION IS MAKING US POOR INDEED

According to the best information at hand there are 611,200 acres of land in Eastland county, according to the 1945 census. Latest figures available, 507,522 acres of this land is in farms totaling 2,345 in number. Of the total acreage in cultivation 291,408 acres are operated by the owners while 201,114 acres are operated by tenants. The average size farm in the County is 216.04 acres.

Much of the land in this County has been in cultivation for many years and the results of soil erosion, which began the moment the land was first brought under the plow, is plainly visible to the eye to say nothing of other tests. Something definitely should be done to stop this erosion other wise the farms of the County as a whole will grow poorer and poorer in production.

Soil conservation organizations, most of them sponsored by the federal government, have been at work on programs for the prevention of soil erosion and have met with much success and will meet with still further success. But the idea is not being put over fast enough not only in Eastland county but throughout the nation as a whole.

The Soil Conservation Service estimates that some 50 million acres of land in the United States have been rendered useless for farming purposes through erosion; that another 100,000 acres, largely still in cultivation, have lost all or the greater part of their productive top-soil, and on a lot of other acres erosion is getting actively underway.

## New Tennessee Williams Plays Presente By Dallas Repertory

DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—America's only professional repertory theater, now in its second season here, is offering the first production of three new, short plays by Tennessee Williams, author of "Glass Menagerie," for a twelve-day run.

Theater 47, soon to become Theater '48, has a permanent group of seasoned actors brought to Dallas by a fast-talking, able young director, Margo Jones.

Miss Jones, who directed "Joan of Lorraine" and "Glass Menagerie" on Broadway, will produce eight plays and then repeat four of them for a week each.

Dallas is bragging about "Margo" and the cast she has assembled. New scripts—plays never before produced on any stage—and classics are Miss Jones' fare. On that point, she says, she never will change.

"A new play offers a challenge, a thrill, to an actor that doubles his effectiveness," she said. "And classics—well, you always can give them a new or different interpretation."

Shoes off, dark hair tousled, minus make-up, Miss Jones at work is a small, efficient dynamo. Never content with the conventional, stereotyped presentation, she rejoices that lack of a large theater forced her group to start in a small auditorium where the stage is in the center rather than at one end. As in a prizefight, the audience at Theater '47 sits on four sides of the arena.

The intimacy of theater-in-the-round requires special skills, the director admits. The heroine's back must always be towards one-

fourth of the audience, even in her biggest scenes.

"If she has a funny gesture or face to make, the poor girl has to get a laugh from the people behind her, too," Margo said. "If all else fails, she can reach to the rear and give a pull on her girdle!"

An arena stage demands good actors, who can express emotions with their whole bodies. A man's hair clenching and unclenching a chair, may be visible to the people who can't, at the moment, see his face.

A stage without a back-drop, without scenery, means that much must be left to the imagination. When an actress puts her hat on, she faces a non-existing mirror. When she points to the portrait of her lover hanging on the wall, the wall isn't there—much less the picture.

Audiences love this call upon their powers of imagination, Miss Jones believes. It gives them a feeling of participation.

The high cost of numerous stagehands and elaborate settings is obviated by the arena stage; the saving effected can be put into actors' salaries and encouragement of new authors.

Joe Shivers

ARGOS, Ind. (UP)—The local fire chief was in a dilemma when the alarm sounded at night, and he couldn't find his shoes. He ran to the blaze and tackled it barefooted. It was a chilly fall night and he shivered. His name—Joe Shivers.

## Eastland-Coleman To Play Here Friday Night For Bi-district Title; Game Called 8:00 P. M.

Coleman's Bluecats and the Eastland Mavericks will play for the bi-district championship Friday night on Maverick Field in Eastland. The game will be called at 8:00 o'clock.

Coach John Little of Eastland won the coin toss and the site of the contest that brings together the champions of District 9-A and 10-A. The location of Friday night's game was decided at a meeting of the officials of the two schools at Baird Sunday.

The Bluecats, co-champions of their district with the Ballinger Bearcats, were the regional titlists last year.

The Mavericks completed their schedule on Nov. 27 when they played Gorman here winning by a score of 44 to 0. The Mavericks lost non-conference games to Ballinger and Cisco during the past season, which were their only losses in their nine game schedule.

Coleman officials have reserved 1,000 seats for Friday's game, it was learned this morning. They

will be located on the east side of the stadium.

School officials stated this morning that preparations were being made for a large number of additional seats and what ever the cost in money and labor arrangements would be made to seat the large crowd expected for the game.

Curtis Hertig, secretary of the Eastland school board stated this morning that holders of season tickets during the regular schedule would have the refusal of those tickets for the Coleman-Eastland game Friday, provided their options were taken up not later than Thursday afternoon, December 4.

Prices on Friday's game, Hertig said, would be as follows: Reserved seats, \$1.50 (tax included); General admission, \$1.00 (tax included); Teacher-student tickets, 50c (tax included).

Tickets will be on sale Tuesday at all Eastland drug stores and at the Majestic cafe.



The game between SMU and TCU, played in Fort Worth, certainly gave the fans their money's worth. It was a hard fought battle until the very last second. Here, No. 48, Lindy Berry, who played a superb game, flies thru the air after being hit by an SMU tackler. Three plays later TCU scored a touchdown. No. 36, Howard Parker, SMU; No. 72, Clarence Marble, TCU, and No. 37, Doak Walker, SMU. (NEA Telephoto).

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## WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON  
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—Houston Harte, Texas newspaper publisher, sends in a report from his San Angelo Standard and Times that gives the best picture yet of what's happening down on the big wheat farms. The big operators are rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves, all right. But they aren't sending those sheaves to market. First, in the hope of a price rise and, second, because they want to beat the income tax collector.

From a third to a half of the wheat raised in the Texas Panhandle is still being held on the farms, say Mr. Harte's reporters. The little town of Vega, Tex., population 300, is said to be rolling in dough. Eight families alone raised from 50,000 to 200,000 bushels of wheat apiece. Putting the average at 100,000 bushels, it represents a potential gross income of \$300,000 at today's \$3 a bushel price. But, since the income tax laws are so rigged that the most a man can keep and show a profit on is around \$29,000, these big farm operators are selling only about 10,000 to 20,000 bushels. This nets them maximum return after taxes.

The rest of the crop is being stored on farms or warehoused until 1948, which is another tax year. Every empty building is said to be stored with wheat. Wheat-filled gunnys hold the railroad tracks. Two big new elevators are being built in Vega to hold 75,000 bushels. This Texas situation is apparently true of the entire wheat belt, right up to the Canadian border. When Tom Campbell of Montana, biggest U. S. wheat farmer, was in Washington recently, he told President Truman that he was holding 600,000 bushels of wheat. The U. S. Department of Agriculture Crop Reporting Board says that, as of Oct. 1, over 628 million bushels of wheat—nearly half the 1947 harvest of 1.4 billion bushels—were still being held on farms. These big farm operators, who are not selling their wheat now, are, of course, playing a smart game. Planting weather throughout the winter wheat belt has been too dry which is bad. Next year's crop may be much smaller than this year's all-time record high. It has been generally reported, and the belief is widespread, that it is the government's crop loan policy which is responsible for today's high wheat price and for much of the wheat hoarding on farms. Commodity Credit Corporation reports indicate this isn't so. It is the tax law—not the farm loan policy—that is principally to blame. As of Oct. 1—again the latest report available—CCC had made loans of \$37.75 million dollars on 20 million bushels of 1947 wheat. While this sounds like a lot of money and a lot of wheat, it is only 1.2 per cent of this year's 1.4 billion bushel crop.

As a matter of fact, the big farm operators are now so well fixed financially that they don't have to rely on government loans. They do their own financing, and thus save interest charges.

The recent Department of Agriculture officials will admit frankly that the big wheat farmers are afraid of government loans. What they fear is that the government might seize any wheat against which it has advanced money, by calling the loans before due date.

That the big farm operators really want is a return to the certificate plan of May and June, 1946. Under this operation, farmers who marketed their grain were given a certificate receipt. This certificate could be exchanged for cash on demand, at the market price prevailing when the certificate was turned in. If the market price was up, the farmer stood to gain. If the price went down, the farmer was guaranteed an "above-the-limit" price in effect when he surrendered his grain for the certificate.

Furthermore, the Bureau of Internal Revenue gave its blessing to an arrangement whereby, if the farmer did not choose to cash in his certificate until 1947, the income from the sale would not be taxed until 1947. In short, the deal was so rigged that the farmer had everything to gain and he couldn't possibly lose. And that is apparently all he wants now.

## SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—"Our above-the-limit roster," the announce ment read, "has long been a source of concern, if not embarrassment. We have been inelastic and in no position to consider addition of available strength from our minor league affiliates."

San Francisco collected \$40,000 and four athletes for Chernes, a stocky right-hander, who is his own fifth infielder. Sacramento got \$50,000 and four athletes for FitzGerald, heralded by scouts as the finest young catcher in the minors. When eight players are taken from the roster of a big league club and those of its affiliates, replacements have to be obtained. "Rojek and Stevens being transferred," explains Mahatma Rickey, "serves a double purpose: that of making our roster more flexible, and, at the same time, giving two deserving boys an opportunity to play regularly in the major leagues."

Stevens' 129 hits were good for a total of 235 bases and 101 runs-batted-in with Montreal, but most of those who know this quiet young Texan best are of the opinion that he belongs in Triple A. Anyway, Branch Rickey needed Stan Rojek and Eddie Stevens like he needs a hole in his head, so the Pirates didn't even have to send a messenger boy with the money

## What's This, Some New Form of Conservation



## ATOM BOMB SECRET GUARDED CLOSELY AT OAK RIDGE

By Ed Brigras  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (UP)—



Anyone who would rather think of sun and balmy breezes instead of slush and snow will be glad to hear that the nation's knitting mills are clicking 24 hours a day to meet next year's demand for bathing suits. On the complicated automatic machine above in Los Angeles, nine patterns, resembling rolls of an old-fashioned player piano, are needed to guide the thousands of needles turning out the new Catalina angel fish design. Bette Stewart models a completed suit as the cloth leaves the bottom of the machine.

## This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN  
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IT was 5 o'clock when they returned to the hotel and found Mrs. Harrell and Joyce waiting for them in the lobby. "Oh, we've had the grandest time," Joyce bubbled once the greetings were over. "Mr. Landers, I love you for coming to town just when you did." "Now I call that very handsome of you, Miss Harrell, very handsome indeed. I'm happy to be here, too," Steve assured her, as they moved into the dining room and were greeted by the head waiter as though he had lived for just this moment and their arrival had made his day perfect.

Mrs. Harrell asked intelligent questions about Steve's travels and experiences, and it was all very pleasant and friendly. But toward the end of the meal, Mrs. Harrell said, "I was lucky enough to get tickets for your lecture, Mr. Landers, so we will be there." Steve looked unpleasantly startled. "Please don't," he begged with disarming frankness. "I feel enough of a fool as it is, standing up there trying to make people believe what I know is true. But if I knew you three were in the audience, I'd blow my top sure as shooting." Mrs. Harrell laughed a little. "But of course, I think I understand. We're hoping that you have a few days free, Mr. Landers, and that you will come with us to Sundown. We'd like having you very much."

Happy held her breath, and Joyce looked swiftly at her and then at Steve before she dropped her anxious eyes to the dish of ice cream she was pushing about with her spoon. "Thanks, Mrs. Harrell. That's

der which the poet, Sidney Lanier, used to sit when writing his poems, facing his beloved 'Marshes of Glynn.' And it was midway when at last the station wagon went up the drive and came to a halt at Sundown. Steve looked at him in astonishment.

"GOOD grief, I wasn't prepared for anything like this. It's overpowering," he admitted and blushed at the admission. Happy said eagerly, "I tried to tell you, but I couldn't find words."

The door had opened, and George, very handsome in the well-worn riding breeches, boots and shirt that constituted his working clothes, was coming down to greet Steve with every evidence of pleasure. The two men shook hands, and were apparently on the very best possible terms. But Joyce, with a swift, winged look at her brother, had a slightly malicious smile at the corners of her lips as she turned to superintend the removal of various packages and boxes from the car.

Timmy, a golden-yellow streak who had heard and recognized the voice of his beloved Happy, came racing around the house and hurled himself upon her, and Happy stooped and caught him up in her arms, fondling him so that he purred loudly. Steve turned and said, "Hi, feller. Remember me?" He put out a tentative hand toward Timmy, who was suddenly very still, not purring at all, eyeing Steve with golden, inscrutable eyes.

Steve's hand ventured a little further and his fingers gently scratched the velvet head between the ears. Timmy was thoughtful for a moment, and then he emitted a gentle purr, which grew in volume, to Steve's frank delight.

"Obviously, one of us has grown mellow since we left New York," he said happily. And George looked swiftly from Steve's beaming face to Happy's delighted eyes before he once more became the courteous, pleasant host, ushering his new guest into the house with every evidence of cordial welcome.

(To Be Continued)

War time hush-hush is relaxed some what here, but the United States' atomic bomb secrets still are guarded cautiously.

If somebody got you a pass through one of the heavily guarded gates, the first thing you'd want to see is the celebrated nuclear energy pile where the atom is split.

Nothing doing. You might be taken within 200 yards of it outside a rugged steel fence. But all to be seen there, even with binoculars, which are now permitted, is a small metal building. Inside that is the pile.

Try again. Maybe a look-see will be permitted inside the big plant where an electro-magnet 238 feet long extracts the element U-235 from uranium ore. The magnet is so powerful that nails in worker's shoes can make walking difficult near it. It can snatch a heavy wrench from a workers' fist.

No admittance. Another stout fence. More armed guards.

Ride another four miles through winding mountain roads for a new try. This time the gaseous diffusion plant, nestled near the Clinch River. This is where U-235 is concentrated. It's 13 miles from the Oak Ridge townsite. It's one of those tremendous buildings you saw in an aerial photograph when the first atom bomb was dropped on Aug. 6, 1945.

Inside, 235 is separated from a chemical compound of uranium by gaseous diffusion through porous barriers. The barriers contain billions of holes smaller than two-millionths of an inch. The principal of separating U-235 from natural uranium (U-238) is to convert the solid metal into a gas and make use of the difference in the velocity of the two isotopes in diffusing the barriers.

U-235 being lighter, has a faster diffusion speed, so the gas eventually diffused through the barrier is richer in U-235. After passing through several thousand barriers, an appreciable concentration of U-235 is effected.

All this you're told. But no look is allowed at the secrets locked inside. The atom keeps its secrets for the scientists who know how to harness it. And they harnessed it for use by those scientists alone.

The aluminum industry has risen from fiftieth position in American industries before the war in the number of wage-earners employed to a place among the nation's top ten employers.

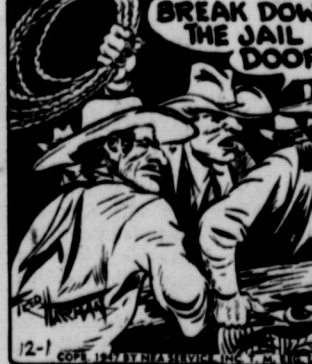


BY MERRILL BLOSSER



## RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



## ALLEY OOP

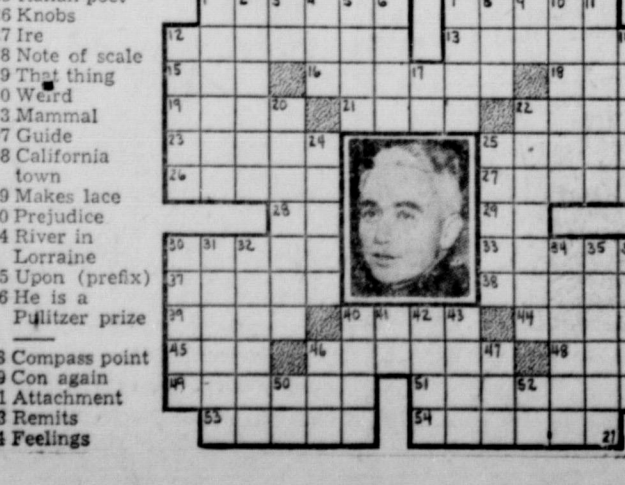
BY V. T. HAMLIN



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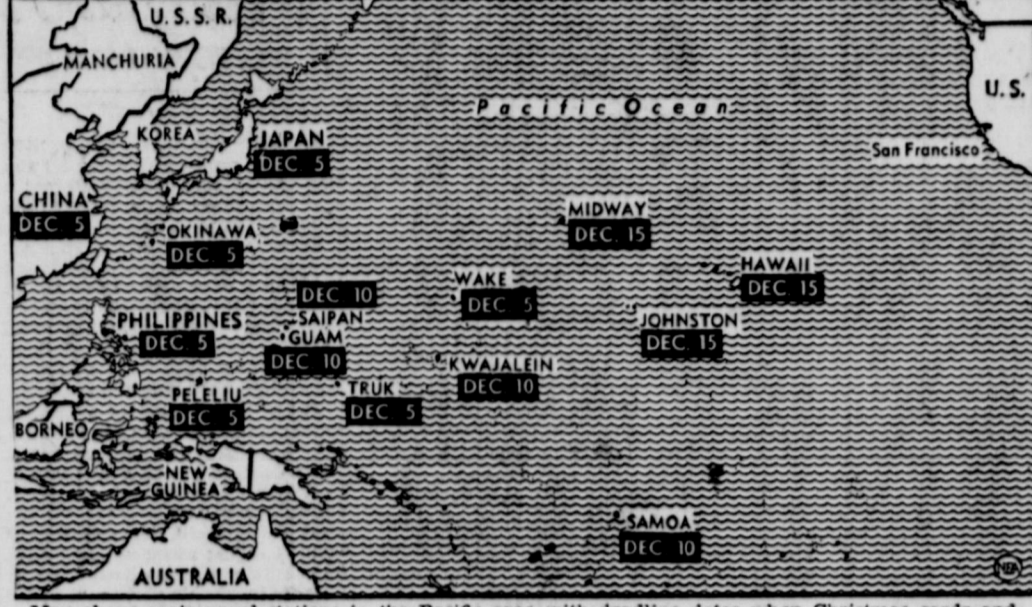
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## Navy Sets Christmas Mail Deadlines for Pacific



## COLD AND HUNGER CONFRONT FRANCE DURING WINTER

By James McGlinchy  
 United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS (UP)—A handful of coal for the winter. Meat once a week, in luckier weeks. No milk. No butter. A slice or two of bread a day.

That's the prospect for France this winter for those who can't afford to buy in the black market. That, of course, is the majority of the population, the laborers and lower middle class white collar workers.

France, theoretically, has a normal rationing system designed as any other, to spread scarce staples among the greatest number of persons. In fact, the rationing system rarely works.

The butter ration, for example, has not been seen since August. It is the same with the sugar, oil and margarine rations.

The milk ration is limited to pregnant women and babies, but even they often can't get milk. Still, there is plenty of milk to be had for a price in the black market.

The bread ration has been cut to 200 grams a day, about two good sized slices, little better than nothing for a Frenchman used to

drinks bitter ersatz coffee made from acorns, and munches dry bread. At noon and night, his meal at home will be soup, another piece of dry bread, salad or a vegetable, and on rare occasions, a piece of meat or a rabbit stew.

He eats this in a cold home without electricity twice a week, goes to work in a cold office or shop.

## BEST SELLERS

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**Real Estate Booms**  
 MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (UP)—Real estate is a big business in this resort city of 35,000 permanent residents. The city's 148 realtors sold \$104,000,000 worth of property last year, and may top that mark in 1947.

## To Be Adopted By Mother Of Dead Sweetheart



Lillian Beswick, 23, as she arrived in New York from London, enroute to Drumright, Oklahoma, a suburb of Oklahoma City, where she is to be adopted by the mother of the boy Lillian would have married had not death intervened. Her fiancé, U. S. Air Force Gunner Ernest Blaine Clark, died in a German prison camp. (NEA Telephoto).

As a grain-saving measure, farmers are advised to line all feed bins with tin or hardware cloth in the war against rats. In one year, a pair of rats can eat or destroy as much feed as a hen eats.

## LITTLE WHITE HOUSE TREASURES MOVED FOR RENOVATION

WARM SPRINGS, Ga. (UP)—All furnishings of the Little White House here — including the easy chair in which President Roosevelt was stricken and the bed in which he died April 12, 1945 — have been moved to Atlanta while the simple, white frame cottage is being renovated.

The removal included everything in the building — Mr. Roosevelt's famous revolving "work table," his ship models and countless gifts from admirers who knew of his love for all things pertaining to the sea.

Each item of furnishing, all valued at more than \$100,000, was carefully marked and catalogued before being moved to Atlanta, where it has been stored in a private fireproof room of a storage company warehouse.

Mr. Roosevelt's wishes for simplicity at the Little White House during his lifetime will be carried out in the renovation. Workmen will make the building as completely fireproof as possible, strengthen floors for mass visitation when the house is opened to the public early next year, convert the heating system from coal to oil and build a new, wider oval driveway in front.

In addition, a new \$22,000 administration building will be erected on the grounds, a small frame affair with public comfort facilities, showers for guards, a reception room and a souvenir stand.

When the furnishings are brought back from storage, each item will be fastened down with wire and steel rods to thwart souvenir hunters.

## Fried Potato Craving Breaks Up Romance

MILWAUKEE (UP) — A Milwaukee man lost his wife because he craved fried potatoes for breakfast.

Judge Allen Young awarded a divorce to Mrs. Lillian Call, 23, after she told the court her husband, Gregory, would fret for days on end if he couldn't have fried spuds when he woke up.

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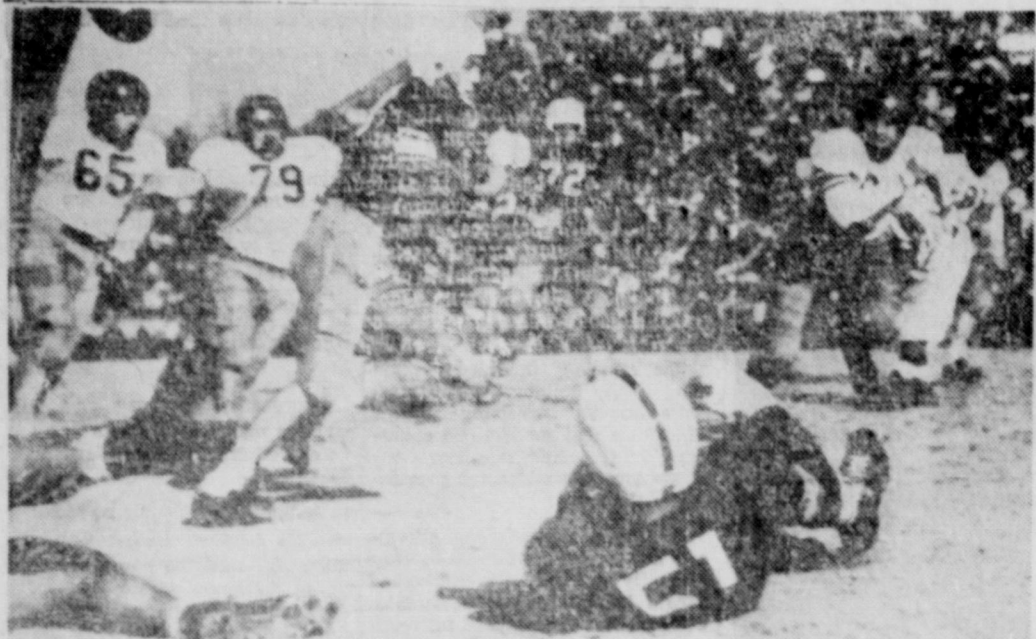


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Oklahoma U Defeats Oklahoma Aggies



No. 30, Sarraat of Oklahoma University, scoots into the open for an 18-yard gain in the first period of the game played in Norman, Oklahoma. On ground is No. 51, Keiek, O. U. and coming up to make the tackle is No. 65, Spencer, Okla. Aggies; No. 79, is Check Okla. Aggies. (NEA Telephoto).

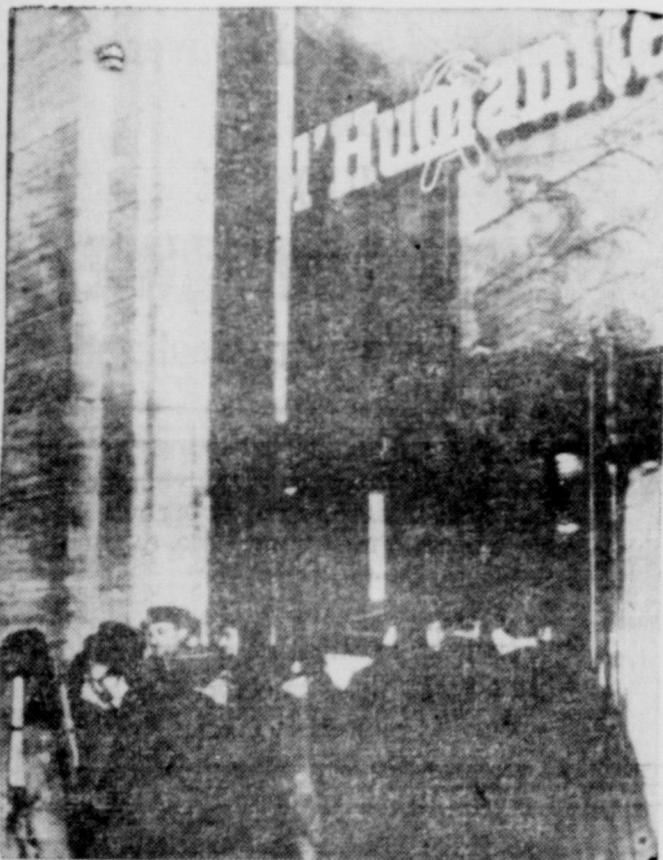
Frogs And Mustangs Play Tie Game



In the closing minutes of the hard-fought battle between SMU and TCU, Dick McKisack, (38), SMU fullback, goes through center of the line for a first down. He was tackled by Clarence Marable of TCU. Other players in the picture, are: Pete Stout (16), TCU; Orien Browning (24), TCU and Howard Parker (36), SMU. Final score was SMU 19—TCU 19. (NEA Telephoto).

Schools Make Houses  
HUMBOLDT, Ia., (UP)—Some people in Humbolt County are solving their housing problems by buying abandoned rural school houses. Five rural schools in Grove Township have been sold at auction, at prices ranging from \$375 to \$975.  
READ THE ADS—IT PAYS

Communists Raided In Paris



Police and Mobile guards enter the plant of the Humanite, one of two Communist newspapers in Paris, France. Premier Schuman asked the National Assembly for power to crack down on agitators for strikes or sabotage "by speeches, writing or tracts." (NEA Telephoto).

SOCIETY

BEETHOVEN JUNIOR MUSIC CLUB MEETS WITH BILLIE VESSELS

The Beethoven Junior Music Club met November 24 at the home of Billie Vessels. The meeting was called to order by the Vice-president in the absence of the president. The assembly sang, "America" with Milton Herring at the piano.

The minutes of the last meeting were given by the secretary, Fern Shaffer. She discussed the miscellaneous party given to Dorothy Webb. The club discussed the presentation of the orchestra from North Texas and John Tarenton, choir.

The club collect was given by the assembly lead by Dorothy Webb. Billie Vessels played, "Valse Mognons" Marilyn Morgan played "Theme From Piano Concerto No. 1", by Tschickovsky, and Veda Sneed reviewed the opera "William Tell."

Freshments consisting of coca, cup cakes and orange slices were served to: Don Brasher, Herby Weaver, Milton Herring, Dorothy and Heidi Throne, Ann Terrell, Patsy Simpson, Veda Sneed, Jana Weaver, Marilyn Morgan, Pauline Coeburn, Fern Shaffer, Ila Jean Griffin, Mrs. Taylor, host Billie Vessels and hostesses Mrs. Vessels and Mrs. Throne.

Studebaker Aims At Still Higher Production

"The Studebaker Corporation this year will build one-third more passenger cars and trucks than in its previous biggest year and is aiming at even higher levels in 1948."

These statements were made by K. B. Elliot, Vice President in charge of sales, in an address to dealers.

"During the last 30 days we have broken all former daily, weekly and monthly production marks," said Elliot. "So far in 1947 we have already manufactured more units than in 1923 when we established our peak of 145,000 passenger cars and trucks. If we are able to maintain our current rate, volume for the year will top 190,000 passenger cars and trucks."

Elliot predicted that the 1947 record would be smashed in 1948.

"We will begin the new year with the highest production in our history and barring unforeseeable difficulties, we will continue to build at that rate through virtually the entire year," Elliot declared. "Factory facilities are in excellent shape. As a result of a modernization and expansion program, we are able to produce more and better automobiles. We will be even better off when we add to our operations the immense plant in South Bend, Indiana, where we built aircraft engines during the war and which we have just purchased from the government."

"Studebaker dealers have their largest backlog of retail orders. This is not solely due to the demand for transportation that accumulated in wartime. We have the most popular car in the industry. Due to sensational postwar restyling, Studebaker's prestige has risen more rapidly than any automobile in a comparable period of time. All of these factors indicate that 1948 will be another record year."

4-H Achievement Winners



Donald Stoten, Jr., 20, of Carthage, Illinois, and Lavona Thorndyke, 18, of Lamert, Oklahoma, won the Achievement trophies and \$200 scholarships at the 26th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. They received the prizes because of their work in the interests of the club. (NEA Telephoto).

How shall those whose remorse is already greater than their misdeeds be punished? Have mercy, God. And in the blood shed . . . and in the slaying of the spirit within the flesh . . . Let Thy children at long last look at the root of the man. For otherwise . . . until we have the Grace to understand . . . we shall continue to suffer, to punish . . . and to die.

Oh, God . . . who knoweth better than Thee that the roots of a human being are all entwined together with good and bad, fruitful and fruitless, in the silent heart of the earth? Teach us wisdom . . . God of Mercy . . . teach Thy children that they may at long last . . . Look to the root of a man . . . For unless the root be seen and understood . . . How can the judges be just?

Heartsease by Elsie Glenn

And Who Shall Be Called: Guilty? Verily, verily, I say unto you: Before you cut into human flesh with the lash you hold within your power . . . or attempt to break the spirit that lives within the flesh . . .

Stop to consider that you may not be the judge of these matters. The Prophet saith. "If any of you would punish in the name of righteousness and lay the ax unto the evil tree, let him see to its roots." "And verily he will find the roots of the good and the bad, the fruitful and the fruitless, all entwined together in the silent heart of the earth." "And you judges who would be just, "What judgment pronounce you upon him who though honest in the flesh yet is a thief in spirit? "What penalty lay you upon him who slays in the flesh yet is himself slain in the spirit? "And how prosecute you him who in action is a deceiver and an oppressor, "Yet who also is aggrieved and outraged?" The Pharisee prayeth in the flesh in the spirit he thiefeth. The murdered slays the flesh and the judge condemns him. What of the spirit of the man who murdered. Already slain leaving the man who was . . . without mainspring to judge his action? The roots thereof.

This Is Happy By PEGGY DERN

XXV HAPPY was like an excited child, proudly showing off the beauties of Sundown. And for a few days, Steve was treated to the island's pleasant, gracious hospitality. The fact that the Harrells had a house guest was accepted by the rest of the island as a signal that they, too, must help entertain him. There were horseback rides over the far-flung acres of Sundown, dinner parties at neighboring estates, a tea dance at the hotel. Happy went about in a blissful dream. Sundown was so unbelievably beautiful that it gave her a great deal of pleasure to show it to Steve; and when, on the night before Steve was to leave for his next engagement, he and Happy walked in the moon-silvered garden beside the ancient sundial, with its inevitable phrase, "I count only the sunny hours," Steve paused and looked down at Happy. "You like it here, don't you?" he asked, almost challengingly.

"Well, yes, of course. It's been the most glorious vacation I've ever known, or dreamed of—" "It needn't be just a vacation, Happy. It could be permanent, you know. Anybody with half an eye could see that with a single glance at Harrell," Steve cut in roughly. "He's quite a fellow, Happy."

"You do like him, Steve?" she asked eagerly. "Sure, I like him a lot. You couldn't do better, Happy." Startled, she said swiftly, "But I didn't mean—" "I did," Steve was almost grim. "Look, Happy, you fit in here. You would make a lovely mistress for Sundown; you've got all the things such a job demands, and you'd be a silly little fool not to take what's offered you." She was still, and there was a queer little chill about her heart. "Does that mean you don't want me, Steve?" she asked at last, and her voice was a thin thread of sound.

"Oh, you're the world's most perfect secretary, Happy," Steve told her almost harshly. "But you're bad for me. I might get too dependent on you." He tried hard to make the last sound gay and light. "I didn't mean as a secretary, Steve," she told him quietly. "I think I'm in love with you."

STEVE stood at a little distance from her and the moonlight was deceptive. So she must have just imagined that he gave a tiny start, and that his jaw set a little more firmly. For when he answered her, his voice was controlled, almost amused.

"If you just think, Happy, then you're not," he told her firmly. "There's no thinking about being in love—not the way I see it. You're either in up to your neck, or it's nothing serious. And you couldn't possibly be in love with me, Happy. You mustn't be."

"Mustn't?" He shook his head. "I'm bad medicine for you, Happy. I'm not the marrying sort. And I'm a gloomy sort of guy because I can't see anything ahead but chaos and heartbreak and war! You'd lose that bright and shining disposition, Happy; you'd get frightened and worried and gloomy like me, and that wouldn't be so good."

He waited a moment and Happy dared not trust her voice, because she knew that if she spoke at all, she would fling herself into his arms.

"You see, Happy, I have no roots anywhere. And you're the sort who's got to put down roots to be happy. To be Happy," he repeated, smiling a little, though it was a tightly drawn smile that had nothing in it of mirth. "Here at Sundown, you can flower into the very fine and wonderful per-

son you should be. Harrell's the man for you, Happy. You're very lucky girl." With that she turned and was swiftly back up the garden path and into the house. She reached the drawing-room ahead of him and as she came in, George looked at her swiftly, and then almost accusingly at Steve, who came in a few paces behind her.

"Of course," said Steve casually as he came into the room. "don't believe any of it. The whole place is something out of a fair story. You do it with mirrors or something. There isn't any real place as Sundown—it's a state of mind. But what a state of mind! "Glad you like it," said George pleasantly. "I'm sorry you have to check out tomorrow. I'd like to show you some of the things we are trying to do on East Island."

"I wish I could stay—thanks for asking me," said Steve as he went out.

Madeline called bedtime a little later, since George was to drive Steve to Jacksonville, and they were leaving very early.

"Since I shan't be seeing you in the morning," Steve addressed the three women. "I'd better say good-bye by now. It's been wonderful being here and I can't begin to tell you how much I've enjoyed it."

"Prove it, then," said Madeline smiling as she held out her hand "by coming again, any time you can."

"Thanks, I'd like that a whole lot," Steve assured her warmly. "Joyce said good-bye and Steve turned to Happy. There was a look in his eyes that she would not have understood, even if then had not been tears in her own to blind her.

"It's been swell seeing you like this, Happy," said Steve quietly. "Wonderful to remember you here—being Happy!" His voice gave the word her name, rather than an adjective. "Thanks," said Happy almost brusquely, because she dared not trust her unruly voice too far. "It's been nice seeing you. Have fun!" Then she turned swiftly from him and ran up the stairs. (To Be Continued)

photography is far ahead of airplane development, according to A. H. Katz, physicist at the Wright photographic laboratory.

Katz says there are cameras ready to take good pictures even if planes could travel 1,000 miles an hour now.

New cameras are so powerful, he says, that a soldier's poker game on the ground was photographed recently from a plane and the values of the cards could be determined.

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