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Superforts Sprinkle Japanese Diet With Incendiary Bombing

About 50 Superforts bombed Tokyo Wednesday, interrupting official war reports being read to the Japan-

The B-29s making their first mass raid on the enemy capital since Dec. 3 emphasized the increasing tempo of the Pacific air war that saw American fighter pilots destroy 74 Japanese planes over the Philippines and in North China.

As ground fighting in the Philippines dwindled temporarily to mopping-up operations on Leyte Island, the

Sunk By Subs

The aircraft carrier was not iden-

ports, and two medium tankers.

number of Japanese ships sunk,

probably sunk or damaged since

the war started. Included are 99

warships definitely sunk, 11 prob-

Forrestal, in issuing the submar-

ine report, said the sinkings of Jap-

anese vessels of all types now represent more than 3,500,000 tons of

enemy shipping destroyed by Ameri-

He said that it is with "true re-

ably sunk and 16 damaged.

formation from the enemy.

Japanese body at the moment.'

Wednesday "Gen. Eisenhower's suc-

have compelled the enemy to lower

Mrs. C. E. Maedgen Sr.

Survivors include a son

president of the Lubbock National

Died At Lubbock

rsses against the German offensive

Russian Press Lauds

General Eisenhower

ticle continued.

can submarines alone.

Total

Chinese Communist Eighth :-Route Army reported it had defeated a Nipponese force 30 miles east of Lovang in 30 miles east of Loyang in revivified fighting in Western Honan Province.

Jap Ships Four American divisions wiping out the last vestiges of enemy resistance on Leyte, killed 899 more Japanese soldiers and took 14 prisoners. Seven Yanks were killed and 21 wounded.

Reported Casualties Japan's war minister, Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama, told the 86th session of the Diet that American forces had suffered 503,000 casualties | anese aircraft carrier, six adsince Pearl Harbor. He interrupted the reading of his war report to the

lower house to announce "Approximately 50 B-29s have by American submarines was penetrated the skies over the Tokyo-reported by the Navy Wed-Yokohama area" dropping "explosives and incendiaries on several nesday.

An imperial communique claimed that nine raiders were defini ly shot down, five probably and 27 others damaged. Four interceptors were admittedly lost. Tokyo radio when a Superfort fell

"Bleeding Internally"

"Japan is bleeding from the 1,500 tons of bombs previously dropped on Tokyo and other industrial cities of Honshu Island in their first 30 days of operation, said Brig. Gen. Haywood Hansell, Jr., whose Saipan-based B-29s carried out the attacks. These earlier strikes knocked out one of Japan's largest aircraft plants at Nagoya, extensively damaged another nearby and hurt the big Mushaima airplane engine factory in Tokyo.

Between 16 and 25 Japanese planes raided the B-29 Saipan base Christmas night—four were brought down-and Tokyo said they returned again Tuesday night.

American Liberators making their fourth successive raid on Luzon Island air bases near Manila poure 44 tons of explosives on Clark Field Christmas Day, while Lightning fighters shot down at least 39, possibly 43, of 50 Japanese interceptors Major Thomas McGuire of San Antonio emerged from the mass dogfights with a wartime total of 38 Japanese planes to his credit, only two less than Major Richard Bong, America's ace of aces.

another repeat performance P-51 fighters operating from North China bases, presumably in Communist-controlled territory, destroyed 29 Japanese planes caught on the ground at Tinian in Shantung

New-Mex Gusher Still Trying To Stage A Blowout

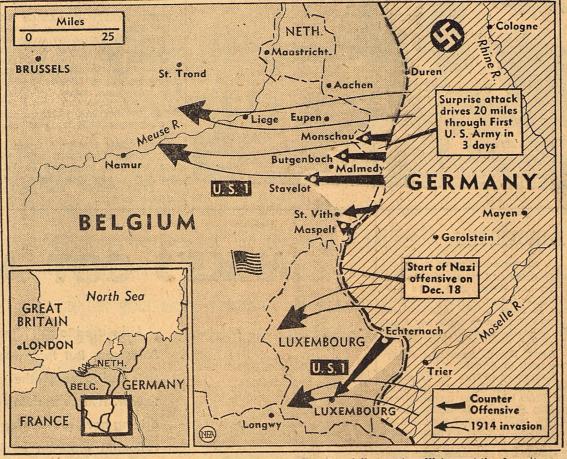
By JAMES C. WATSON, Oil Editor

Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 1-P State, section 24-21s-34e, offsetting ordinary production in the West Eunice field in South Lea County, New Mexico, was still try-ing to blowout, after it had been killed with salt water and loaded

with drilling mud.
Condition of roads to the project have delayed efforts to get the test completely under control. It is being held down, but gas is trying to come out.

Operator is arranging to run tubing, in order to get a better rein six inches tall was found floating on the well, and will then run cas- in Buffalo Bayou here early Weding to about total depth at 3,820 nesday feet, to try to test and complete (Continued on Page 7)

German Counter-Drive Follows 1914 Path



Map above shows how all-out German counter-offensive follows the Wehrmacht's favorite invasion path. In 1914, and again in 1940, they poured through the Aachen-Malmedy sector toward Liege and the Meuse River.

Destruction of a large Japditional enemy warships and 20 other Nipponese vessels

By The Associated Press

big bag by the subs operating in WESTERN FRONT- Amer-Far Eastern waters, announced by ican troops hold Celles after Secretary Forrestal at a news conterattack. Three killed, 13 intified beyond the statement that it was "large." The other warships

blasted by the underseas fleet included: one converted light cruiser, mans destroy military stores a destroyer, two escort vessels and in Budapest as Russians two destroyer transports. Other ships sent to the bottom by American torpedoes and depth guns were to large

transports, 10 medium cargo vessels. ITALIAN FRONT - Fifth three small cargo vessels, one small Army forces retreat from ad- More Fine Gifts transport, two medium cargo transvanced positions in Serchio River Valley. These sinkings bring to 1,090 the

PACIFIC FRONT - B-29 raid interrupts official war reports being read to Japanese Diet in Tokyo.

heavy bombers spearhead aer- by the Sanders Furniture Shop. ial assault against German

gret that we are unable to tell" the full story of submarine activities Fifth Army Retreats because of the need for keeping in-In Serchio River Speaking specifically of the destruction of the large aircraft car-Sector In Nazi Drive rier, he declared: "This is hitting one of the most painful spots in th?

ROME—(A)—A strong German counterattack near Italy's west coast has forced Fifth Army forces to withdraw from advance positions in the Serchio River Valley, Allied Headquarters announced Wednes-MOSCOW -(AP)- The Russian

Army newspaper Red Star declared The enemy thrusts came east and west of the road town of Gallicano, some 14 miles inland from the Tyrhennian Coast, after artillery preparation.

'Allied troops are creating con-(The German communique said ditions for isolating the German Nazi and Fascist Italian troops, in group from the main base," the ara surprise attack in the Gallicano area, "broke through American positions and threw back a formation of the 92nd American Infantry Division.

Brazilian Expeditionary (The Funeral for Mrs. Charles E. Maethat sector of the Fifth Army front.) dgon, Sr., Lubbock, who died at her The Eighth Army front on the ophome in that city early Tuesday, afposite coast was generally quiet, alter being ill with pneumonia, was though the Canadians still were fanning out northeast of newly-Rossetta, clearing fortidaughter, and the husband, who is fied buildings. Other Eighth Army

troops were advancing in the same

manner in the area of Bagnacavallo

and Faenza. Dead Brunette Found Berlin Claims V-Bombs Floating In Water HOUSTON-(AP)-The body of a Blast Manchester

black-headed woman between 30 LONDON-(A)-Berlin said Wedand 35 years old and about five feet nesday that Manchester had been struck by V-1 bombs, indicating either that German pick-a-back Justice W. C. Ragan, called to planes were making daring sweeps the gusher which flowed wild for conduct an inquest, ordered an toward Northern England, or that several days at a rate of approxi- autopsy performed in an effort to an improved type of V-1 has a received on the Western Front, the ping Administration announced

Midland Merchants Will Salute First Baby Born Here In 1945

Midland merchants and businessmen will welcome royally the first new white baby of 1945 born in Midland is ripe since the Germans are heav-County. The new citizen will be saluted with many gen- ily engaged in the west. erous gifts upon entry into the world.

Lucky will be the parents of this New Year's baby for slamming back German coun- such gifts as blankets, baby cups, bottle warmers, baby failure of Allied intelligence and bunting, quilts, shawls, photographs, credit coupons for merchandise, a planning. free ride home from the hospital, and even electrified water for the baby's first bottles will be presented. Merchants have searched their baby department shelves trying to find worthy gifts for the fortunate first baby of 1945.

Dunlap's will furnish an Esmond baby blanket to ward off the cold wall fortifications were considered weather. The baby and mother will get a free ride home from the hospital in one of Barrow's ambulances

Cameron's Central Pharmacy will give \$5 credit on prescriptions for tively weak units held together the mother and baby, and Banner Creamery will furnish a coupon book with a sprinkling of battle-hardened valued at \$2.50 for dairy products for the baby.

Barrow Furniture Company is going to present the mother of this first baby of 1945 with a convenient bed lamp. Iva's Jewelers has an attractive baby cup to give to this favored infant, Smith's Women Shop has an all wool shawl awaiting the babe's

arrival. Midland Hardware and Furniture Company has offered a Simmons' Comfy Dry Mattress for the baby's bed.

A bottle of electrified water is the Midland Bottling Company's contribution to the welfare of the first Midland citizen of 1945.

AERIAL — British - based of its handy electric bottle warmers. A 36x42 baby quilt will be presented

Kiddies' Toggery is offering a baby bunting as its share of the presents. Williams Studio will take a picture of the most fortunate baby

So, parents, if you want your new son or daughter to be this fortunate baby, you qualify by arranging for a letter from your doctor stating the exact time of birth, and the first white baby born in 1945 will be the winner of these valuable presents. The letter is to be delivered to The Reporter-Telegram as quickly as possible

Temperature Rises Following Coldest Weather Of Winter

Midlanders were a little warmer Wednesday than Tuesday as the temperature stood at 36 degrees at 9 a. m. Wednesday, a full 10 detime the day before.

telephone and electric lines was day night. melting. The heavy overcast in the skies was lifting over West Texas generally, and flights of air lines planes were scheduled to be resum-

Began Slow Ascent

The temperature started rising Force has been in operation along from the low of 26 degrees at 10 a. m. Tuesday. The rise was very gradual through Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Other towns in this section of the state reported rising temperatures. The mercury was at the 27 degree mark at Amarillo. Big Spring reported 34 degrees with overcast. San Angelo had a light rain with 37 degree temperature. Abilene had a light rain with 34 degree The thermometer temperature. registered 35 degrees at Wink and skies were overcast. Hobbs, N. M. had light fog, overcast skies and a 33 degree temperature.

GERMAN GENERAL DIES

Soldiers Find Missing Three-Year-Old Who Searched For Puppy

SAN ANTONIO -(A)- Footsore, cold and wet, but still looking for his lost puppy, Jimmy Mellon, threevear-old son of Mr. and Mrs. grees higher than at the same Mellon, was found in suburban Terrell Hills about two miles from his Ice which had formed on trees, home shortly before midnight Tues-

> A searching party composed of Hungarian capital.
>
> Half a dozen Soviet spearheads 300 police, neighborhood civilians and soldiers from Fort Sam Houston, Randolph and Dodd Fields joined in the search after the child's and all German roads of escape mother missed him and notified the sheriff's office about 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Having wandered several miles during the afternoon and night, the boy was found by soldiers from Randolph Field sitting on a rock near the intersection of Garrity and Rotman Roads. He had lost the armful of toys he had whon he started out. He was returned to his home after receiving first aid treatment, apparently not much the worse as a result of his experiesces.

Merchant Marine Shore Leaves Are Cancelled

HOUSTON-(P)-All shore leaves GERMAN GENERAL DIES of men of the Merchant Marine miserably to the cages, the dis-LONDON —(P)— Gen. Theodore from 18 to 37 have been cancelled, patch said. Geib, commander of a German Lt. (JG) Marvin Simpson, public army group, has died of wounds relations officer for the War Ship-

Militarists See VE Day Farther Away

WASHINGTON - (AP) -Military strategists are now tentatively adding three to six months to their estimate

There is still hope in high places that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower will be able to turn the Allied reverse on the Western Front into an early and decisive victory But at the moment it is a gray and waning hope, although the battle is

Along with this sober estimate of the fighting has come a conviction that at least part of the German success was due to over-optimism throughout the Allied High Com-Delays

First, Allied general thought the European war would be won last fall; later they set the date for the year's end, then moved it forward to spring. Now they talk of next

If it actually takes until late next year to lick the Germans, the date for victory over Japan will have to be moved forward also. But Asia and the Pacific, as well as in depends on Russian plans, as yet by firing upon a British war-

There is for instance the question of whether and when the Red Army ship and the Anglo-greek headquarters late Tuesday to Ciney, six miles north and nine from the Meuse. The surrounded Bastog against Germany on the Polish front. action would begin again. The ground is frozen and the time and void.

The success of the present German drive is being attributed by some authorities here partly to a

rate troops found in many westtypical of all German forces-rela- all delegates surrendered their side regulars. Allied intelligence apparently made two great blunders:

1. It believed that the German second landed a little later near the man armor. armies in France had been almost naval headquarters. completely destroyed. 2. It believed that it knew strength and had guessed the intended use of German reserves a second session of an all-party sidered them to be defense forces.

conference to discuss Greece's pobacking the west wall and it conlitical troubles. As a matter of fact, the German Delegates Re-Armed force reportedly numbering toward 20 divisions, represented a reorganidelegates guns to them when they zation of the defeated remnants of left the conference under a safe the armies beaten in France; the use of many second-rate troops in the west wall completely camouflaged this reorganization.

Budapest Nazis Burn Supplies As Reds Charge

By DANIEL DE LUCE
MOSCOW—(P)—Red Army shock roops charged upon flame-seared Budapest from snowy hills above the Danube River Wednesday. The German garrison burned military stores, dynamited public utilities and fought back grimly with field artillery scattered throughout the

were reported closing in on the western half of the encircled city Believed In Buda

Soviet assault units were believed o have slashed some distanct into the Buda district on the west bank of the Danube

A delayed dispatch from Szekesfehervar, about 32 miles southwest of Budapest, disclosed that the Nazis had fought for the city street by street.

Thousands of German dead were reported to have lined the roads on the battlefields between Szekesfehervar and Budapest following the Russian advance. Burned out armored vehicles, many of them the latest King Tiger and Panther tanks, dotted the fields and endless columns of Nazi prisoners marched

Weather

Yanks Stage Holiday Counterattack; Retain Meuse River Sector

PARIS—(P)—U. S. troops in a Christmas Day counterof a date for victory in Eu- attack slammed back German armor that had reached to Celles, only four miles from the Meuse River and 50 miles from Brussels, Supreme Headquarters disclosed Wednes-

> By Christmas Night, American forces hurled into the path of the German bid for the Meuse, strongly held the town of Celles-only eight miles from the northern bulge of France—and were reported to have blunted a second armored spearhead which rammed to Ciney, 14 miles below Namur.

> > British

factions to end their strife.

"Whether Greece is a monarchy

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Delegates Disarmed

arms at the door.

Later developments after this check two days ago to the Nazi spearhead's thrust 50 miles below Belgium were not disclosed.

The Supreme Headquarters communique said simply that "a fev enemy tanks and troop-carriers had pushed forward in the direction of Celles," four miles from Dinant on the Meuse, but that "these were engaged by our forces and were driven back, some tanks being knocked out. ish announced Wednesday

An 11-mile Sunday plunge that ELAS artillery had carried two forward columns of the Europe, much of what will happen broken a conference truce Nazi offensive-powered by two and perhaps three armies—to Celles and to Ciney, six miles northeastward

The surrounded Bastogne and that, as a result, offensive air son of several thousand doughboy still held out in an epic stand The British informed the ELAS General Eisenhower's relieving counthat the truce was regarded as null terassault from the south at last reports still was 4 1/2 miles from It had been agreed that no artil- the city, but the front of his atlery action would be taken on one tack had been widened.

side or air action on the other for Our Positions Maintained three-quarters of an hour from 3 Field Marshal Karl von Rund-p.m., while ELAS delegates were be-stedt was pushing hard to the northing brought to Tuesday night's con- west-toward the Antwerp supply ference at which Prime Minister reinforced Very young, very old and second- Churchill appealed for the warring along the Hotton-Marche road, but "our positions have been maintained," said the Allied communique

The conference was so tense that covering actions two days old. It still was a grinding battle of huge cost in which Von Rundstedt's The British announced that the next moves yet were to shape up. The terrific American defense had first shell fell at 3:10 p.m., near a British warship at Piraeus. The slowed but not yet stopped the Ger-

Along the northern rim of their Nevertheless, the British said another 45-minute truce would be 10 miles southwest of Stavelot. bulge, Germans captured Manhay, tection of ELAS delegates attending Von Rundstedt kept bloody Bas

togne near the middle of the bulge under incessant day and night at tack, hurling in tanks which the defenders knocked out as fast as British guards returned the ELAS' they came up. The closest point reached by the

relieving force from the south was just north of Chaumont, five miles below Bastogne. Seven miles southor a republic is a matter for the west of Bastogne, Americans pressed (Continued On Page 2)

War Bulletins

PARIS — (AP) — American troops have thrown back German armored columns that thrust within four miles of the Meuse River, and a front dispatch Wednesday night declared doughboys were slowly regaining the initiative on flanks of the German drive into Belgium.

LONDON—(AP)—Hundreds of tons of supplies -mainly ammunition—were parachuted Wednesday to American troops cut off by the German drive n the Bastogne area

LONDON —(AP)— Heavy bombers from Britain spearheaded another assault against the German Western Front offensive Wednesday. Favorable weather over the Continent permitted Allied planes based in Belgium, Holland and France to join the attack.

PARIS—(AP)—Three persons were killed and 13 others injured Tuesday night by bombs which fell on the Paris area near world famous landmarks. It was the French capital's first air raid since Aug. 27, immediately after the city's liberation.

LONDON -(AP)- The Berlin high command said Wednesday that a major tank battle broke out Tuesday north of Laroche in Belgium, and declared 70 tanks of the U.S. Third and Seventh Tank Divisions were knocked out,

One Month .

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Rights of publication of all other matter herein also reserved. But the children of Israel walked down upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand and on their left .-

Wanted: A Change Of Heart

"There ought to be a meeting of the three great powers at the earliest moment," said Prime Minister Churchill in the reluctant, disheartened speech in which he announced settlement of the Anglo-Russian dispute over Poland. And indeed he is right. Such a meeting is the best and perhaps the only hope of halting the drift away from international co-operation.

Relations among the three powers have deteriorated alarmingly since the Roosevelt-Churchill-Stalin meeting in Teheran. Much has been done that cannot be undone. And a feeling of discouragement has settled upon the American and British people as the inspiring promises of the Atlantic Charter have been pushed aside by the emerg-

ing two-power domination of Europe. Churchill complained that the attitude of the United Have Their Children States in the Polish dispute had not been precisely defined. But surely neither he nor Stalin could be ignorant of this As Honored Guests country's basic attitude. It is found in the Atlantic Charter, which renounces territorial aggrandizement by the signatory nations, and affirms the right of a people to select their own form of government.

The people of Europe still look toward the United States and its President for leadership, and they must have been puzzled by Roosevelt's recent silence. But what could ing the most children present. he says taken sides in the Polish or Greek dis. James L. Daugherty won the seche say? To have taken sides in the Polish or Greek disputes would have been to threaten Allied military unity and to retard and jeopardize victory over Germany.

So we have kept hands off in these disputes, for any boys being present and 20 girls. hand we had in the matter would have to be backed by some force. And what force could we use? We could not "God Bless America," led by J. H. hold back our military effort in a war which is ours as Biggs well as our Allies'. And certainly we could not threaten a curtailment of postwar trade or assistance.

Such a course would be impossible for the practical reason that world peace requires economic health. We ling, told of some of his experiences indications that the German high could not with logic or decency hold down Britain or Rus- in the South Pacific while serving command had decided to risk the sia or China and expect thus to achieve stability. We in the Coast Guard. He was disshould be committed to a course of armed isolationism that would surround us with hostility and doom all hope of in- a hospital in New Caledonia, he ternational co-operation.

The great difficulty is that the whole idea of a world most interesting of any in the South peace organization was really based on nothing more tan- Pacific from the standpoint of the gible than good will. It must have good will if it is to exist and develop. And once a government has abandoned the quite a bit of money selling trinknonest, ethical desire to sacrifice some individual gain ets. for the common good, it cannot be compelled to recapture

Threats of force or sanctions would doom the very goal of world peace toward which this country is striving. No, what is needed is a change of heart in the Russian and British governments. Perhaps Roosevelt's prestige and persuasiveness, backed by the will of the American peo- Neely, Frank Monroe and John J. ple, will helf to bring about that change when the "big three" meet again.

To try to accomplish this is perhaps the gravest task of Roosevelt's career. To succeed would certainly be his greatest triumph.

BUY WAR BONDS AND SAVINGS STAMPS—

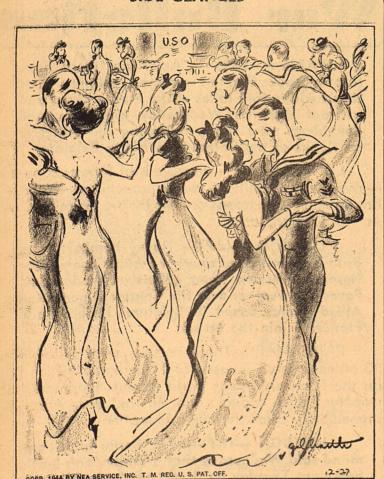
Crystal Ball

Back in 1939 a St. Louis millionaire engaged a hotel room, entered it, and hasn't been out since.

Any man who could foresee the hotel room shortage

five years ago should be invited, even forced, to step outside just long enough to tell us when the war will be over.

SIDE GLANCES



"It's nice of you to say I look like your girl back homeyou see, I'm somebody's girl back home, too, and I hope my boy friend is saying that to some girl somewhere!"

They've Now Joined Up With The Enemy



Lions Club Members

Members of the Midland Lions Club had their children as guests at the regular Wednesday meeting room of the Scharbauer Hotel.

ond free lunch prize for having the youngest child present. The guest list ran to a total of 42, with 22 hicles, eight armored cars and six self-propelled guns, the communique The first number on the formal

Diana Daugherty was presented in raid on Thann was repulsed.

a piano solo.

Joe Conkling Talked charged recently.

said where natives entertained the patients with Christmas carols. The Fiji Islands are among the

James Noland read an editorial Greeks and the Greeks alone to de-

the obligation adults owe to young boys so they will not have to fight

he campaign.

Hubert Hopper, president, presid-

Tin Can Shortage Raises Children's Hopes

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. -(A)- A drastic shortage of tin cans to pro-cess the 1945 Arkansas spinach crop is threatened because early transportation of Texas spinach into this state has used part of the available supply, Arkansas growers declared at a meeting Tuesday

Americans -

(Continued from Page 1) near Cobreville. They cleared Hollange and Timtange, 6 and 8 miles below Bastogne, entered Lultbhausen 10 miles to the southeast and fought German infantry and tanks in Echdorf, 12 miles southeast of

Below Duren, Americans cleared the town of Winden. Doughboys cleaned up an enemy

lot area, taking 150 prisoners, and seizing 38 tanks, 70 half-track ve-On the Seventh Army front, slight

gains were made in forested areas high Southern Vosges an enemy In a front dispatch Tuesday night

Associated Press Correspondent Wes Joe Conkling, son of Russell Conk- Gallagher said there were growing heart of the German army in this Western Front effort. He added: "The next few days should tell

the story, with strong prospects for the greatest battle of the second World War in the offing.

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from the Oil Weekly pointing to cide," the prime minister told the assemblage

Britain's only interest in using her troops in the current civil war. R. D. Scruggs, chairman of the membership campaign which is to end to disorder and make possible an election by secret ballot.

Churchill declared that British

Redfern, Jr., as team captains for troops came to Greece "with the knowledge and approval" of President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin and in the belief that all Greeks. ELAS army, wanted them.



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OPA Makes Two Zones Nazis Scare Belgians In Sharon Ridge Field

WASHINGTON- (A) -Five Texas stripper pools are included in new regulations announced Tuesday by the Office of Price Administration, under the stripper well premium payment plan.

The Sharon Ridge pool, in Scurry and Mitchell counties, has been divided into two zones. One to be known as Sharon 1700-foot zone has a premium of 35 cents; the other, Sharon Ridge 2400-foot zone, 25

The Pursley pool, in Jack County, was removed from the list.

The Bob Rose field was added at 35 cents, and Aspermont field at

Cotton

NEW YORK -(A)- Noon cotton prices were unchanged to 15 cents a bale higher Wednesday. March 21.93, May 21.87, and July 21.49.

Livestock

FORT WORTH-(AP)-Cattle 800; calves 500; active, strong; medium to good slaughter steers and year-lings 11.00-14.25; cutter and common steers and yearlings 7.00-11.00; good beef cows 10.00-12.00; good and choice fat calves 12.00-13.50; common to medium calves 8.00-12.00. Hogs 600; good and choice 180-270 lb. butcher hogs 14.55, the top; packing sows 13.50-75; pigs 12.50

Sheep 1,300; steady; medium to cood lambs 12.00-13.75 with top paid for load averaging 92 lbs. good wooled yearlings averaging 97 lbs. 11.75; common and medium

With New Bogey Weapon Plans Huge Expansion

Rundstedt's forces were using an atomic bomb in the new attack.

"This is the type of bomb on which the Allie s had claimed to have a monopoly," the announcer said. The "Germans used it at St. Vith. Wherever such a missile is dropped all animals and plants cease to exist. Huge areas of land are scorched, woods are consumed and any human being caught the hurricane is shattered smithereens.

Postal Clerks Clear Christmas Parcels

ing out the enormous number of commission September 3, 1942, at Christmas parcels which were jamming all available floor space.

postoffice was expected to be back to normal Thursday, N. G. Oates, acting postmaster, said. All of the Christmas cards which

The number of parcels in the

had accumulated during the Christmas rush were expected to be de-livered by Thursday, Oat's predic-

Southwestern Bell

station which has been trying to panic the Belgians ever since opening of the Nazi offensive said Wednesday Field Marshal Karl nesday Field Marshal Karl von program for Missouri, parts of Ill-Rundstedt's forces were using an inois, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma

Shields R. Smith, general manager, said the program will be in addition to the money spent for normal growth of business and will result in a net increase of about one-sixth of the company's present plant investment of \$441,000,000.

Former MAAF Officer Missing In Action

First Lt. Eltinge H. Read, 30, a former instructor at Midland Army Air Field, has been reported missing in action over Germany since November 15.

Postal clerks were busy Wednes-day at the Midland postoffice clear-in November, 1941, and received his He enlisted in the Army Air Corps which time he was given his assignment as a bombardier instructor. His home was at Hailey, Idaho.



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But Mike still keeps plenty busy. For as cars get older customers need his help more. He must see that tires are cross-

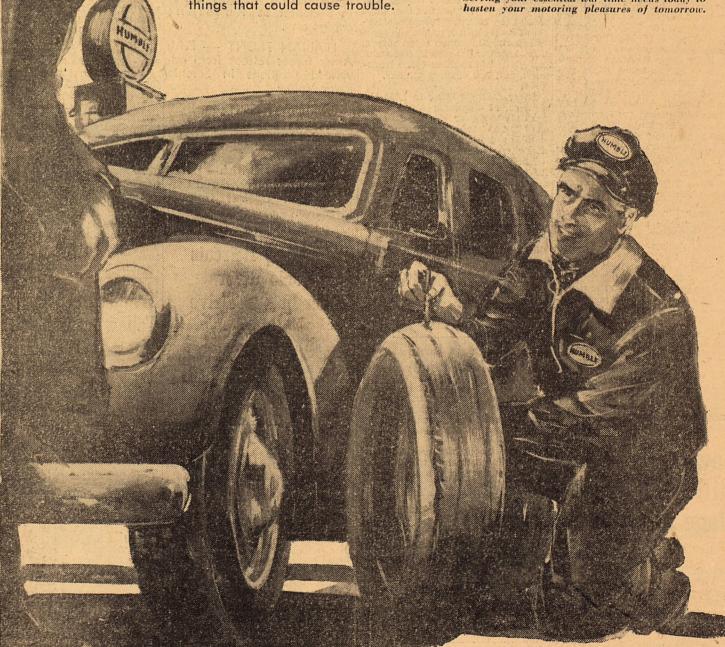
switched regularly and recapped in plenty of time-that batteries are recharged often enough to counteract the effects of short-trip driving. He must check oil and oil filters often and keep a watchful eye out for little things that could cause trouble.

His days begin early and end late and he works short-handed most of the time. But whether you drop in to spend a precious "A" ticket or just get some free air Mike greets you with a genuine smile of welcome. For as Mike says - his job today is to be a good Humble Service man-with accent on the "service."



OIL & REFINING COMPANY

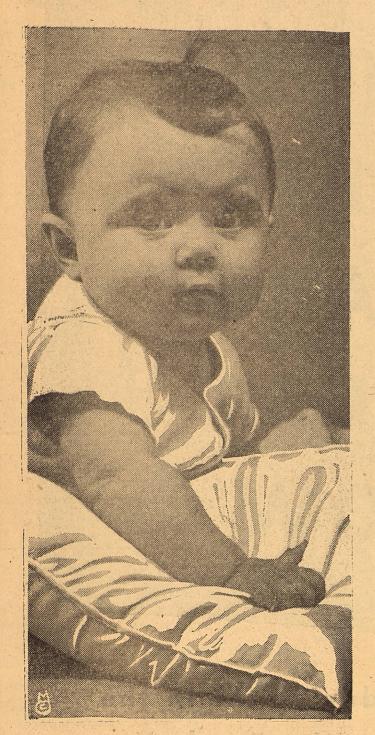
Serving your essential war time needs today to



Tetra-ethyl lead, when added to gasoline, raises the octane number of the gasoline and reduces or eliminates motor "ping." But tetraethyl lead has recently become a critical war material . . . so critical that the Petroleum Administration for War has directed all refiners of premium grade fuels to limit their production of such gasoline to one-half the amount produced during the six months prior to June 1944. This reduces drastically the amount of premium gasoline available to civilians.

Also in the interest of conserving war-vital less of it be used in the manufacture of all Regular gasoline. Consequently the octane number of this product has been reduced from

So, if your Humble Station is temporarily out of Esso Extra, or if Humble Regular does not perform in your car like it did in the past, please remember that tetra-ethyl lead is really at war...just another of those small sacrifices all of us at home are asked to make in the interest of an earlier Victory.



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Temember this touching picture of a little girl's farewell to her war-bound daddy? Appearing shortly after Pearl Harbor, it touched the hearts of millions of Americans and helped to launch the greatest voluntary savings program in all history.

That girl is three years older today. In that time, our enemies have been pushed steadily back toward their own frontiers . . . thanks in no small measure to the overwhelming flood of tanks, ships, planes and guns that more than 85 million Americans have poured into the fight through their purchases of War Bonds.

But her daddy is still at war—the fight goes on—the money you've put into Bonds is still needed, just as it was after Pearl Harbor. KEPT IN THE FIGHT—KEPT IN WAR BONDS—IT WILL CONTINUE TO WORK FOR VICTORY—AND FOR YOU.

For just as that little girl has grown, so have the War Bonds you bought three years ago. The \$100 Bond you paid \$75 for then is already worth more than you paid—and how swiftly the time has passed! In another year it will be worth \$80—at maturity, \$100. Here's money you'll need later—for education, repairs, replacements, retirement—just as your country needs it today.

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To Halt Kansas City Fire

KANSAS CITY-(A)-Fire raged

Wednesday through three big buildings at Seventh and Central in the downtown warehouse district.

Twenty Kansas City companies,

making no headway after five hours of fighting, called further help from the Kansas City, Kas., depart-

The blaze, smoldering since early morning in the basement of a

building housing a floor wax manu-

facturing company, suddenly burst through the windows and roof and

spread quickly to two other build-

The agent for the building first

The building is owned by Thomas

to catch fire said it and its contents were valued at \$2,250,000.

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MAAF To Hold Symphonic Concerts

Music steps to the fore at Midland Army Air Field this week as the first in a series of recorded symphony concerts is heard at the Post Chapel on Thursday night at eight o'clock.

Featured presentatios at the first concert will be Beethoven's Third Symphony (Eroica). Rounding out the evening of music will be "Russlan and Ludmilla Overture" by Glika, ballet music from "Faust" by Gounod, "Aft rnoon of a Faun" by Debussy, and "Prelude and Fugue in E Flat Major" by Bach.

Records of the concerts, which record library at the Post Chapel. At the present time there are available 125 albums of recorded symphonic music, including nine Bach albums, nine Beethoven albums, and eleven Brahams. Four Tschaikowsky symphonies, as well as Rimsky-Korsakov and Shostokovitch are repres-

The concerts will be held for all military personnel at Midland Army Air Field and their guests.

Give Class Party For School Pupils

Mmes. Fred Keb, Guy Mabee and Ted Greene were hostesses for a Christmas party Thursday of last week for the pupils of Miss Mc-Laughlin's eighth grade class of the Junior High School.

Games were played and refreshments of doughnuts, oranges and apple juice was served to the young

Railroads hauled an average of 1,116 tons of freight per train in 1943, contrasted with an average of 708 tons in 1920.

Congratulations To



R. Couch on the birth f a boy, born Dec. 23, n the post hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mitchell Jr. on a girl born Dec. 24.

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If you suffer from rheumatic, arthritis or neuritis pain, try this simple inexpensive home-recipe that thousands are using. Get a package of Ru-Ex Compound, a two-week supply, today. Mix it with a quart of water, add the juide of 4 lemons. It's easy. No trouble at all and pleasant. You need only 3 tablespoon-fuls, two times a day. Often within 48 hours—sometimes overnight—splendid results are obtained. If the pains do not quickly leave

SALVATION ARMY USO HOLDS OPEN HOUSE, SERVES 300 GUESTS

The Salvation Army USO estinated that they served turkey sandwiches, cheese sandwiches coffee and fruitcake to approximately three hundred service men and their wives during their open house

Sunday evening. The ladies in charge strived to make these service people feel that the Christmas spirit prevailed even if most of them were far from home. The serving table was lighted with white candles and decorated with Christmas green on a lace table cloth. Green wreaths will be held every Thursday and Sunday evenings, following New Years come from the well stocked the room. Poinsettias added further to the holiday atmosphere.

Miss Dorothy Aber Weds Pfc. H. F. King

Pfc. Herbert F. King Jr. and Miss Dorothy Aber were married in the First Baptist Church Monday morning by the minister, the Rev. Vernon Yearby, in the presence of the couple's family and friends. The best man was the bridegoom's father, Herbert F. King, and Miss Suc King, sister of the groom, was maid

of honor After the ceremony the group attended a dinner at the King home. The couple left for Amarillo Monday afternoon, where Pfc. King is stationed with the Army,

Entertain In Home With Holiday Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wycoff entertained Monday evening with a dinner in their home, 721 West Kansas. Attending were Sgt. and Mrs. Glenn Wycoff of Odessa, Cpl. Kenneth Smith, Cpl. and Mrs. Harold Barnes, Lt. V. J. Galasso of MAAF, and Miss Frieda Wycoff.

Will Review Book

In the Midland County Library Capt. and Mrs. John Program, C. G. Cooper, sub surface engineer of the Shell Oil Company, will review Peter Rainer's "Pipeline to Battle," Thursday at 4 p.m. over KRLH. The book is a record of the experience of the autror in supplying water during the campaign in North Africa, 1940-1943. It is gento be written about war experiences.



Hostesses for the Junior Canteen will be: 4to 6 p.m., Mrs. Frank Aldrich; 7 to 9 p.m. Mrs. H. W. Hull.

Hostess for the Junior Canteen from 3:30 to 6 p.m. will be Mrs. A.

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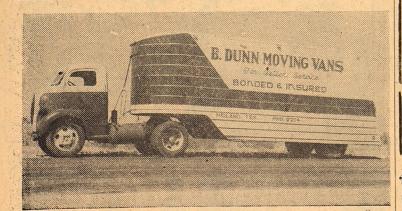
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CADETS VISIT PARENTS

ing their parents during the holi-

days. They will return to Gaines-

ville, Ga., Jan. 4, when the school

from an operation in an African

hospital. He was stationed at MAAF

opened throwing her to the pave-

The body is to be returned to San

Three Piecer

TO HAVE BINGO PARTY

and wives are invited.

Ferry Group Plans Christmas Dance At City Auditorium

The Eighth Ferrying Station located at the Midland Municipal will resume sessions. Airport will have its Christmas
Dance at the Midland Municipal IN AFRICAN HOSPITAL Auditorium Thursday night and will feature the music of Gene Gardner and the Fifth Ferrying Group Or-chestra from Love Field at Dallas. Gardner and his band will fly to before going overseas. Mrs. Keb Midland for the dance which begins at nine o'clock and is expected to til his return. last into "the morning." Limited Bids

Due to the size of the auditorium. only members of the ferry station and their guests will have bids, according to Special Service Officers at the station.

Gardner played for Orrin Tucker, Clyde Lucas, and others and is expected to provide the brand of music so dear to the hearts of the GIS TO BE BURIED IN SAN ANGELO and their gals. Other members of the fourteen piece orchestra have had extensive experience with big Luella Shrader, 24, formerly of Dalerally considered one of the finest name bands from coast to coast.

VISITS WITH PARENTS

Mrs. W. C. Blackburn and daugh- ment ter, Susie Ann, from Houston are visiting with Mrs. Blackburn's par-Angelo for burial. ents and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. W.

Ration Calendar

By The Associated Press MEATS, FATS, ETC.—Book ed stamps Q5, R5 and S5 valid indefinitely. Five new red stamps will become valid Sunday, Dec 31, on which date new point values for meat become effective and many cuts will be returned to rationing. Butter point value was increased from 20 to 24 points pound on Dec. 26.

PROCESSED FOODS-Book 4 blue stamps X5, Y5, Z5, A2 and B2 valid indefinitely. On Jan. I five new blue stamps will be validated. Changes in vegetable points become effective Dec. 26, when canned peas, corn, green and wax beans, asparagus and spinach were added to ration list. Other changes in processed food point values will take ef-

SUGAR-Book 4 stamp No. 34 good indefinitely for five pounds. All other coupons have been cancelled. Another sugar stamp will

pe validated Feb. 1. SHOES—Book Three airplane tamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indef-

GASOLINE - 14-A coupons ood everywhere for four gallons each through March 21. B-5 and C-5 coupons good everywhere for five gallons; B-4 and C-4 coupons will expire Dec. 31.

FUEL OIL-Old period four and ive coupons and new period one and two coupons good throughout the current heating year. In Midwest and South period three coupons also good now and valid throughout heating season.

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Army Censor Plays Santa Claus

PHILADELPHIA—(A)—An Army censor played Santa Claus to Sherry Betchen, who received a letter from Frederick Lake, explaining that departure for overseas service wrecked his Christmas shopping

The censor penned a postscript "for heaven's sake, write to himand buy yourself a present from Freddie with this dollar."

New York Butcher Shops Reopening

NEW YORK-(P)-Many butcher shops, closed Tuesday in a protest against OPA regulations, reopened Wednesday with the receipt of partial supplies, a police survey showed.

A police count of 264 retail meat shops in the lower East Side showed only 96 closed Wednesday, third day of a butcher-sponsored meat holiday, as compared with 136

Tuesday.

Most of the stores open were reported to have received some supplies. Results of the police survey were substantiated by the department of markets which made an

independent tabulation.
Butchers began the shutdown Christmas Day in protest against lack of ceiling prices on livestock

Former Help Returns **Everything She Broke**

ARKANSAS CITY, KANS .-- (AP)-Mrs. Ralph Oldroyd received a package of scissors, costume jewelry and knickknacks—plus \$2.50—from a person employed in her home years Riverside Military Academy Ca-

A note said the articles were to dets George Richard Edwards and replace some that were lost or Marvin Jay Prager are home visitbroken during the employment, and the money was to cover any incidentals that had been forgotten. It was news to Mrs. Oldroyd. She had known anything had been lost or broken.

Lt. Col. Fred Keb is recovering Pilot And Passengers Have Grim Reminder

WOODWARD, OKLA .- (AP)-A pilot and his four passengers escaped injuries in a crash landing near here, Highway Patrolman W. Fletcher said. But they had a grim warning A bingo party will be held at the

They lit in a cemetery.

MAAF Officers' Club Wednesday FIRE DESTROYS evening at 8 o'clock. All officers HUGE WOOL STOCK

PHILADELPHIA -(A)- A fouralarm fire early Wednesday destroyed 3,200,000 pounds of wool and the Kensington plant of Hyman Brodsky & Son Co., almost trapping sev-SUSANVILLE, CALIF .- (A)-Lola en employes and threatening for a time an adjoining oil plant conlas, died here Tuesday from intaining 186,000 gallons of oil. juries received when a car door

Company officials said reprocessed wool was valued at \$1 a pound and that their night foreman, Charles Seiler estimated 3.200,000 pounds had been destroyed. They declined to estimate the total dam-

Crude Oil Production Shows Some Increase

daily, the Oil and Gas Journal re- at his home here Tuesday. ported Wednesday.

barrels daily to 888,750; Illinois, 7,-800 to 204,200; Kansas, 12,100 to 279,200; Michigan, 50 to 52,750; Okahoma, 1,200 to 359,400.

Texas production was unchanged at 2,111,550 barrels daily. Louisiana

Recaptured Tuesday

LONDON-(A)-Gen. Eisenhower warned the Nazis Wednesday not to harm foreign workers in Ger- the Camp Hearne prisoner of war many, declaring "grave penalties camp were recaptured Tuesday at will fall on those who are guilty Caldwell, Texas, the Dallas Federal

The Luxembourg radio said the nounced Wednesday. Allied commander's warning was The three prisoners carried in leaflets printed in many berger, Peter Kleisges, and Karl languages and dropped over Ger-Clabel, were apprehended by Cald-Bates.

French Firing Squad **Executes Traitors**

PARIS -(P)- A military firing quad Wednesday executed Henri Chamberlain, alais La Fonte, Pierre Bony and six other members of Vichy's French Gestapo who were convicted of collusion with Germans against French patriots during the occupation of France.

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David Lloyd George Announces Retirement

LONDON - (P) - David Lloyd George, who led Britain to victory in the last war, announced Wednesday he would retire from Parliament when his term expires, on advice of his physician. The 81-year-old statesman is known as the "father" of the House of Commons, where he has sat for 54 years.

PIONEER AP MAN DIES IN CALIFORNIA

OAKLAND, CALIF. -(A)-TULSA, OKLA. — (P) — United McIrney, 72, pioneer Associated States crude oil production increas- Press telegraph operator, who opened 21,520 barrels daily in the week ended Dec. 23 to 4,721,550 barrels wire to San Francisco in 1894, died

Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On

at 2,111,550 barrels daily. Louisiana had a decline of 350 to 361,050; East Texas, 100 to 371,000; and the Rocky Mountain area, 2,480 to 122,-300.

JAVA EXPORT

Dragon's blood, a red-colored resin derived from the root of a rattan palm and widely used to color varnishes and lacquers, is one of the leading exports of Java in progress times and lacquers of the leading exports of Java in progress times and lacquers of the leading exports of Java in progress times and lacquers of the leading exports of Java in progress times and lacquers. The condition relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

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Says CLARA L. CLARK,

Fallon, Nebraska.

THROUGH

THE GILL OPENINGS.

DALLAS -(A)- Three German prisoners of war who escaped from Bureau of Investigation, office an-

The three prisoners, Ludwig Gilswell Deputy Sheriff Grover C.

Report Finlayson Missing In Action

Lt. Dan W. Finlayson, formerly stationed at Midland Army Air Field, has been reported missing in action since November 25 according to his wife, the former Evelyn Hudkins, who lives in Midland.

Lt. Finlayson was a bombardier on a B-17 based in England. He was graduated from the Childress Army Air Field in May 1943, and was stationed at MAAF from June until November 1943.

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PHILOTHEOS K. FERNEY FORT WORTH

PHILADELPHIA - (AP) - Lt

B. Evans of Fort Worth.

By William Ferguson Twenty Companies Fail

Comdr. Carl L. Estes, Texas newspaper publisher and oil man, expects to return "to Texas to be a real Democrat," after the war. Estes, Democratic friend of former GOP Governor Arthur H. James, made the statement before leaving Willow Grove Naval Air Station for sea duty.

Chairman Cannon Says No House Changes

WASHINGTON —(P)— Chairman Cannon (D-Mo) of the House Appropriations Committee said the Democratic majority plans to retain Sam Rayburn (D-Texas) as speaker of the 79th Congress. He said the Democrats, who will caucus next Tuesday, plan no change in the House organization.

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Spokane Has Such Noisy Duck Hunter Astounded City Detectives

SPOKANE, WASH.— (P)—Detectives Mike Vecchio and August Betinger, in search for a man reported singler, in search for a man reported shall be chat be guite sure they riously injured in a highway acciby neighbors as missing for days and duck he shot-he's quite sure they riously injured in a highway acciprobably dead, tried to get into his won't believe it's the real McCoy dent one mile south of West, late house, but the doors and windows

After considerable noise and ex-After considerable noise and exercise, they heard a voice from lard hen and the bright green head riously injured in another accident within: "What are you doing there? of a mallard drake. You're making enough noise to

when they see it mounted. The bird has the body of a mal-

At Male-Female Duck

Classified Ads bring results

One Dead And Three Injured In Accidents

Tuesday.

Mrs. J. E. Miller, Dallas, and G. E. near West, several hours earlier.

Advertise or be forgotten.

W.E. Woodward

A Puritan Village in 1680

WAITSTILL WALLING had lived in Sudbury all his life. He claimed, in his expansive moments, that he war the first white child born in that community. Some of the older people disputed that claim; they said that Patience Harden, a girl of low degree, who had run off with a sea capta when she was only 14. was the first Sudbury baby. Most of Walling's fellow-citizens took no stock in the Patience Harden story, and the honor of being the first child-whatever that honor may have been—belonged in their opinion to Waitstill Walling.

In 1680 Walling, then 43 years old, was one of Sudbury's leading citizens, popular with everyone from the minister down to the

During King Philip's War Walling served as captain of the local defense company and, in 1676, had saved the village from total destruction during an Indian raid. Under his direction the meetinghouse (the Puritan name for a church) had been turned into a fort. It had thick walls, small windows and belfry that made an excellent firing place for a squad of musketeers. As soon as the alarm was sounded he sent all the women and children into the meetinghouse together with enough men to defend it. The rest of the armed force proceeded, under his command, to attack the Indians from the rear. They fled without taking any prisoners, but several houses. Among them was the other colonies. The word the home the Walling family, "salt-box" was used to describe kitchen, but they and their friends still's father back in the 1640's. like the salt receptacles in New marks of vanity and hateful pride. It was a ramshackle dwelling that had begun its existence as a one-room cabin. As the family inand there without any definit

the rooms in mode dwellings.

There were n bathroom in the house, but the house, but the house, but the house, but the house and it may be, the better it the house in mode dwellings.

There were n bathroom in the tion extended to intimate friends.

Waistill Walling's latchstring was always out to a lot of peoever took a bath. The fanciful medical lore of the 17th century ascribed many human ailment. The consequently, washing with water. Consequently, washing with water and it may be, the better it the hands an incomplete or the walling place. house, and it may be, .. better to the hands an lace.

salt-box type, and all th Viaiings, including the tearful Lie- I salt-box house was a typica. New were neither poor nor rich, but happenings England creation; few, !! any, | well-to-do according to the stand-



(The Bettmann Archive)

Puritans who offended against the law or proprieties were sentenced to the stocks on the village green. (Chap-

creased in size the house had five on the second floor-and by a latch. Just above the latch grown, rooms being added here there was also an attic. For that a hole was made in the door panel period it was considered a very and the latchstring was passed plan. It had one crude, clay-and-stick chimney, a thatched roof which leaked, and a dim interior, consisted of one room with a loft visitor had only to pull the string

before their flight they burned such houses were ever built in ards of the time, might have had which had been built by Wait- them because they were shaped looked upon such devices as

dows of oilc paper.

When Captain Walling looked

All the rooms the new Wall
Ly di not care tony to pair the bring overhead that could be reached only by climbin | ladder.

At oectime, or whenever the famover the smoldering ruins h fellower the smoldering ruins h fellower. "The old wigwam hangone up in smoke," he reflected, "and I'm glad to the latched, "and

man of the Walling place, ap-The front door on the ground peared every morning an hour floor opened on a short entrance after sunrise to report on the THE new dwelling was of the han. On the right of the entrance affair, of the farm; and the next wan the common room; on the visitor was usually James Lawcombined kitchen and on, the village constable, who becca, were very proud o it. The dining room. The Wallings, who was a walking newspaper of local

(To Be Continued)

A PURITAN VILLAGE IN 1680 11

ON a bright, sunny morning in April " the year 1680 a young man waited patiently bench in the Walling garden for 41 constable to come out of the lous and depart. The young whose name was Olive" Hill'n wanted to see Captair. Walling on a very personal matter, anhe much preferred to have no Young Mr. Hillman was plainly he'll be busy." nervous; he kept twisting about on the bench, and now and then he would rise and take a short walk around the garden.

But Constable Lawson remained long time. with the Captain Besides his daily batch of news he had some problems.

"I fear, sir, that you may have to deal soon with Jeremiah Shel-

don and his wife." "That so? Why? Quarreling again?"

"They are, Captain. Quarreling like cat and dog. Everybody is talking about it. It's the same story all over. Mistress Sheldon says Jerry won't work, and she has to do everything. She declares that she works her hands to the bone, milking the cows, making butter and cheese, brewing the beer, cooking, washing and taking care of the children while he won't turn his hand to

"Is that true?" "Pretty nearly, I think, sir. I've been watching 'em."

"Have you spoken to Jeremiah about his idleness?" "Nay, sir, I have not. I thought that might better come from you. "Why don't they hire a maid

to help out?" 'She says he won't let her. Wants the money himself to buy rum and gamble away on shovel-

They have a man for the farm, I believe," said the Captain. "Is

"It is, sir. A man named Brown. | rather thick Captain Walling said. He seems to do all the work on the place. Jerry Sheldon, when to speak to me about?" in the tavern and in his cups, boasts that he's relired."

pefor e i court next Wion ay, and hesitation. "I write it now"—his goose-

THE constable had hardly left riet?" the hous, when Oliver Hillman, who has been absent-mind-replied. "Yesterday, at Mistress edly picking a flow pieces, got up from the bench the objection, and then she said I edly picking a flow pieces, got up from hi bench th garder. As ente ed th commor room Captain Walling smiled I expected to do."

and extended his hand. "Oliver, you've become a stranger," he said with a laugh. 'Harvard seems to have kept you

"Aye, Captain, it did in fact," the young man said. "What with the studies and duties a man has

little time for much else." "You're a graduate student, I hink. Is that so?"

"It is, sir. I graduated last year, and since then I've been elping out with the teaching. But that is over now, and I'm back home again."

Walling was well acquainted with young Hillman' father, who wned one of the few paper mills n the colonies. This mill was on a stream of clear, fresh water a few miles from Sudbury.

"Are you going to help your father in his mill?"

know a deal about paper-making already, and I shall go more deeply into it." This was said with Oliver. "Come in any evestiffly as the young man sat up-right in his cair. There was then please," he said gravely. "We pause for a moment.

When the silence had become

"There is, sir,' said young Hilloasts 'hat he's relired."

'May I call on hor and be her him way he will not relish. I mean be friendly with her?" Give him summons to ppear This was uttered with blushing

Captain Walling was pleased, ruill pen scratched over sheet but he kept a solemn counte-cf paper—"and if he cannot show nance. Young Hillman would be that he works every day and all an excellent suitor for his daughto his conversation. day I'll send him to a place where ter, and a most desirable son-inlaw. After some reflection he said, "Have you spoken to Har-

> "have, sir," the young man .sk you or her mother—as mus.

"Very well, Oliver, I consent, and I speak, too, for her mother.' "Thank ; ou, sir."

Oliver Fillman had known Harrie: Wallin -Il his life. As children they had played together. But she was now 17 and he was 19. Not only Puritan etiquette but als Puritan law - quired that he seek the consent " Harriet - parent, before he became her beau.

colonies did not accept the attentions of a number of beaux, but this does not mean that the girls were kept in a state of nun-like seclusion. They went to parties, to dinner and to other social occasions and met the young men of the neighborhood. For steady company, however, the gallant swain had obtain the consent of the girl's parents. Otherwise he was likely to be brought up before a magistrate "That is our intention, sir. I for "inveigling" the young wom-

Young women ' the Pruitan

shall always be glad to see you." (To Be Continued)

THE WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE Associated Press War Analyst

We can't know the extent of the damage which the German offensive has done the Allies until General Eisenhower launches his major counter-attack and puts Nazi Marshal von Rundstedt's flashing steel to the full test.

That great and perhaps decisive battle isn't likely to be long deferred As things now look, we may expect to see shortly a titanic engagement which will flame throughout much of the some 2,500 square miles which the Germans have overrun.

The prospects remain broadly what they were the day Von Rundstedt flung his attack through a pea-soup fog against the thinlyheld American front along the Argonne. He knew then that his colossal gamble, into which he was pouring all his resources, would bring him one of two things-either he would succeed in delaying final Allied victory over Hitlerdom indefinitely, or he would receive a knockout blow.

Alternatives Still Up
Those alternatives still are before him. There is, however, this difference: his position is much stronger today because of the damage he has inflicted to the American fighting machine and because he has succeeded in uniting his two original spearheads, thereby giving his salient much greater sta-

General Eisenhower hasn't yet lost his opportunity of adminestering a knockout to his opponent. Still, Von Rundstedt by clever generalship has maneuvered himself into such a position that when he has to face the full strength of the Allied counter blow he may be able to pull back into his old position in the Siegfried defenses and thus avoid having his forces cut off and annihilated. This of course would mean he had succeeded in protracting the war so that his masters could fish for peace.

It would also mean that the Germans had secured greater freedom of action in meeting the Russian drive in the east. We may be sure that the German high command had this aspect of the situation well in mind in launching the attack against the Western Allies.

The Western Allies naturally are watching anxiously for the development of the Russian drive against the Vistula front toward the German frontier. That would be calculated to ease the situation on the Western Front immeasurably

School Starts For Enumerators In Farm Census

A school for enumerators who will gather information for Midland County's share of the national farm census started Wednesday morning in the commissioners' courtroom at the courthouse. M. L. Swinehart, supervisor for this Census Bureau district, is in Midland to conduct chool. The school will continu for three days.

Since the enumerators are making a sacrifice in order to help with taking the agricultural census, farmers, ranchers and landowners can be of great assistance if they will compile certain information in advance of the enumerator's call, William H. Waddle, secretary of the Midland County AAA, pointed out In general, he said, the following information will be needed:

Information about each cropper or tenant. Value of farm machin-Value of owned and rented lands and buildings. Total cash paid out for labor in 1944. Number of days farm operator worked off the farm for pay. Work performed by operator and family. Total produc tion of each crop grown.

Enumerators will start gathering the information January 8.

Deadline Near For Dairy Applications

Dairy producers of Midland County were reminded Wednesday by William H. Waddle, secretary of the Midland County AAA, they have only the remainder of this week to make their applications for dairy payments for the September and October period. Payments for the period are made

on the basis of 10 cents a pound for butterfat and 70 cents per hundred weight for whole milk. The payments are made dairy producers to offset the high cost of feeds Waddle said.

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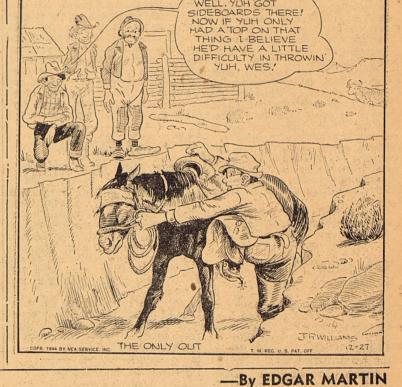
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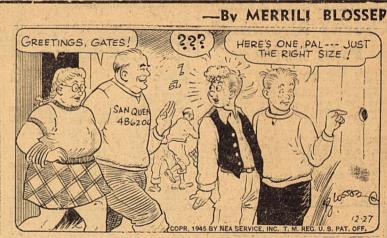




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(Continued from Page 1) mately 12,000 barrels of oil per day.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Federal-Keinath, section 8-21s-38e, lower Ordovician exploration in the Eunice district of East Lea County, was coring under 9,698 feet in lime, still looking for oil and Ellenburger.

Continental Oil Company No. 1-D Walton, southwest outpost to production in the Wheeler-Ellenburger pool, in North Winkler County. was reported drilling in white lime below 10,359 feet. On a drillstem test at 10,178-310

feet, packer failed after seven minutes. There was a slight blow of air during first two minutes. Recovery was 500 feet of drilling mud with no oil or gas. According to unofficial, but reli-

ble reports, top of the Ellenburger s generally considered to have been at 10,180 feet. Jeff Davis Core Hole D&A

Unofficial reports, originating in Houston, reveal Stanolind Oil & Gas Company has abandoned as dry, a 6,500-foot exploration in Jeff Davis County, which had been developed as a strict "tight" operation. This project, Stanolind No. 1 Mc-Cutcheon, CT, 1,320 feet from the north and 300 feet from west lines of section 165, block 11, GH&SA survey, was drilled to a reported bottom of 6.500 feet, with a rotary machine, as a straight core test. No information has been avail-

to get sub-surface information Some quarters report the same company is drilling, or has drilled. other similar tests in the same area. Recovered The Fish The Norwalk Company Nislar, Southwest Lubbock County wildcat, in section 23, block AK HE&WT survey, held up for about

wo weeks, on account of stuck drill-pipe, recovered that obstruction, and is conditioning the hole to total depth at 5,516 feet, in Permian lime, to drill ahead. Stanolind No. 1 Slaughter, Central Cochran County exploration in labor 49, league 101, Jeff Davis County School Land survey, had

and lime. The section has recently changed from cherty lime. Hilo Oil Company No. 1 Cowden, xploration in Central Ector Couny, looking for pay in the section which is productive in the Harper pool, nearby, cemented 7-inch casing at about 4,000 feet, and was No Gift

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. Johnston, section 88, block C, D&W survey, in East-Central Lubbook County, was bottomed at 9,434 feet, in shale, and was reaming out core hole to the total depth, to go Cravens Starts A Back-Up

waiting.

Seaboard Oil Company of Delavare and Stanolind No. 1 Cravens, section 16. block D. L&SV survey in North Lubbock County, drilled to a total depth of 8,800 feet, in shale, and has started to plug-back. Considerable shows of oil were ncountered between 6,048 feet and 6,116 feet, and that zone may be due for more testing.

Shell Oil Company, Inc., and ization. Cities Service Oil Company No. 1 TXL, section 7, block 45, TP survey, T-1-S, in West Ector County, was conditioning hole to new plugged-back bottom at 8,050 feet, and was preparing to perforate casing for production in the upper Devon-

The Texas Company No. 1 Mont-gomery, labor 19, league 70, Val Verde County School Land survey, in Central Hockley County, five miles north of the Slaughter field, swabbed and flowed a total of 39 barrels of fluid in 18 hours, from pay above total depth at 4,890 feet. Shakeout was 24 per cent basic sediment and water. Testing con-

inues. Texaco No. 3-B Hobbs, lower Permian discovery in section 33, block 35, H&TC survey, in Southeast (230-26) Crane County, flowed 92 barrels of oil in 24 hours from pay at 3,190-50 3,220 feet. Cut was two per cent basic sediment and water. In last seven hours of that period the well flowed an average of one and onehalf barrels per hour, with a one and one-half per cent shakeout. Flow was through an 18/64-inch

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LONDON—Whenever and where-even von Rundsted is stopped; Ger-esteem and equal footing with many has achieved a major victory, others." in this correspondent's opinion. The military success may be de- Allies as peace overtures. A more batable. The infinitely more impor- correct evaluation, in my opinion,

front Without the von Rundstedt all-out must be prevented from reflecting attack, German moral might have that the war was brought on by centage of the service strength than broken down during these very the Nazis. Christmas days.

How long will this shot in the How long will this shot in the arm postpone the crisis? According Rundstedt attack Goebbels wrote: vote this year was 47,971,156, corto neutral eye-witness reports and intelligence issuing from Germany, the excitement and joy about "the Christmas offensive" is enormous.

most important is concerning the act." role of Hitler in the offensive. Nazi propaganda plays up this role. Their Goebbels knows that Britain is by 399,208. radio says: "We have asked, 'Where no means ready to seek a com- Only is the Fuehrer?' Now we know. He prepared this campaign."

There are rumors about other ofwar are around the corner.

This spontaneous and somewhat

exaggerated response shows how much the Germans needed someable in Midland on the prospector thing to give them new hope. and it is understood it was drilled The overplays the importance of the lalready succeeded in convincing 47,362; Kansas 30,597; several days, you almost get the According mainly for reasons of German that victory is around the corner.

> For weeks Goebbels has dreadwon't be in Paris tomorrow.' the approaching Christmas. This holiday is celebrated in however successful the von Rund-Germany more sentimentally than stedt offensive it cannot bring dein other countries. The people cision but only serves to drag out reflect, have memories and com-

pare the past and present. During World War I masses of even more critical danger point Germans got additional rations. to German morale. It is my op-There was additional coffee, inion that the first riots inside chocolate and schnapps. Further- Germany may be expected late more, there were ingredients for in January, perhaps earlier. Christmas cake, namely flour, fat and sugar. This time instead there is a cut of the bread ration and a threat to cut the sugar ra-

Finally, evidently after the Propaganda Ministry became nervous about a morale collapse around Christmas, the Food Min-Christmas istry promised as gift' two eggs and a half a pound of meat per person. But according to excellent sources only part the population got this foodstuff which, incidentally, is no gift, but must be paid for.

Christmas promised to become dreary and hopeless affair for the Germans. There were no trees. since the transport of trees was forbidden by the Ministry of Economy. There were no flowers, because the flower shops have been closed sinct the July total mobil-

Voelkischer Beobachter advised parents to make some from "wood splinters, feathers fallen from old magazines." No wine, and beer No Christmas traveling, not even business trips between 22 and 26. All formerly issued permits were cancelled and high penalties threatened those faking business in order to spend Christ-

mas with the family All this, plus the constant military reverses and the bombing of Germany, was bound to make Christmas a danger German morale and the psychological moment for sporadic out-

Goebbels knew that. Therefore, for weeks he conducted a quiet but determined campaign to prove to the Germans that the war was not lost and also that Germany really never has wanted the war His last broadcasts were almost pacificst. Germany wants nothing more than to live peacefully with her neighbors. Goebbels now says the occupied countries were never considered as anything but pawns for a good and just peace.

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Election Officials Say Soldier Vote Is Far Below Estimates

By D. HAROLD OLIVER WASHINGTON -(A)- Best estimates obtainable from election officials place the service vote in the phrases recent presidential race at around were wrongly regarded by the This is far below the 3.392,000 tant success is on the German home is to regard them as meant for estimated by state officers prior to

home consumption. The Germans the Nov. 7 election as likely to be

that recorded in the 1942 Congressional elections. The total military and civilian

cast. But it is a far greater per-

"In the first World War, at the rected to date. precise moment when the Reich was making ready to capitulate, The 1944 estimate of the service vote is around 35 per cent. That compares with the less than Newspapers are sold out in spired, were about to seek a com- half of one per cent who voted in minutes. People roam the streets, promise peace. Who is there to the off-year elections in 1942.

embrace each other and weep for guarantee that Britain is not do- Pending Completion There are countless rumors. The cordance with this that we must mate of the military vote, official returns and estimates This was the tip-off. Naturally states Wednesday placed it at 1,-

Only five states broke down the promise. Again this is for home vote by parties — Colorado, Mary-consumption. The Germans are land, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and made to think that with the Al- Ehode Island. They gave Roosevelt fensives to start soon, and about lies quarreling anyhow about 293,328 and Dewey 207,603, or new V weapons. Many believe that Greece, etc., with London "in roughly three to two in the Presivon Rundstedt offensive will bring Here's the way the 24 states rec-

Britain or others to seek for a orded or estimated their uniformed balloters: (x) denotes estimate. Alabama 5,000 (x); Colorado 28,to give them new hope. Nazi propaganda line for the near 348; Connecticut 39,419 (x); Florida way Goebbels plays and frture. Doubtlessly Goebbels has 27,492; Illinois 200,000 (x); Iowa offensive shows that he too knows. many Germans. Thus the danger 31,672 (x); Maryland 34,548; Min-If you read and listen to Goeb- point of Christmas will pass. But nesota 62,517; Missouri 79,277 (x); bels' propaganda as I did for Goebbels is playing with fire. Montana 9,340; Nebraska 23,454; to aforementioned New Hampshire 12,212; New Jersey impression that the attack was sources, many Germans believe 160,329; New Mexico 7,032; North Carolina 49,541; Ohio 164,472; Oremorale, and on the order of Already the Nazi radio is forced gon 35,377; Pennsylvania 255,226; Goebbels. Goebbels. We Rhode Island 23,100; Tennessee 27,-933; Virginia 38,475; Wyoming 7,885.

> (Wyoming's total is incomplete). The first settlement by white men in Australia was on the site of modern Sydney in 1788.

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Teen-Agers May Be Next Year's Top Football Carriers

By BUS HAM
WASHINGTON —(P)— Teen-age
players will carry the ball for most college teams next fall if the Army and Navy induct their 4-F's.

Such a development was seen as a distinct possibility Wednesday as the Office of War Mobilization said that college as well as professional 4-F's will be called up for review in scraping the manpower barrel.

However, the New Year's Day bowl games seem secure. There is little time left for any re-examinations. Further, it was said there is no present intention of slapping any new transportation restrictions on football First Only Pros

War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes originally mentioned only the pros in stating that he and the public find it difficult to understand how men can be unfit physically for military service and yet be able to compete with the greatest athletes of the nation in games demanding physical fitness

Asked whether instructions to Selective Service to re-examine 4F's also applied to college athletes, Byrnes' office said that they cover everybody, that there can be no discrimination.

Since many 4-F's on college teams are the older players, their induction would leave principally the youngsters—16 to 18—for next Autumn's play.

Orange Bowl Teams Arrive For Practice

MIAMI, FLA .- (A) - Determined to make every minute count before their New Year's day tilt with Georgia Tech, 21 Tulsa football players who arrived in Miami Tuesday will take over the University of Miami's practice field for their first Orange

Bowl game workout in Florida. man Tulsa squad, shepherded by head coach Henry Frnka, is due to start the eleventh annual Sugar roll into Miami late Wednesday—
possibly on the same train that will

Vegy's Day with lineups loaded bring the Tech Engineers from At-

cans disappear from their homes due to amnesia, boredom, debt, wanderlust or

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Sugar Bowl Will Have Home Grown' Talent

Blue Devils and the Alabama Crim-The second contingent of the 49- son Tide have squads dominated by out-of-state boys, but they plan to Year's Day with lineups loaded with "home grown" talent.

Duke, with only 12 North Carolina poys in a squad of 41 players, lists Each year one million Ameri- only two out-of-staters, End Clark Jones of Richmond, Va., and Blocking Back John Krisza of McKees Rock, Pa., on their starting team. Alabama's squad of 15 Alabamagrown boys and 18 out-of-staters starts only four "foreigners." Wingback Lowell Tew comes from nearby Waynesboro, Miss.; John Wozniak, tackle, lives in Fairhope, Pa.; End Jack McConville comes from Wheel-

> Clara Barton, founder of the merican Red Cross, and an excellent horsewoman, rode into battle with the northern troops On Aerial Attacks

nthe Civil War.

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State Schoolboy NEW ORLEANS—(A)—The Duke Finalists Hold Indoor Practice

armies were forced to limit their

practice session mostly to indoor drills in preparation for the state itle game at Austin Saturday. The Port Arthur Yellow Jackets upplanted field drills with gymna-

sium calisthenics because of advers The same held true for the High- Gus Lesnevich To Meet land Park Scotties, at the north end Phil Muscato In Ring of the state, where a cold blowing rain eliminated any outdoor prac

tice session ing, W. Va.,, and Fullback Fred Highland Park's squad, 44 strong, Grant is a Christenberry, Va., citiwill leave for Austin Friday morn-

Rose Bowl Concentrating

PASADENA, CALIF .- (P)- There will be more in the air than perfume of Roses Jan. 1, when Southern California and Tennessee meet

n the Rose Bowl. Take it from the respective coaches, Jeff Cravath of the USC Trojans and John Barnhill of the Vols, there'll be plenty of pigskin flying, with both teams resorting

Miami Usually Has Clear New Year's Day

MIAMI, FLA.—(P)—The sponsors keep their fingers crossed, but— It has never rained on an Orange Bowl game.

Weather bureau records show that January 1 is about the driest day on the Miami calendar. READ THE CLASSIFIED

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Sports * Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr NEW YORK-(P)-In announcing a high school coach for some 20 the ban on racing and calling for years, thinks he should already have

review of the draft classification of professional athletes, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes said it was difficult to understand how the Four-Effers could "be able ets who play Highland Park of Dalto compete with the greatest athletes of the nation in games dethe championship manding physical fitness."

Passing over the fact that most of the great athletes are in uniform, and these guys are just the left-overs, competing against one another than the calls his greatest team. It had everything. But it was wrecked by a district ruling that prevented the use of twelfth that the calls his greatest that the calls his greatest that the calls his greatest that the great athletes are in uniform, and these guys are just the leftother, and that the situation frequently has been explained to the public, we'll add just one more championship," says Tom. . Phil Watson, the Moot Question

Rangers' hockey star, busted a hand The twelve-grade matter went Sunday night, but he plans to play into the courts but never was setagainst Toronto Wednesday night tled there, the question being moot wearing a cast that lets him curl before the supreme court received it. his fingers around a stick . . . Personal Opinion

about the anti-racing edict, we still can't see where it will bring any noticeable improvement in the manpower situation . . . A guy whose pockets are burning with war wages and who would take time off tin High but went to Port Arthur can afterward Since taking over as might even say that racing centrib- tative.

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to work sooner.

Although the Camp LeJeune, N. Conference title. C., Marine basketball squad has lost operating behind this big, capafour star players since starting ble line are four fast backs with practice, it still has plenty left . . Charley Parker, the schoolboy put on a dozen pounds since join-By The Associated Press
Old Man Weather called the sigals Tuesday as two young grid down . . . When Cpl. Milt Schul- Army Hospitals Get man, former N.Y.U. cage captain, refered a rough game between Clean Bill Of Health Welch Hospital and Orlando, Fla Air Base the other night, he told three Orlando players: "Nothing personal and you're out.

Lesnevich's performance in his return to the ring Wednesday night may provide a preview of the comeback problems of other champions now serving with the armed forces.

Lesnevich, who joined the U. S Coast Guard in March 1942, fight. Phil Muscato, Buffalo, in a Memorial Auditorium eight round bou the first start for the title-holde since his knockout conquest of Joe Thomas in Wilmington, Del., Oct, 22, 1943. The Clifton, N. J., boxer

has a 15-day furlough. Muscato, who has won eight of nine bouts since his discharge from the Navy, won't get a crack at the forged endorsements of stolen govas five touchdowns.

East-West Teams Use Tricky 'T' Formation

SAN FRANCISCO-(P)-For the first time in the 20-year-history of the East-West classic, the 1945 New Year's Day game in Kezar Stadium will be a demonstration of T-form-will be a demonstration of T-form-government checks.

FORMER DRUGGISTS'

gists in 1942, died Tuesday night of a heart attack.

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Port Arthur's Tom Dennis Has Beautiful Record In Coaching

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF Associated Press Sports Editor Tom Dennis, the University of Texas football great who has been

an undisputed state Championship. for the title in his 19 years as mentor of the Port Arthur Yellow Jacklas at Austin next Saturday for

up with what he calls his greatest

The Texas Interscholastic League inaugurated an 18-year-age rule

After several days of thinking about the anti-racing edict, we still and now, says Dennis. Port And now, says Dennis, Port Ar-

from an important job and waste soon afterward. Since taking over as gas to play the races likely will mentor of the Yellow Jackets Denfind some way to spend his money nis can boast of eleven district if it's only going to a ball game, a championships and one tie. In 1939 playing shuffle-board in his team finished in a deadlock the corner saloon or pinochle in with South Park (Beaumont) which Uncle Joe's woodshed . . . You was named as the district represen-

utes to the war effort by helping those people get rid of their dough of the heaviest ever to play in Texas Dennis' team this season is one Bowl. in a hurry and sending them back Schoolboy Football. It boasts a 186pound line, which is bigger than the Texas Christian University forward wall that won the Southwest

most of the power running being done by Ike Neumann, a 184-pounsprint star from San Antonio, has der. The other Jacket backs are

From House Committee

WASHINGTON-(A)- Except for isolated cases of such things as "dehydrated" patients and the use of ancient eggs, Army hospitals got a clean bill of health Wednesday from the House Military Committee.

BUFFALO, N. Y. — (P) — World Light Heavyweight Champion Gus Lesnevich's performance in his said that generally speaking sick and wounded soldiers are receiving the best of treatment, their food is excellent, recreation facilities are adequate and equipment is of the

The committee said its investigaors inspected 89 hospitals in 20 states and the District of Colum-

Warning Issued On Cashing U. S. Checks

title which has been frozen for the ernment checks, chiefly allotments Duke tackled the best, acquit to frequent forward passes. Both coaches concentrated on pass defense in their workouts Tuesday.

The Buffalo scrapper has to dependents of service men and agreed to weigh not less than 176, one pound over the light heavy-weight limit.

Duke tackled the best, acquittoedents of service men and two dependents of United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury, reported Eddie Cameron has stickout backs Wednesday.

rightful owner. He asked merchants pass and run outside to get any

government checks. overnment checks.
In 1944, Mr. Wilson said, 13,439 layoff.
Durham has the Navy and Ma-Both teams were polishing up on the tricky offensive Wednesday, and Homer Norton, co-coach, said the Homer Norton, co-coach, said the said said th government checks were stolen and rine margin, figures to prevail by dorsements was 46 per million checks issued, while the 1943 rate take it. HEAD DIES

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—(P)—Hugh
P. Beirne, 52, president of the National Association of Retail Drugsons were arrested and 1480 constants.

Was 43 checks per million. During While the Golden Hurricanes have no Glenn Dobbs or Clyde 1911,562 in 1943. In 1944, 1,691 persons were arrested and 1480 constants. sons were arrested and 1,480 considered of forging endorsements on games. government checks, while in 1943, 1,005 were arrested and 881 con-

'Politicians Should Attend To Business

AUSTIN - (AP) - The state execuive board of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen has suggested that the 49th legislature attend to barely essential business, then go

The board paseed a resolution here Tuesday to that effect, specifically asking that the 49th legislature do nothing but pass the appropriation bills necessary to operation of state government

The resolution expressed the belief that other matters could be laid aside until the defeat of Germany. Money and manpower both could be saved by a short session the trainmen said.



Duke is given a two-touchdown nargin over Alabama in the New Engineers have met the sterner tive scores, points to considerable Orleans Sugar Bowl.

Oklahoma A. and M. is considered 20 points better than Texas Christian in the Dallas Cotton As much as I would like to be

different, I fear the books have the correct slant. They usually do, as people were convinced when they refused to string along with them and myself, after I warned what liability insurance. would happen to Navy in the Army game. I can't help but

mind you that I called the big one right on the dot. As for the most worth while of all New Year's attractions — the East-West Shrine Hospital game at Kezar Stadium, San Francisco -I like the East. For the very good reason that in this third war year little Andy Kerr, George Hauser and Bernie Bierman have the pick of more and superior athletes, led by the versatile and

resourceful Les Horvath of Ohio

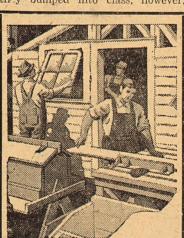
on New Year's Day.

State. It has been said and written that Tennessee is being led to slaughter, and that's the case from where I sit, as California bids for its eighth straight victory in the Tourna-ment of Roses without its star of year ago, George Callahan, out with a bad knee. Tailback Callanan's loss hurts, but by no means wrecks. Bob Morris is a speedy

and capable replacement. The Trojans have in Capt. Jim Hardy one of the more skillful passers and T quarterbacks and every advantage, including Navy and Marine trainees and tradition

in Tom Davis and Gordon Car-He warned merchants that the United States Treasury is behind a check only when it is paid to its

Tulsa pours it on, but can't



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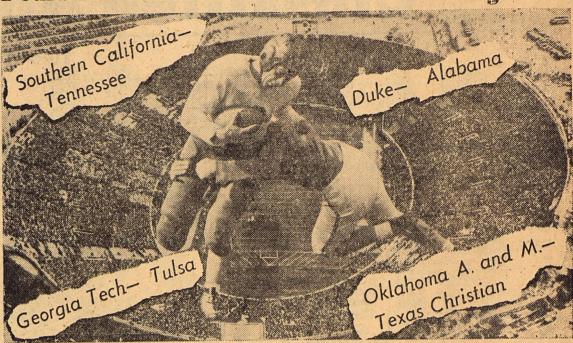
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over Tennessee in the Rose Bowl week-ends. Tulsa dropped two of three. The Everything, including

PASADENA Southern Califor- Pre-Flight rolled up 46 and 47 Southwest Conference by playing nia is a 1-to-4 or 20-point favorite points, respectively, on successive them close to the vest, but that will be difficult to do against the Georgia Tech has a perfect brilliant Bob Fenimore and his record in four Bowl ventures. Oklahoma A. and M. company.

Orleans Sugar Bowl.

Georgia Tech is judged a touchdown stronger than Tulsa in their rematch in the Miami Orange

Engineers have meet the daylight between these teams.

They won in the Sugar Bowl, Don't celebrate too much the night before, enjoy the game even a year ago, and I look for night before, enjoy the game even the sugar Bowl, a year ago, and I look for night before, enjoy the game even the sugar Bowl. Texas Christian prevailed in a Happy New Year!

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