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Finns Holding Russians Back In Two Sectors

FIRES DESTROY BUILDINGS IN THREE TOWNS

By United Press
Early morning fires in three Texas cities caused one death and more than \$50,000 in damage Tuesday.
Tim Hawkins, 30, watchman at Wichita Falls bowling alley, was killed in a \$30,000 fire that swept through the building and a garage.
Firemen from Athens fought a fire at Malakoff, that burned through a theatre and two other buildings before brought under control. Damage was estimated at \$15,000.
Nine families, including one of woman, were driven from their homes in Dallas during the night in a \$4,000 fire that leveled a large frame house.

Decorations For Christmas Season Being Installed

Fire Chief G. A. Murphy, and 30 employees of the street department and National Youth Administration enrollees, today are decorating Main Street for Christmas season.
Instead of the customary practice of stringing colored lights across the street, each of the 40 standards on Main Street from the derrick to Hodges Street, is being wrapped with cedar boughs, being each into the form of a Christmas tree.
The regular white lights in the standards are to be removed and colored lights installed. These lights have been ordered and will be received in the next few days, it was stated today.
At each street intersection these strings of colored lights are to be installed to add to the decorations. These crossed strings are expected to be installed today.

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Census Office To Open For Business About Christmas

Office of the 1940 census work in the 17th congressional district probably will begin about Christmas, J. C. Shipman, recently appointed district supervisor, said today at Abilene.
The office will be located on the floor of the Abilene federal building, in the southeast corner, Shipman said. He said supplies for the office had already arrived.
He expects a call from the area manager at Amarillo any day of Shipman said. "When it comes I will go up there and receive detailed instructions on the operation of the office and census applications for employment in the office will be received as the office opens.
The industrial census in the district will begin Jan. 1 of the general population census begin April 2.

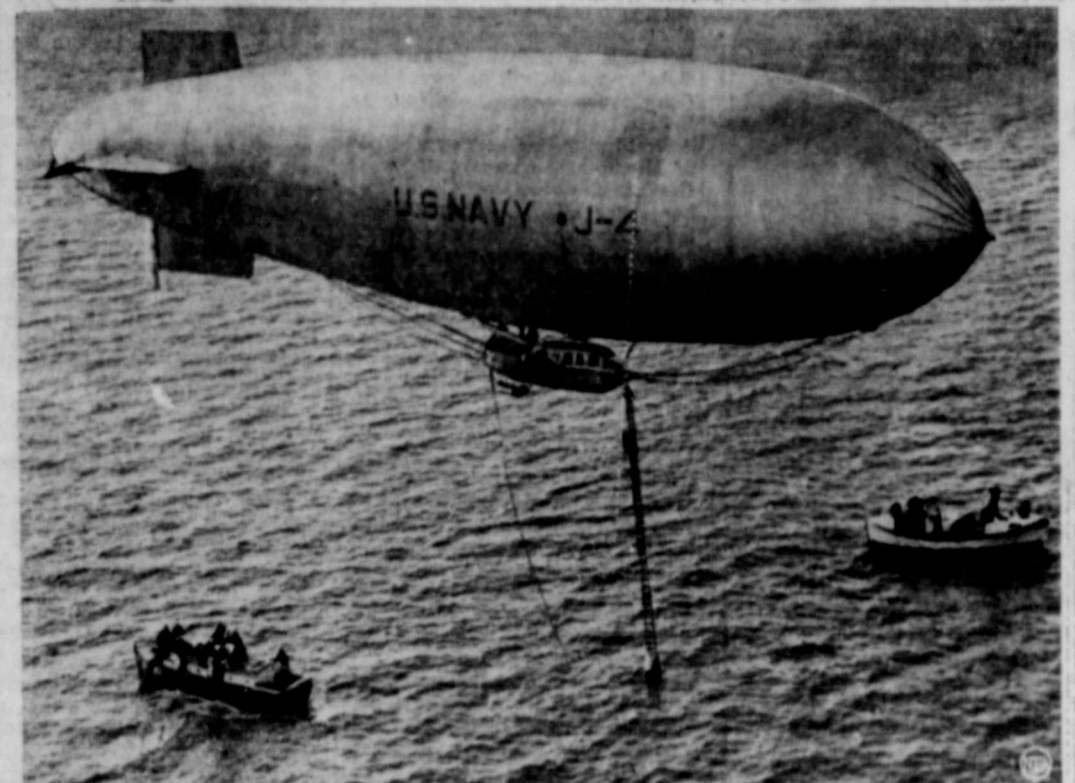
Net Warships In Waters Near Petsoma

By United Press
OSLO, Norway, Dec. 5.—Six Norwegian warships were reported in the waters today and消息 said there was heavy camouflaging along that sector of the coast. Soviet planes were reported in the Finnish-Norwegian waters.
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ICE MEN ELECT

By United Press
GENERAL WELLS, Dec. 5.—L. J. Marshall today was elected president of the Southern Ice Manufacturers' Association, holding its annual convention here. Roy Arledge of Stamps was chosen vice president.

'Rescue at Sea'—With U. S. Navy Blimp in Dual Role



Ten miles out over the Atlantic Ocean, four blimps from the Lakehurst, N. J., Naval Station gave a demonstration of effectiveness in rescue work at sea. To save men "floundering" in sea, the J-4 drops overside a new sea anchor consisting of a bag capable of holding 1000 pounds of water. This, suspended at end of rope ladder, sinks below surface, holds blimp steady. Man climbs to safety.

Funeral Is Held For Mexican Who Confessed Crimes

Funeral services for Rafael Camacho, 21, of Ranger, who committed suicide in a Weatherford jail cell Monday morning, were conducted in Ranger Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.
Camacho, according to officers, confessed to a series of crimes when arrested in Fort Worth and questioned in Weatherford, and left a note confessing to the slaying of Assistant Chief of Police W. J. O'Leary of Big Spring on the morning of Nov. 28.
According to officers Camacho confessed to four burglaries in Abilene, theft of a car in Abilene, which was wrecked in Stamford, theft of another automobile there, which was abandoned in Thurber.
After hitch-hiking to Weatherford, officers said, Camacho confessed two burglaries there. After being arrested near Weatherford the youth escaped from officers and was later arrested in Fort Worth when he attempted to push an automobile from a driveway.
Questioned at Weatherford, Camacho confessed all the crimes, with the exception of the slaying of O'Leary, Sheriff John Turner of Weatherford reported. Monday morning the jailer found Camacho hanging in his jail cell, his belt being used for the noose.
In the cell was found a note written by the Mexican, confessing the slaying.
Chief of Police Guy Pledger of Ranger, who aided Weatherford officers in identifying and tracing Camacho through descriptions, stated that the youth had been arrested several years ago for a burglary at Killingsworth-Cox, and later was arrested in connection with an attempted burglary of The Globe.
Camacho was born Dec. 8, 1919, and had lived in Ranger all his life.
Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Petra Camacho, seven brothers, Salvador, Arthur, Joe, Peter, Raymond, George and Jimmy, and one sister, Mrs. Mendoza Trinidad, all of Ranger.
The services were conducted at the Camacho residence, with burial at Evergreen Cemetery, with Killingsworth in charge of arrangements.

Lecture Program Being Presented At Ranger Church

The second of a series of the lecture week programs, sponsored by the Ranger Church of Christ, is scheduled for tonight at 7 o'clock at the church building, at the corner Mesquite and South Rusk streets.
The program for today included talks on "The Mission Work of the Local Congregation," at 10 o'clock this morning, by Melvin J. Wise, Big Spring; Grover C. Ross, Cisco and John M. Burkhardt, Breckersville.
At the afternoon session at 2 o'clock, round table discussion of the morning theme was scheduled, led by Melvin J. Wise.
The topic to be used for the evening program, which begins at 7 o'clock, is "The Church and its 20th Century Problems," with Fred McClung of Fort Worth as the lecturer.
The week of lecture programs will be concluded Friday evening, with a musical program presented at the Recreation building Sunday evening by the A-Cappella Chorus of Abilene Christian College, which will be presented in classical church music.
The public is invited to attend all the services.

Flying Course Is Ordered Started In Ranger College

Announcement was made today by W. T. Walton, president of Ranger Junior College, that word had been received to start the student flight training courses of the college immediately.
The college was approved as one of many to offer flight instruction several weeks ago, and approval has already been secured of the equipment and instructors.
Allied courses in mathematics, meteorology and other subjects will be offered in the regular classes at Ranger Junior College, and the flight instruction will be given at the Ranger Airport.
Walton today urged that all who are interested in taking the courses register at once, in order that the list might be sent in and the students approved for the training. One girl for each unit of 10 students can take the flying course.
All who register must be able to pass a physical examination, and it was requested that from 12 to 15 be enrolled, if possible, in order that alternates might be selected in case some who apply for instruction cannot meet physical or other requirements, or who find they are not adaptable to flying and drop the course.

Assignments In Cases Are Made

A partial assignment of cases for the December term of 91st district court was made Tuesday by Judge George L. Daveport. The December term will continue through January.
Among cases set for trial were the following:
December 11—City of Eastland vs. H. E. Wood.
December 14—Lizzie Williams vs. H. R. Williams.
December 18—J. H. Hardy vs. Southern Underwriters.
January 3—J. E. Pratt vs. Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and others.
January 8—J. W. Parrish vs. William Campbell; Mrs. Tina Davis et vir vs. Southwestern Natural Gas company.
January 10—Cecil Decker vs. J. S. Hamilton and others.

Toys Skip War As Model This Season

By United Press
CHICAGO.—There will be few war-inspired toys for American children this Christmas.
Manufacturers said, in consensus, that youth still is interested in tricycles, put-together sets, miniature automobiles and model airplanes.
A survey of 167 toy makers disclosed an estimated \$211,250,000 will be spent for children's gifts before midnight Dec. 24. The gifts will be improved styles of familiar playthings for the most part.
The manufacturers reported only a meager output of tin soldiers, military drums and pop guns. In most cases the toys had been ordered before war broke out, but manufacturers insisted there had been no change in types of the toys demanded.
On the other hand, they said, there had been no intentional de-emphasis of warlike toys.

Threat Is Revealed At Maverick Trial

By United Press
SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 5.—Maxwell Burket, former labor lawyer, who testified last week against Mayor Maury Maverick, had threatened to "get even" with the mayor for an alleged political "double cross" it was testified today in Maverick's trial. The statement was made by H. L. Ferguson, deputy sheriff.

Woman, 96, Keeps Busy At Hobbies

By United Press
CONNEAUT, O.—Mrs. Julia A. Benton Fuller, 96, still makes quilts for her friends and travels extensively despite her age. Within the past year she has made eight elaborately pieced quilts, knitted three sweaters and made numerous dollies, pillowcases and embroidered pieces.
Mrs. Fuller, whose grandfather invented the first mowing machine, has traveled more than 2,000 miles in the past six months.

ATTEND MEETING

Eastland county extension agents Tuesday were at Brownwood to attend a district meeting of agents.

U. S. IS READY TO JOIN IN A PROTEST MOVE

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—State department quarters said today the United States is prepared to join in a denunciation of Russia's invasion of Finland if all other American republics desire to take similar action.
The statement of U. S. attitude on the proposed Western Hemisphere declaration, was made as political tension rose over the issue of President Roosevelt's recognition of Soviet Russia.
Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, republican, Michigan, mailed a "break relations with Moscow" plank to his presidential platform.
It was said the proposal for a declaration was distinct from the messages Argentina and Uruguay had sent the League of Nations demanding action on the Finnish invasion. The United States is not a member of the league.

Murder Gun Of Rafael Camacho Is Not Found

By United Press
SWEETWATER, Dec. 5.—An attempt was underway today to drain the city lake here to recover the gun with which Rafael Camacho, Ranger youth who hanged himself in the Weatherford jail, said he killed W. J. O'Leary, assistant Big Spring police chief.
State policemen, using a magnetic device, failed to find the gun in waist deep water. City Engineer J. C. Morris, Jr., said however that the crude map's designations were accurate.
Workmen had difficulty opening the outlet valve to the lake. The lake once was used for the city water supply, but was abandoned several years ago and the valve had not been opened in 10 years.

Federal Judge Asks Apology From Secretary

By United Press
FORT WORTH, Dec. 5.—James Wilson, federal district judge here, waited today for an apology from Harold Ikes, U. S. Secretary of Interior, who criticized conduct of a "hot" oil trial over which Judge Wilson presided at Houston last week.
If Ikes does not apologize Judge Wilson said he would insist on an investigation by President Roosevelt or Congress.
Ikes charged government attorneys had not been allowed to present all of their evidence in the trial of Renee Alfred, Jr., and Neal Powers who were fined \$1,000 each on misdemeanor counts and found not guilty on a felony indictment.

1940 Farm Program May Be Threatened

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Henry Wallace today told the federal farm bureau federation today rising expenses threatened the farm program.
He warned heavy demands for defense needs might cripple the present program of farm benefit payments.

Reward Is Offered In Store Robbery

By United Press
FORT WORTH, Dec. 5.—A \$1,000 reward was posted today by officials of the W. C. Stripling Company here for information leading to the arrest of three gunmen who held up store employees yesterday and escaped with \$500 in cash and \$12,295 in checks.

OREGON'S CONVICTS OLDER

By United Press
SALEM, Ore.—Statistics kept by the Oregon state penitentiary fail to confirm the popular belief that the criminal class is being recruited more and more from younger men. The average age of convicts in the penitentiary between 1866-76 was 30 years, 10 months. The average age of those now in the prison is 33 years, 2 months.

'Tele-treatment' in Childbirth



This Los Angeles woman claims she gained freedom from pains of childbirth by taking hypnotic treatment by telephone. She is Mrs. Marie Mattersteig. The baby was a 7½-pound girl.

Rail Workers Win Point At Hearing Before Commission

By United Press
AUSTIN, Dec. 5.—Railroad Brotherhoods won a point before the Texas Railroad Commission today when it was ruled ICC reports on accidents can be considered in determining if the Texas commission shall prohibit operation of double-header trains.
Joe Stedham, Fort Worth, for the railroad employes, withdrew the exhibits temporarily after winning the point. He said the records show more accidents for the first nine months of 1939 than occurred in all 1938.

Tennessee Willing To Play A & M In Cotton Bowl Game

By United Press
DALLAS, Dec. 5.—Officials of the new Cotton Bowl Association said privately today the University of Tennessee has agreed to send its football team to the Cotton Bowl if Texas A. & M. is its opponent.
If correct that announcement would place the fate of the Cotton Bowl game squarely before A. & M. The players met late today to vote on bowl games.
Cotton Bowl officials offered each team \$85,000 to appear.

Winnie Judd Still Is Being Sought

By United Press
PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 5.—The hunt for the insane murderer Winnie Ruth Judd quickened today when a suburban resident reported she awoke to see Mrs. Judd staring through a window.
Mrs. Judd fled after leering through the window, the woman said. The home is about two miles from the asylum from which Mrs. Judd escaped for the second time Sunday night.
Fear was heightened among residents after hospital attendants reported they believed Mrs. Judd carried a razor.

Fritz Kuhn Given Prison Sentence By Trial Judge

By United Press
NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—General Sessions Judge Wallace today sentenced Bundsfuehrer Fritz Kuhn to two and a half to five years in prison, not as "a rebel rouser or as a hate dispenser, but as an ordinary small-time forger and thief."
In pronouncing judgment against Kuhn, convicted of stealing \$1,217 from his German-American Bund, Wallace said he believed the leader and several defense witnesses committed perjury and called upon District Attorney Thomas Dewey to take action.

Storms Aid Finns In Russian War

By United Press
HELSINKI, Finland, Dec. 5.—Stormy weather aided Finland's fighting forces again today in holding back the Red army and dispatches reported Finnish successes on two southeastern fronts.
Finnish tank traps and guns disrupted the Soviet attacks.
Official sources reported Finnish troops and volunteers were making a strong stand on the Arctic Coast.

Committees Named To Sell Tickets For Benefit Show

The committee in charge of the benefit show, which is to be staged at the Arcadia Saturday morning, met at the office of the Chamber of Commerce Monday afternoon and selected committees to sell tickets to the show. The price of admission for adults will be 10 cents, while children will be admitted for one cent of food. The adult tickets will not admit a child.
Those named to sell tickets were Mrs. Saunders Grege, W. D. Conway, Blanche Murray, E. E. Crawford, Lee Dockery, Lonnie Herring, John W. Ducker and R. H. Hansford.
The committee is expected to report at the Chamber of Commerce office Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, at which time teams will be formed and ticket sales started.

Czech Says 1,100 Students Killed In Prague Uprisings

By United Press
OSLO, Norway, Dec. 5.—An anonymous Czech who fled Prague three days after the Nov. 16 Nazi secret police reprisals for Czech patriotic demonstrations was quoted today as saying that 1,100 Czech students were executed.
"Thousands of other students disappeared," he said.

South Dakota Has Delayed Use of Her Electric Chair

SIoux FALLS, S. D.—The recent South Dakota legislature legalized capital punishment in the state but failed to provide money for purchase of the official dispenser of the death penalty—the electric chair.
Officials indicated that the state would take the lives of none of its convicted first degree murderers until after 1941—when the next legislature would have appropriated funds for the electric chair.

Four German Raids on Western Front Are Beaten Back

By United Press
PARIS, Dec. 5.—French troops repulsed four raids by the Germans in the Wissembourg sector in the last 26 hours, inflicting heavy losses, French dispatches said today.
The Germans failed to take prisoners or obtain information, the French said. The attacks began Sunday night.

STORMS AIDING DEFENDERS ON BATTLE FRONT

Sharpshooting Skiers Swiftly Attack Red Army Taking Heavy Toll of Lives

By United Press
The Finnish Legation at London today announced officially that the Finnish troops had advanced against the Red Army in two sectors of southeast Finland, "inflicting heavy casualties on the Russians."
News from the Finnish general staff told of heavy fighting. The Red Army suffered many casualties and the Finnish troops advanced, the statement said.
The statement also said that the Finns advanced southeastward of the Karelian Isthmus north of Leningrad. All foreign legations at Helsinki were notified that Finnish mines have been laid around the Aaland Islands.
Meanwhile Scandinavian strengthened all forces against the dangers of wars.
Following Russian rejection of new Finnish attempts at a settlement, Sweden ordered partial mobilization of more than 500,000 reserves and sent reinforcements to the Finnish frontier.
Norway called the ministers of Denmark and Sweden to discuss Finland's charge of aggression against Russia, placed before the League of Nations.
Moscow reported a re-enforced Red army in the Petsamo area had driven the Finns from that port. Soviet airplanes were seen over Siamjarvi, Finnish nickel mining center. The planes dropped a few bombs without apparent damage.
Refugees continued to arrive at the Norwegian frontier with stories of severe fighting and reports that 30,000 Finnish troops were holding off Russian attacks.
Soviet reports indicated little progress through a heavily-mined area, covered with deep snow, in Southeast Finland and in which Finnish skiers maneuvered swiftly and shot accurately. The normal population of 268,900 at Helsinki was down to less than 100,000 as a result of evacuation.
Russia reported a Finnish submarine had been sunk off Hangland Island in the Gulf of Finland, but naval fighting was comparatively slight. Russia reported capture of Hangland Island.
British and French put their double blockade against Germany in effect at midnight with orders to their fleets to seize all German exports. The order went out after the British reported the apparent loss of the steamer Doric Star to a German sea raider, possibly the Admiral Scheer.

AMBASSADOR DIES

HAVANA (Cuba), Dec. 5.—Joshua Butler Wright, 62, U. S. Ambassador to Cuba, and a diplomat for 30 years, died last night after an operation.

Christmas Carols Through the Ages



"Good news from Heaven the angels bring, Glad tidings to the earth they sing: To us this day a child is given, To crown us with the joy of heaven . . ."
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GOOD NEWS FROM HEAVEN

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16 Shopping Days Till Christmas

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publisher.

Holding On to Our Hats

From now on, American standards of justice and fair play are going to take a beating in Europe that will make most of us wince with pain.

Up to now, Americans have maintained a remarkable sane attitude toward foreign propaganda. For some time, the fatalists who didn't want to go to war but didn't see how the United States could stay out have been muttering vaguely in corners.

If we were vigilant about propaganda before the attempted subjugation of Finland by Russia, we must be doubly so now. The peril is not that the missives from abroad will become more intense but rather that American sympathies will be more firmly fixed.

Not even the most extreme apologist can piece together a case for the Soviet Union. The standard alibi that the aggressor is moving in to protect oppressed minorities is completely untenable.

This is what makes America's position today so difficult. We can no more be neutral in thought about the Russo-Finnish dispute than we can when a cut-throat enters a home to massacre a family of honest citizens.

But there is nothing we can do about it. We must keep telling ourselves that over and over again. We cannot help now by going over there with a contingent of troops and a grim but virtuous purpose.

America's private war of nerves is a long way from being ended. The comparative calm that settled over most of the nation after the first explosive reaction to the war abroad is likely to be shattered again.

We must hang on now more tightly than ever. Though our faces may be flushed with righteous indignation over the rapacious acts of European bullies, we must count up to 10 before we lead with our right.

WAR SPY

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Includes a small illustration of a woman's face.

Nero Would Have Enjoyed Knowing Guys Like This



MANNERHEIM, LIBERATOR OF FINNS, BACK AT FRONT FIGHTING REDS

Baron Mannerheim: Beat the Reds once. By NEA Service

When Russian leaders insisted that Finland either get rid of Field Marshal Baron Carl Gustav Emil Mannerheim or suffer invasion, they knew what they were about.

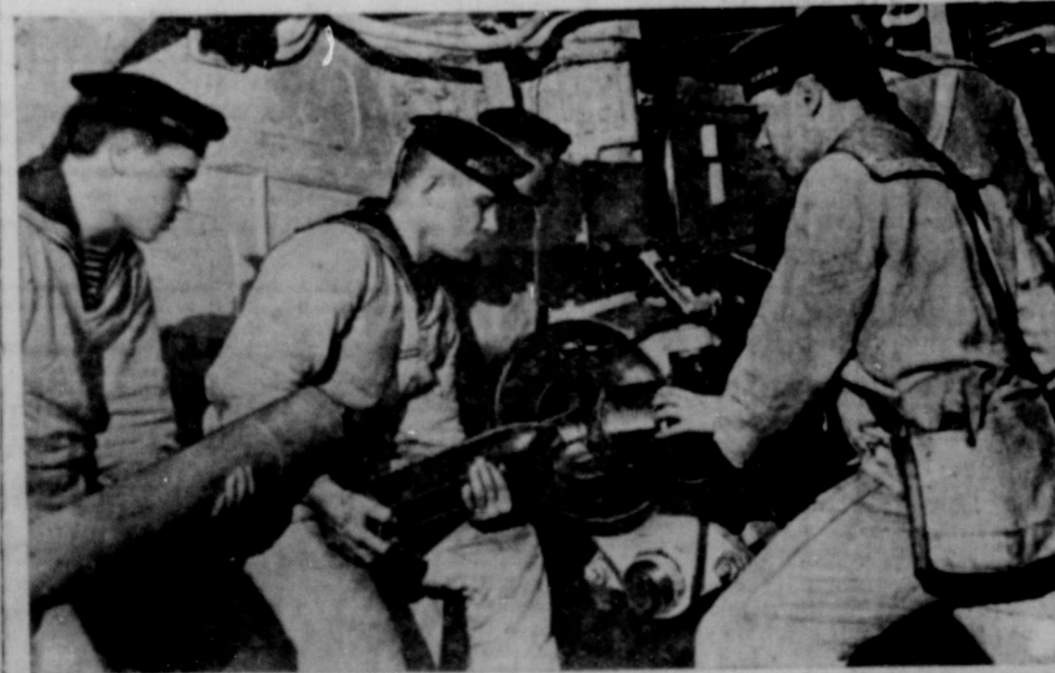


Baron Mannerheim: Beat the Reds once.

On these ruins, the independent democratic Finland was then built. In 1919, Mannerheim organized the "Skyddskorps" of 100,000 men to keep order while the republic was organized.

There, with the approval of the Russian provisional government, an effort was made to organize an independent democratic state. But as the Bolsheviks seized power in Russia, disorder swept across Finland.

From Me to You--Russian Style Holiday Calling Cards



Shells from Russian fighting ships are backing up the Soviet air force in devastating cities and towns of southern Finland. Here's a gun crew of the Red battleship, October Revolution, in action.

Archer is becoming popular in Michigan, where Governor Dickson has asked a return to old-fashioned ideals. Maybe scalping will soon become a fad.

Montana Town Is Serving In Sale Of War Airplanes

SWEET GRASS, Mont.—As a result of arrangements completed between the North American Aviation Co., and the Canadian and British governments, this little city, heretofore virtually unheard of, promises to become one of the important centers in the sale of warplanes.

Its role will be that of a terminal station through which American built bombing, pursuit and fighting planes will be moved into Canada for eventual delivery to Britain.

Nestling on the northern border of Montana, the airport of Sweet Grass is almost adjacent to that of her sister city of Coups which is just across the Canadian border.

Under arrangements which have just been completed, planes built by the North American Aviation Company for the British government, will be flown to Sweet Grass by American pilots.

That done, the plane, possibly with gasoline removed from its tanks, will be towed across the border by a Canadian citizen, not a member of the military forces either of Canada or Britain.

But once across the border, it will pass into the hands of Canadian or British officials who will undertake its final delivery across the Atlantic.

This procedure has been adopted to avoid the necessity of having the planes clear through either the Great Falls or Havre, the only other two points in this customs division but which being farther from the Canadian border, would have created a more difficult problem of getting them into Canada.

Eventually, it is expected that other California companies, now filling orders for France and Britain will adopt the Sweet Grass route as the quickest one for getting their deliveries into Canada, making this city one of international importance in the world conflict.

Under the plans as officially approved for this route, there now is no legal necessity for planes destined for France and Britain to stop at Great Falls or any other point in the United States and they can be flown direct from the factory to this nearest point to the Canadian border and a Canadian airport.

The establishment of this terminal station was made necessary by the ruling of the State Department, forbidding American citizens from flying planes to a belligerent nation and forbidding citizens of a warring nation from flying planes from the United States.

But for the ruling, it is pointed out, the United States might conceivably have been made the base of bombing operations aimed at Canadian cities or against ships plying close to American waters.

Without the restriction, it would have been possible for Germany to purchase bombing planes in the United States, pay for them and take title thereto, and then fly them from a New York state port to bomb Quebec, Canada and other Canadian cities.

Under provisions completed for delivery of planes to Sweet Grass, they will enjoy the same status that they would have if they were boxed or crated and cleared through custom houses as ordinary merchandise.

'Hot' Horse Collar Sought By Police

SWEETWATER, Tex.—If anyone tries to sell you a "hot" horse collar (supposing you were the kind of guy who looked like he might be in the market for hot horse collars) local police would appreciate notification.

Thieves practically moved a local lumber company which they raided here recently. After the yeggs failed to get only a few dollars from the blasted safe they hauled away, among other things:

Horse collars, linoleum, paint, paint brushes, stoves, axes, screen wire, nails, two .22 Remington rifles, one .22 Marlin rifle and numerous other small articles.

Donations Made To Iron Lung Patient

SWEETWATER, Tex.—Friends of Jimmy Tomlinson, Whiteflat, have donated more than \$120 to provide him with adequate artificial respiratory equipment at a hospital here.

Ill of respiratory paralysis since Nov. 8, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Tomlinson has gained some strength but still needs the aid of artificial respiration to live.

When it became known that the family could not afford the expensive treatment, friends started to solicit donations for his care.

BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—The old age insurance feature of the Social Security Act is the part that affects the most citizens, involves the most money and draws the most attention.

Other parts of the act, however, are of vast importance, and amendments which go into effect on Jan. 1 will touch the lives of millions.

These "other parts" constitute a broad program of federal-state co-operation for types of relief not covered under other programs. What the Social Security Act amendments do is make this relief more liberal. The program covers monthly payments by the states to needy old folk, to dependent children and to the needy blind, and is based on the principle of "matching"—that is, each state determines how much it can afford to pay its needy citizens in these categories, and the federal government matches that sum with money from its own treasury.

On payments to needy old people and to the needy blind, the federal government heretofore has matched the state contributions on a straight 50-50 basis up to a maximum combined contribution of \$30 a month. The amendments boost this maximum to \$40.

How much this will eventually mean in the way of increased federal expenditures depends, of course, on the action the different states take.

Taking the country as a whole, the average sum paid monthly to needy old folk is \$19.43. It is substantially higher in certain states. The Social Security Board expects that a number of state legislatures this winter will raise their own payments.

Equally important is the new ratio set up for aid to dependent children. Under the old law, the government would contribute a sum equal to one-third of the federal-state maximum of \$18 for the first dependent child and \$12 for

each additional dependent child in the same home. The new law boosts this contribution from \$12 to one-half.

These three forms of direct relief—aid to the aged, to the blind and to dependent children— affect a large number of families. Figures corrected to mid-September of this year show that benefits were being paid to 1,574,000 needy aged, to 299,364 families having 721,232 dependent children, and to 45,214 needy blind persons.

To meet these three kinds of contributions, Congress voted \$278,555,000. Unlike the old age insurance program, this form of contribution is expected in the long run to diminish rather than to increase. Ultimately, it is hoped, old insurance coverage will be broad and solid that there will be little need for payments based on need.

It is probable, too, that further increases in the federal government's contribution to pension systems for the aged will be made by Congress.

Compared with the sums envisaged by the Townsend group, even the \$40 a month which now is possible as a federal payment looks small.

At the last session of Congress efforts were made to set up a sliding scale, under which government would better its present 50-50 ratio of contribution to states unable to finance large pension programs. The effort was not renewed shortly after the last Congress in still other forms of state-aid grants.

Other sections of the act have been liberalized. These changes mean a new year for the Social Security Board and involve staff expansion.

Before this year expires, 122 field offices will have been opened to supplement the 332 presently in existence. By next June some 2100 new employees will have been added.

Congress voted an extra \$750,000 for administrative expenses. Total administrative expense for the Board this year probably run close to \$25,000,000.

Actuaries who designed the act estimated that 8 1/2 per cent of tax collections would be needed for administrative costs. Presently these costs are run slightly below 5 per cent.

One more important change made in the law by the last Congress—a negative one, possibly a prospective increase in tax on the old age retirement program is financing payroll taxes of 1 per cent on the worker and 1 per cent on the employer. These were to have to 1 1/2 per cent each in 1941 that increase has been canceled at an estimated saving to the groups of taxpayers of some 600,000 in the coming year.

At the same time, the account set up under the old plan—which was to have been a gigantic revolving fund—has been done away with, and the multiple insurance trust fund set up in its place.

NOTE: In his next column Bruce Catton will explain changes in the Social Security program of aid to states for local relief to the needy and blind.

Finns Bark Back at Russian Invasion



These Finnish anti-aircraft guns, erected along the Finnish frontier, barked defiance at invading planes of Russian air force.

SERIAL STORY

5 WOULD KILL

BY TOM HORNER

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Yesterday After di Torio in... Dawson found up the... questions them. Ara was... Alston still asleep. Mrs...

CHAPTER XVIII

"OOH, John!" Ara's appealing cry confirmed the truth Dawson's statement. Douglas...

"You heard us come out of passageway, go into the living room. You stood, right where you were standing now and when...

"Then you ran down the passageway to the street, doubled back across the lawn and climbed the stairs... window. You ought know your way along that...

"HELLO, Captain! Sorry I took—" Dan Flynn's greeted him through the front door...

"But I convinced him I had something important to tell you." "I'll break that Irishman, so help me!"

"Really, Captain, I couldn't go for Officer Krone is at the foot of the front stairs, Flynn is holding down the living room."

"There's the passageway..." "I had forgotten it—so you see, I really wanted to see you. You're going to try to pin these murders on John, aren't you?"

"It's a pretty clear case." "You believe, don't you, Captain?" Ara went on earnestly, "that John came in the passageway, killed Benthorpe, blocked the door, and went out the window..."

"That's about it. And today he reversed the performance with Joey as the main actor. We've got him—" "You're wrong, Captain." This was a new Ara—a girl fighting not for hate, but for love.

"I intended to kill Benthorpe, my father, and have John blamed for it. He was going in the study window. He was to surprise Benthorpe, threaten him and force him to give up my proofs. John also wanted to make Benthorpe tell how he got hold of the mine—But John never intended to kill him."

"I've lived on hate so long, Captain. No one ever loved me, except John. And I was fool enough to try to blame a murder on him. 'I know better now... I love John. He's the first, the only person I've ever loved. I've hated all the others, even those who tried to help a little. You—you can't blame him for this Benthorpe murder!'"

Dawson admired this changed Ara. All the pretense, all the hardness, even the smoky, sultry lights in her eyes were gone. Instead he saw a girl in love—a girl who he saw Mr. di Torio come out of the passageway. I'm sure it was he. I saw his face when he stopped beneath a street light.

"There's your killer, Captain. The man who killed my father is dead." "I don't think so—because—" TEN minutes later she rose to leave. "It will be dangerous for you, but I'll try to see that you are protected," Dawson assured her.

"I'm not afraid," she said, eyes shining. "It's a chance I have to take to prove John is innocent." "By spreading the report that you, too, like Joey, actually saw the person who killed Benthorpe, we may tempt the killer to strike again. But don't be surprised if Douglas tries to take a shot at you. He may have been planning to put you 'on the spot' just as you were doing to him."

"If John shoots at me, I hope he doesn't miss!" she said. And Dawson knew she said it as if a prayer. (To Be Continued)

"The need is evident," he continued, "when it is considered that there are between fifteen and twenty thousand crippled children in Texas. I can conceive of no greater service that could be rendered to the children now attending our public schools than to teach them of their obligations under a representative democratic government, nor can I think of any more tangible manner in which the lesson could be taught, than by requesting of them contributions toward the support and maintenance of the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation."

The Foundation was organized in 1937 to sponsor the building of a Texas warm springs center for crippled children, and its directors are 35 men and women who reside over a wide area of Texas. The Foundation has more than three thousand contributing members, and its program has the written commendation of President Roosevelt, the endorsement of both houses of the Texas Legislature, and many high state and national officials. "It is only right that NYA should build this Texas Warm Springs center," J. C. Kellam, state NYA director, said. "On this project the work of youth will accrue to the benefit of youth. I think it is much better for an institution of this type to start in a small way and grow. It will become a part of Texas people, as all may share in building it and feel they are a part of it."

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"OUT OUR WAY"

By Williams



RED RYDER

By Fred Harman



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

By Bruce Catton

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—The latest effort to solve the farm problem finds the administration circling back to the famous processing tax idea, which was embodied in the original Agricultural Adjustment Act, and which went out the window when the Supreme Court killed that act in 1936.

The court killed the first AAA, not because it objected to the processing tax, but because it felt that the tax was being used for an unlawful end—viz., the regulation of crop production.

The plan which Secretary Henry Wallace is now formulating would restrict production; it would, however, get the government out from under an annual expense of around a quarter of a billion dollars, and would provide a method of financing parity payments to growers of wheat, rice and cotton.

Parity payments now come directly out of the federal treasury. The Agriculture Department, for instance, may decide that the cotton grower needs a payment of two cents a pound on his production in order to bring the net price he gets up to "parity."

But Congress can always throw a last-minute wrench into the proceedings by refusing to appropriate the money for those payments. It almost did so last winter, and the item of \$200,000,000-odd which finally went into the agricultural appropriation bill for that purpose was largely responsible for shooting that bill up above the budget estimates.

Under the scheme now taking shape, the grower would get his money in just the same way—but the money wouldn't come from the treasury.

What he would get, originally, would be a certificate, entitling him to collect his parity payment.

Medical Corps, told a meeting of the Montreal Neurological Society. The opinion was concurred in by Dr. J. P. S. Cathcart, chief neuro-psychiatrist of the Department of Pensions and National Health, Ottawa.

Cathcart said a study of combatant units in the last war had shown that morale and efficiency were reflected in a low state of "sick-wastage" from casual illness and so-called shell shock. In the same manner, he explained that "shell shock" was seen not so much in association with, or as a result of injury, but as a reflection of lowered morale of the unit or of the individual, the latter often having a "dissatisfied" life background.

In any case, both doctors agreed, "the condition is essentially curable, provided the original handicaps are not too formidable and unwise hospitalization or compensation is not instituted or prolonged."

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Fergusson



ANSWER: By smoke signals in the daytime and fires at night.



ANSWER: It is a great chain of coral formation along the north-eastern coast of Australia.

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



Texas School Children Are Urged To Help Build Texas' Warm Springs For The Benefit of All Crippled Children

GONZALES, Tex.—Texas' million and a half school children are being asked to help build a warm springs convalescent and rehabilitation center for the state's 20,000 little cripples. Construction on the first unit of the center, sponsored by the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation, a non-profit, charitable organization is now underway.

THROAT SORE

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LEY OOP



By Hamlin



Vacancies Exist In Army Air Corps

A large number of vacancies now exist in the U. S. Army Air Corps and Signal Corps for single young men who are qualified. Men enlisted in these branches have the opportunity to be pilots, airplane mechanics, meteorologists, parachute riggers, radio and telephone operators, welders, photographers, metal craftsmen and many others.

New Hope Is Held For Shell Sock

MONTREAL.—Shell shock and other forms of war neurosis are largely curable, Lieut.-Col. Colin K. Russell, neuro-psychiatrist counsel of the Royal Canadian Army

Society Notes

Mothers of High School Seniors to Meet Thursday
A very important meeting of all mothers of high school seniors has been called for Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock on the mezzanine floor of the Gholson hotel.

The object of the meeting is to make plans for the entertainment of the seniors during the Christmas holidays.

It is very important that every mother be there.

Royal Neighbors to Meet Wednesday Evening
The regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors of America will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the L. O. O. F. hall. All members are urged to attend.

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Yes, and only two ways—before and after it happens! Instead of enduring those dull, tired, head-achy days and then having to take an emergency medicine—why not keep regular with Kellogg's All-Bran? You can, if your constipation is the kind millions have—due to the lack of "bulk" in modern diets. For All-Bran goes right to the cause of this trouble by supplying the "bulk" you need.

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Rebekahs to Meet This Evening
The members of the Ranger Rebekah Lodge are requested to be present this evening at 7:30 in the L. O. O. F. hall for the regular meeting at which time officers will be nominated.

Following the business meeting a surprise has been planned for the members.

1920 Club to Hear Report Of State Convention
Mrs. R. M. Davenport, who represented the 1920 Club at the state convention of Federated Clubs will make a report on the convention when the 1920 Club meets Thursday at 3 o'clock in the Blue Room of the Gholson Hotel.

Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, president of Sixth District, will also speak on the convention.

Mrs. W. L. Jackson will be leader for the afternoon.

W. M. U. Observes Lottie Moon Program
The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock to observe the first of the Lottie Moon programs.

Mrs. R. J. Taylor was in charge of the program which was opened by a prayer offered by Mrs. J. E. Ogg. Mrs. Frank Hicklin led the devotional and Mrs. Chester Rogers led a prayer for increased effort toward world salvation.

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"Notes on Nigeria" were discussed by Mrs. W. L. Jackson and Mrs. R. V. Robinson spoke on the mission work in China.

The closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Bob Hodges.

It was announced at the meeting that the ladies of the W. M. U. will be in charge of the mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at the church.

Attention was also called to the fact that Workers Conference which was scheduled for today in Moian, has been postponed until Thursday.

Fidelis Matrons Class To Meet Friday
The Fidelis Matrons Class of the First Baptist Church will meet Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the home of Mrs. Ross Hodges, 906 Cherry St.

Very important business will be brought before the group and it is urged that all make their plans to attend.

Missionary Society Meets With Mrs. Dudley
The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian church met Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home of Mrs. R. S. Dudley, for a mission study.

Mrs. L. R. Herring, president of the society, was in charge of the meeting and led the spiritual study. She also presided over the business meeting.

"The World's Need for a Real Christmas" was the subject for the mission study, with Mrs. H. B. Johnson giving the discussion.

Legion Auxiliary Meeting Scheduled For This Evening
The scheduled meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Legion clubrooms.

Members are urged to attend.

W.S.C.S. Business and Missionary Program
The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the church for the monthly business and missionary bulletin program.

After an opening song, reports from several departments were

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



"U-BOAT 29"



The German U-Boat commander falls for the beautiful British spy. Above are Conrad Veidt and Valerie Hobson in a scene from "U-Boat 29." Columbia's timely feature picture depicting the terrors of submarine warfare, which will be the attraction at the Arcadia theatre starting Wednesday.

It's Stranger War College History Professor Says

By DR. E. M. CALDWELL, Head History Dept., Trinity Univ.
It is a strange war, indeed, that is going on now in Europe. At times it seems less a war of belligerent against belligerent than a war of the belligerents against the neutrals.

It has not been belligerent France, bristling behind her mighty Maginot line, but little neutral Holland, that has experienced the full menace of a possible German invasion. Such a menace will not lessen if Holland's first line of defense, her water-soaked country side, should freeze solid, making German mechanized advance possible.

It has been the ships of neutral nations, quite as much as those of Great Britain, that have been sunk in the struggle for mastery of the sea. Ever more threatened by German depredations upon her commercial life-lines, Great Britain has announced her determination to tighten her blockade by not only preventing imports into Germany but also seizing all exports from Germany. To this Germany has countered by warning all neutrals to beware of adopting an attitude of undue acquiescence in such a British policy. As in all past conflicts between the British sea lion and a continental power seeking to break her control of the seas, it is the long-suffering neutral who is caught in the dilemma. If he complies with the dictates of Great Britain, he lays himself open to German charges of unneutral conduct, while an attempt to continue normal trade relationships with Germany will an affront of the British will.

The latest device in sea warfare, the illegal or "wild" straggling of mines in the main lanes of commerce, has begun to take an alarming toll of sea-borne trade. The United States government will do well to see to the strict enforcement of our laws which keep our ships and citizens out of these dangerous areas.

General opinion has tended toward the belief that it is Germany that is straggling the mines. This seems quite probable. Germany has openly declared her determination to destroy the British sea power which makes it possible for her to hold Germany in the grip of a deadly blockade. Germany can well be expected to resort to desperate measures to deal with the increasingly desperate situation in which it seems to be generally admitted, she finds herself.

One guess is as good as another as to how long she can supply herself with the necessary oil to run her airplanes and tanks. An obstacle in this connection was itomania's recent refusal to comply with terms demanded by Germany for a new commercial agreement. This, taken in conjunction with Turkey's pro-British-French attitude, and Italy's increasing coolness and inclination to reassert her leadership in the Balkans, would indicate a lowering of German prestige and influence in Southeastern Europe.

Under present circumstances, much hangs upon the outcome of whatever desperate measures Germany may take to break the British blockade, and on the as yet unanswered question as to what role Russia plans to play in the ever more enigmatic European scene.

HOSPITAL NOTES

A baby girl was born Monday, to Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Duncan, Jr., at the West Texas hospital.

R. L. Ross who has been in a critical condition at the City-County hospital was considered improved this morning.

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Wet State Ebb For Washington

By United Press
OLYMPIA, Wash.—The state liquor board reports Washington is moving toward a "dry" state again, with fewer beer parlors, less beer, wine or hard liquor consumed and a sharp increase in raids on beer parlors and "speakeasies" selling hard liquor.

At the same time the board in its annual statement reported it made more profits than the year before, mainly by boosting prices upon orders of the 1939 legislature.

Liquor sales were the lowest since 1936. Hard liquor amounted to 1,905,414 gallons, a 33,000-gallon drop from 1938. Sales of out-of-state wine fell from 1,838,328 gallons to only 839,936 gallons. Wines produced by Washington vintners showed the only gain, boosting sales from 650,825 gallons to 760,429 gallons.

Beer sales slumped from 18,086,781 gallons to 17,875,729 gallons. In 1936 the sales were 22,000,000 gallons.

The board found local authorities were not enforcing the liquor law which forbids sale of hard liquor in any place by the drink, or by the bottle except at state stores, so the legislature gave its agents the power to arrest and make raids were made to 651 the year before, while arrests rose from 157 to 1,004.

The number of beer places operating in the state fell 5.2 per cent. In 1934 there were 6,470 retail outlets. This year there were only 5,263. The board has cancelled many permits for illegal sales and refused to renew hundreds of others whose operations were unsatisfactory.

Looking over the law violations of the year, the board reported the worst offense was selling beer to intoxicated persons, there being 582 parlors which lost their licenses for that act.

BEAR ATTACKS WOODSMAN

By United Press
WALLACE, Ida.—A large black bear attacked Andrew Erickson, Lochsa river district trapper and guide, while he was fishing. Erickson managed to beat the animal off with a large club. He said the bear was one of the biggest he had ever seen.

BEARS DEMOLISH SEDAN

By United Press
SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, Cal.—Arthur Reich and his son, Arthur, Jr., came here for an extended camping trip in a sedan, but they left for home the same day in an "open air taxi." While the two were fishing, hungry bears demolished the top of their car.

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SOCIETY Personal
Miss Nancy Martin has returned to T. C. U. after spending the holidays in Ranger.
Among the Ranger boys who have returned to their studies at A. & M. after holiday visits with their parents are: Jack Morris, Bab Edmonds, Bill Mitchell, J. A. Johnson, Gene Kribbs, Homer Smith and Robert Ray Herring.
Miss Marise Chastain has returned to Texas State College for Women after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garvin Chastain.
Miss Doris May and C. E. May Jr., have returned to Austin after a holiday visit with their parents.

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