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Four Are Held In Girl's Death At Gorman

PROCEEDINGS 11TH COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals, Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Affirmed:
Mrs. C. E. Donaldson, et vir, vs. D. W. Clark Scurry.

Reversed and Remanded:
The Aetna Casualty & Surety Company vs. Aaron L. Block Jones.

Motions Submitted:
W. H. Harper vs. H. C. Hogan, appellee's motion for rehearing.
C. E. Walton vs. West Texas Utilities Co., appellant's motion for rehearing.

Motions Overruled:
Joe E. Ward vs. City of Big Spring, appellee's motion for rehearing.

John Sayles, et al., vs. Mrs. Maggie F. Owens, et al., appellee's motion for rehearing and motion for oral argument.

Case Submitted April 17:
Uvalde Construction Co., et al., vs. H. M. Shannon Brown.

Case to be Submitted April 24:
Warren S. Cook, et al., vs. Lex C. Wilmet, et al. Scurry.

British Ship Sunk In Atlantic Ocean

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—A medium sized British merchant vessel has been torpedoed in the Atlantic, the Navy Department announced here today.

Survivors from the sunken vessel have been landed at a port on the Gulf of Mexico, the navy communication stated.

Uniforms of Ski Troop Acclaimed

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.—A new type of winter attire has attracted attention of ski fans in the intermountain area of the west—but it's obtainable only from one man—Uncle Sam.

The clothing is that worn by the latest additions to the army—the paraski troops that have been training this winter "somewhere in Utah"—and cannot be duplicated on the civilian market.

A cotton cap, lined with wool, earmuffs attached, and warm mittens, designed so a rifle can be fitted without removing them, are just two of the 30 major items that go to make up the unique costume.

Two types of parkas, one white to camouflage him against the snow, are supplied each paraskier, and his ski boots are made of leather that won't stretch, complete with a sponge rubber tongue. The entire outfit is waterproof and wind-resistant. It was designed by technicians of the army quartermaster corps.

His Father's Son



True chip off the old block is Johnny Bill Boyer, son of Army Capt. R. D. Boyer. All ready to hunt Japs, Johnny failed to understand why his expedition was halted, he was sent home from Hawaii to the mainland.

Where American Forces Fight On



Dueling with Jap shore batteries and bringing down attacking Jap bombers, American and Filipino forces under Gen. Jonathan Wainwright continue to battle the enemy from these four, well-fortified islands blocking Manila Bay.

Specialists Are Needed Now For The Coast Guard

NEW ORLEANS, La.—The existence of an acute shortage in the United States Coast Guard ratings of Radio Men, Ship's Cooks, Motor Machinist Mates, and Machinist Mates, is announced through the Public Relations Office of the 8th Naval District.

Enlistments are open for petty officers ratings in those classes to all men who can qualify.

In the case of men applying for enlistment in the rating of Radio man, they are required to demonstrate their ability to send and receive up to 20 words a minute before their enlistment is effected wherever facilities for conducting this examination are available.

Those desiring to be enlisted as Ship's cooks must furnish satisfactory references of their ability.

To be enlisted as Motor Machinist Mates, an applicant must pass an oral examination proving a thorough working knowledge of the operation, theory of construction and adjustment of internal combustion engines and their accessories.

Col. Thompson Does Not Like Buzzers

By United Press
AUSTIN.—Chairman Ernest O. Thompson of the Texas Railroad Commission does not like buzzers. Perhaps it's his army training, anyhow the Colonel refuses to be buzzed in his office.

At the desk of Mrs. Hick Halcomb, radio commission receptionist, there are three buzzer buttons. There is a red one for Colonel Thompson's office, a green one for Commissioner Olin Culberson and a white one for the office of Commissioner Jerry Sadler.

When a caller arrives to see Culberson or Sadler, Mrs. Halcomb presses the appropriate buzzer. When the commissioner is ready to receive another caller a corresponding light flashes the message to the receptionist and the new caller is admitted.

The red button for Colonel Thompson is not used. His office adjoins the reception desk and the door is open most of the time.

MIDDIES FAVOR COWBOY LORE
By United Press
BOSTON.—The favorite stories of Uncle Sam's sailors are tales of the old Wild West. Chaplain Herbert Dumastrey of the Boston Navy Yard, who has been supervising navy libraries at sea and ashore for 25 years, says the gobs' favorite author is the late Zane Grey.

LAVAL MIGHT CAUSE BREAK WITH THE U.S.

Pierre Laval's new pro-Axis government took form in France today amid increasing British aerial bombardment of Nazi targets on the North Coast, and mounting indications of a political break with the United States.

Laval's official status has not yet been clearly defined, but Vichy dispatches said he would hold the full power as head of the government with Marshal Henri Philippe Petain limited to non-political authority as head of the state and Admiral Francois Darlan, whose cabinet resigned, commanding the armed forces on land and sea under Petain.

That would leave the future of the French Fleet—which London feared Laval would hand over to Germany—in the hands of Marshal Petain, according to Free French reports, but the point was still considered uncertain.

Laval has reportedly selected General Henri Dentz, who fought the British in Syria, for war minister on his tentative cabinet list.

The swiftly mounting aerial attacks by the Royal Air Force in Western Europe and the relentless attacks of the Red Army on the Eastern Front were more closely linked with developments in France than might appear on the surface.

Both London and Moscow reiterated fears that Laval's return to power was a part of Hitler's broad plan for enlisting French support, either directly or indirectly, in the expected Axis offensives in Russia and the Mediterranean Area.

At Kobushev it was announced that total mobilization of Russia's population has been ordered to muster all manpower and all manpower for industrial and farm production as well as for military resistance to the Axis.

VICHY OBJECT OF IRE OF U.S. OVER POLICIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The United States officially repudiated Pierre Laval as leader of France today, by calling him a traitor, and charging the Vichy government with pro-German activities.

Ambassador William D. Leahy will return to the United States for consultations as soon as Mrs. Leahy's health will permit her to travel. He may never return to France—certainly not while Laval is the dominating force in the French Government.

It is believed that Admiral and Mrs. Leahy will return to the United States by boat, since she has recently undergone a major operation and it is believed here that an air trip might prove too strenuous for her.

Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles, who revealed that President Roosevelt had instructed Admiral Leahy to return to the United States, also said he had rebuked the Vichy Ambassador, Gaston Henry-Haye, for subservience of government to German authorities.

Welles' reprimand was delivered late yesterday, when Ambassador Henry-Haye called at the State Department in connection with what Welles described as one of the most amazing incidents in 150 years of friendly Franco-American relations.

Henry-Haye brought a communication which he had been instructed to deliver. Welles told him it was notorious that the document—the French rejection of an American note of April 13, recognizing Free French control of Equatorial Africa—had been submitted to, and received approval of, German authorities before it had been sent.

Welles was asked at his press conference today whether further announcements could be expected on our policy toward the Vichy Government, after consultations with Admiral Leahy. He replied that there might be announcements, even before that time.

Two ships had been scheduled to carry non-military supplies to North Africa, and a Red Cross ship was scheduled to carry a load of milk and clothing for the children of unoccupied France. The ships will not sail, Secretary Welles said.

Registration On April 27th For Males 18 to 64

It has been suggested by the Eastland County Local Board that some publicity should be given the fact that the coming registration on April 27 involves all male persons of the ages of 18 to 64, inclusive, regardless of whether or not such persons have registered in any of the "Civilian Defense" registrations, such as was held in Eastland and elsewhere in this county some weeks ago.

It is pointed out that the "Civilian Defense" registrations were voluntary, while the registration for April 27 is compulsory since it is in keeping with the national law governing the matter.

It seems that some persons got the mistaken idea that because they registered in the "Civilian Defense" registrations it would not be necessary for them to register again on April 27.

THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Little temperature change tonight.

Target Of Jap Attacks



Battered by Japanese bombs and long-range guns, the harbor of beleaguered Corregidor, island fortress where American and Filipino troops are making a last ditch stand, today presents no such peaceful picture as this.

Navy Appreciation Week At Theatres Starts On Sunday

DALLAS, Texas, April 17.—Over 400 motion picture theaters in Texas will swing into line Sunday in a unified effort to aid the boys of the Navy who are fighting the Japs and the Hun on all seven seas. Every Texas theater, starting Sunday will observe Navy Appreciation Week as proclaimed by Governor Coke Stevenson and do its part to raise funds for the Navy Relief Society. The theaters of Texas, big and small, circuit and independent, during the week of April 19 to 25 are answering the appeal of the Variety Club of Texas and are taking up collections and putting on special programs to raise money to aid the families of men in the United States Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard service who have been killed or wounded in battle. Never before has such a united effort on the part of the theatrical world been made in Texas or any other state. Every theater will show a special Navy Relief film showing our ships in action and telling of the vital needs of this great society of which President Roosevelt is honorary chairman and Attorney General Gerald C. Mann Campaign Chairman for Texas, which is asked to raise \$210,000 for this patriotic cause. Chief Barker R. E. Griffith of the Variety Club has appointed John Adams of Interstate Circuit as Chairman of the Variety Club Committee for Navy Relief. He is working with Dick Stout, Chairman of the Motion Picture Theater Committee, who was appointed by Attorney General Mann. A million theater-going Texans will be reminded during the week that they should do something in behalf of the boys who are manning the guns on American battleships, submarines and airplanes in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Oceans. State Chairman Mann goes on the air from the Majestic Theater in Dallas in a special Navy Week program at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, over a state wide hook-up.

College Director Is Accepted Under A Provision of Own

AUSTIN.—Holman Cartwright of Dinero, Tex., newly appointed director of the college of arts and sciences at Kingsville, made an unusual request of Governor Stevenson, and accepted the position only when the Texas chief executive agreed to it.

Cartwright accepted on the understanding that he would be free to resign whenever he didn't know how to aid in running the college.

Cartwright, incidentally, was elected first vice-president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association at its March convention in El Paso, and in the ordinary course will become president at the next annual meeting.

Two Letters Bring Chuckles to Capitol

By United Press
AUSTIN.—Maybe it's due to wartime office staffs, but two funny pieces of mail received at state offices this week caused chuckles.

There came to Senate Secretary Bob Barker from Salvation Army offices in Atlanta, Ga., photographs of a tent meeting conducted by Exhorter Baker in a revival at Hickory.

The evangelist shown in the pictures is a youthful, slender, earnest young man, clearly distinguishable from Secretary Barker, who is on the Palstaffian model.

To the state insurance commission came a letter addressed to the late Walter C. Woodward, former chairman of the board. Woodward died in December of 1940, and the letter caused comment because it was from the president of an association "striving to get a better deal for policyholders," and supposedly on its toes about insurance matters.

AMBULANCES FOR PUERTO RICO
By United Press
SAN JUAN.—A corps of ambulances for civilian defense will be acquired by Gov. Rexford Guy Tagwell's committee with \$100,000 appropriated from the insular emergency fund.

ARRESTS ARE RESULT OF AN INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY TWO COUNTY OFFICIALS

INVESTIGATION COVERED BIG PART OF WEST TEXAS BEFORE THREE MEN AND A WOMAN WERE APPREHENDED

The adage that "Murder Will Out" seems about to prove true again. This time in the case of the death of a young woman who died at Gorman on February 18, last.

Olivia Russell, 25, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Russell of Claremore, Oklahoma, who had been working as a waitress at Odessa, died a few days after being admitted to a Gorman hospital where she had been taken by friends.

The body was shipped to her home at Claremore, Oklahoma, where its arrival was the first information the parents had of her death.

Not satisfied with the story told as to the cause of their daughter's death, the parents went to Abilene where the father enlisted the aid of Sheriff Lewis Woods and District Attorney Earl Conner of Eastland, in an investigation of the case.

In the past several days Sheriff Woods, assisted by District Attorney Conner, have covered much territory working on the case and their investigations have brought about the arrest of four persons, one man from San Angelo and two men and a woman from Odessa, in connection with the case. The four are now being held in the Eastland County Jail at Eastland, and District Attorney Conner said at noon today charges of murder were being prepared against them and likely would be filed some time this afternoon.

Officers stated that the 88th district court grand jury, which is due to reconvene Tuesday, instead, in order that evidence in the case might be submitted to that body as soon as possible.

Construction Men Are Going Into Naval Work Now

Recently announced government restrictions on construction not essential to the nation's war effort has resulted in a considerable increase in applications of skilled men for enlistment in naval construction battalions. Navy recruiters at Abilene announced today.

Men enlisted in construction battalions, recruiting officers said, enjoy the distinction of being in a military organization of practically "all sergeants and no privates" as more than 90 per cent are enlisted as petty officers with beginning monthly pay ranging from \$60.00 to \$99.00, plus board, lodging, medical and dental attention when needed. When serving outside continental limits of the U. S., 20 percent is added to pay. Married men in the \$72.00, or above, pay grade receive an additional \$34.50 per month as housing allowance.

Although enlisted primarily for work with tools of their trade, Naval Construction Battalion men are taught to handle defensive weapons before being sent to overseas duty. Proud of their ability to fight as well as build, they have adopted as their emblem a flying bee, fighting mad. On its head it sports a sailor hat; in its forehead or leg it clutches a spitting "Tommy gun"; in its midship hand, a wrench, and in its left hand a carpenter's hammer. On the arms are rating badges of Navy petty officers.

Applications are being accepted daily at all Navy recruiting stations. Applicants are required to bring with them letters of recommendation from former employers, or other proof of experience at their trade.

Naval Construction Corps officers will be in Dallas April 20-21 and again on April 28-29 to interview applicants and determine pay ratings of those who have previously passed physical examinations at Navy recruiting stations. They will also be at Amarillo on April 22 and 30. Applicants not satisfied with pay rating determined by interviewing officer will be under no obligations to enlist, recruiting officers said.

Petrol Ration Chills Petters Down Under

By United Press
BRISBANE, Australia.—Gasoline restrictions in Australia have cut down petting in cars in Brisbane's parks and drives, according to the Liquid Fuel Control Board. Autoists caught "parking" are brought before the board, and questioned as to why they were parked. If the answer is not satisfactory, their gas ration is cut.

Former "tail light avenue" are now empty and petting car owners have labeled the board "snoopers" and protested against being "trail-like criminals."

Determined to keep out of "this dishonorable, imperialistic war," Gregory Carlhart, Chesterfield, Mass., armed self with shot gun, threatened to "shoot it out" with anyone trying to force him to report for Army induction.

Ready To Shoot To Avoid Draft



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How to Lose a War

There is more than one way to skin a cat and more than one way to lose a war. Bungling generals and soft-headed politicians make the enemy happy. Greedy profiteering by industrialists and production-stopping strikes and slowdowns by labor brighten up things at Berchtesgaden.

These are big, important things about which orders can be issued and laws passed. Not so headline-grabbing but equally dangerous to a nation at war are the petty jealousies and unfounded suspicions which throw the whole concerted effort off key. Two recent items in the news illustrate the point.

Many columnists and commentators a few weeks ago made a great to-do over the push and drive exhibited by citizens of Mt. Gilead, O., and surrounding countryside in an effort to enlist every man, woman, and child in some worthwhile war effort.

This was great so far as it went, but there was considerably more smoke than fire. Seems that several people at Mt. Gilead adopted the attitude of the small boy who owns the football: "You let me play quarterback or you can't use my ball." They stalled and held back. Regardless of who was to blame, or whether anybody was at fault, it is childish for adults to sulk in that manner at any time. But an American citizen today stomps his foot and sticks out his lower lip just because he isn't leading the parade it smacks of the attitude which tied France in so many knots that one became a noose.

Happily, the good people of Mt. Gilead realized in time they were slipping backward two feet for every one they gained. Wiser heads prevailed, they sat down like grownups to talk things over and came out fighting, but not each other. Now they are functioning as one team and it's work, not street corner wrangling and back-biting, which occupies them.

A more violent form of ridiculous jealousy flared in a California town when two candidates for leader of the home guard fought it out with pistols. Their marksmanship and bullets should have been saved for the enemy.

All in all our country is doing a good job of getting set to land that knockout blow. Most citizens perform their tasks, buy bonds and pay taxes, do with less sugar and rubber cheerfully. The squawkers, happily, make a very small minority, and Americans sometimes just have to beef or they wouldn't be Americans.

The danger of jealousies and throat-cutting among persons who should be working shoulder to shoulder, however, threatens to split many a town, organization or group. About the only way to dam up such a flood is for everyone to take a long look at themselves and ask: "Am I in any way holding back this united effort by failing to co-operate wholeheartedly?" If the answer is "yes," set yourself right.

U. S. LEGISLATOR

HORIZONTAL

14 Pictured member of U. S. Congress.

11 Painful.

12 Horseback game.

13 Consent.

15 Bind.

16 Teacher.

18 Obstinate.

19 Within.

20 Parent.

21 Relieves.

23 Matching group.

24 Singing voice.

26 American.

28 Music note.

29 Err.

31 Half an err.

32 At this time.

34 Enemy.

36 Noise.

39 Novel.

42 Salary.

44 Lieutenant (abbr.).

46 Permit.

48 Part of foot.

50 Lubricant.

52 Tellurium (symbol).

Answer to Previous Puzzle

18 Comrade.

17 Reference (abbr.).

20 Place (abbr.).

22 Measure.

24 Soon.

25 Individual.

27 Wand.

30 Provide.

33 Clean by rubbing.

35 Long fish.

37 Symbol for sodium.

38 Ocean vessel.

40 Moist.

41 Roman road.

43 Youthful.

45 Wearies.

47 Beverage.

51 Tandy.

54 Most important.

56 Girl's nickname.

58 For.

59 By.

60 Half ems.

61 Paid notice.

62 Three prefix.

64 Music note.

66 Exist.

VERTICAL

1 Connect.

3 Mineral rock.

2 Him.

4 Part of skeleton.

5 Place of worship.

6 Hangman's knot.

7 Laughter sound.

8 Ovary.

9 God of war.

10 Restrain.

11 Moves.

12 Measure.

14 Compound ether.

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"Oh, Say Can You See—"



'Let's Wear Slacks' Movement for Girls Doesn't Hit Austin

AUSTIN, Tex.—Amarillo's ladies who started the "Let's Wear Slacks to Work" campaign apparently are going to have to get along without the support of the Texas capitol's working girls, at least for a while.

The Amarillo girls decided recently that they needed slacks for business attire, because some of them ride bicycles to work and pants are better than dresses for riding bicycles on the windy plains.

Some of Austin's toiling ladies admire the Amarilloans' defiance of style and tradition, but the Slacks-for-Working-Girls movement is making almost no progress here.

Three reasons have been ascribed for the Austin attitude, as follows:

First, official dignity. Some of the visiting voters might not like it.

Second, all Austin girls apparently still ride automobiles or buses or walk to work. The only bicycles parked around the capitol these days belong to messenger boys.

Furthermore, Austin girls are reluctant to adopt the bike for business transportation because streets here are up-and-down, much more of an effort for bicyclists than riding over Amarillo's smooth terrain.

Third, the girls themselves display little interest in the campaign. If they wore slacks to work, what would they wear for sports such as hiking? Feminine tourists circulate through the great stone capital almost every day and the bedraggled appearance of many slacks-wearing visitors arouses no envy among the well-groomed misses who work in the state offices.

The hoistery problem is causing genuine concern. That always-important budget item is becoming more important for hose will snag, run and wear out in wartime as in peace. Silk and its better substitutes are almost too expensive for the average working girl's budget now for state salaries are set long in advance and there's no chance of getting a raise to meet increased cost of living before Sept. 1, 1943, start of the next fiscal biennium.

The girls still are buying the best hose they can afford, because the cheaper varieties definitely have a de-glamorizing influence.

The Department of Public Welfare and the state Highway Department have recognized the girls' difficulties and granted permission for them to wear anklets to work if they desire. Most still wear stockings, however. The highway department bans slacks.

The Comptroller's Office permits employees enlisted in the Women's Motor Corps to wear their uniforms to work on certain days. Regulations permit uniforms either with skirts or with slacks, but those seen in the capitol so far all have been with skirts.

Chicagoan was pinched after holding up people entering night club. You'd hardly expect him to wait till they came out.

Vermonters Is America's Lawrence in Arabia, Chief of U. S. Mission at Jiddah

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Behind the opening of the newest U. S. legation at Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, there is one of those unbelievable stories reminiscent of "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court." Only the Yankee in this case is from Vermont.

Real and principal reason for this diplomatic move is that King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia is interested in taking his three million Bedouins, whose principal source of income has been from pilgrims to Mecca, and doing for them what our Office of Indian Affairs has done for the American Indians on their reservations in Arizona and New Mexico.

The story begins some ten years ago when the Institute of World Affairs, the private foundation established by the late plumbing king and practical philanthropist, Charles R. Crane, sent a young scholar and engineer, K. S. Twitchell of Burlington, Vt., to Yemen, Arabia, to study the ways of the people and see what he could learn from them or do for them. Twitchell soon had them building roads and digging wells. And he promoted native arts and crafts.

He traveled around Arabia a good bit and in neighboring Saudi he struck up a friendship with the old king, Ibn Saud. Twitchell began to act as an informal adviser to the king and in one of their many talks they hit the subject of what might be done to improve the Arabian desert and the Bedouin people. Where in the history of the world had there been a similar civilization in a similar climate and what had been done to improve it?

Twitchell had an idea. He thought that the work of improving the lot of the American Indians of the semi-arid southwest might offer a parallel. The idea was presented to Ibn Saud, who thereupon asked Twitchell to return to the United States, make a study of the situation and bring him back a report.

The Vermont returned to the United States in February, 1941. He spent some time in Washington, studying the work of the Office of Indian Affairs in the Department of the Interior. Then he went on a tour of the Navajo, Pueblo, Apache, Papago, and Pima reservations in Arizona and New Mexico, studying conservation of land and water, irrigation and the development of Indian arts and crafts as a source of income. He took a lot of pictures and wrote a big long report. On his return to Arabia, he presented the whole thing to the king, who was enthusiastic. Why couldn't similar things be done for his Bedouin tribesmen?

With that beginning and a lot of subsequent diplomatic dickering a plan was finally worked out whereby a couple of experts could be loaned to the Saudi Arabian government to see what could be developed. A mission was created with State Department blessing. Twitchell is its chief, the other members being Albert L. Walther, acting chief of the engineering branch of the Indian Bureau, and James G. Hamilton of Albuquerque, an agronomist in the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture. They have arrived safely at Jiddah, so news of the expedition can now be given.

WITH an official mission in Saudi Arabia, it became advantageous to have a U. S. legation on the job. Theoretically, Alexander C. Kirk has been accredited as minister to both Cairo and Jiddah, but with Kirk spending most of his time in the increasingly important Egyptian post, the legation at Jiddah will be headed by James Saris Moose, Jr., of Morrilltown, Ark., as secretary and charge d'affaires. Moose goes to Jiddah after service at other Near Eastern posts.

WANTED

A representative in Ranger and trade territory who is capable of earning from \$60.00 to \$100.00 per week.

A man between 35 and 55 years old preferred. Must have good record and make bond. Experience in selling intangibles desired, but not absolutely necessary. Must own car and be well acquainted in this territory.

Write or call R. H. Carnahan, Care West Texas Aircraft School, Ranger, Texas.

Recruiting Office Seeks Paratroops For The U.S. Army

ABILENE.—Have you seen a paratrooper? You can recognize one by his silver insignia that he wears on the breast of his blouse. It depicts a winged parachute opened for descent and has been termed the "silver badge of courage." Or, you can tell him by the scrappy cat on his coveralls. You can tell him, too, when he talks because he will not fail to mention his unbreakable conviction that the parachute troops of the Army can accomplish any mission they are given, mostly because he and his fellows are in it. You can tell him when he walks because he walks like the athlete he is, with the confident step of finely trained muscles given him by courses of strenuous training, designed to quicken his reflexes and give him a constitution of iron. He is especially picked for his job from among army and civilian volunteers.

The Abilene Army Recruiting and Induction Station has just received a call for parachute troops. The Station has a quota open

for volunteers for this spectacular branch of Uncle Sam's army. Captain C. K. Smullen, Commanding Officer, asks particularly that the openings in this proud Corps be considered by young men in the eighteen and nineteen year groups, although applicants will be considered up to thirty.

To be considered for parachute troops applicants must be alert, active, supple, with firm muscles and sound limbs, capable of development into aggressive, tough individual fighters of great endurance. The applicants' weight must not exceed 185 pounds. They must have good vision and a strong heart. In addition, they must be intelligent, for the course of study will range from map-reading to the study of all the weapons used by ground troops and the packing of their own parachute. The parachutist will be well paid, too. After making a series of qualification jumps from an army plane, at the conclusion of his training period, he becomes an expert parachutist and receives \$50.00 a month in addition to his pay as a private or a non-commissioned officer.

Previous parachute troop quotas of the Abilene Station have been quickly filled, so those interested

Full Blood Indian Is A Plane Pilot

By United Press

TACOMA, Wash.—Leonard Farron, a full blooded Puyallup Indian, has gone on the warpath for Uncle Sam in a speedy fighter plane.

Farron, who majored in aeronautical engineering at the University of Washington, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force.

The lieutenant is a great grandson of A. V. Kautz, who once served as a general in the U. S. Army. His grandfather, Augustus Kautz, was one of the original 18 Puyallup Indians to enter the Indian school at Forest Grove, Ore., forerunner of the Chemawa Indian school.

young men are urged to make immediate application. The boys accepted for parachute troops from Abilene have all written back of the excitement, action, and enthusiasm in this new branch of the service. For further information those interested are urged to call or write the Abilene Army Recruiting and Induction Station, Masonic Lodge Building.

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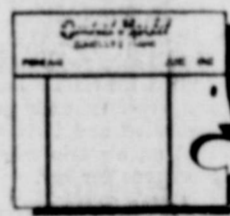
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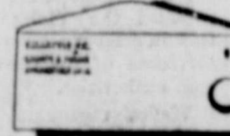
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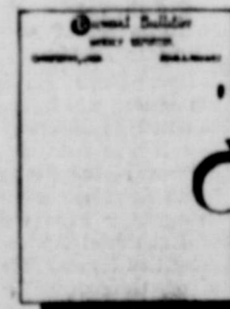
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SERIAL STORY

MEXICAN MASQUERADE

BY CECIL CARNES

FELLOW PRISONER

CHAPTER XI

NO man however brave can hear himself sentenced to die unmoved. A chill trickled up Allan's spine and down again; his lips lightened to a straight line; but they did not tremble, and he forced his eyes to meet the steady gaze fixed upon him by Watanabe. He did not speak, for there was so obviously nothing to say.

"I have the authority to execute you immediately," continued the Japanese thoughtfully, "but I prefer to wait a little—just a little while, senor! It happens you have arrived at an awkward moment for us. My superior officer here, Gen. Baron Kazunari Sagawa, is absent at present on a short business trip north to your own country, in fact, I think he may wish to question you before you—er—leave us."

Allan cleared his throat. He tried to think of something to say, but his thoughts were rather badly confused for the moment. Before anything useful occurred to him, Watanabe's smooth voice resumed. "You will be placed on a neighboring island which we use for the detention of undesirable. You will have some freedom of movement, but you will not attempt to escape, senor! There are guards there who are expert marksmen—and the waters of this Gulf are teeming with man-eating sharks. I consider it only fair to warn you of these deadly dangers."

"Thank you," said Allan mechanically. Watanabe took up the automatic and put it in a drawer of his desk. He examined the field glasses casually.

"You may keep these, senor," he announced generously, but spoiled the effect by adding naively: "I have a better pair of my own already." He handed them with a word in Japanese to the guard, who hung them over Allan's shoulder by their strap. "That is all for now, senor. We will meet again, I'm sure."

At last Allan could say something with sincerity. "I hope so!" he declared grimly. The blindfold was replaced. With the guard in front and the Eurasian behind, he was led back the way he had come. He took a long breath of humid air when the door was passed; it was good to be above-ground once more.

Still blindfolded, he was placed in a launch. Only the guard was with him now. When the putt-putt ceased and the boat's nose grated against a dock, the man removed the bandage. He held a revolver

in one hand while he loosed Allan's bonds with the other. "You make trouble, I shoot!" he said in halting Spanish.

THEN Allan was free at last to stretch his cramped arms. He scrambled onto the dock, and he launched promptly backed away. He straightened thankfully, and found himself looking into a pair of heaven-blue eyes. They belonged to the girl he had seen through the glasses. She was prettier at this close range, and much prettier than the photograph he had studied so carefully before leaving San Diego.

"Hullo!" he said. "Miss Kay Sargent, is that you?" "O-o-oh!" gasped the girl breathlessly. "Who are you?" "Allan Steele." He held out a partially numbed hand. "I'm glad to find you at last, Miss Sargent. I've been looking for you!"

"Looking for me?" repeated Kay Sargent, and as the idea seemed to register on her mind, she drew back the breath she had lost in one long inhalation. "Thank heaven!" she cried softly. "I'd begun to think nobody was ever going to do anything! It's nearly two months now since we were brought here by force, and not a sign from home!"

"Huh? You didn't meet Harry Bishop?" "Harry Bishop? No. Who is he?"

"Why—give you the details later! He came down here hunting for your father and you, but—er—came back without locating you. And where is your father, Miss Sargent?"

"He's over there," said Kay, nodding toward the island Allan had just left. She added bitterly: "A prisoner! As I am here!" "But, why? Why has this outfit kidnaped you two?"

"I don't know!" she answered, and the despair in her tone gave him a hint of the torture she had suffered from uncertainty. "If I knew that perhaps I could do something about it."

"Seems to be a Chinese puzzle with a Japanese polish. I know your father came here on some mission for our Government, but they didn't give me the details. Just what was he after?"

"He never told me. Father is very—careful. And since they brought us here I have had no chance to talk with him. Every day, at six in the afternoon, two guards bring him to the shore of that island. We see each other and wave our hands. I don't believe they ill-treat him, but—oh, he seems to look 20 years older than when we left the States."

"Now, now—thumbs up!" he urged her hurriedly, detecting the shine of tears in her eyes. "We'll bust this racket yet!"

"C-can you really help us?" she demanded. "Aren't you a prisoner too, Mr.—Mr.—?"

"Steele. My friends call me Allan, though—and I suppose yours call you Kay, don't they? Let's start right out on a Kay and Allan basis, shall we? I've a notion we'll be good friends before we get out from behind this 8-ball."

"I hope so—Allan. Father and I—need a friend."

"Come to think of it, haven't you one already? Who was that you were talking with here a while ago?"

"Pierre de Fontanelle!" She brightened and smiled as she uttered the name. "Pierre's a dear! He does little things to make me comfortable, and he tries to keep me cheerful! He's French."

"I thought so from the way he talks."

"You've met him?" asked Kay, eyebrows arching in surprise. "No—seen him. He waves his hands. You look out, Kay, or sometime when he's chatting with you he'll get really excited and maybe give you a nasty clip on the jaw."

She drew back her head at that and laughed. It was a rippling little laugh, musical as a run on the piano, and it did queer things to Allan's insides. He wondered if he was going to fall in love with Kay Sargent.

"Who is De Fontanelle?" he asked, and actually sounded a trifle jealous. "What's he doing here?"

"He's a prisoner—like us. He came the day after I did. He's a geologist, he told me. He was prospecting those mountains over there for mineral deposits when the Japanese picked him up. They said he was spying on them. He says they're crazy!"

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"Sounds okay," conceded Allan. He glanced at his wrist watch. "They parade your father at six? It's just that now."

"And there he comes! I'd walked down here to wait for him, and found you just arriving."

(To Be Continued)

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



ball park. He did and a friendship sprang up between the coach and the sailor. Norton says the boy is a good prospect and he, too, is looking forward to the day that hostilities are over and he can enroll at Texas A & M and try for the football team.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser



RED RYDER

By Harman



ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



Sailor Wants To Go To Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION — When the current war is over and the men in service for the duration are released, Coach Homer Norton can count on one man from the

U. S. Navy coming to Texas A. & M. to play a bit of football, and it all came about in a funny way. Last Fall before the war made the trek to Seattle, Norton received a letter from man Alvis O. Hardie, stationed at the Naval Station in Seattle. Seaman Hardie was very anxious to see

and tendered his services as water-boy or anything at all so that he could get in to see the game. Coach Norton answered thank-fully, but he always used the same boy. However, he added an- other should Hardie show up in Tacoma, he would sailor got into the

Society Notes

Mrs. Jackson Entertains With Luncheon

Proceeding the regular program for the 1920 Club, Mrs. W. L. Jackson, president, entertained with a one o'clock luncheon at her home Thursday.

Texas wild flowers, including the state flower, the bluebonnet, were used in the decorations and for attractive shoulder corsages for each guest. White cards pierced with wild flowers with standards of bulb blades marked the places for the guests who were seated at tables for four. Proceeding the three course luncheon Mrs. Jackson welcomed the guests with brief remarks and Mrs. Bob Hodges offered thanks.

Following the luncheon the regular program on Texas Legends was presented, with Mrs. Hodges serving as leader. "Legends of Texas Wild Flowers" was the subject of a discussion by Mrs. C. L. Jackson, and Mrs. Hugh Smith gave "Legends of the Supernatural in Texas."

In a short business meeting Mrs. M. H. Hagaman was selected to represent the club as its delegate to the National convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs to be held in Fort Worth in May. Plans were also

discussed for the Music Appreciation Week program for the closing meeting.

Guests for the luncheon were: Misses Smith, G. C. Boswell, John M. Gholson, J. S. McDowell, B. A. Tunnell, Saule Perlestein, J. E. Fletcher, Bob Hodges, Alvin Strain of San Antonio, Ross Hodges, J. E. Kendall of Johnson City, J. L. Thompson, Helen Yonker, Peggy Skilern, O. L. Phillips, Hal Lavary, J. T. Killingsworth, D. Joseph, G. F. Morgan, A. W. Brazda, Arthur Murrell, C. E. Maddocks, C. L. Jackson and John W. Ducker.

PERSONALS

People and what they are doing make news and we want that news for our paper in order to better serve the readers of the Times. No matter how unimportant the things you do, may seem, they are of interest to others. Call 224 to report any item of Personal Mention, society or general news.

Mrs. Mills Davenport spent Thursday in Brownwood and Brady.

Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas Knight of New York City are the guests of their mothers, Mrs. C. R. Knight and Mrs. Ethel Gilmore.

Mrs. W. W. McCaully and Mrs. W. W. Myers of Breckenridge were guests of Mrs. Novella Devore today.

Miss Alma Fullbright and Mrs. G. L. Wingle and Mrs. J. C. Coffman of Eastland visited Miss Fullbright's parents in Stephenville Thursday evening.

Mrs. Estelle Sneed and Mrs. Melton Hunt of Eastland were shopping in Ranger Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Houston of Caddo visited in Ranger Wednesday.

G. A. Townzen of Odessa is here for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. B. R. Lamance is a medical patient in the West Texas hospital.

Blue Swingsters Will Play For a Dance Saturday

The Carl Barnes Post of the American Legion, and the Legion Auxiliary, will sponsor a dance at the Legion Hall tomorrow night, beginning at 9 o'clock, with the Blue Swingsters of Ranger furnishing the music. Admission to the dance will be 55 cents per couple, including the federal tax, and all men in uniform will be admitted free.

The Blue Swingsters first began as a college quartet, under the direction of Mrs. E. R. Priesing, and then it was decided to form an orchestra.

At first the orchestra had five members, with Mrs. Priesing as pianist, but due to illness Mrs. Priesing was compelled to discontinue her work with the orchestra.

Later four members were added, with Jack Davenport as Director, and upon his transfer, he, too, was forced to give up his work with the group.

At present the orchestra consists of nine members. They are: Albert Bradford, first trumpet; Francis McHenry, second trumpet; Harold Pyffe, trombone; reeds; Homer Gay, clarinet; Billy Harrington, tenor saxophone; Chas. Osteen, first alto saxophone; Mary McHenry, second alto saxophone; rhythm section, Elsie Hummel, piano; Mary Ann Jones, drums and vocal.

Former Ranger Boy Becomes a Captain

Word has been received in Ranger of the promotion of Roy Jameson, Jr., from the rank of First Lieutenant to Captain in the U. S. Army.

Capt. Jameson was raised in Ranger, where he attended school, later attending Oklahoma University, where he was in the R. O. T. C.

He has been stationed at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, where he was at the time of his promotion.

Country Club To Have a Meeting at Clubhouse Tues.

A. N. Larsen, president of the Ranger Country Club, has called a meeting of the membership for Tuesday night, April 21, for the purpose of discussing golf tournaments of the club. The meeting will be held at the clubhouse.

While both the city tournament and the invitation tournament will be discussed, emphasis will be placed on the invitation tournament, Larsen stated today.

It was also announced that John Bates, a member of the Breckenridge Country Club, had issued an invitation for members of the Ranger club to play in Breckenridge on Sunday, April 26, and the Breckenridge club will bring a golf team to Ranger on Sunday, May 10, to return the match.

At the country club meeting tonight, to which all certificate and associate members are invited to attend, hot dogs and refreshments will be served.

Montgomery Ward To Remodel Upper Story Of Building

C. L. Crews, local manager of the Montgomery Ward Store, announced today that the second story of the building now occupied by the store had been leased, and would be remodeled to form a storeroom.

For many months the company has used a number of small vacant buildings for storing merchandise for which there was not room available on the sales floor, which has been an inconvenient arrangement.

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Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For District Clerk:
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CLAUDE (Curley) MAYNARD
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
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C. S. (CLABE) ELDRIDGE
For Constable:
L. J. (LUKE) HARDIN
Constable Precinct No. 2:
RAY FAIRCLOTH
For Collector-Assessor:
CLYDE KARKALITS
For County Clerk:
R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY
Representative of 106 District:
L. H. FLEWELLEN
For Justice Peace:
MAJ. R. H. (Bob) HANSFORD

Angling Glossary Includes All The Right Definitions

By United Press

AUSTIN.—This glossary of fishing terms, taken from the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission's monthly bulletin, may prove valuable to anglers when the season opens May 1.

The glossary:

"Fishing"—a disease for which there is no cure. In extreme cases the fever can be reduced by placing the patient in the hot sun for several hours.

"Fishing camp"—a place to eat half-cooked food, fight insects and play poker. Liveliest hours are from midnight to dawn. Camping trips are often spoiled by screws who insist on going fishing.

"Bait"—a couple of cases of good cold beer and a ham, tongue or liverwurst sandwich.

"Guide"—conversationalist whose job it is to protect the fish by taking you where they ain't.

"Rod"—a sporty name for a fish pole costing over \$5. Rods are sold by weight. The lighter the rod, the heavier the tax.

"Reel"—a coffee grinder invented by satan and designed to snarl at critical moments, thus inducing lurid and profuse profanity.

"Creel"—an icebox in which to keep refreshments.

"Whopper"—a term to describe any fish, however small, that got away.

"On the serious side, the game commission advises prospective fishermen to protect themselves against insects, excessive sunshine, and fools who insist upon upsetting the boat or venturing out in a boat in bad weather.

Fishermen should carry their drinking water or boil lake or stream water. They should carry a first aid kit and use it, sterilizing even minor scratches.

About all that comes to him who waits is a request to move on.

Domestic Pets To Have Protection

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Dogs and other domestic animals are to be given protection during blackouts and raids in Los Angeles county.

The American Red Star, an organization interested in animal welfare, has undertaken to see that dogs and other animals are removed from public highways during danger periods and taken to safety centers.

A survey of dog hospitals has been made and cooperation secured from poundmasters and various humane societies.

C of C Officials Invited To Meeting

L. W. Meador, president, and Pleas E. Moore, secretary-manager, of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, have received invitations to attend the forum dinner of the Cisco Chamber of Commerce, to be held tonight.

State Senator John Lee Smith of Throckmorton will be principal speaker at the forum meeting.

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