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# MAJOR AFRICAN WAR SHAPING

## SOUTH TO HOLD CONFERENCE ON WARTIME LABOR

ALANTA, Geo. (UP)—Plans for a conference of American Federation of Labor chiefs, high federal officials and industrial leaders to be held here Jan. 16-18 on the war labor problems of the South neared completion today.

George L. Googe, Southern representative of the AFL, said the conference had been arranged because of "the South's importance in the war effort". He said it would be the largest conference in this region.

"The shortest route to Tokyo and Berlin" is to be the theme of the meeting, which will be attended by AFL President William Green, the executive council of AFL, the South's leading industrialists, bankers, educators and journalists, as well as more than 5,000 official delegates in 11 Southern states.

### Seek to Speed Production

"The South's importance in the effort, the big ship-building program on the South Atlantic and the Gulf, and other industries vital to the war program make it imperative that labor in the South be kept fully informed on the move and facing America and the extent to which this nation and her Allies depend upon the army of production to support the armed forces," Googe said.

He said it was believed that a program to speed war production, through closer labor-management co-operation, would be worked out during the three-day conference.

Googe said the problems of federal and state legislation probably would be discussed and that the program would include study of the War Labor Board's functions, War Manpower Commission operations, price control, rationing and civilian defense, in addition to the main theme of labor's part in the war.

### To Get All View Points

He pointed out that the industrialists, bankers, journalists and educators invited to the conference would provide a cross-section of thought based on experience essential to a program of co-operation.

"If we can find a way through this conference of hastening the victory by one day, it will be a great achievement," Googe said.

## Official List Of Eastland Co. War Casualties

Following is the official list of war casualties for Eastland county up to the end including Jan. 14.

Sidney Awalt, missing in action; G. T. Awalt, missing in action; J. T. Awalt, (may be same as G. T. Awalt) missing in action; Calhoun Henderson, missing in action; Bobby T. Bacon, missing in action; Arnold Evans, missing in action; Joe H. Harrison, killed; Wesley T. Henderson, missing in action; Joe Jackson, accidentally killed; Roy R. Little, missing in action; Chas. C. McCorkle, died; L. A. Bob Martin, missing in action; Ray A. Murray, died; Scott Neal, missing in action; Jack Sikes, killed; Leonard Skiles, missing in action; Bill Sublett, missing in action; Boyd Tanner, killed; Carl Van Geem, missing in action; Billy Lewis Westfall, missing in action.

## Alley Oop! Coming Down!



All sports, no thrill like this. A skier takes jump on Mt. Baker course in state of Washington.

## AMERICAN LEGION POSTS ARE ASSISTING VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS OF PRESENT WAR

### Activities Are No Longer Limited to Veterans of World War I, as Members Are Seeking New Laws for Veterans

The American Legion Posts in Texas not only are performing outstanding service in the collection of rubber and scrap metal, organizing air raid warden service, obtaining enrollees for military service and other war activities, but are assisting veterans of the present war, and their dependents, in obtaining government benefits, according to Lee Dockery, Post Service Officer, The American Legion.

"Many World War II veterans are being discharged from the present service as the result of mental disabilities, often with the notation on their discharge, 'Disability Not In Line of Duty,' because the disability may be regarded as existing prior to enlistment, Dockery said.

"These veterans with mental disabilities, which are supposed to have existed prior to enlistment, are NOT entitled to free hospitalization in a government hospital unit service connection is established through the Veteran's Administration. This means that these veterans must be cared for by relatives, or placed in a state hospital until such time as sufficient evidence can be furnished to the Veteran's Administration to establish service connection of the mental disability.

"To provide hospitalization benefits for World War II cases on a parity with privileges granted veterans of former wars, there has been a bill introduced in Congress by The American Legion to grant hospital benefits for veterans discharged from the present war with out duty status or 'line of duty' status."

"Veterans suffering from active tuberculosis during this war, however, are being discharged into government hospitals with 'in line of duty' status, and claims for disability compensation are filed by Service Officers. If these veterans have no dependents, compensation is limited to \$15 a month during hospitalization. If evidence is offered to show there is a dependent mother or father, the full amount of disability compensation is allowed.

"It is apparent that there is a growing need for increased activity on the part of the service agencies, now well organized to assist beneficiaries. The American Legion is providing unselfish service to all World War I and World War II veterans through approximately 450 posts in Texas, through the Veteran's State Office and the Department Service Officer of The American Legion."

## Workers Complete 6,500 Surgical Dressings To Date

Directors of the surgical dressings work being done here for the Red Cross, stated this morning that in five days that workers have been on the job, 6,500 dressings have been completed. This, they pointed out, is a splendid average as the local chapter has 20,000 to complete by March 1.

The response of those who have certificates to do the work has been excellent and at the present rate of production it is felt that the workers will have no difficulty in getting the quota completed on time. The working room is open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

## Football is Shaky In Rocky Mountain Area, Coach Says

LORAMIE, Wyo. (UP)—F. Elton Davis, graduate manager of athletics at the University of Wyoming, predicts that college football may be "thrown overboard" in Rocky Mountain schools in 1943.

Davis said the long distances the teams had to travel in the region, coupled with increasing transportation difficulties, made the immediate future of sports in the area "very shaky."

## A & M WAR TIME CLASS SOON TO BE GRADUATED

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 14 (AM&C)—The curtain will ring down on the class of 1943 at Texas A & M with commencement exercises Friday and Saturday, January 22-23 and mark the first class to be graduated under the speed-up program in effect at the college since last June. The current class, numbering 642 young men, by attending school this past Summer have been able to complete their college work one full semester ahead of the normal time.

Commencement exercises will open at 10:30 Friday morning when the Rev. Marshall Steele, D. D., pastor of the Highland Park Methodist Church, Dallas, delivers the baccalaureate sermon in Guion Hall, the college chapel. That afternoon all departments will be open for inspection to the friends and parents of the graduates.

That evening the commencement procession will move down Military Walk to Guion Hall where Nath L. Leachman, Dallas attorney and member of the Board of Directors of the college will deliver the commencement address.

Cadet Lt. Col William Galloway the valedictorian. In his fourth year, of Throckmorton, will deliver the address. Galloway has made one grade as to was a B and that was not made until the first semester of his senior year. He will receive the degree of bachelor of science in mechanical engineering with a grade point ratio of 2,992 of a perfect 3,000. Final Ball will be held Friday night in Shivers Hall following a reception by Dr. T. O. Walton, president, and Mrs. Walton in the Y. M. C. A.

The school year will come to an official close Saturday morning when Final Review is held and the seniors relinquish their commands to the juniors. The review will move at 10 o'clock.

## Citizens Asked For Plants And Flowers For NYA

One of the show pieces of Ranger is the National Youth Administration's resident center on Pine Street and now that the time of year for beautification has arrived it has been suggested by a group of interested citizens that the people of Ranger take a hand in helping the staff at the center to further the landscaping program there.

It was pointed out that as citizens work in their own yards, culling plants and bulbs that the surplus be contributed to the center to help in its beautification.

The staff at the center has sufficient but all kinds of plants can be used and citizens can do their part in beautifying the center by contributing plants, flowers that otherwise might be cast aside from their own yards.

Anyone having flowers or plants to contribute may call the Ranger Times, 224, and arrangements will be made to collect the flowers for the center.

## Five NYA Girls Take Jobs With Consolidated

Ranger's war-time training school, the NYA, today announced that five young ladies who have completed courses in the shops, have been employed by the Consolidated Aircraft Factory in Ft. Worth and left today to take up their work. Three will serve as welders, one as a sheet metal worker and the other in radio.

Those accepting the positions, were: Corren Murray of Mineral Wells, Ora Mae Chenault of Aspermont, Dorothy Harvey of Aspermont, Grace Blackweider of Henriette, and Alta Louise Arritt of Ranger.



Striking with hammer-like blows in a sickle-shaped offensive, Soviet soldiers are forcing their Nazi enemies back all along the north Caucasus front from Tuapse to Millerovo. Main target of the drives is Rostov, with additional aim of trapping German troops in Stalingrad and Georgievsk regions.

## 17-Year-Olds May Enlist in V-1 Program

DALLAS—The several thousand Texas high school 17-year-old seniors who will graduate at mid-term are eligible to enlist in the Navy's V-1 program under certain regulations. Thus they may continue their education through a prescribed program leading to commissioning in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

These conditions were outlined today by the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 1530 Allen Building, in answer to many inquiries. They are:

Seventeen-year-olds now in college, or who will be regularly enrolled before March 15, 1943, may enlist if they pass the V-1 physical tests. They must not have reached their eighteenth birthday by March 15.

The college is required to certify that the candidate is a full time freshman or sophomore in good standing, or that he has agreed to enroll in minimum prescribed courses by the mid-March deadline.

Lieutenant H. P. McBride, in charge of the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, said that many 17-year-old boys who graduate from high school to college will be eager to go to college.

"I suggest they contact the registrar of the college they expect to attend immediately and obtain the necessary application forms," he pointed out.

"The Navy needs college trained officer candidates. Under this program, boys who exhibit officer-like qualifications and make good grades in prescribed courses have an excellent opportunity to continue their education. After proper training, they may be commissioned Ensigns."

## Eastland Boy Is Missing After Ship Is Sunk

Mr. and Mrs. Will Van Geem of Eastland are in receipt of a message from the United States Naval authorities stating that their son, Carl Edward Van Geem, who was a gunner's mate, third class, on the U. S. Cruiser, Juneau, sunk off the Solomon Island following the battle in which the ship was destroyed on Nov. 13.

Carl, who had been in the navy 21 months, was Mr. and Mrs. Van Geem's second son. They have one other son and a daughter. Carl was born and reared in Eastland and graduated from the Eastland High School with the class of 1940.

## ELECTRIC CAR SUITS AKRON FAMILY FINE

AKRON, O. (UP)—Such wartime headaches as gasoline rationing and tire worries which bother the average motorist wrinkle not the brow of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Billow, one of Akron's two electric car owning families.

Billow uses his wife's trusty electric car and chuck-chucks to his office whenever he feels in the mood. Mrs. Billow uses the sedate top-heavy vehicle for marketing and visiting friends.

According to Billow, his wife has owned three electric cars, has never driven a gasoline motor car because "she's afraid of them."

The electric car looks like something out of a museum. With a snub-nosed hood and high streamlined fenders, the car has the appearance of a majestic dowager of the gay 90's. Two lanterns are on each side of the windshield.

Only a few cents worth of electricity will operate the car during a trip downtown. Occasionally, it needs an all-night feeding when the current runs low in the 44-cell battery.

Billow believes his wife's electric is one of the best arguments in favor of the new 35-mile victory speed limit to save tires. The car has a top speed of 40, but works best at not more than 25.

## Desdemona Boy Is Appointed A Second Lieut.

ATLANTA, Jan. 14.—Matt Wilburn Anderson, of Desdemona, has been appointed a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps, it was announced here today. He was appointed to the post after successfully completing an intensive ten week's officer's training course at the Marine base at Quantico, Va. He will undergo another ten weeks training course to equip him to lead the fighting leather-necks in battle.

Lieut. Anderson attended William Jewell College where he participated in football, basketball and track. He is the son of James Fletcher Anderson, barber.

## GERMANS NERVOUS AS SIGNS POINT TO AN ALL-OUT ALLIED OFFENSIVE IN NORTH AFRICA

### Axis Defense Said to be Complicated by Fact That Russians Continue to Apply Strong Pressure

The Axis became increasingly nervous today over the possibility that the United Nations were about to start a major offensive in North Africa and increased tempo of Allied sea and air activity tended to confirm that important developments were impending.

Axis sources reported that violent fighting already had started 37 miles from Tunis and said that at the other end of the African battle line 150,000 troops of the British-Eighth Army were preparing to attack the Afrika Korps.

Radio Paris, under German control, said the Allies had suffered 2,600 men killed and had lost 20 tanks in the Tunisian fighting.

The only answer to these reports from Allied sources was the explosion of bombs against Axis bases and the crash of torpedoes into Axis shipping.

British submarines in the Mediterranean destroyed three enemy supply ships and a small naval vessel and probably sank three other supply ships.

American Flying Fortresses attacked the Axis reinforcement bases of Sfax and Sousse in Eastern Tunisia and left large fires burning.

The Axis defense of North Africa was complicated by the fact that the Russians continued to apply strong pressure.

## PERU PLANS DEPORTATION OF JAPANESE

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador—Peruvian dispatches said today that a round-up of 800 Japanese in the vicinity of Lima, the capital was the first step in a government plan to deport that vast majority of an estimated 22,000 Japanese.

The U. S. Government will aid in the move and the Japs will be sent there for internment and possible exchange for American prisoners.

## Water Works And Sewage Course To Be In February

The annual Texas Water Works and Sewage Short Course will be held at Texas A & M College Feb. 16-17, according to an announcement made by E. L. Angnell, assistant to the president.

S. E. Wright, head of the department of municipal and sanitary engineering at the college, will be in charge of the course, which is expected to attract approximately 250 engineers.

## Poll Taxes May Be Paid At Office Of C. E. Maddocks Co.

Mrs. Otis Taft, manager of the C. E. Braddock's Company Annular be paid at that office anytime before that date, after which time from now until the deadline, January 31.

The blanks have been received and employees of the company offers this service to the people of Ranger.

## Moonlight Said To Have Aided RAF Bombers

LONDON—An Air Ministry communique today said that RAF heavy bombers which attacked the big Nazi submarine base at Lorient, France, last night were aided by bright moonlight and started big fires in the target area.

The two have been taken to the county jail where they will be held pending the trial.

Chief Ames stated that the car was not damaged in the brief time that the boys had it.



Le Kat has been left behind and this American soldier looks longingly toward Tunis as the sole patriot's mission on the road to the Tunisian capital.

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LATE JURIST

**HORIZONTAL**

- 1 Pictured late jurist, George
- 2 Parts of the ankle bone (zool.)
- 3 We
- 4 English wren.
- 5 Color.
- 6 Margosa.
- 7 Siamese coin.
- 8 Move smoothly on water.
- 9 Symbol for radon.
- 10 Function.
- 11 Kite end.
- 12 Small candle.
- 13 Thus.
- 14 Vegetable.
- 15 Indigo.
- 16 Oleum (abbr.).
- 17 Small bottles.
- 18 Sautinize.
- 19 Markers.
- 20 Paid (abbr.).
- 21 Son of Seth (Bib.).

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

41 Clothing. 42 Copse. 43 Surpass. 44 Broad smile. 45 Variety of cloud. 46 Compass point. 47 Ages. 48 He was a U. S. Supreme Court. 49 Get up.

50 Adorned with crescents. 51 Goads to action. 52 Size of shot. 53 Serfice. 54 Black. 55 Rhymers (var.). 56 Concealed. 57 Mohammedan religious teacher.

58 Insect egg. 59 Ambar. 60 Chair. 61 Dainties. 62 On the sea. 63 Sea swallows. 64 Falsehood. 65 Not down. 66 Prying device. 67 Be indisposed. 68 Slope. 69 Rationed item. 70 Frozen water. 71 Concession. 72 Like. 73 Athletic games. 74 Middy. 75 Adviser. 76 Wash lightly. 77 Rustic. 78 Make haste. 79 Judgment. 80 Leader (It.). 81 Mongrel. 82 Siamese measure. 83 Junction (abbr.). 84 Street (abbr.).



TRY OUR WANT ADS

ALLEY OOP

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

RED RYDER

OLDEN

By Mrs. Alma Murray  
Earl Murray of Corpus Christi has been here on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Alma Murray. He

also visited his family at Gorman. He has been in the naval hospital for sometime but is rapidly improving in health now.  
Mrs. Ada Pitzer of Oklahoma City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ida Simer of this place.

Mrs. and Mrs. Sam Kelly of Morgan's Mill, brother of Mrs. Ida Simer, is visiting here this week.  
L. M. Stewart, who has been ill at his son's home in Breckenridge for the past four months,

was able to be brought to his home here Friday. He is still in a bad condition.  
Mrs. Richards of this place has been critically ill for some time with pneumonia, but is improving.  
Mrs. Faye Sims, who has been visiting her husband in Rhode Island, has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dick, here.

**Could Be Worse**  
SAN JOSE, Cal. (UP)—Mrs. Marian Adrain feels that her private garage was robbed by a considerate thief. He drained off from her car 15 gallons of gasoline—but left the tires.  
Seaman Chafes at Delay  
BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—Seaman William E. Knowles, Jr., adrift on a raft in the Caribbean for four days after his vessel had been sunk, stated that his principal thought during that time was: "How long is it going to take me to get ashore and find a new ship?"

**Layette for Army Wives**  
EL PASO, Tex. (UP)—A "Loan Cradle" has been established here by the USO and the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion to loan layette equipment to army wives, the material to be returned when the baby has outgrown it.

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'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

CHAPTER VIII  
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[T goes without saying that hardly a man of any sort could go so steadily exposed to the presence of Cynthia Merriwether and not be affected thereby. Mitchell Grace was affected. He knew quite clearly, without being too dramatic about it, that he was irrevocably smitten. And he thought, though he did not go far enough to admit that he was sure, that he could never do the least thing about it.

"Putting on the touch, they call it."  
"So I puts on the touch, then. Know what it was for?"  
"Couldn't guess."  
"I WAS gambling my all on the whirlwinds to beat Hank Prentiss. Hank needed a little nudge back a step or two. Chances were I could beat him. I was boasting about Fred's team and was nasty. Nasty!" He said, "How about 500, even odds?"  
"I gathered it was millions."  
"Grace, you're gullible. It was 500 of the prettiest little dollars—and I don't have them. So I raked and scraped among some old tired, worn-out bank accounts and I found nearly all of it. But I had to go borrowing. And that's how you got—what is it?—touched for that?"  
"Seems a pretty long story just to tell me I get my money back."  
He looked down at his bare hands which were gripping the edge of the bench.  
"You will perceive how the quarrel started."  
For he said, "I'm not having any, then."  
"I must be slow-witted. Any what?"  
"It is to be judged, alas, that Waxhaw S. C. spoke the word out of that lonely, desolate word sprouted pale shoots of envy and pride and austeration, of old wounds to the soul caused, not by the laughter and self-sureness of more prosperous neighbors, but by their fuller bellies. Only the man who has known hunger carries that bleak word like a splinter in his heart."  
"Mitchell Grace! You're absolutely impossible." She said that in a rush, not of anger or annoyance, but of genuine astonishment. He stared at the still water of the pool. "You're not telling me any particular news," he said.  
She looked at him steadily. "I wish I could understand why you behave like that," she said.  
"There are probably a good many things you ought to understand."  
"And some that I would like to understand. You waste your time on a rounder and playboy who is a little frayed at the edges, like Henry Prentiss. You keep a simpleton like Fred! West hanging around with a look like a lost calf. And when a phony like our pal Vaughan Dunbar shows himself on the scene..."  
He shrugged his shoulders with such violence that he seemed to be lifting a weight.  
"SHE regarded him very quietly. "You seem to have other plans

for me."  
"It's very obvious you haven't any of your own."  
She retreated behind a fragment of laughter. "I had at least one, about 10 minutes ago. To have half an hour of fun swimming."  
"I suppose it's my duty, now, to apologize to the boss' daughter."  
She got up, and pulled down the legs of her bathing trunks and dived into the water, going across the pool in a long, silvery rush, and drawing herself up on the opposite side, and sitting there with her legs dangling.  
A manservant came down the walk and said to Mitchell Grace that Colonel Merriwether wished to see him. He put on his robe and slippers and went into the library and Colonel Merriwether watched him come toward the desk.  
"Sorry I'm not dressed," said Mitchell Grace. "I can be, quickly."  
"Perhaps it is not necessary."  
"Is there something you wish me to do, sir?"  
Colonel Merriwether looked at him through those eyes which were perpetually half shut. "You seem distressed," he said.  
It required a marked degree of self-control and of fortitude for Mitchell Grace to restrain the rush of bitter words that fled through his mind, to flush only slightly, and to say—after a definite pause, "It is nothing important, sir. Anyway, it is not over my fault."  
Colonel Merriwether held a match to a fresh cigar, not taking his eyes from Mitchell Grace, and drew in the first wave of smoke, and allowed it to drift away from his mouth.  
"It is a sound principle, Grace, to keep the emotions under a strong curb."  
"I am sure of it, sir."  
"I might say that the only mistake I ever made in my life was to lose control of my emotions for a brief time. Approximately one day out of more than 60 years of living. The experience taught me a lesson. I have not lost control of my emotions again, and I have not made a mistake again."  
This was, by any measure, the longest and the most intimate conversation which Colonel Merriwether had ever bestowed upon his secretary, Mitchell Grace, was started.  
"I'm sorry, sir," he said. Which, by the way, was a rather absurd thing to observe. And Colonel Merriwether descended calmly upon the absurdity.  
"Regrets, too, are to be avoided. There is no prosperity in them. However..."  
(To Be Continued)

BY V. T. HAMLIN

BY MERRILL BLOSSER

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Eastland are in receipt of a letter from the Commanding officer of the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi advising them of the appointment of their son, Sidney Marvin Fowler, Jr., who is a cadet, junior grade, to act as commander of First Platoon, 34th Company, 9th Battalion, Cadet Regiment. The appointment letter stated, was for meritorious performance of his regular duties and in recognition of his officer like qualifications.

Karl Tanner, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Tanner of Eastland, has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corp. according to an announcement issued from the U. S. Marine Corps Headquarters, Southern Recruiting division, Atlanta, Geo. Before his promotion Tanner was serving as First Sergeant with Marine Raider Battalion in the South Pacific.

Clarence Lane King, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. King, 309 Bedford St., Eastland, writes his parents that he is still located at Salt Lake City. Young King is an aerial gunner.

Lt. James Hart, somewhere in England, cabled flowers to his grandmother, Mrs. Z. J. Carter, Eastland R. F. D. No. 2, Christmas Day. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hart, near Eastland. He wrote his grandmother that while at a theatre recently in England they were singing, "God Save the King," and I thought it was a great applause that followed, but then they sang, "Deep in the Heart of Texas," and the cheer and applause that was sent up by the crowd, almost took the roof off the building, which shows how many Texans and friends of Texans were there. James' address is care of the Postmaster, New York.

Cpl. W. C. (Wayne) Carter, son of Jim Carter, Rt. 2, Eastland, is somewhere in the South Pacific. He is in the U. S. Marines and his address is Unit 845

care of the Postmaster, San Francisco.

Mrs. J. E. Hicknell writes her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Killough of Eastland, from Orlando, Fla., that Mr. Eckelst has received his commission as First Lieutenant. They expect to visit Mr. and Mrs. Killough about the 20th of this month.

Pvt. Dillard Morgan writes his folks, the D.A. Morgans of Eastland that he is being transferred but at that time didn't know where.

Cpl. Jack Trantham of the U. S. Marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Trantham, of Eastland, wrote his parents recently from "somewhere in the Pacific," that he was well and doing fine. Jack was in the Solomon Islands when the Japs first landed there. He is a brother of Mrs. F. W. Graham and Mrs. W. H. Cooper, both of Eastland.

Mrs. Frona Grubbs, South Daugherty street, Eastland, has three sons working for Uncle Sam, Marvin a serving with the U. S. Medical air corps at Atlanta, Georgia, and Webb is serving with the U. S. Navy in the Panama Canal. Jac is an engineer in the Hawaii Construction Company, Honolulu.

William L. Nabors, reported missing a few weeks ago, is revealed to be a prisoner of the Japs in the Philippine Islands. Correspondence for him should be sent through the Red Cross to Tokyo. Nabors is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nabors of Desdemona, and a brother of Mrs. Guy Patterson of Eastland.

The following men from Eastland county recently enlisted in the United States Navy: Joe H. Rice, 17, son of Mrs. J. B. Rogers, Cisco, and Kenneth D. Webb, 17, son of Mrs. Ora Gregory, Rt. 1, Eastland.

Aviation Cadet and Mrs. R. L.

Perkins, Jr., visited this week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Perkins, 211 College street. Cadet Perkins returned Tuesday to Maxwell Field, Ala., where he has completed his pre-flight work and is to be assigned to a primary training field.

Ensign A. B. Cason, flying a navy plane was killed Friday when his plane crashed near Highway

67 some four or five miles northwest of Eastland. He was alone. His plane was based at San Diego. Army officers investigated the accident. The body was taken to Cisco, Aubrey Yeager and Clarence Bigsby of Eastland were traveling north on Highway 67 and were watching the plane and were close at hand when it fell. They were the first persons to reach the wrecked plane.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



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QUIDDING ODDS



NEXT: Another aftermath of bombing.

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These planes cost about \$51,000 each. We need more and more of them as we take the offensive against the Axis. Your purchases of War Bonds every payday, investing at least ten percent of your income will help pay for them.

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Service Sports Editor

NEW YORK.—William Francis Day, one of the best young jockeys of the day, is unusual in that he grew up on the sidewalks of New York.

Willie Day, riding at Tropical Park, was reared in a cold water flat in the 10th House district of the East Side.

The first horse Day had anything to do with was attached to a milk wagon. As a youngster, he walked blocks in the early morning to feed that fellow sugar.

Jimmy O'Day, Willie's father, relates how Jerry the Milk Man once told him that some day his little shaver would be a famous jockey.

Up to and shortly after the turn of the century, Manhattan jockeys were common. Their people had horses.

Listing New York products who rode with success in more recent years, however, Sammy Renick and the late Silvio Couced are the only other names that come to mind.

FINEST reinsmen come from the wide open spaces nowadays. Lawrence Feltz, considered by many the daddy of them all and certainly the finest in the past 25 years, and his brothers, Mark and Lester, and Earl Sande checked in from Idaho. Steady Alfred Robertson hails from western Canada, Basil James from Yakima Valley in the state of Washington. Johnny Adams is from the Kansas wheat belt. Don Meade is out of the west. Eddie Arcaro was turned out in Kentucky, etc.

Ruddy Ensoe and Sonny Work.

(Seventh of a series of columns explaining the government's wage stabilization program.)

BY PETER EDSON NEA Service Washington Correspondent

THE big question about wage stabilization that will bother everyone most is, "What will happen to me if I don't pay any attention to all these regulations?"

The employer may ask, "What will happen to me if I take a raise the government says I shouldn't have?"

The employer may ask, "What will happen to me if I raise wages above the levels prescribed by wage and salary stabilization orders and decisions?"

The answer is, "Plenty!"

So drastic are the penalties that every worker and every boss will want to think twice before taking or paying out one cent of wages or salaries above the established ceilings, unless he first gets approval for wage increases from the War Labor Board, or unless he first gets authorization for salary increases from the Salary Stabilization Unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

If you as an employer take an unauthorized wage increase in willful violation of the regulations, and if you are tried and convicted, you can be fined \$1000 or given a year in prison.

If as an employer you pay unauthorized wage or salary increases, you also are subject to this \$1000-or-one-year penalty, and in addition there is an even more drastic punishment to be meted out—probably the most severe enforcement provision ever written in any government order.

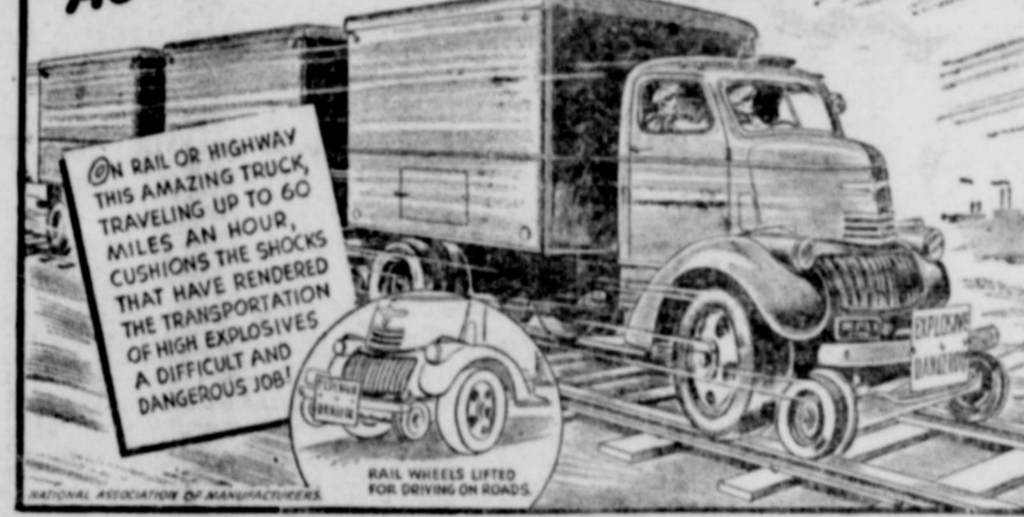
It is intended to work something like this: Suppose the War Labor Board or the Salary Stabilization Unit discovers that you have violated their regulations by granting unauthorized pay increases. As you know, money paid out as wages in any business are deductible items on the employer's income tax return. But if it is discovered that you have paid out unauthorized wage increases, this fact will then be certified to the Bureau of Internal Revenue. The Bureau will then disallow as a legitimate income tax deduction not only the amount of the unauthorized increases you have paid, but also—and get this—the Bureau will disallow the entire amount of your payroll.

Example: The International Gadget Co., Inc. has 30 employees averaging \$1500 a year apiece, or a total annual payroll of \$45,000. Suppose it grants an unauthorized wage increase of \$1 a week for all its 30 employees. That's a total annual wage increase of \$1560. When this unauthorized increase is reported to the Bureau of Internal Revenue, the Bureau will disallow as an income tax deduction not only the \$1560 in increases, but the \$45,000 total payroll as well and International Gadget would then have to pay income taxes on this extra \$45,560 as well as on its regular income normally subject to taxation.

NEXT: Farm Labor.

MAKING AMERICA STRONG

AUTO-TRAIN!



NEW YORK.—Developed by industry and used by Uncle Sam to eliminate some of the hazards of moving explosives at arsenals and powder depots, the Auto-train represents a brand-new transportation idea.

This amazing vehicle, truck and train in one, combines the leading advantages of both. Equipped with specially designed rubber tires, the Auto-train is able to roll up 60 miles per hour, forward or reverse, on either the highway or railroad track.

Transition from highway to rail is accomplished in a few seconds. The rail assembly is operated by a hydraulic ram controlled from the driver's seat, which lowers or raises the flanged steel guide wheels. Tests have shown that rubber tires, with non-skid tread provide six times greater tractive power than the rail wheels alone, and lessen the hazard of jolt and jar in the movement of explosives. It can be stopped as quickly on rail as a modern automobile.

The Auto-train weighs 8,750 pounds, is capable of carrying 3,000 pounds of explosives, and is completely spark-proofed with exterior wiring throughout. Several are already in use at one of the Ordnance Department's bomb and shell loading plants and other units are in manufacture for use in arsenals throughout the country.

In addition to transporting all-important explosives, the Auto-train can be used as a passenger-carrying vehicle or ambulance. Its combination of pneumatic rubber tires and steel guide wheels can also be used on locomotives hauling other cars of passengers or freight.

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Advertisement for Hamill's dresses, featuring the text 'HAMILL'S IS STILL OFFERING YOU REMARKABLE VALUES AT BREATH-TAKING LOW PRICES--TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE PRICES AND PUT THE SAVINGS IN WAR BONDS' and 'Sale on better Dresses'. It includes illustrations of women in various styles of dresses and lists prices for Franklin and Paula Brooks dresses.

Out Our Way

By Williams



WHAT'S TH' GUY RUBBERNECKIN' FOR? ALL THIS BUNCH IS ON TH' SAME WAGE SCALE. SO WHAT'S HE EXPECTIN' TO SEE?

WELL, TH' GUY WHO'S WORTH LESS AN' GETS AS MUCH AS TH' ONE WHO'S WORTH MORE IS TH' ONE WHO'S TH' MOST ANXIOUS TO SEE THAT OL' FATHER UTOPIA DON'T MAKE ANY MISTAKES--I MEAN CORRECTIONS!

THE SLEUTH

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**COLUMBUS, O. (UP)**—Signs of the time: A downtown Columbus restaurant operator believes kindness may be one answer to the manpower problem. Prominently posted in his establishment is this sign: "Please be kind to our employes. They are harder to get than customers."

**WASHINGTON, (UP)**—The public roads administration reports that since the establishment of the national 35-mile-per-hour speed limit the average speed of passenger cars is 37 miles per hour, nine per cent reduction from pre-war averages. This figure arrived at as the result of speed studies in 15 states.

# Society

Mrs. Mary Rose Boyvey Society Editor  
PHONE 224

**American Legion Auxiliary Sponsors Dance**  
Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary sponsored a dance in the American Legion Hall for the convey of soldiers who spent the night here enroute to Ft. Bliss, El Paso, Texas.

There were about sixty-eight boys present, and cookies and coffee was served to the group at the close of the dance program. The American Legion Auxiliary wishes to thank the Ranger people for their cooperation in entertaining the soldiers, and the group also extends its appreciation to the young ladies who did their part in making the occasion a success.

**Alter Society of St. Rita's Church Meets**

The Alter Society of St. Rita's Church met at the rectory at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Lula McLaughlin is the new president, and Mrs. Jack Chapman was elected to the office of secretary-treasurer.

At the business meeting it was decided to hold the regular meeting on the second Thursday of each month. The next regular meeting which will be in February will be at the home of Mrs. C. A. Campbell.

Plans were discussed for a Luncheon party to be held February 16, in the St. Rita's School auditorium.

At the close of the meeting the president complimented the group on the very good attendance.

**DINNER PARTY HONORS MISS BESS STEPHENSON**

The supervisors of the Ranger NYA complimented Miss Bess Stephenson, reporter for the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, with a dinner party Thursday evening at 6 o'clock in the NYA dining room.

After the dinner a delightful interlude of music and song was furnished by a group of three NYA girls.

Those attending the dinner and later the dance given by the American Legion Auxiliary were Mr. and Mrs. Hall Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garner and Mrs. A. B. Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Ducker, Miss Beatty, Miss

Webb, Mrs. Helen Shaw, Tony Ziegler of Ft. Worth, and Miss Ross Stephenson, guest of honor.

**HODGES OAK PARK P T A HOLDS MEETING**

Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock the Parent-Teachers Association of Hodges Oak Park met at the school for their regular meeting. Mrs. George Rogers, president, presided over the business meeting.

Rev. A. B. English was the guest speaker, and for his subject he chose, sound work habits at home and at school.

It was decided by unanimous vote to hold only one meeting a month, and that the second Tuesday of each month would be the regularly scheduled meeting.

Entertainment in the form of a musical program was furnished by the pupils of Miss Woods under her direction.

**Legion to Have Dance**

Members of the American Legion of the Central Barnes Post will entertain with a dance at the Legion Clubrooms Saturday evening beginning at 9 o'clock. A new and up-to-date supply of records has been secured and the public is invited to attend.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Falls announce the birth of a baby girl on January 13. Mrs. Falls is the former Miss Crystal Jackson.

Mrs. T. L. Cooper of Eastland spent Thursday in Ranger visiting friends.

Mrs. S. A. Hightower expects to join her husband soon in Graham where he has been transferred by the Texas Electric Service Co.

Miss Jane Lauderdale, who has been a patient in the West Texas Hospital was removed to her home, Thursday.

Mrs. John Sawyer of Eastland was in Ranger on business Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Steton and daughters, Martha Ann and Mary, will leave Saturday to make their home in Ft. Worth where Mr. Steton will be employed with Consolidated Aircraft.

Miss Mary Allen Lanier who has been a patient at the West Texas Clinic, was removed from the hospital to her home Thursday.

## 1942 Marriages Almost Double Lowest Year

NEW YORK, N. Y. — American weddings reached a record high of about 1,800,000 in 1942, according to the statisticians, who say that this favorable situation arises in good part from the great number of marriages among men in uniform. A year ago it was largely the workers in defense industries who helped to swell the number of weddings. Marriages in 1942 were about 80 per cent over the number for 1932, the low point of the depression period.

The estimate for 1942 marriages was derived by the statisticians from a comparison of marriages in 1942 with those in 11 months of 1942 with those in 1941 in 86 cities of 100,000 or more inhabitants, representing approximately one third of the total population of the country.

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Joel McCrea, Caludette Colbert and Rudy Vallee in "The Palm Beach Story." Paramount's new romantic comedy, starting today at the Arcadia.

## May Organize Last Man's Club if One Left

MEXIA, Tex. (UP)—The sorry crier Mexia Daily News says that if its employes may organize a Last Man's Club—if it isn't too late.

The woman editor who took their place at local reporting, handling the teletype and covering sports wrote a story about good government jobs going begging in West Texas and both apprentices quit to go after them.

In rapid succession, the odd job compositor, floor man, shop foreman, and youngest linotype operator succumbed respectively to an accident, flu, sinus, and the draft. The advertising man was gulped up by a large paper, the circulation manager went home

## Latin Americans In Texas To Study Disease Control

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Sanitary engineers representing five South American countries are now in Texas studying disease control as applied by the State Health Department, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, announced today.

The Texas department has been chosen by the coordinator of Inter-American affairs to assist in training sanitary personnel from Central and South American health departments. Studies will be made of small water supplies, sewage plants, dairies, abattoirs, mosquito and typhus control.

Educated in U. S. universities, the engineers are from Guatemala, Peru, Honduras, Chile, Panama and Mexico.

with the flu, the accountant came down sick, and the society editor was called to her sick soldier husband.

"Don't bother to telephone some afternoon when you don't get your paper," the desperate News warned its subscribers. "The last lone leaf will simply have fluttered down at last. Either that, or given up and gone out to West Texas to see if one of those good jobs is still open."

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ADDED SPECIALS SWEATERS		One Rack Dresses Regular Value up to 4.98	
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