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★ WASHINGTON COLUMN ★

Defense 'Amateur Hour' Ends As the Old Pro's Take Over

BY PETER EDSON
 NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—"Amateur hour" in defense mobilization is now over. The idea of having a lot of dependent bureaus trying to run the show, scattered around in the old-line departments of government, was doomed to failure even before it started. The professionals now take over with Charles E. Wilson of General Electric headlining the act as Director of Defense Mobilization. He has been through the battle of Washington before.

He was executive vice chairman of the War Production Board from September, 1942, to August, 1944. He was brought into the government for the first time to end the feuding between Army and Navy procurement officials over materials allocations.

That now ended with the firing of Ferdinand Eberstadt, father of the "controlled materials plan." He was then in charge of allocations. Wilson took over and was given complete authority over production schedules for arms, aircraft, ships, electronics and all munitions.

As allocation of scarce materials is now the number one problem in the defense production effort, this was where Mr. Wilson came in before.

WILSON now comes back to Washington six years later on his own terms. He becomes practically Assistant President in charge of the home front. His powers under President Truman's executive order creating the ODM—Office of Defense Mobilization—give him control over price and wage stabilization, production, procurement and transportation. He is empowered to issue directives to all other government agencies. He reports only to the President.

Though largely self-educated and self-made, he is not the usual type of executive. He has voiced many ideas which rate him as considerable of a liberal. As for his far-sightedness, in a speech before Pearl Harbor he said:

"The world, including our nation, is passing through what history may later record as the second stage of a revolutionary movement of the masses—a movement born during World War I and likely to last, with intermittent armistices of one kind or another, for two or three decades more."

As that was said only ten years before, he still has one or two more decades of work ahead of him.

"The private enterprise system is faced with two alternatives," Mr. Wilson continued in this speech. "Whether private decisions will be made and enforced by public spirited leaders in industry, or whether public decisions will be made and enforced by governments of the people for the whole people."

HE might as well have been speaking today.

It is something of this philosophy which no doubt prompted the President's Commission on Civil Rights to issue its 1947 report recommending abolition of the poll tax, an anti-lynch law, an end to segregation.

Charles E. Wilson was chairman of that Commission.

As a member of the President's Commission on Military Training, he took part in the unanimous report which declared that the United States would be courting "extermination" by 1954 unless it adopted compulsory military training for all young men. Congress would have none of this recommendation then, though it gains favor now.

Mr. Wilson's own company has taken strikes, granted wage increases and pensions and raised prices on about the same pattern as other big industries. In his new job, he may have to take the responsibility for deciding whether to lengthen the work week, how to stabilize or even roll back prices and wages. It is probably the most thankless honor the country has to bestow.

★ THE SCOREBOARD ★

Dressen Ran Out of MacPhail; He's Now Settling in Brooklyn

BY HARRY GRAYSON
 NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Charles Walter Dressen leased an apartment in Brooklyn.

This makes Chuck Dressen very unusual—a baseball manager living in the city where he manages.

So few managers have done this, as a matter of fact, that by now the practice practically amounts to an idiosyncrasy. The width of the continent from where their club's fans are isn't far enough for some of them.

Although the chunky one-time third baseman, Dressen, was born and raised in Decatur, Ill., he's a typical Flatbush guy. He'd prefer to reside across the bridges even if he were not employed there, made many friends during the nine years he spent with New York clubs—seven with the Dodgers, two with the Yankees.

Attendance fell off rather alarmingly at Ebbets Field last season, and Walter Francis O'Malley launched a campaign to bring the game back to the incredible Brooklyn fans.

President O'Malley couldn't have taken a longer step in that direction than putting Dressen in complete charge right out there in full view in the third base coach's box.

DRESSEN is a racing man, too. Branch Rickey thought he was paying too much attention to the races, or something. It was also reported that Dressen was being paid \$10,000 as a coach. Anyway, Rickey let him go after the 1943 season and four years of service.

It could have been significant that Rickey hired Dressen back in July, 1943—at a reported \$7500 a year.

Dressen has an idea he can settle down in Brooklyn now that he has run out of Larry MacPhail. He had quite a run with Loud Larry.

It was MacPhail who fetched him up from Nashville to manage the Reds in July, 1934. When in September, 1937, Cincinnati turned out to be not big enough to hold MacPhail and anybody else to speak of, Dressen departed with the Roaring Redhead.

Dressen would now be managing the Yankees had not MacPhail talked himself out and into a near \$2,000,000. It was the genius' intention to put Bucky Harris in the front office, Dressen in command on the field.

But Dressen was going with MacPhail those days, and this trip sent him to Oakland without his highly-explosive spouse.

Now he's back in Brooklyn, where he belongs.

Engineers Develop Aluminum Pistols

CLEVELAND, O. (UP)—The Aluminum Co. of America has developed an aluminum pistol, one-third as light as a standard one.

E. J. Willis, development engineer, said the pistol will revolutionize the small arms field.

He said other advantages of the aluminum pistols besides lightness are their durability and the ease they can be held on a target.

"Aluminum revolvers fired 10,000 times in tests showed no more wear than a standard steel gun," Willis said. "Most guns have a tendency to kick up when a shot is fired. Not so with the aluminum gun."

The Modern King Canute



MARINES REACH PUSAN—Smiling and happy, U. S. Marines board train for staging area after arriving at Pusan from the Hungnam beachhead. The 105,000-man 10th Corps successfully evacuated the Hungnam defense perimeter, and was reported to be linked with the U. S. 8th Army in a new defense line in South Korea. (NEA Telephoto by Ed Hoffman).

13 Lucky Guys by FRANK R. ADAMS

THE STORY: Twelve enlisted men and a medical officer, all war casualties, had themselves in Westway, where all but one had lived before they were killed. Only Duke, Sergeant Eddie's dog, was left. Duke saves a girl, Margie, from drowning, but the credit is taken by Max Engel, who was responsible for the unfaithfulness of Kirsten, wife of Carl Peterson, one of the squad. Carl follows Max as he leaves Margie Lou's home.

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WHEN Max and Carl had seated themselves in unapparent companionship on the seat of the convertible coupe the owner did not immediately start his motor. Instead he took a small note book from his pocket and opened it to a page full of telephone numbers and addresses. He ran a stubby forefinger down the list until he came to the initials K. P. followed by a street and number.

Max closed the book with a chuckle. "One lone guy," he said (or did he just think it?) "has to be quite a man to keep all the women in line while their boy friends are away."

He drove six or seven blocks and came to a stop in front of the little white house where Carl had found Kirsten.

The small boys were still noisily engaged in their three-handed ball game. A policeman stood on the sidewalk watching them. He was older than policemen usually are nowadays, kept on no doubt by the drafting of younger officers, and his feet probably hurt. Apparently the boys regarded him as a friend because they paid no attention to him whatever.

Max went to the front door of the house and rang the bell. When no one answered he knocked heavily on the panel. After he had repeated that several times Max shrugged his shoulders and returned to his car.

Carl didn't follow him. Instead,

near our new house except one young man, a stranger in this town, who drives a small automobile with seats in it only for two. The superintendent says I should ride with him.

"I am put on the swing drive and this man also—"

"One time this young man in drunk when I drove us west in the dune country instead of home. Even then I am not afraid of him much. I can't believe walk to our house from anywhere, like a cat which always comes back. But when I try to get out of the car, he strikes me with something and chokes me a little besides. I am almost completely not there, but enough of me is awake to know what happens makes me as if I can never be your wife any more."

"I think—"

Whatever more Kirsten intended to write was never put down. She sat holding the pen above the paper for a moment and then let it drop from her hand. It made a small spatters blot.

Her head nodded and when she reached for the pen her hand wavered and then dropped at her side. She was too tired.

AS she slumped forward Carl caught her under the arms and lifted her up. She turned with an inarticulate cry of glad relief and put her arms around his neck. They stood together facing each other, tall and straight and very young, just as they had always been.

"Carl!" she said. "Oh, Carl!"

There weren't any words anywhere which expressed the things in her heart and voice.

He held her very close and turned her back to the table so that she could not see that she was there also, lying face down across the letter she had just written.

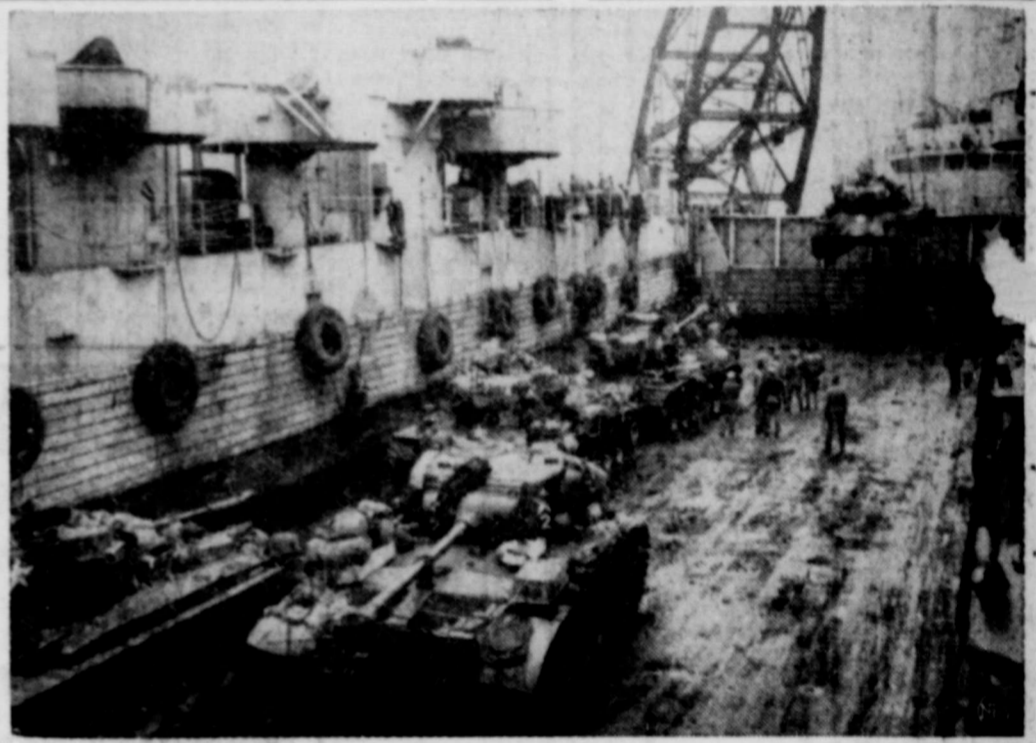
For a moment eternity swirled around them.

Then there was a bump and a crash. Glass tinkled on the floor and table. The entire window was gone except for a few jagged daggers that stuck to the frame like stalactites and stalagmites from the roof and floor of a cave.

The indoor baseball landed on and flooded the malodorous house.

Carl looked at his arms. They were empty.

(To Be Continued)



SAVED FOR ANOTHER BATTLE—U. S. M-26 tanks wait unloading from ship arrival at Pusan from the Hungnam, Korea, beachhead. The 105,000-man 10th Corps successfully evacuated the Hungnam beachhead with 99 per cent of their equipment. (NEA Telephoto by Ed Hoffman, Staff Correspondent).

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Breed of Canine

Answer to Previous Puzzle

1 Depicted dog	4 Sloth	17 Nuisance	46 Require
2 This large	5 Nevada city	18 Bushel (ab.)	47 Group of three singers
3 — is an old breed of	6 Let fall	19 Adherent	48 Young salmon
4 French origin	7 Summon	20 Mountain	49 Atlantic (ab.)
5 More facile	8 Range	21 Breathes	50 Cereal grain
6 Mountain	9 Compass point	22 Carnivorous mammal	51 Preposition
7 Royal Italian crest	10 Follows	23 Laid away	52 Cereal grain
8 Qualified	11 Kind of tide	24 Large fish	53 Rough lava
9 Stately	12 Royal Italian family name	25 Mother	54 Hideous monster
10 Right (ab.)	13 Bushel (ab.)	26 Electrical unit	29 Ireland
11 It is — as a sheep dog	14 Adherent	27 Persian poet	30 Pace
12 Hebrew letter	15 Breathes	31 Separate	32 Skin opening
13 Mother	16 Carnivorous mammal	33 Against	34 Flower
14 Electrical unit	17 Auditory	35 Hastens	36 Lease
15 Persian poet	18 Laid away	37 Symbol for sodium	38 Editor (ab.)
16 Separate	19 Large fish	39 Behold!	40 Township (ab.)
17 Skin opening	20 The peanut	41 Ideas	42 Constellation
18 Against	21 Ireland	43 Behold!	43 Slight coloring
19 Flower	22 Electrical unit	44 British money of account	44 British money of account
20 Hastens	23 Persian poet	45 Particular	45 Particular
21 Lease	24 Pace	46 Stand	46 Stand
22 Symbol for sodium	25 Separate	47 Enthralled	47 Enthralled
23 Editor (ab.)	26 Skin opening	48 Devotee	48 Devotee
24 Behold!	27 Against		
25 Township (ab.)	28 Flower		
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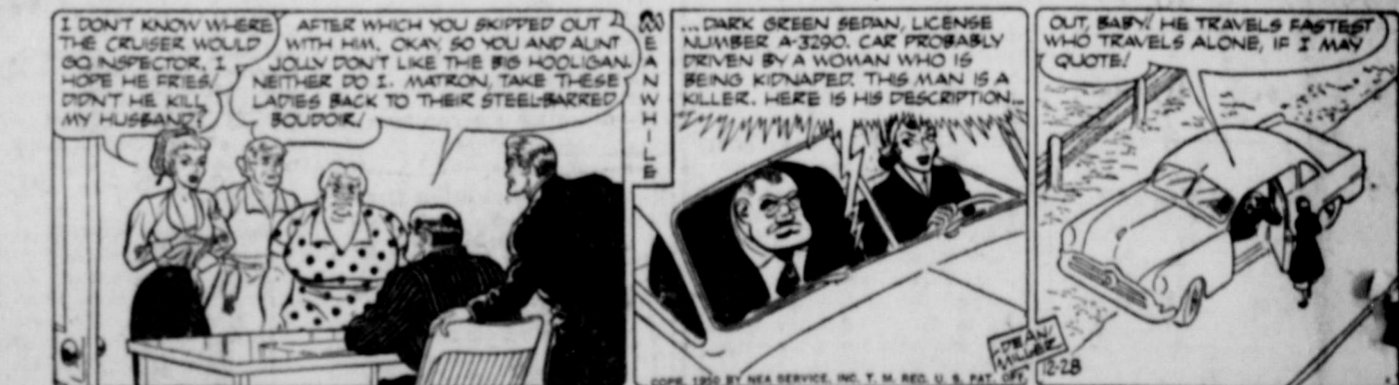
FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



VIC FLINT

BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY AND RALPH LANE



ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



Well-Locked Box
 MOOREHEAD, Minn. (U.P.)—A high school student, Warren Clark, exercised his wits by devising a safety deposit box with four interlocking locks which must be opened in sequence. The principal lock is opened only with the use of electricity, so that the owner must be near an electric outlet to get the box open.

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Society-Clubs

Society Editor—Willena James
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Lt. Harkrider, Betty Williams United In Ceremony Read In Parent's Home

Betty Williams became the bride of Lt. Harold Harkrider in a ceremony read at 7:30 Friday, December 22nd in the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Harkrider at 1117 West Commerce Street in Eastland.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Bob Bailey of Hamlin and C. N. Wheat of Ranger.

Mrs. Carl Peoples was her sister's only attendant and George Harkrider served his brother as best man. The Rev. Chief Warden, pastor of the Wesley Methodist Church in Cisco officiated, before an improvised altar, decorated with baskets of white gladiolas and white candles, in tall candelabras.

Mrs. Harkrider chose for her wedding a beige crepe dress with dark brown accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of carnations. She was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Mr. Peoples.

A reception followed the ceremony and was also held in the home. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth and decorated with an arrangement of red roses. Miss Nancy Harkrider presided and ladeled the frosted punch. Mrs. James E. Harkrider served a three tiered wedding cake, which was topped with a miniature bridal couple.

Lt. Harkrider is a graduate of A&M College and served 14 months at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was called back into service September 29th. He is now stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., where he will return Sunday accompanied by his wife and her young son, Larry Williams.

Mrs. Harkrider is a graduate of Ranger High School and has been employed in Eastland for the past several months.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peoples, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Harkrider, and daughter, Nancy Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Don Doyle, Mrs. Reggie Henderson, and daughter, Lael of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. James Fields and daughter, Kitty, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. King, and Mrs. Frances Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Harkrider and George and Rev. Warden.

M. A. McGee's Celebrate 44th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. McGee of 519 South Austin celebrated their forty-fourth wedding anniversary Saturday, December 23rd with a quiet day at home. They were married in 1906 at Lingleville, Texas. Mrs. McGee is the former Myrtle J. Packwood.

The couple's six children were at home for the anniversary and Christmas. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo McGee and daughters, Sharon and Donna of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McGee and son, Johnny; Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Simpson and son, Billy, Miss Ora Mae McGee, all of Ranger and Captain Mark L. Johnson, of Macon, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Acie Hoover of Drumright, Oklahoma spent Christmas with Mrs. Winnie Hoover.



MCCARTHY-PONTIKES WEDDING REPORTED—Glenna McCarthy, 17-year-old daughter of Glenn McCarthy, famous Houston, Texas, oilman, is reported to have eloped with George Pontikes, left, a Rice Institute football player and son of a Houston Shoe Repairman. (NEA Telephoto).

Funderburk's Have Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Toy Funderburk had as their guests Christmas day their daughter, and husband, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bauer and children, Shirley Ann, Paula Kay and Vicky Jo, Mrs. Reynolds; Mr. and Mrs. Porter Reynolds and Jan, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reynolds, Connie and Roy Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Van Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gage, Glen and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chaiker and Lynda, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wheat and Wyndee; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hughes and a n d Cathy and Gaynell Smith.

Rose-Fish Are Guests, Wed.

Earl Glenn Rose of Seminary Hill in Ft. Worth, state president of the Baptist Student Union, and Rev. Roy Fish, president of the B.S.U. at the University of Arkansas were visitors in Ranger on Wednesday and were guests of the First Baptist Church at their mid-week service.

Mr. Rose is working toward the organization of a B.S.U. in the various junior colleges of Texas, and hopes to have a B.S.U. in Ranger Junior College in the near future.



READY TO RIVET — Mrs. Helen Lortch Longstreet, above, widow of the famous Confederate general, is ready to don her World War II slacks again and return to work on a bomber assembly line near her home in Marietta, Ga. Now in the 80's but in "tip-top physical shape," the militant widow last summer lost a bid to unseat Gov. Herman Talmadge for the governorship of Georgia.

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Personals

Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Boswell had the following guests in their home over the holidays: Dr. and Mrs. Joe B. Frantz of the University of Texas and Miss Genevieve Boswell of Austin. Mrs. Frantz is a daughter of the Boswells. Dr. Frantz is now attending an American Historical Association meeting in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shirley had as holiday guests in their home, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Townsend and Shirley and Sandra from Royalty; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Evans from Dallas; Mrs. E. E. Shirley and children, Joe and Patsy Lee from Monument, New Mexico.

Mrs. L. E. Wolfe has returned to her home in Ranger after spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Rogers and family of Abilene.

Tommy Clint Daniel of Goldthwaite has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Pirkle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hull, former residents of Ranger and daughter, Mrs. V. L. Luttrell, all of Dallas spent Wednesday in Ranger visiting friends.

Mrs. J. G. McDowell of Fort Worth has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Lou Williams and her mother, Mrs. J. C. Hill. Mrs. Hill will celebrate her sixty seventh birthday today.

Mrs. Pearl Henderson of Arado, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs.

G. R. Anderson of Waxahachie have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Huckaby, Jr.

Mrs. Luke Hunt and Mrs. Helen Rhinehart of Cosse, Mr. and Mrs. Gidd Faircloth from Kermit and Mrs. A. C. Martin of Refugio have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Faircloth.

Thomas Huling of Irving spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rayfield.

Mrs. Ila Ward and Mrs. S. E. Reynolds had the following guests in their home for Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Weidon Way of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheeler of El Campo and Mrs. Wards brothers, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Reynolds and V. M. Reynolds of Plainview and a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sewell Landers of Clyde, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Orr spent the Christmas holidays in Honey Grove visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Orr. This is the first time in thirty years that Mr. Orr has spent Christmas at his old home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert had as guests in their home, Mr. and Mrs. James Calvert; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and girls of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. L. Shelton of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shelton of Lubbock.

Youthful Assist
MEMPHIS (U.P.) — Fifteen year-old Jimmy Wright was Johnny-on-the-spot when his mother snapped "I'm losing my patience" and turned the car out of another jam-packed parking lot. "I'll hold it for you, Mommy," the youngster volunteered.

SCENES AROUND RANGER

Those firemen were right up against the burning oil tanker Tuesday night. At times it looked as if they were surrounded by the hungry flames and on a couple of occasions they were.

That was the kind of fire that could have blown sky high. It is still a mystery why an explosion didn't occur. The tankers were burning furiously for over an hour after the accident. The weather was hardly a help to the firemen and trainmen. It must have been around 20 degrees Tuesday night and in spite of the intense heat thrown off by the roaring gasoline flames, the freezing weather hindered the work of the firemen.

After more firemen had arrived from Eastland and Cisco, the firefighters took a needed brief rest in a cafe across the highway. When I walked in around 10 p.m., four of Ranger's firemen were huddled around the stove drinking hot coffee. They were soaked to the skin by spraying water and to watch them shivering in their wet clothes sent icy goose pimples down my spine.

Someone out at the fire said that once the fire started it was best to let it burn out. As long as they kept a steady stream of water on the tanks, the danger of an explosion was minimized. Chemical foam is considered the best agent to fight an oil fire with. The Ranger fire department has some of the foam ordered but it hasn't arrived. A fireman did use a hand extinguisher containing foam. He climbed up a burning tanker, cautiously cat-walked across the top of the tanker and over to the flaming hatch. The foam put out the fire for about 30 seconds but the blaze ignited again.

For a change, curious onlookers kept a safe distance from the fire. They used good sense in doing this for if any of the tankers had exploded, gasoline and metal

chunks would have been thrown for blocks around. But it didn't take much convincing to keep anybody away from the inferno.

When I got to the scene, the fire was going full blast. At first I ran toward it—then as I got a good look at the leaping flames, I slowed to a walk and finally halted about 20 yards away. All I kept thinking about was a sudden explosion. I even looked around for a ditch to dive into as if I could get out of the way if the explosion did happen.

The flames outlined the firemen as shadows and they looked unreal as they hurriedly pulled fire hose up to the fire. The force of the impact was clearly shown by the tanker which was jammed up against the front of the engine. The tanker, with one end almost off the ground, tilted snugly against the engine. The engine's crew was lucky, to escape injury or death. The accident had all the markings of a disaster if an explosion had occurred.

It was cold, dirty and wet for the firemen and they are to be commended for their excellent and immediate work at the fire. If a tanker had exploded it is difficult



to see how any of them could have escaped—they were literally working with their feet in the fire.

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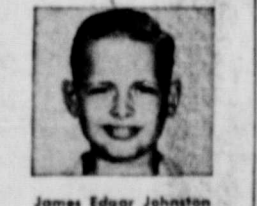
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★ WASHINGTON COLUMN ★

Defense 'Amateur Hour' Ends As the Old Pro's Take Over

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—"Amateur hour" in defense mobilization is now over. The idea of having a lot of dependent bureaus trying to run the show, scattered around in the old-line departments of government, was doomed to failure even before it started. The professionals now take over with Charles E. Wilson of General Electric heading the act as Director of Defense Mobilization. He has been through the battle of Washington before. He was executive vice chairman of the War Production Board from September, 1942, to August, 1944. He was brought into the government for the first time to end the feuding between Army and Navy procurement chiefs over material allocations. That row ended with the firing of Ferdinand Eberstadt, father of the "controlled materials plan." He was then in charge of allocations. Wilson took over and was given complete authority over production schedules for arms, aircraft, ships, electronics and all munitions. As allocation of scarce materials is now the number one problem in the defense production effort, this was where Mr. Wilson came in before.

WILSON now comes back to Washington six years later on his own terms. He becomes practically Assistant President in charge of the home front. His powers under President Truman's executive order creating the ODM—Office of Defense Mobilization—give him control over price and wage stabilization, production, procurement and transportation. He is empowered to issue directives to all other government agencies. He reports only to the President. Though largely self-educated and self-made, he is not the usual type of executive. He has voiced many ideas which rate him as considerable of a liberal. As for his far-sightedness, in a speech before Pearl Harbor he said: "The world, including our nation, is passing through what history may later record as the second stage of a revolutionary movement of the masses—a movement born during World War I and likely to last, with intermittent armistices of one kind or another, for two or three decades more. As that was said only ten years before, he still has one or two more decades of work ahead of him. "The private enterprise system is faced with two alternatives," Mr. Wilson continued in this speech. "Whether private decisions will be made and enforced by public spirited leaders in industry, or whether public decisions will be made and enforced by governments of the people for the whole people."

HE might as well have been speaking today. It is something of this philosophy which no doubt prompted the President's Commission on Civil Rights to issue its 1947 report recommending abolition of the poll tax, an anti-lynch law, an end to segregation. Charles E. Wilson was chairman of that Commission. As a member of the President's Commission on Military Training, he took part in the unanimous report which declared that the United States would be courting "extermination" by 1954 unless it adopted compulsory military training for all young men. Congress would have none of this recommendation then, though it gains favor now. Mr. Wilson's own company has taken strikes, granted wage increases and pensions and raised prices on about the same pattern as other big industries. In his new job, he may have to take the responsibility for deciding whether to lengthen the work week, how to stabilize or even roll back prices and wages. It is probably the most thankless hour the country has to bestow.

★ THE SCOREBOARD ★

Dressen Ran Out of MacPhail; He's Now Settling in Brooklyn

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Charles Walter Dressen leased an apartment in Brooklyn. This makes Chuck Dressen very unusual—a baseball manager living in the city where he manages. So few managers have done this, as a matter of fact, that by now the practice practically amounts to an idiosyncrasy. The width of the continent from where their club's fans are isn't far enough for some of them. Although the chunky one-time third baseman, Dressen, was born and raised in Decatur, Ill., he's a typical Flatbush guy. He'd prefer to reside across the bridges even if he were not employed there, made many friends during the nine years he spent with New York clubs—seven with the Dodgers, two with the Yankees. Attendance fell off rather alarmingly at Ebbets Field last season, and Walter Francis O'Malley launched a campaign to bring the game back to the incredible Brooklyn fans. President O'Malley couldn't have taken a longer step in that direction than putting Dressen in complete charge right out there in 1951 in the third base coach's box.

DRESSEN is a racing man, too. Branch Rickey thought he was paying too much attention to the races, or something. It was also reported that Dressen was being paid \$10,000 as a coach. Anyway, Rickey let him go after the 1942 season and four years of service. It could have been significant that Rickey hired Dressen back in July, 1943—at a reported \$7500 a year. Dressen has an idea he can settle down in Brooklyn now that he has run out of Larry MacPhail. He had quite a run with Loud Larry. It was MacPhail who fetched him up from Nashville to manage the Reds in July, 1934. When in September, 1937, Cincinnati turned out to be not big enough to hold MacPhail and anybody else to speak of, Dressen departed with the Roaming Redhead. Dressen would now be managing the Yankees had not MacPhail talked himself out and into a near \$2,000,000. It was the genius' intention to put Ducky Harris in the front office, Dressen in command on the field. But Dressen was going with MacPhail those days, and this trip sent him to Oakland without his highly-explosive sponsor. Now he's back in Brooklyn, where he belongs.

Engineers Develop Aluminum Pistols

CLEVELAND, O. (UP)—The Aluminum Co. of America has developed an aluminum pistol, one-third as light as a standard one. E. J. Willis, development engineer, said the pistol will revolutionize the small arms field.

He said other advantages of the aluminum pistols besides lightness are their durability and the ease they can be held on a target. "Aluminum revolvers fired 10,000 times in tests showed no more wear than a standard steel gun," Willis said. "Most guns have a tendency to kick up when a shot is fired. Not so with the aluminum gun."

The Modern King Canute



MARINES REACH PUSAN—Smiling and happy, U. S. Marines board train for staging area after arriving at Pusan from the Hungnam beachhead. The 105,000-man 10th Corps successfully evacuated the Hungnam defense perimeter and was reported to be linked with the U. S. 8th Army in a new defense line in South Korea. (NEA Telephoto by Ed Hoffman).



THE STORY: Twelve callous men and a medical officer, all our casualties, find themselves in Westwaygo, where all but one had lived before they were killed. Only Duke, Sergeant Eddie's dog, can see them. Duke saves a girl Margie Lou from drowning, but the credit is taken by Max Lenet, who was responsible for the unfaithfulness of Kirsten, wife of Carl Peterson, one of the squad. Carl follows Max as he leaves Margie Lou's home.

XII
WHEN Max and Carl had seated themselves in unapparent companionship on the seat of the convertible coupe the owner did not immediately start his motor. Instead he took a small note book from his pocket and opened it to a page full of telephone numbers and addresses. He ran a stubby forefinger down the list until he came to the initials K. P. followed by a street and number.

Max closed the book with a chuckle. "One lone guy," he said (or did he just think it?) "has to be quite a man to keep all the women in line while their boy friends are away."

He drove six or seven blocks and came to a stop in front of the little white house where Carl had found Kirsten. The small boys were still noisily engaged in their three-handed ball game. A policeman stood on the sidewalk watching them. He was older than policemen usually are nowadays, kept on no doubt by the drafting of younger officers, and his feet probably hurt. Apparently the boys regarded him as a friend because they paid no attention to him whatever. Max went to the front door of the house and rang the bell. When no one answered he knocked heavily on the panel. After he had repeated that several times Max shrugged his shoulders and returned to his car. Carl didn't follow him. Instead,

near our new house except one young man, a stranger in this town, who drives a small automobile with a seat in the back. Even though I am not afraid of him much I can't believe, walk to our house from anywhere, like a car which always comes back. But when I try to get out of the car, it strikes me with something and chokes me a little besides. I am almost completely not there. But enough of me is awake to know that what happens makes me so I can never be your wife any more.

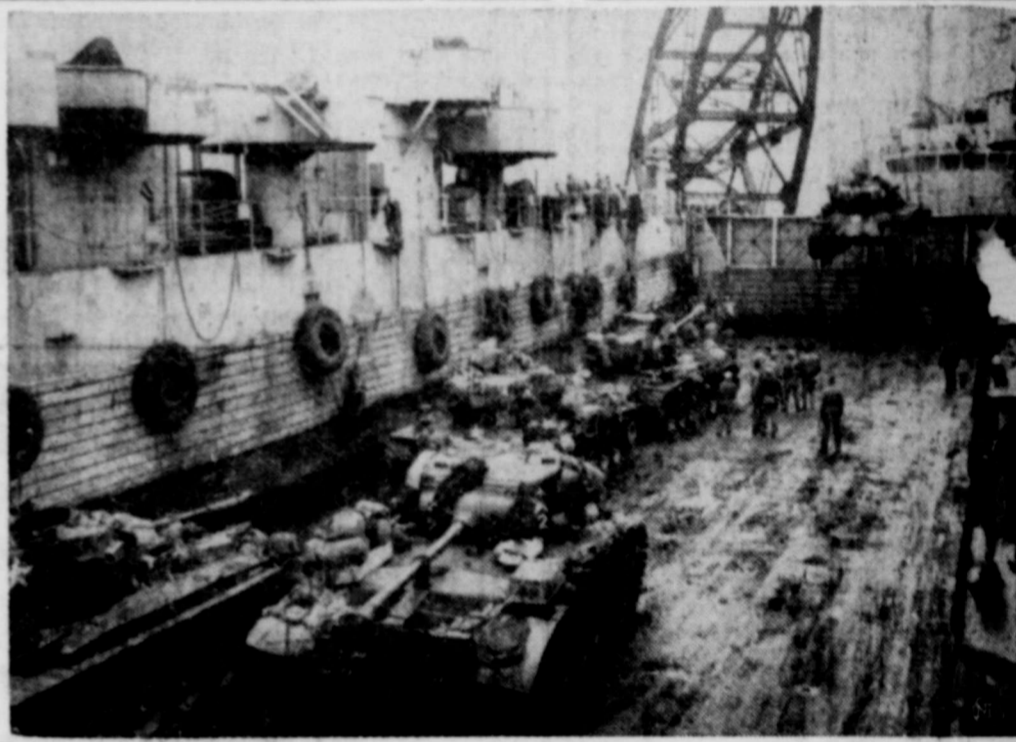
Whatever more Kirsten intended to write was never put down. She sat holding the pen above the paper for a moment and then let it drop from her hand. It made a small spatter blot. Her head nodded and when she reached for the pen her hand wavered and then dropped at her side. She was too tired.

AS she slumped forward Carl caught her under the arms and lifted her up. She turned with an inarticulate cry of glad relief and put her arms around his neck. They stood together facing each other, tall and straight and very young, just as they had always been.

"Carl!" she said. "Oh, Carl!" There weren't any words anywhere which expressed the things in her heart and voice. He held her very close and turned her back to the table so that she could not see that she was there also, lying face down across the letter she had just written.

For a moment eternity swirled around them. Then there was a bump and a crash. Glass tinkled on the floor and table. The entire window was gone except for a few jagged daggers that stuck to the frame like stalactites and stalagmites from the roof and floor of a cave. The indoor baseball landed on the table and rolled off.

The warm south wind rushed in and flooded the malodorous house. Carl looked at his arms. They were empty. (To Be Continued)



SAVED FOR ANOTHER BATTLE—U. S. M-26 tanks wait unloading from ship after arrival at Pusan from the Hungnam, Korea, beachhead. The 105,000-man 10th Corps successfully evacuated the Hungnam beachhead with 99 per cent of their equipment. (NEA Telephoto by Ed Hoffman, Staff Correspondent).

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1 Depicted dog
2 Nevada city
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4 is an old breed of French origin
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6 Kind of tide
7 Royal Italian crests
8 family name
9 Adherent
10 Breathes (comb. form)
11 Carnivorous mammal
12 Laid away
13 Large fish
14 Mother
15 Electrical unit
16 Persian poet
17 Pace
18 Separate
19 Skin opening
20 Against
21 Flower
22 Hastens
23 Lease
24 Symbol for sodium
25 Editor (ab.)
26 Behold!
27 Ideas
28 Township (ab.)
29 Constellation
30 Slight coloring
31 Hebrew money of account
32 Particular
33 Mend
34 Comfort
35 Redactor
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3 Devotee

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER



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BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



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BY V. T. HAMLIN



Well-Locked Box
MOOREHEAD, Minn. (U.P.)—A high school student, Warren Clark, exercised his wits by devising a safety deposit box with four interlocking locks which must be opened in sequence. The principal lock is opened only with the use of electricity, so that the owner must be near an electric outlet to get the box open. New York City was capital of the state until 1797.

Society-Clubs

Society Editor—Willena James
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Lt. Harkrider, Betty Williams United In Ceremony Read In Parent's Home

Betty Williams became the bride of Lt. Harold Harkrider in a ceremony read at 7:30 Friday, December 22nd in the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Harkrider at 1117 West Commerce Street in Eastland.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Bob Bailey of Hamlin and C. N. Wheat of Ranger.

Mrs. Carl Peoples was her sister's only attendant and George Harkrider served his brother as best man. The Rev. Chief Warden, pastor of the Wesley Methodist Church in Cisco officiated, before an improvised altar, decorated with baskets of white gladiolas and white candles, in tall candelabra.

Mrs. Harkrider chose for her wedding a beige crepe dress with dark brown accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of carnations. She was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Mr. Peoples.

A reception followed the ceremony and was also held in the home. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth and decorated with an arrangement of red roses. Miss Nancy Harkrider presided and ladeled the frosted punch. Mrs. James E. Harkrider served a three tiered wedding cake, which was topped with a miniature bride couple.

Lt. Harkrider is a graduate of A&M College and served 14 months at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was called back into service September 29th. He is now stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., where he will return Sunday accompanied by his wife and her young son, Larry Williams.

M. A. McGee's Celebrate 44th Anniversary

Mrs. and Mrs. M. A. McGee of 519 South Austin celebrated their forty-fourth wedding anniversary Saturday, December 23rd with a quiet day at home. They were married in 1906 at Lingleville, Texas. Mrs. McGee is the former Myrtle J. Packwood.

The couple's six children were at home for the anniversary and Christmas. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo McGee and daughters, Sharon and Donna of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McGee and son, Johnny; Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Simpson and son, Billy; Miss Ora Mae McGee, all of Ranger and Captain Mark L. Johnson, of Mac, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Acie Hoover of Drumright, Oklahoma spent Christmas with Mrs. Winnie Hoover.



MCCARTHY-PONTIKES WEDDING REPORTED—Glenna McCarthy, 17-year-old daughter of Glenn McCarthy, famous Houston, Texas, oilman, is reported to have eloped with George Pontikes, left, a Rice Institute football player and son of a Houston Shoe Repairman. (NEA Telephoto).

Funderburk's Have Guests

Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Boswell had the following guests in their home over the holidays: Dr. and Mrs. Joe B. Frantz of the University of Texas and Miss Genevieve Boswell of Austin. Mrs. Frantz is a daughter of the Boswells.

Dr. Frantz is now attending an American Historical Association meeting in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shirley had as holiday guests in their home, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Townsend and Shirley and Sandra from Royalty; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Evans from Dallas; Mrs. E. E. Shirley and children, Joe and Patsy Lee from Monument, New Mexico.

Mrs. L. E. Wolfe has returned to her home in Ranger after spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Rogers and family of Abilene.

Tommy Clint Daniel of Goldthwaite has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Pirkle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hull, former residents of Ranger and daughter, Mrs. V. L. Luttrell, all of Dallas spent Wednesday in Ranger visiting friends.

Mrs. J. G. McDowell of Fort Worth has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Lou Williams and her mother, Mrs. J. C. Hill. Mrs. Hill will celebrate her sixty seventh birthday today.

Mrs. Pearl Henderson of Arma, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs.

Personals

G. R. Anderson of Waxahachie has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Huckaby, Jr.

Mrs. Luke Hunt and Mrs. Helen Rhinehart of Coss: Mr. and Mrs. Gidd Faircloth from Kermit and Mrs. A. C. Martin of Refugio have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Faircloth.

Thomas Huling of Irving spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rayfield.

Mrs. Ila Ward and Mrs. S. E. Reynolds had the following guests in their home for Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Weidon Way of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheeler of El Campo and Mrs. Wards brothers, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Reynolds and V. M. Reynolds of Plainview and a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sewell Landers of Clyde, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Orr spent the Christmas holidays in Honey Grove visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Orr. This is the first time in thirty years that Mr. Orr has spent Christmas at his old home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert had as guests in their home, Mr. and Mrs. James Calvert; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and girls of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. L. Shelton of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shelton of Lubbock.

Youngful Assist
MEMPHIS (U.P.) — Two-year-old Jimmy Wright was Johnny-on-the-spot when his mother snapped "I'm losing my patience" and turned the car out of another jam-packed parking lot. "I'll hold it for you, Mommy," the youngster volunteered.

Rose-Fish Are Guests, Wed.

Earl Glenn Rose of Seminary Hill in Ft. Worth, state president of the Baptist Student Union, and Rev. Roy Fish, president of the B.S.U. at the University of Arkansas were visitors in Ranger on Wednesday and were guests of the First Baptist Church at their mid-week service.

Mr. Rose is working toward the organization of a B.S.U. in the various junior colleges of Texas, and hopes to have a B.S.U. in Ranger Junior College in the near future.

Back in Genesis, the 23rd Chapter—... there is recorded one of the early-day real estate transactions. Sarah had died at the age of 127, and Abraham bargained for and finally bought a field containing a cave for her last resting place. While there is no direct mention of an abstract, the evidence is clear that Abraham got a good title in the purchase. Time changes many things, for better or worse, but the caution used by Abraham still prevails. The title was important then, it's more so now.

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READY TO RIVET—Mrs. Helen Dorthe Longstreet, above, widow of the famous Confederate general, is ready to "don her World War II slacks again and return to work on a bomber assembly line near her home in Marietta, Ga. Now in the 80's but in "tip-top physical shape," the militant widow last summer lost a bid to unseat Gov. Herman Talmadge for the governorship of Georgia.

James Edgar Johnston
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SCENES AROUND RANGER

Those firemen were right up against the burning oil tankers Tuesday night. At times it looked as if they were surrounded by the hungry flames and on a couple of occasions they were.

That was the kind of fire that could have blown sky high. It is still a mystery why an explosion didn't occur. The tankers were burning furiously for over an hour after the accident. The weather was hardly a help to the firemen and trainmen. It must have been around 20 degrees Tuesday night and in spite of the intense heat thrown off by the roaring gasoline flames, the freezing north-erly wind hindered the work of the firemen.

After more firemen had arrived from Eastland and Cisco, the fire-fighters took a needed brief rest in a safe across the highway. When I walked in around 10 p.m., four of Ranger's firemen were huddled around the stove drinking hot coffee. They were soaked to the skin by spraying water and to watch them shivering in their wet clothes sent icy goose pimples down my spine.

Someone out at the fire said that once the fire started it was best to let it burn out. As long as they kept a steady stream of water on the tanks, the danger of an explosion was minimized. Chemical foam is considered the best agent to fight an oil fire with. The Ranger fire department has some of the foam ordered but it hasn't arrived. A fireman did use a hand extinguisher containing foam. He climbed up a burning tanker, cautiously cat-walked across the top of the tanker and over to the flaming hatch. The foam put out the fire for about 30 seconds but the blaze ignited again.

For a change, curious onlookers kept a safe distance from the fire. They used good sense in doing this for if any of the tankers had exploded, gasoline and metal

chunks would have been thrown for blocks around. But it didn't take much convincing to keep anybody away from the inferno.

When I got to the scene, the fire was going full blast. At first I ran toward it—then as I got a good look at the leaping flames, I slowed to a walk and finally halted about 20 yards away. All I kept thinking about was a sudden explosion. I even looked around for a ditch to dive into as if I could get out of the way if the explosion did happen.

The flames outlined the firemen as shadows and they looked unreal as they hurriedly pulled fire hose up to the fire. The force of the impact was clearly shown by the tanker which was jammed up against the front of the engine. The tanker, with one end almost off the ground, tilted snugly against the engine. The engine's crew was lucky, to escape injury or death. The accident had all the markings of a disaster if an explosion had occurred.

It was cold, dirty and wet for the firemen and they are to be commended for their excellent and immediate work at the fire. If a tanker had exploded it is difficult to see how any of them could have escaped—they were literally working with their feet in the fire.

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NEWS FROM CARBON

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Robertson and family spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Parker of Westover.

Mr. and Mrs. Claxton Spat and family of Tomball were the holiday guests of his mother, Mrs. May Speer and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Speer and family.

John Edward Trimble of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting with his mother, Mrs. W. E. Trimble.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bennett of Levelland visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Reese and they will spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Turner of Gatesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stubbiefield of Bartlesville, Okla., are visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Underwood and Frank Stubbiefield. Mr. Jean Underwood of Clifton, Arizona is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Underwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ramsey and family of Morenci, Ariz., spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Toad Medford and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Shirey of Morenci, Ariz., visited in the home of their parents, Mrs. B. B. Shirey and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Butler are spending the holidays with their son, Bryan Butler and family of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barron and son of Ft. Worth spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Gray and family.

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ALL DOING NICELY—The triplet calves—a rarity in bovine biology—born at Brillion, Wis., Nov. 24, are getting busier every day. Their mother is Jolly, a Guernsey cow owned by Elroy Benke. Here his son, Glenn Roy, 7, poses with the healthy heifers whose weight ranged from 144 to 182 pounds when they were a week old.

The most unhappy man in Washington after Christmas is Alfred I. Ribnick. He has to take back what he sold.

Al manages a toy store here called F. A. O. Schwarz. The stuff he sells is ship-shape when it goes out BUT when it comes back—wow! Al suspects careless little hands for the damage. And you'd be surprised at the parents who blame the store for busted toys—Senators and Congressmen, even. They come running back with:

Tinker toys that won't tinker. Puppets costing \$35 that won't puppet. Kid electric irons that won't heat up and iron. Tricycles that refuse to trike.

I went to see Al and ask him about his misery and hand to wait half an hour in line before I could say "hello."

There was a dowager wearing dyed blue hair in front of me

who had brought her granddaughter a doll bed for Christmas. She was raising old Ned because the bed didn't come equipped with a mattress.

"But, Lady," protested Al, "You didn't order or pay for a mattress."

"That doesn't make any difference," said the Lady. "Do you expect a doll to sleep on a bed without a mattress?"

Right behind her was another woman who had spent some \$35 on her grandson for a chemical set with an elementary course in how to "make" an A-bomb.

"The thing won't go off," she said.

"The thing isn't supposed to go off," Al explained. "It's a chemical set for advanced students and is not exactly a toy. If it would go off, we wouldn't be selling it."

The lady got her money back. Al said, though, that the worst customers are those who come in a day or so after Christmas with

toys, like trains, with a wheel missing, a signal light that won't work. Or a wheel barrow without a wheel.

"You know darned well that the kid or grandpa busted the thing on Christmas morning, but what can you do about it and still stay in business? Al asked.

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HERE'S AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN IN JUST FIVE MINUTES OF KOREAN WAR

BY H. D. QUIGG
WITH 26th DIVISION IN KOREA, Dec. 28—(U.P.)—This is the story of five intense minutes in a small section. Five minutes during which Chinese Communists cut through an American battalion command post and left it disorganized and helpless.

It happened during the Chinese breakthrough at Kunri in the early morning dark of December 1. The story was told by Lt. Col. Melvin R. Blair of Abilene, Kans., as we sat together in his tent. Blair was commander of battalion—of the Negro 24th Infantry Regiment—at the time of the attack.

"It was just as if right now, as we are sitting here talking, we'd hear a screaming outside and Chinese would be on us," Blair said.

On the evening of Nov. 30 Blair had ordered his three rifle companies to dig in on a 1,500-yard rice paddy front. He set up his command post behind and to the side of them, in a building in Kunri. There was high ground south of the town. An element of another division retreating but unable to break contact with the Chinese, came through the town from the northeast and went to the high ground. The Chinese stayed in the town.

At 1 a.m. Blair was asleep, zipped snugly into his sleeping bag. Then several things happened fast. A Communist burp gun went off. Blair's executive officer came into report that. The phone rang. Blair answered. As he did he heard a couple of Chinese bugle calls in the rear. On the phone was his regimental colonel, telling him he'd better move the rifle companies and

command post back to the high ground.

"I held the receiver at my ear when the Chinese broke through in a screaming, yelling charge into our perimeter," Blair said. "They hit on a narrow front and spread out inside our lines. They crawled under the fence around our buildings.

"I threw down the phone. Just outside the door there was a bedlam of screams, shouts, burp gun grenade bursts. Half-dressed I ran into the yard. Some turks and South Koreans who had been nearby had come into the C.P. and the Americans and Chinese were all milling around. People were lying behind bushes and rocks, shooting and getting shot.

"It was dark. Nobody could see the fence. You'd see people in groups of five or 10 run and hit it and bounce back. The Chinese were shooting anyone who went through the gate."

Blair said Maj. Roseus C. Newell of Jonesboro, Tenn., was "trying to get some order out of the confusion."

"We decided to try to break through the gate with about 30 men," Blair continued. "Just as we got together the Chinese threw a grenade in front of us. My exec was one of those hit. The medical officer came over, and they chopped him down with a burp gun. They both got out later though. Newell and about 15 men rushed the gate firing like hell and broke through."

"That cleared the gate and all of a sudden the Chinese firing died down. Apparently all who had gotten inside our building had been killed. But all our radios, vehicles and telephones were captured."

The unwounded Americans began making their way out. They were led by Capt. Nathaniel McWee of Buzzards Bay, Mass., and 1st Lt. Arthur E. Wiggins of Columbus, Ga., battalion communications officer.

"As we rounded a corner McWee ran into three burp gunners," Blair said. "He pulled the trigger of his rifle and just got a click. They were as frightened as he was. Old Mac just brought his rifle up with both hands under one guy's chin and he fell like a stuck hog. Wiggins killed the other two. Then we saw some Chinese dodge into a building farther on. Mac jumped about five yards and went into the house. Wiggins followed him. We heard shooting but they didn't come out."

That ended the five minutes. The column went on and made the high ground. When they got to the regimental C.P. at dawn, McWee and Wiggins were the first persons they saw. The two had gone through the back door of the house pursuing the Chinese and found themselves back in the old battalion command post. They gathered up the wounded, including the doctor and artillery officer and helped them to safety in the hills.

BARCELONA, Spain (UP)—Antonio Carreras, 32, left here by foot on a Holy Year pilgrimage to Rome. Equipped only with a knapsack, a pilgrim's staff and 650 pesetas (\$16), Carreras said he hoped to cover the distance in 30 daily laps averaging 22 miles each.

The area of New York City is 320.26 square miles and it has a waterfront of 578 miles.

Tenn. Keeps Eyes Peeled On Two Tex. Stars

BY ED FITE
UNITED PRESS SPORTS WRITER

DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 28—(U.P.)—Two University of Texas stars who hope to deal a bit of misery to the University of Tennessee's vols in the Cotton Bowl next Monday have swapped positions since gaining All-State fame in high school, but they're not interested in swapping back.

Richard Rowan, an All-State center at Austin high near the Longhorn campus, is equally pleased with his tasks of catching passes from an end position.

Rowan broke into the Texas first string midway of his Freshman season in 1946 and he's been there ever since. Unspectacular, he hasn't received all the acclaim due him, but retiring Head Coach Blair Cherry wouldn't trade him for any center in the conference.

He's an expert blocker and his 205 pounds pack a lot of wallop when he gets in there on defense. He'll be the most "Howwise" player on the field New Year's Day.

It will mark the third holiday classic in four years for the rugged center. Texas' 1948 Sugar Bowl triumph over Alabama, 27-7, and the 1949 Orange Bowl rout of favored Georgia, 41-28, were the others.

Rowan, incidentally, wears contact lenses. He forgot them once—for the Orange Bowl game—and played the most terrific game of his career.

Proctor, a six-foot three inch, 193-pounder, started his career with Texas as a center. But, line Coach Ed Price, who will succeed Cherry to the head man's job after the Tennessee game,

soon chanced that

Price shunted the big-handed Proctor, who has ambitions of becoming a History Professor, out to end by mid-season. He caught only two passes that year, both against Texas Christian for 12 yards.

A knee operation sidelined him in 1947.

In his Sophomore year, he led the club with 18 catches for 255 yards and three touchdowns.

By the time he suited out for his junior season, Proctor had developed a knack of working his way into the open better than anyone in the conference and he topped the loop by a wide margin with 724 yards gained on 43 passes hauled in. Five went for touchdowns. And, most of this fine work came in the game that counted in the standings. In six games he caught 30 passes for 505 yards and four touchdowns.

This past season, Texas didn't emphasize passing quite as much as some of the conference teams and Proctor dropped into respectable fourth spot among receivers with 24 for 453 yards and five touchdowns. But, again most of it was accomplished in conference games.

With this sort of success, it's little wonder that he and Rowan would not care to swap back to their old positions for the final games of their collegiate careers against Coach Bob Neyland's powerful volunteers.

Fish No'l Namesake

LANSING, Mich. (UP)—Mullett Lake has been granted its final name. The state committee on geographic names spent several days of research before finding that the lake had been named after a man and not after mullet fish.

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It's great to have fun. Relax and enjoy yourself over the week end, holiday or vacation. But remember—somewhere during every two-day holiday, 175 workers will be accidentally killed and 15,000 injured, many maimed for life. One of these could be you. A large part of these casualties will be caused by traffic accidents, but drownings, falls, firearms, poisons, burns and other accidents will help to swell the total.

Coming back Monday? The chances are all in your favor—if you just use plain common sense in what you do and how you do it over the week end.

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Boyce House Gives You Texas

By Boyce House

You can't put a fence around the West says this editorial in the Amarillo Daily News:

Writers never weary about describing the geography of the West. It has been a new and ever expanding region since our glorious United States were cradled. The West was once out on the Ohio, over the Alleghenies, then into Iowa and Illinois, Kansas and Nebraska, then Texas, Indian Territory, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona and California. Finally, writers and lovers of the great open spaces where lie the borderlands of adventure, romance, life and sometimes tragic death, quit trying to put in bounds. You couldn't fence it in or stake a line and say: "Beyond this is the West."

Realizing it could not be roped in, the writers, poets, and ordinary mortals with songs in their hearts and poetry in their lives, began trying to define it by describing it. They failed. They found that to define the West was to limit it, and you cannot limit the boundless spaces.

Whoever heard of measuring that vast dome of eternity, the starlit heavens? What engineer mass of white, you would know the air was loaded with radioactive particles. By then, though, it would be too late to duck.

How To Make Home Atomic Cloud Chamber

BY ELIZABETH TOOMEY
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—(U.P.)—With a little simple kitchen physics, anybody can put together a cloud chamber, a device which played a vital part in making this the atomic age.

The simplest possible version involves a cake of dry ice, an aluminum pie pan, a glass fish bowl, and an aluminum cake pan. Unscientific as it may sound, it works.

First borrow a little model airplane cement from junior's tool chest and cement a piece of black velvet to the inside of the pie pan. Dr. Nieset said. Then put the pan on the cake of dry ice. Line the bottom of the fish bowl with velvet cemented down; saturate the velvet with rubbing alcohol, and invert it on top of the pie pan. The cake pan, filled with water at room temperature, goes on top of the fish bowl, and the cloud chamber is complete. After ten or 15 minutes it should begin to work.

A flashlight or an electric light turned directly on the fish bowl reveals tiny tracks of white appearing and disappearing near the velvet-lined bottom of the pie pan.

"Those," Dr. Nieset said, "actually are trails left when high speed particles, such as electrons, pass through the air and break the gas molecules up into charged particles, or ions."

The ions are too small to be seen by a microscope, but thanks to the alcohol-saturated atmosphere and the dry ice at the bottom of the glass chamber, vapor condenses on the invisible ions to make the string of particles appear as brief, white streaks.

In a sense, you made yourself a sort of visible geiger counter. "If," said Dr. Nieset, "you could accurately count those white flashes you would be recording radiation."

He doubted, however, that the cloud chamber would help much in case of atomic attack. If, for instance, the white streaks in the glass chamber turned to a sudden

"This idea of a simplified cloud chamber is not original with me—it came first from the Brookhaven National Laboratories," Dr. Nieset said. "I merely have experimented with various common household dishes in making mine."

Dr. Robert T. Nieset the director of biophysics research at Tulane University, showed how to do it with a homespun cloud chamber that could be duplicated in the kitchen.

Cabbie Escaped

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (U.P.)—Taxi cab driver Jessie A. Reeves, 53, pleaded guilty to leaving the scene of a traffic accident, but city judge Herbert R. Grise acquitted him, saying the mishap happened early in the morning and the owner of the parked car which Reeves' cab hit was not present.

Sufferer Reverses Verdict On Doc.

TOLEDO, O. (UP)—Forty years ago, doctors told J. M. Gasser he had one year to live. Tuberculosis was going to kill him, they insisted.

Today, in semi-retirement at 76, he is celebrating with his wife their 54th year of matrimony and happily looking forward to many more.

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Texas Lawmakers Stand To Break 2 Records In '51

BY O. B. Lloyd, Jr., UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT
AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 28.—(U.P.)—Lawmakers convening here Jan. 9 for the coming session of the legislature stand a better than even chance of breaking two records.

Laurels for the longest session in history, an endurance set-to of 177 days, were taken by the 51st session. But that stands to be a pushover if normal politics hold sway.

When the last legislature adjourned, king-sized appropriations had riddled a \$100,000,000 surplus in the general fund into a red-lined anticipated deficit of \$26,000,000.

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