

Subs Menace Japanese

Muscovites Claim New Victories

Asiatic Admiral Says U-Boats Win In First Attacks

Congress May Reach Compromise On Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—Well informed congressmen said Wednesday pending draft extension measures in the House and Senate might be compromised to provide for active military service for men from 20 through 44, inclusive.

Legislation scheduled for House debate Wednesday put a floor of 21 below which men could not be inducted, but a similar Senate bill would permit the Selective Service system to dip down to those 19 or older—as requested by the War Department.

Many members expressed the opinion the two chambers would pass the bills in those divergent forms and that a joint Senate-House conference committee would compromise at 20.

Strong administration pressure, springing from a strongly-worded letter from President Roosevelt endorsing the 19 through 44 age limits, was being exerted however in behalf of the Senate bill.

Both measures call for the registration of all men from 19 through 44, inclusive, which, including the 17,500,000 already registered, would affect an estimated 41,000,000 men.

There were indications that the major fight over the legislation in the House would involve the age limit for active service. Other amendments may be offered, however, which would preclude active military service for men under 20 unless they had been trained for at least 12 months.

Selects Knight Commander Here

Don T. Knight was named commander of Midland Commandery No. 84, Knights Templar, at its stated meeting Tuesday night at the Masonic Hall.

Other officers selected included: Roy R. McKee, generalissimo; Bernard Collins, captain general; Perry Collins, senior warden; William T. Chandler, junior warden; Rall Bell Cowden, prelate; John P. Howe, treasurer; Ray V. Hyatt, recorder; Curtis P. Vincent, standard bearer; Romy C. Ferguson, warder, and Charles T. Allen, sentinel.

Because of illness, Will J. Rhea, past grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas, was not present to install officers, and installation was deferred until January.

The Midland commandery will observe Christmas services at 11 a. m. the morning of Dec. 25, in uniform.

Boy Scouts Will Elect Officers

Annual election of Midland District officers of the Boy Scouts will be held following a Court of Honor at 7:30 p. m. Friday in the county courtroom. The honor court is open.

A district committee meeting will be held in connection with the election, Stanley Mate, field executive, said.

Dana M. Secor is chairman of the district committee. A nominating committee is composed of Francis Kingdon, Dewey Jordan, and I. E. Hood.

Three Die When Fast Train Hits MKT Passenger

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—(AP)—The west bound Katy Flyer, passenger train of the M. K. T., crashed head-on into the standing eastbound Flyer four miles north of here early Wednesday, killing three trainmen and injuring five other railroad employees.

No passengers were hurt seriously. By dawn everyone in the wreck had been accounted for.

Two of the locomotives were pitched from the rail into an embankment. Baggage cars were split open and tossed on end by the impact. A third locomotive and the passenger cars remained upright. The standing train had two locomotives.

The dead: P. H. Handley, Sedalia, Mo., engineer; F. M. Truett, Sedalia, Mo., engineer; Richard Snell, New Franklin, Mo., fireman.

A Federal Bureau of Investigation agent said he believed the wreck the result of a clear accident.

E. S. Humphrey of Mokane, fireman of the east bound train, said the westbound Flyer crashed into his locomotive "traveling about 50 or 60 miles an hour."

He was bruised and cut and had an injured leg.

"We apparently had a bum set of orders," he told an Associated Press staff man at the hospital, but added quickly he didn't mean they had been tampered with.

The St. Louis-Dallas trains normally pass at the wreck scene, one taking a siding.

Germany Admits Hitler's Armies Shortening Lines

By The Associated Press

Russia proclaimed a series of smashing new victories in the war with Germany Wednesday and for the first time Adolf Hitler's high command wryly acknowledged the German invasion armies were "shortening their lines" along the Soviet front and were hard-pressed on the defensive in North Africa.

In perhaps the gloomiest Nazi communique of the entire war—giving the German people at least an inkling that the tide of conquest has been thrown into reverse—the high command reported:

"In the course of transition from aggressive operations to stationary warfare for the winter months, necessary improvements involving the shortening of lines now are being systematically undertaken on various sectors of the eastern front."

But Soviet dispatches pictured the Germans in headlong flight, by no means effecting a strategic withdrawal, with a Moscow communique declaring:

"The fleeing enemy is being pursued and annihilated by our troops."

Red Army soldiers who recaptured strategic Kalinin, 95 miles north-west of Moscow, said they found German troops had built four-tiered flank beds in houses throughout the Kalinin zone "evidently intending to spend the winter there."

Moreover, the official Berlin radio spokesman shifted in a broadcast from comment on the exploits of "our victorious German army" to a (See RUSSIANS, page 6)

Defense Council To Blackout Oil Field

GLADSWATER — (AP) — The East Texas oil field will be blacked out "some time in January," the Gregg County defense council has announced.

Keep 'Em Grounded

WICHITA FALLS — (AP) — President John F. O'Donohue of the Petroleum Producers Company announced Tuesday night the firm had been sold to the Shell Oil Company, Inc. for more than \$2,000,000.

Petroleum Producers, one of the largest concerns in this section, owns leases throughout the district, in South Texas and in New Mexico.

New officers of the firm, all connected with Shell, are: R. B. Roarke, president; George W. Cunningham, vice president; J. M. Flaherty, treasurer, all of Tulsa. Fred Selmann of Wichita Falls is secretary.

In the transaction O'Donohue said that more than 4,000 shares were sold at more than \$500 per share. Par is \$100.

Ulmer To Speak At Community Barbecue

Mayor M. C. Ulmer, will make the opening talk at a community barbecue at noon Thursday given by Texas Cattle Sales, Inc. at the auction barn.

Ranchers, business men, farmers, stock raisers, and others will be guests. Midland Rotary Club members will attend in a group.

Postpones Class For War Fund Campaign

A first aid class, taught by Mrs. Anne Brown, scheduled Thursday morning, was postponed to 1:30 p. m. that afternoon to permit class members to work in the Red Cross War Fund drive.

Lions To Stage Big Christmas Party

The annual Lion's Club Christmas banquet and party was scheduled at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday at Hotel Scharbauer. A ladies night program will be held.

Santa Claus will distribute gifts at the party following the banquet. A musical program will be presented during the banquet.

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Decorations Contest Prizes On Display At Chamber Office Here

Prizes to be awarded winners in Midland's Christmas lighting and home decoration contest are on display at the chamber of commerce office.

Citizens were reminded a deadline would be fixed soon on entries by the sponsor, the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Entries should be telephoned to the senior chamber's office.

Midland merchants donate prizes, which include home furnishings.

The city will be divided into four districts with first and second place winners to be selected in each. Prizes will be awarded district winners and a sweepstakes prize to the grand winner.

Judging will be done by a secret committee, probably early next week.

FDR To Receive Censorship Plans

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Stephen Early, White House secretary, said Wednesday the government hoped to have the rough outlines of a censorship plan ready for President Roosevelt's approval by the time the war powers bill reaches him from Congress.

Early said an advisory committee composed of Vice President Wallace, Attorney General E. A. Tamm, Postmaster General Walker, and Lowell Mellett, director of the office of government reports, had been working on various plans for some time and that they would be submitted by Byron Price, newly appointed censorship director.

Price is expected here Friday to take over his new duties. He has been granted a leave of absence as executive news editor of the Associated Press.

Train Derails; Four Are Hurt

TUCUMCARI, N. M. — (AP) — Four men were injured, apparently none critically, when eight cars of a westbound Rock Island passenger train were derailed 50 miles northeast of here at Nara Vista early Wednesday. One car overturned.

Approximately thirty of the train's passengers, only partly clad, were brought here wrapped in blankets. The first part of the train arrived here later, carrying the victims, clothing and effects.

Adopts Oil Plans For Pacific War

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Secretary of Interior Ickes, the defense Petroleum coordinator, Wednesday approved a far-reaching oil conservation program for California which he said was designed to assure an adequate fuel supply for American and allied forces fighting Japan in the Pacific.

The program was drawn by the industry production committee for District 5 (California, Washington, Nevada and Arizona) at Ickes' request and the coordinator asked immediate action by the committee and California's oil operators to put it into effect.

Responsibility for initiating conservation measures, including the determination of allocation schedules for oil production in California, was placed with in the industry production committee.

The program would depend on oil industry support and cooperation in the enforcement of its stipulations that persons engaged in the industry "produce, store, sell, market, transport, purchase and handle petroleum and its products only if produced in accordance with conditions proposed by the committee and approved by the coordinator."

A Batavia communique said a Dutch bomber scored a direct hit on a Japanese destroyer covering hostile landing operations at Miri, Sarawak, close to the frontier between Sarawak and British North Borneo. The southern part of Borneo is Dutch.

In London a government spokesman told Parliament that all steps had now been taken to coordinate British, United States and Allied war plans in accord with President Roosevelt's call for "world-scale strategy," but that Britain has not yet asked Russia to declare war on Japan.

Japanese warships, bombers and land batteries also were reported violently pounding siege-bound Hongkong, Britain's second-greatest stronghold in the Far East, and a Reuters dispatch said Japanese forces had seized the Portuguese island of Macao, 45 miles southwest of Hongkong.

While London quarters appeared gloomy over the prospect of Hongkong holding out, latest dispatches from the island itself reported Americans there were "all right" and that the colony's fortifications were "strong enough to resist all attempts at invasion."

Japs Sink Torpedo Boats — These dispatches said British artillerymen had silenced three Japanese gun positions on the Kowloon mainland, across a mile-wide channel, and hit air-raid casualties so far were light.

A Tokyo communique said Japanese forces had sunk six torpedo boats and damaged a destroyer and three other vessels in Hongkong waters.

On the northwest Malaya front, where the Japanese are smashing forward in a drive aimed at Singapore, advances reaching London said Japanese troops fighting like fanatics were throwing themselves into the teeth of British artillery and machine-gun fire in perhaps the heaviest battle of the Far East theater.

A warning by Lieut. Comm. Kengo Tomimaga of Imperial Headquarters (See WARFARE, page 6)

Midland Farmers Will Name Group

Midland County agricultural committee for 1942 will be elected, at a meeting, 7 p. m. Friday night, at the courthouse. Farmers of the county will select the committee.

Three regular committeemen and two alternates will be named. The 1941 officers are M. W. Whitmire, W. E. Pigg and B. T. Hale, members, and Terry Elkins and J. R. Carter, alternates.

Give Liberally To The War Fund

(An Editorial)

Again the Red Cross is called upon to serve our nation in war. All Americans face definite responsibilities for services to armed forces and for relief to distressed civilians.

To obtain essential funds, the Red Cross has launched a War Fund campaign for a minimum of \$50,000,000.

Midland's quota is \$2,600 and our chapter may retain 15 per cent of the amount it obtains in the campaign for local war relief expenditures.

Midland will provide this money quickly and willingly. Approximately 75 persons will solicit contributions to the War Fund Thursday. Be ready with your donation and give liberally. Let's get this job done in a day. Workers in the drive are busy citizens. They are giving their time to obtain this fund for direct war relief.

We are in a war and we are going to win. Remember Pearl Harbor.



War Bulletins

TOKYO — (Official Radio Received by AP) — One hundred and ninety persons were killed and 164 injured Wednesday morning in an earthquake in southern Formosa, the overseas ministry announced Wednesday.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The War Department said Wednesday the shelling of Kahului, on the island of Maui, by an enemy submarine caused only slight damage to a loading platform of a pineapple company and there were no casualties.

BUENOS AIRES — (AP) — A German plot to halt the export of Bolivian metals to the United States by sabotaging railways running to the Chilean ports of Arica and Antofagasta has been thwarted, according to information received here Wednesday.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Navy Department announced Wednesday there were no injuries to personnel during the Japanese attack on Johnston Island, which was reported late Tuesday.

CHUNGKING — (AP) — Chinese forces were reported Wednesday night to have delivered successful attacks north of besieged Hongkong, compelling the Japanese to shift reinforcements to cope with a Chinese threat to their rear in the Tamshui area.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Roosevelt told a labor-industry conference to curb wartime strikes Wednesday that the war was "going to go on for a long time" and appealed for unanimous agreement by Friday night on a plan to speed up defense production without hindrance.

6 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

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RELATIVE VALUE: Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?—Matt. 6:25.

"We Will Not Let You Down"

Pinned to the blotter of a desk left vacant recently by a young man who enlisted in the Armed Forces was a note which well expressed the spirit of young America. It read:

"To My Buddies:

"I was born in America. I enjoy more privileges than any boy anywhere else in the world.

"I had free speech; the right to choose my religion. I worked where I pleased and spent my money where I pleased. Yes: I enjoyed myself.

"I had liberty, fought and paid for with the blood of my forefathers. We all realize that this God given liberty which we enjoy is in serious danger of being destroyed forever. But we know that it never will be destroyed while boys like you and I can prevent it. We will not let our loved ones down.

"That is why I left my job here without saying goodbye and enlisted in the United States Marines.

"As our beloved President said if I have to pay the supreme sacrifice to defend our liberty, I will consider it a privilege, just as my father did in 1917-18 when he paid.

"So, until I see you again, have hope in us, we will not let you down."

Industry On The March

"American lives have been lost in bombings; ships sunk; planes destroyed. These lives will be avenged through uninterrupted production on the factory front. The munitions of war can and will be replaced."

In those words Walter D. Fuller, president and William P. Withrow, president-elect of the National Association of Manufacturers, pledged America's industrial might to our country's fight for freedom.

"Industry will build two battleships for every one that sinks.

"It will match every enemy bomb with a dozen.

"It will blacken the skies with planes to replace the ones shot down.

"Industry's production to arm our fighting forces will be limited only by the human endurance of the men who man and manage its facilities.

"We Americans have not always seen eye to eye among ourselves. But, as always, aggression from without fuses our family differences in unity of purpose. The enemies of our democratic way will find us one unbreakable phalanx in which class, creed and petty politics are forgotten.

"With every other patriotic element in the country, industry is on the march! It will produce, produce, and produce to the end that victory shall be swift and sure."

Some men have a head for figures—any many more an eye.

The hardest season to get out of bed is summer, fall, winter and spring!

Coming Events

THURSDAY

Friendly Builders' Class of the Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. O. F. Hedrick, 800 W. Michigan, Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Adult education nutrition study group will meet with Mrs. S. H. Huggins, 1300 W. Indiana, Thursday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock.

Adult education nutrition study sponsored by the South Ward PTA will meet at the Calvary Baptist Church across from the South Ward building, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

Pals Social Hour will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. Betty Washam.

The Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Fred Turner, 1705 W. Missouri, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Creative Arts group of AAUW will meet with Mrs. Leland Davison, 2104 W. Brunson, Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

First aid group will meet at the Catholic parish hall, Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Mrs. Otis Brown will teach the first lesson in the course.

Needlecraft Club will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. John C. Dunagan, 1904 W. Wall, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

FRIDAY

Belmont Bible Class will meet with Mrs. H. D. Bruce, 311 North Main, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for a Christmas party.

Adult education nutrition study group will meet with Mrs. Chas. I. Klapproth, 1001 W. Texas, Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Children's Service League will meet with Mrs. Burton Atkinson, 2008 W. Brunson, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Naomi Sunday School Class will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. W. P. Knight, 1201 W. Missouri, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

SATURDAY

Edelweiss Club will meet with Mrs. Hayden Miles, 1106 W. Texas, Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

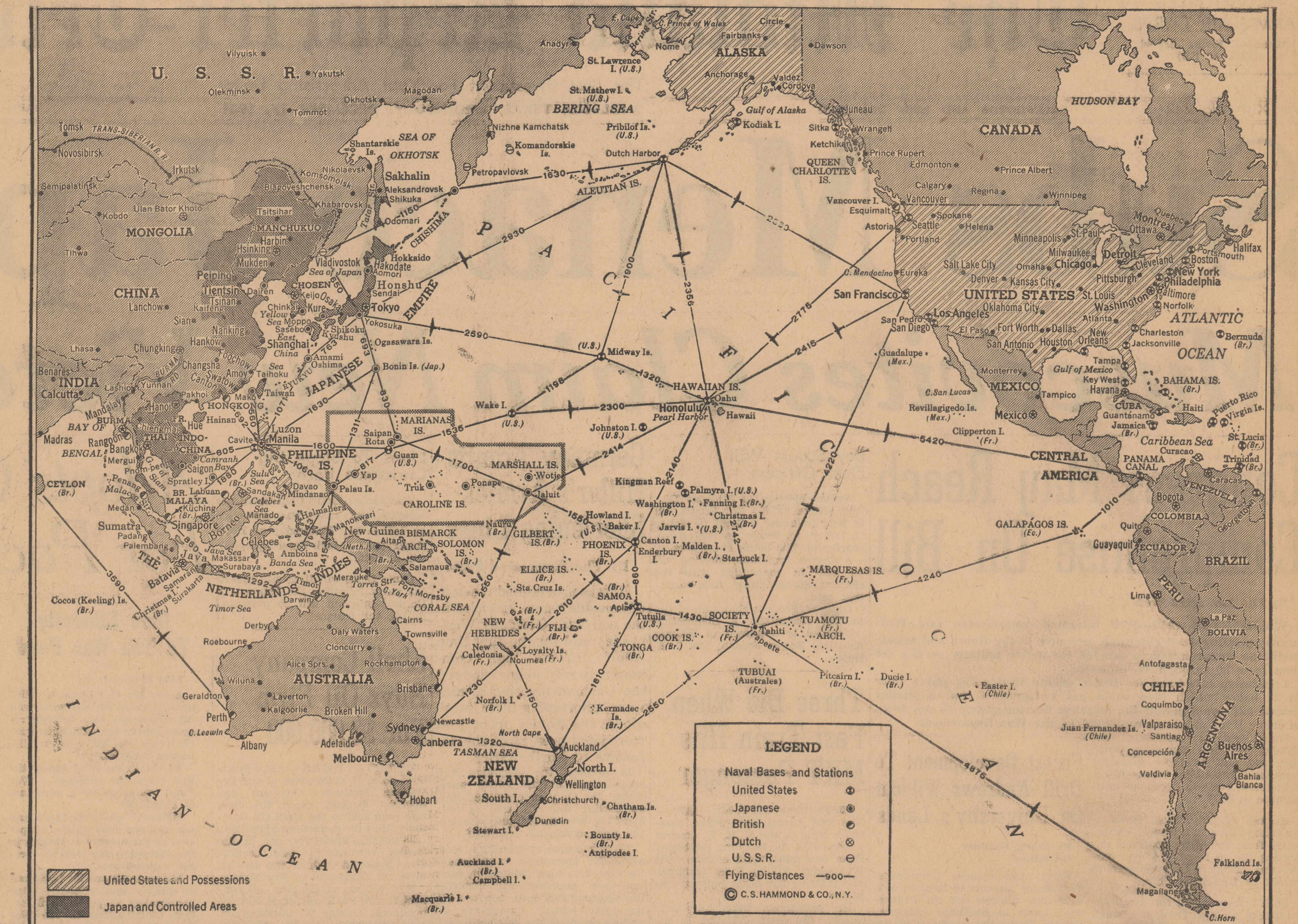
Story Hour will be held in the children's library at the courthouse, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Pupils of the DeWolfe Studio of music will have a Christmas party at the studio, 211 North A Street, Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Pupils of the Watson School of Music will have a Christmas tree and program at the studio, 210 W. Ohio, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mothers will be guests.

Pioneers in Home Recording—Western Auto Associate Store, across from Western Union, Midland, (Adv.)

MAP SHOWS AREAS OF PACIFIC INVOLVED IN AMERICAN-JAPANESE WAR



Highlights From the Week's Oil News

With 2 1/2 weeks yet to go, completions during 1941 are within 27 of the total for the full year of 1940. Last week completions were off 22 from the preceding week, but still remained well above the 600 level. Oil wells were down 19, gas wells down 6 and dry holes up 3.

With the war only a week old, it was not likely that its effect on activity would be very noticeable. There were signs, however, that it might have a definite effect on drilling in some areas. In California, it was believed likely that declining exports would greatly reduce demand but an unexpected result of air-raid warnings was a drop in domestic use. Many people prefer not to drive when there is a risk of having to stop for indefinite periods during periods of alarm. Rocky Mountain operators were quick to point out that with so large a proportion of the country's output coming from wells near the coasts, fields in the interior should be developed. Preventing the development of many fields is the sliding royalty scale on federal lands and attempts are now being made to change this condition.

A survey conducted by two members of the Pennsylvania Topographic and Geologic Survey of the oil reserves in that state is also definitely timely because of the importance of this production for lubricating oil. This survey indicates that estimates of recoverable oil formerly presented are approximately 35 per cent too low. The emphasis which is placed on the Middle district from Kane to Butler, rather than on the Bradford side, is also of interest. Recovery of the reserve is, of course, entirely dependent on the successful use of secondary recovery methods, which in turn, necessitate high prices for the crude. If the survey's conclusions are correct and development gets underway in this section the names of Tidoute, Titusville, and Oil City will return to the news-er a lapse of many years.

Development and production costs for even the most favorably placed fields are approximately \$2.25 or 50 cents below the current price. This margin allows very little insurance against the risks involved and affects only about 25 per cent of the recoverable reserves.

The Wilcox trend play along the Gulf Coast appears likely to fill in the blank space that has existed between the coastal district and the Mid-Continent. This subdivision of the area west of the Mississippi is as old as the oil industry and was responsible for the establishment of headquarters in coastal cities to handle the special problems arising in this area. First in Louisiana and now in Houston County, Texas, Wilcox fields have spread from one district into the other. This middle ground between the two major producing districts has received less than its share of attention, a state of affairs which seems likely to change rapidly. In the same way, the boundary between the Rocky Mountain area and the Mid-Continent is also disappearing with increasing development in western Kansas.

These outpost plays, together with those getting underway in the Adair-Basins, the northern sector of the San Joaquin Valley and northern West Texas offer the best possibilities for major discoveries.

ILLINOIS: A new McClosky pool started with one of the best producers in the state for some months. The new field is between Flora and Clay City.

INDIANA: The sixth pool opener in the revived play in the eastern part of the basin has been brought in in Pike County.

ALBERTA: Turner Valley is continually being extended to the north and the latest outpost is also the biggest well in the field.

LOUISIANA GULF COAST: A test in the Lewisburg area, Acadia

COMPLETIONS IN ALL FIELDS—
(Week Ended December 13, 1941)

	Oil	Gas	Dry	Total	1941 total	1940 total
					to date	to date
N. Y., Pa., and W. Va.	94	16	3	113	5,703	5,285
Ohio	6	17	5	28	1,636	1,458
Indiana	9	2	3	14	494	440
Kentucky	7	2	6	15	635	449
Illinois	47	0	16	63	3,509	3,648
Kansas	16	4	13	33	899	1,083
Michigan	24	1	9	34	2,037	1,765
Kansas	2	0	2	4	80	41
Nebraska	0	0	0	0	37	36
Missouri, Iowa	0	0	0	0	1,807	1,760
Oklahoma	25	1	22	48	2,631	2,642
Texas:						
North Central Texas	45	1	20	66	2,200	1,787
West Texas	34	1	10	45	680	533
Texas Panhandle	22	1	3	26	1,127	902
Eastern Texas	10	0	3	13	1,033	1,127
Texas Gulf Coast	17	0	2	19	1,770	2,003
Southwest Texas	28	4	20	52	9,313	8,694
Total Texas	156	7	42	205	745	645
North Louisiana	7	5	3	15	824	954
Louisiana Gulf	15	0	5	20	1,569	1,599
Total Louisiana	22	5	8	35	191	170
Arkansas	1	0	1	2	270	191
Mississippi and Southeast	6	0	0	6	281	230
Montana	4	1	3	8	174	158
Wyoming	1	0	0	1	33	18
Colorado	2	0	1	3	271	580
New Mexico	3	1	2	6	1,074	967
California	46	2	1	49	30,013	28,692
Total United States	441	59	137	637	286,921	266,921
Total previous week	460	65	134	659		
Week ended Dec. 7, 1940	332	53	144	529		

Crane News

Mrs. George McCorkle and Mrs. R. E. Webb are in Lubbock at the bedside of Mrs. Brandon, a sister, and sister-in-law, respectively, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Huggins are vacationing in Corsicana for two weeks. They left Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bell went to Big Spring Tuesday where Mr. Bell was to have his eyes treated due to sulphur gas poisoning.

Mrs. Gray, mother of Fred Gray at the Gulf Pipe Line Camp, is seriously ill at his home.

Mrs. D. L. Cheek is in Skelly Town with her sister who has had a lengthy illness and operation.

Mrs. Haynes, wife of the city night watchman, is in a hospital at Big Spring.

With the Christmas spirit as a motif, the Beginners of the First Baptist packed a basket of food and presented it to a shut-in, Sunday. Mmes. J. F. Brannan, J. R. Boyd, C. R. Martin, George Ashburn, and M. L. Cochran are officers and teachers in the department.

Mrs. Carl Shafer is at Glen Rose where she went prior to the death of her sister Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willis have gone to California, and plan to return in a car purchased from a relative in the Service.

decline in production, Pecos County's new Ellenburger discovery is being deepened. The prospective pool opener southwest of Wasson is still testing.

NORTH TEXAS: A Caddo lime pool is in prospect between Ringgold and Henrietta, Montague County. A shallow test in Throckmorton County and a Denton County wildcat also reported showings.

OKLAHOMA: The seventh producer at Apache has been completed and two wildcats in the district are under way.

WEST TEXAS: Shows were found in a test about midway between Harper and Goldsmith. Following a

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Civic Music Club Has Program And Study And Social

Combining a study and program meeting and a Christmas social, the Civic Music Club met Tuesday evening with about 25 present.

The study and program were held at the North Ward school building. In the business session which opened the evening, plans were made for the carol singing on Christmas Eve and the group voted to contribute ten dollars to the Red Cross and ten dollars to the Goodfellows.

Mrs. John Casselman led the study on the smaller forms of piano music. She was assisted by Mrs. Don Johnson and Mrs. Joseph Mims and the discussion was conducted as a forum.

The illustrative program on the smaller forms of music was led by Mrs. Frank Miller.

Selections were: Piano, Prelude, Op. 28 No. 6 (Chopin)—Miss Jesse Scott Price; Piano, Spring Song (Mendelssohn)—Mrs. Joseph Mims; Piano, Kamennoi-Ostrow (Rubinstein)—Wallace Wimberly; Vocal solo, A Star Was His Candle (Del Riego)—Mrs. De Lo Douglas accompanied by Mrs. Hout Jowell.

Following the program, the group went to the home of the club president, Mrs. Jimmie Brooks, 1909 W. Brunson, for a social hour.

The refreshment table was in Christmas motif with red candles and red berries. Mrs. Brooks poured hot punch.

The time was spent in singing Christmas carols and other informal entertainment.

The social committee in charge was composed of Mrs. Harvey Herd, Mrs. C. M. Linehan, and Mrs. Brooks.

Midland Students Busy With TCU College Activities

FORT WORTH—(Special)—Miss Doris Pemberton, and Jimmy Pickering, Johnny Pickering, Woodrow Adams and Bill J. Hall, students this year in TCU, will leave the campus Saturday, Dec. 20, for the two weeks Christmas holidays.

Miss Pemberton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Pemberton, is a freshman majoring in piano. She is a member of the Prodiges and the Student Christian Association. Jimmy and Johnny are sons of the Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Pickering. Both are sophomores. Jimmy is majoring in psychology. He is in the band, the orchestra, Timothy Club, Mellorist Club and the B. C. B.

Johnny is also a member of the band, plays intramural tennis, and is on the debating team. He is in the orchestra, was on the freshman track team, and will enter the Golden Gloves Tournament.

Woodrow, son of E. J. Adams, is a senior majoring in physical education. He is president of the "O" Association and will play in the Orange Bowl in Miami on Jan. 1. He will be released from training from Dec. 24-26, when he will leave for Miami. Woodrow is also on the track team.

Bill, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hall, is a sophomore majoring in psychology. He belongs to the Mellorist Club, Timothy Club, Dramatics Club and the band. The students will return to the campus for classes again Monday, Jan. 5.

Bride Honored At Shower Tea

STANTON—(Special)—Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Misses Kathleen McCreless, Addie Ruth Blocker, Erlene Peters, Bobbie Peters, and Irene Barker were hostesses for a shower tea at the home of Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Friday afternoon.

Honoring Mrs. J. S. Manning, a recent bride, the Misses Peters welcomed the guests who registered in the bride's book presided over by Miss Barker.

The dining table and sideboard were banked with greenery and pyracantha berries. Misses Blocker and McCreless poured tea and served. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. J. S. Manning and daughter, Mary, of Lamesa.

About thirty-five guests called during the tea hour, 5:30 o'clock to 6:30, and others sent gifts.

Mayor and Mrs. M. C. Ulmer will meet their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kidd, and small grandson, Barron Ulmer Kidd, in Fort Worth Thursday, and will return with them for a holiday visit in Midland.

SOCIETY

Former Midland Man And Bride Visit In Midland

Charles Coleman Collier of Los Angeles, California, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Collier of Midland, and Miss Helen L. Gracia of Los Angeles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gracia of Boston, Mass. were married December 6 at Lordsburg, New Mexico. The Rev. Paul H. Elmore officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was graduated from high school in Boston and then attended a school of dress design.

Mr. Collier was reared in Midland and Midland County. He is a graduate of the Midland High School where he was a member of the Bulldog football team and of the Western Aircraft School in California. He is employed by the Douglas Airplane Factory at Long Beach, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Collier came to Midland after the wedding to visit his parents.

Courtney School Will Present Christmas Pageant

COURTNEY—(Special)—"Christmas Then and Now" is the pageant which is to be presented Friday night in the Courtney gymnasium under sponsors, Mrs. M. W. Alcorn and Mrs. Earl Powell.

The two-part chorus consists of girls from the freshman and sophomore classes. The group will appear in vestments arranged as a living Christmas tree. The story of Christmas, according to St. Luke, will be given as a choral speaking number by the same choir.

Mrs. Earl Powell will be at the piano. Spotlights will illuminate the passing pageant.

Following is the program: Ave Maria—Mrs. Powell. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear—Choir. Christmas Story According to St. Luke—Choral speaking choir. Silent Night—Choir.

Hark! The Herald Angels—Choir. Angel, Wilma Fay Reinhardt, and shepherds. Little Town of Bethlehem—Choir. The Three Kings of Orient—Choir.

Wise Men—Raymond Lawson, L. V. Welsh, Carter Flowers and Dudley Powell.

Luther's Cradle Hymn—Choir. Nativity Scene—Joseph, Homer Howard, and Mary, Mary Frances Flanagan.

The Infant King—Doris Preston. Come All Ye Faithful—Choir. Christmas—Whitfield Lawson. Enter boys and girls. Finale: Joy to the World—Group.

Bridgette Club Has Christmas Luncheon

Covers were laid for ten at the lace-covered table when Bridgette Club held its Christmas luncheon at the home of Mrs. J. J. Kelly, 602 W. Kansas, Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock. A centerpiece of red berries, pine cones, and silver ornaments emphasized the Christmas theme in table decorations, along with red tapers.

After the luncheon, which was in covered dish style, members exchanged gifts. The Christmas tree was decorated in blue.

Remainder of the afternoon was devoted to two tables of bridge with high score going to Mrs. S. O. Cooper and second high to Mrs. Fred Cassidy.

Present were: Mmes. Cassidy, Cooper, Chas. Duffy, A. E. Horst, Kelly, Lamar Lunt, E. D. Richardson, W. T. Schneider, and Mrs. A. H. Riley and Mrs. Tullos who were luncheon guests.

Coffee-Bridge Is Courtesy For Dos Mesas Club

Christmas candles burning on the tables and the Christmas motif employed for the bridge games struck a festive note in appointments when Mrs. W. M. Osborn entertained the Dos Mesas Club, Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock, at her home, 809 W. Louisiana.

A coffee course was served and the morning was spent in bridge games. Mrs. Raymond Monkress scored high and the hostess second high, while bingo award went to Mrs. L. W. Winston.

Present were one guest, Mrs. John M. Speed Jr., and the following members: Mmes. Walter Greim, Ralph Geisler, Monkress, J. F. Sirdevan, F. R. Wallace, Winston, and the hostess.

Next meeting will be January 6 with Mrs. Sirdevan.

Proposed Ordinance Read At North Ward P. T. A. Meeting

A proposed ordinance against the purchasing and shooting of firecrackers here was read at the meeting of North Ward P. T. A. at the North Ward School building, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Wm. Y. Penn read "The Drums Go Dead", taking the place of Mrs. W. B. Stowe, who was unable to read. "The Drums Go Dead" is a Christmas story in the Dickens theme.

Fifty-eight were present for the meeting.

Complete stock RCA radios and Victrolas—Ever-Ready Auto Service. (Adv.)

Nancy LaForce To Be Princess At Sun Carnival

The seventh annual Southwestern Sun Carnival at El Paso for which Nancy LaForce will be Midland's Princess is sub-titled for this year "A Pageant of Democracy". The celebration, dated this year December 29 through January 1, yearly draws thousands of visitors to El Paso for the mammoth Sun Parade, concerts, ball and Sun Bowl football game.

Monday, December 29, the festivities will open with the El Paso Symphony Orchestra concert.

Army Day will be observed Tuesday, December 30, and on this day will come the coronation of the Sun Queen, the presentation of Miss LaForce and the other Sun Princesses, and the coronation ball.

Wednesday, December 31, will be Old Timers' Day. It will be featured by tribal Indian dances in San Jacinto Plaza, a Pan-Civic luncheon of dignitaries and ranking visitors, and the annual square dance contest.

The Sun Parade and the Sun Bowl game will be the double attraction for New Year's Day, Thursday.

Uniformed bands, the Sun Queen and her Princesses, and gaily-decorated floats as a "Pageant of Democracy" will form the Sun Parade. Massed bands will play a concert just before the Sun Bowl game.

Miss LaForce, one of the Sun Queen's court, will take part in the courtesies for the royal attendants. She has represented Midland at affairs at Big Spring and Colorado City and was one of the Midland hostesses at the Rodeo here last summer.

Presbyterians Meet For Bible Study

Presbyterian Auxiliary met at the church, Monday afternoon, for Bible study led by Mrs. K. S. Ferguson.

Mrs. W. P. Knight brought the devotional on "The Meaning of Mistletoe". Fifteen women were present.

Victory Union Has Christmas Party At Conner Home

The Victory Union of the young people's department of the First Baptist Church was entertained with a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Conner, 804 S. Colorado, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Forty-two and other table games were diversion.

Christmas tallies and score pads and decorations carried out the Yuletide spirit in appointments.

At the refreshment hour, plates were lighted by individual green candles in red holders.

Present were: Misses Faye Powers, Laura Lou Howell, Lillian Arnett, Mary Kerr, Dorothy Hines, and Helen Powers.

Paul Blair, Frank Anderson, Homer Nance, Jimmie Van Arsdale, Urban Couvillion, Mr. and Mrs. Yates Brown, and the host and hostess.

Mrs. Harper Hostess To Colonial Card Club At Bridge

The spirit of Christmas was dominant in house decorations and other party appointments when Mrs. James G. Harper feted the Colonial Card Club, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of her uncle, W. J. Sparks, northwest of town.

An arrangement of lights on the mantel, a blooming poinsettia as centerpiece for the dining table, decorated Christmas tree and poinsettia plants in the party rooms contributed to the gaiety of the scene.

The Christmas theme was repeated in playing appointments for the two tables of bridge and in the red and green star-shaped packages of mints which were favors at the tea hour.

High score in the bridge games went to Mrs. J. M. Speed Sr., bingo award to Mrs. S. M. Vaughan, and travel prize to Mrs. R. J. Kelly. Present were one guest, Mrs. W. M. Schrock, and the entire club membership including: Mmes. Terry Elkin, Barney Grafa, O. F. Hedrick, Kelly, W. Iley Pratt, Rea Sindorf, Speed, Vaughan, and the hostess.



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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority
The "Have-a-Heart-Take-a-Hand" party of the New York Committee this year was a most successful undertaking. The New York Committee has established a ward in Memorial Hospital for the treatment of tumors and cancers in children. The head of the New

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Mrs. Tansill			
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South	West	North	East
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
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4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4N.T.	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♦	Double Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening—♥Q. 17			

York Committee is Mrs. Donald B. Tansill, who is also vice president of the Women's National Committee of the league.

From her appearance, one might think Mrs. Tansill a timid player, but her strategy in this hand proves the opposite. Here is one of the hands that helped her to win the rubber bridge tourney of the party.

The slam contract was ambitious, but it was in the cards. West's opening lead, which knocked out the ace of spades was out of the way, was almost a killer. Mrs. Tansill, the declarer, found a way to overcome it.

She took the ace of hearts, then the king, discarding the ace of spades. Dummy then cashed the three top spades to give South club discards. All that was lost was the ace of trumps.

Geological Society Postpones Meeting

The Midland Geological Society will not hold its regular bi-monthly meeting during the Christmas holidays, postponing the meeting until Jan. 8 at Hotel Crawford.

Practical Costume



Please your little girl by making her this pleasing costume—a jumper with a low cut top attractively framing the fresh blouse beneath—a costume which will give months and months of long wear and still look neat and new. The jumper may be corduroy, velveteen, wool crepe, or plaid—to give service until it is outgrown—and you can have several blouses from this easy-to-follow pattern—in white, and light colored washable cottons.

Pattern No. 8097 is in sizes 4 to 12 years. Size 6 jumper requires 1 3/4 yards 35-inch material; 1 1/8 yards 54-inch, blouse 1 1/4 yards 35-inch material.

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MUSTANG BOYS' CLUB COLUMN

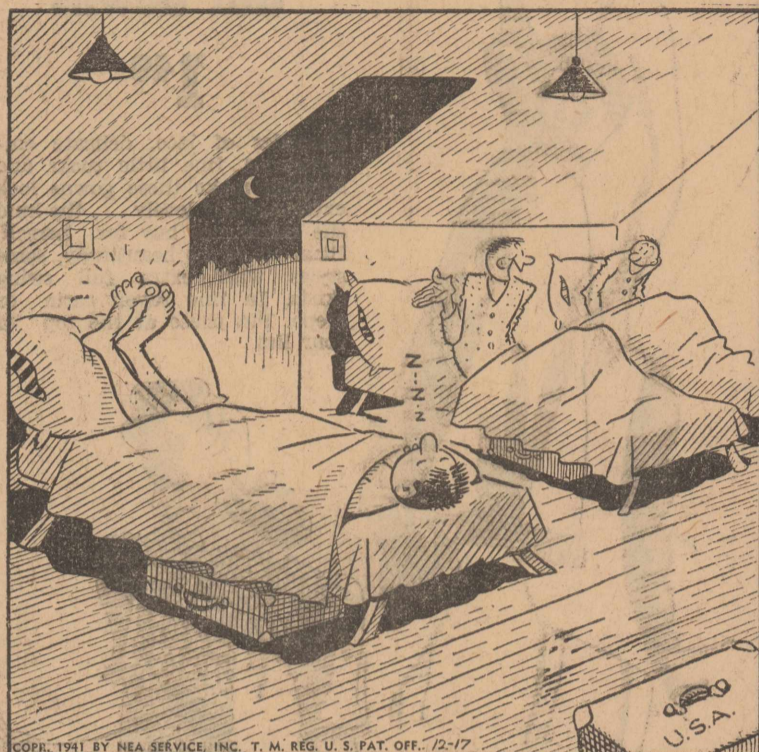
Big meeting at the Mustang Boys Club Saturday night, 7 to 11 p. m. Plans will be announced for the Christmas season. Bring with you any of your boy friends from 12 to 17 who belongs to no boys club.

Saturday night tickets will be given out for the Mustang Christmas supper to be held Dec. 24. A big time is expected. Special tickets will be given to visiting boys who would like to be our guests for this feed. No boys will be admitted under 12 and only those boys who have tickets may come. Absolutely no tickets given out after Dec. 22. It is necessary to do this. We must know how much food to prepare. Get your ticket Saturday night. You cannot give away your ticket. Lost tickets will not be replaced. Those not having tickets are requested not to come. Please cooperate.

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Funny Business



"He never appreciated his feet so much until after his first 20-mile march!"

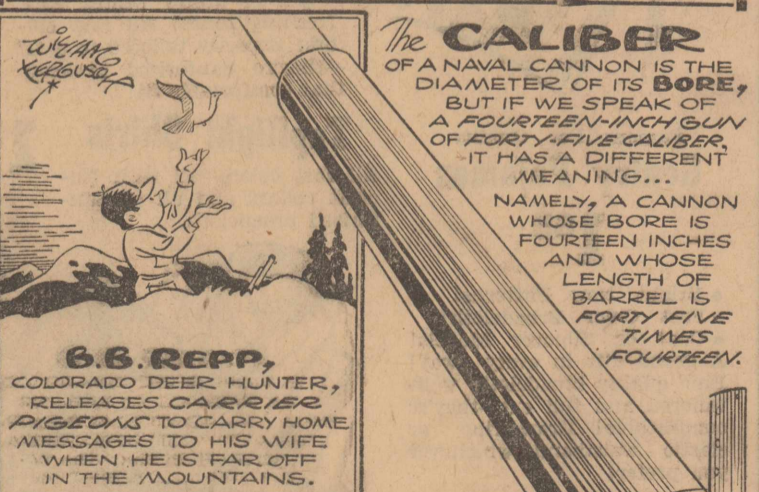
Side Glances



"I'm not jealous because Jinnie falls for Bill's stunts—she always calls on me when she gets stuck with her home work!"

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

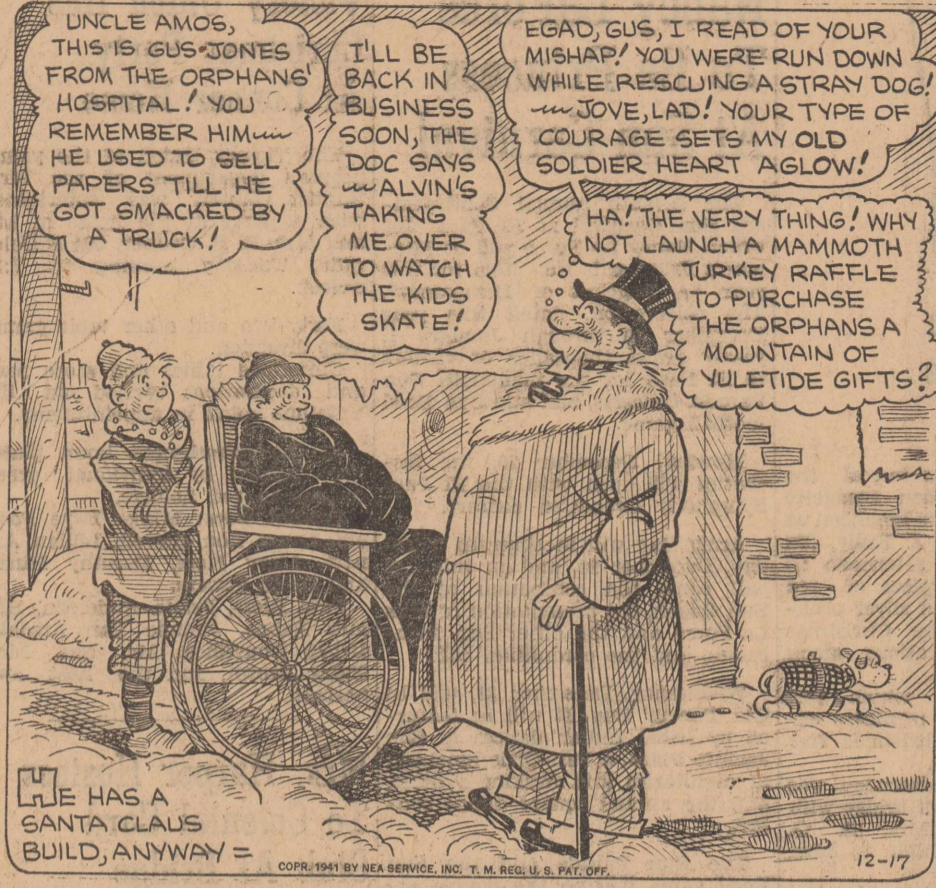
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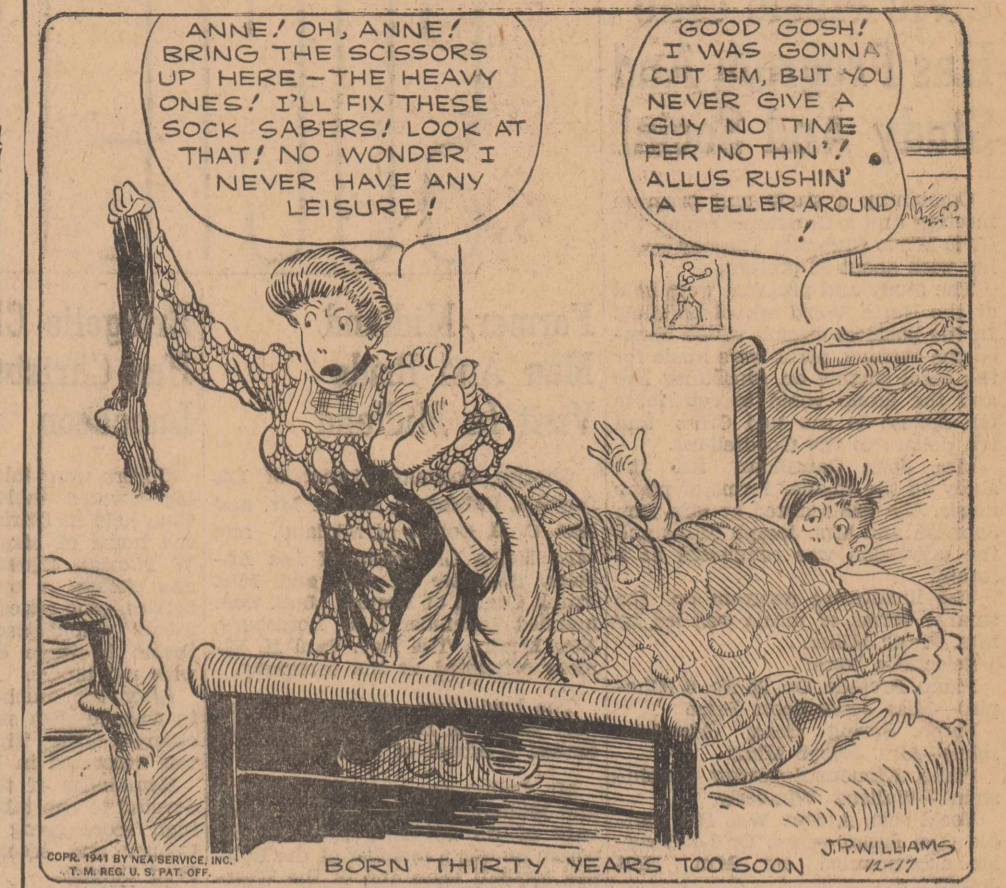
NEXT: A nose with a droop.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



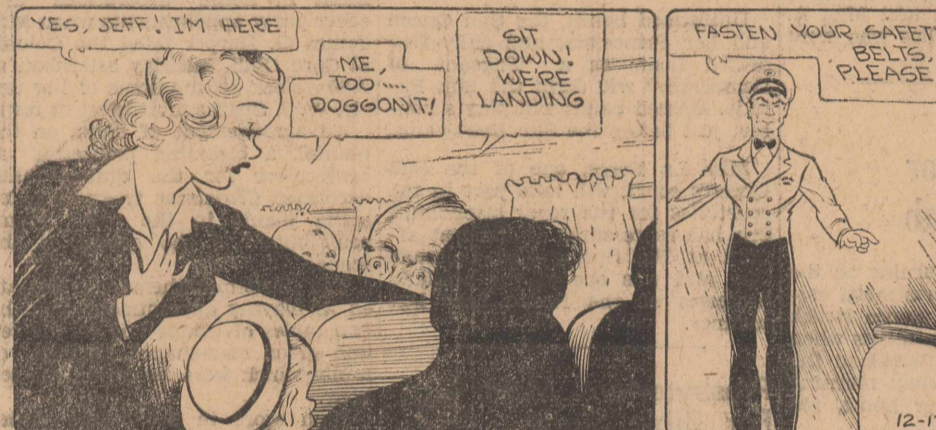
THE LITTLE HAS A SANTA CLAUS BUILD, ANYWAY =



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

by EDGAR MARTIN



TALK TO PERATORS



I TALK TO PERATORS

WASH TUBBS

by ROY CRANE



TO ARMS, GUARDS!! WE'RE BEING ATTACKED!!



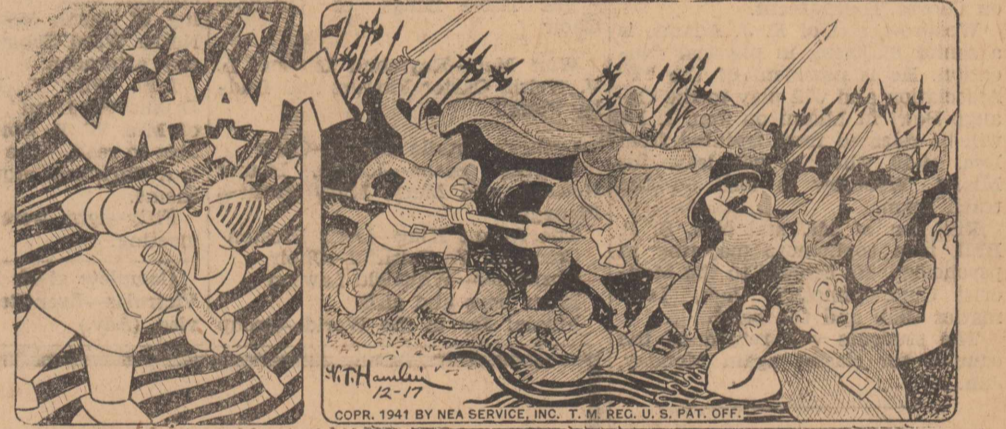
PLEASE SIT DOWN, BEAR, IT'S YOUR BID!

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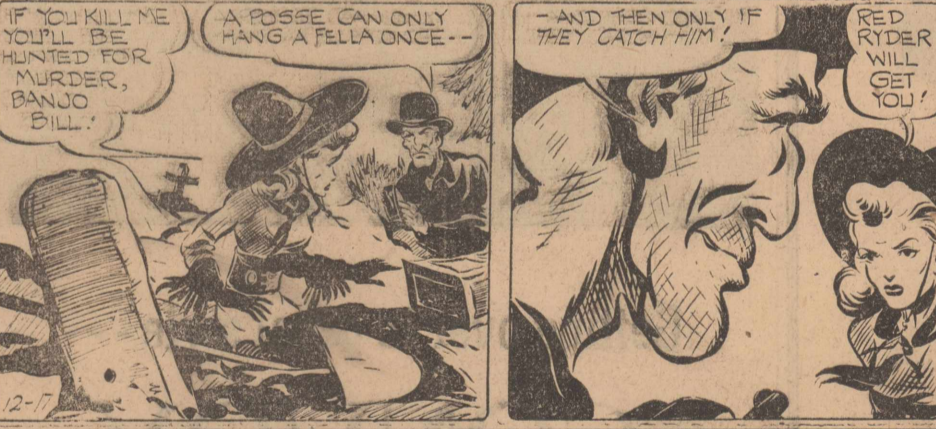
IF YOU KILL ME YOU'LL BE HUNTED FOR MURDER, BANJO BILL.



IF WE DON'T ACT PRONTO, SHE'LL NEVER STEP OUT OF THAT GRAVE.

RED RYDER

by FRED HARMAN



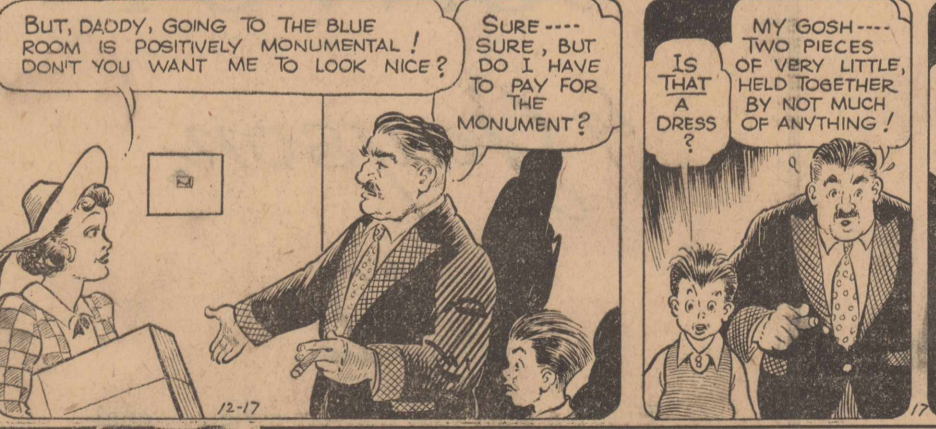
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

by MERRILL BLOSSER



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LISTEN in on Radio Station KRLH from 1 to 1:15 P. M. each Saturday—your best cattle market is on the air. **LUBBOCK AUCTION & COMMISSION CO.** (221-17)

Travel Bureau 5

MOTHER and son wants to share expenses to Galveston not later than Dec. 23. Call 285-W. Mrs. Rounds. (243-1)

HAVE room for passengers to Houston via Tyler, San Antonio and Austin Sunday. Phone 191-J. (243-3)

Lost and Found 7

LOST: My pet Pekingese puppy. Please call 247, Margiebeth Carter. (243-3)

Help Wanted 9

GIRL for general office work. Midland Steam Laundry. (241-3)

WANTED: All around alteration lady. Apply Fashion Cleaners. (242-3)

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BEDROOM 12

GARAGE room, twin beds, newly decorated. For men. Call 534 or 864. (240-6)

GARAGE bedroom, private entrance and private bath. 1306-W. Texas. (243-1)

LARGE furnished bedroom; private entrance; 4 blocks from town. 521 West Wall phone 291. (243-1)

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TWO front bedrooms adjoining bath; private entrance; gentlemen preferred, 107 W. Penn. phone 429. (243-3)

GARAGE room, nicely furnished. Garage reasonable. For two men. Phone 471. (243-1)

Furnished Apartments

3-room furnished apartment \$25.00. 801 N. Weatherford. (242-2)

5-room furnished apartment, utilities paid. 306 N. Carrizo. (242-1)

TWO room modern apartment for couple. All bills paid. \$6.00 per week. 609 S. Marienfeld. (243-1)

SMALL 3-room furnished apartment. \$25.00. 801 N. Weatherford. (243-1)

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MODERN 3-rooms; bath, gas, water paid; garage; near school. Phone 187-W. (242-3)

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5-room furnished house. West edge of city. Call 43. (240-3)

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SMALL furnished house for rent; large rooms; kitchen and bath. Utilities paid. 310 N. Carrizo. (241-3)

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SLIP covers, bed spreads, draperies and ruffled curtains. Made to order. Mrs. Ward's Slip Cover Shop. 302 N. Carrizo. (243-4)

Wanted To Buy

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Pets

REGISTERED American Cocker Spaniel, black, blond 309 S. Washington, box 1548, Odessa, Texas. (243-6)

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ALL kinds of mattress work. 906 South Baird. State permit No. 948. Lee Thomas, phone 1646 or 2882-W. (12-21)

REAL ESTATE

Houses for Sale 61

FOR sale or trade, \$2500.00 for apartment house and 3 lots. \$120.00 monthly revenue. \$650.00, payable \$30 per month. Box 1366, Midland. (241-3)

1805 West College St. SIX LARGE nice rooms, in fact one of the best buys in Midland. Venetian blinds, garage and servants quarters. Paved street, large lot. This is what you want in a 6-room home. Immediate possession. Exclusively with **BARNEY GRAFA** 2033 Thomas Bldg. Phone 106. (243-3)

1400 West College DANDY five-room home, all plastered walls, oak floors, Venetian blinds, corner lot. I consider this one of the best buys in Midland, Texas. Priced at only \$4,000. Terms easy. Exclusively with **BARNEY GRAFA** 2033 Thomas Bldg. Phone 106. (243-3)

Farms for Sale 63

LAND FOR SALE 640 acres, 10 miles out \$8.50 bonus; 320 acres, 6 miles out \$20.00, 100 acres, 4 miles out, \$21.00; 213 acres, 13 miles out \$18.50; 200 acres, 11 miles, 9 cattle, 3 horses, tools, feed, \$23.00; 320 acres, 4 miles out, dandy farm \$31.00; 142 acres, 1 mile out \$35.00; 72 acres, 2 miles out, \$40.00. **C. B. HALEY** Phone 142. (242-4)

Miscellaneous

Police Arrest Man in Car Theft Case

Midland police Tuesday night arrested a man in Toyah in connection with car theft in Milwaukee. He was brought to the city jail here.

The Jitter Season starts around Thanksgiving and lasts until after New Year's when Mrs. America, worn to a frazzle, relaxes with a grateful sigh—glad that the holidays are over.

Of course, there are women who don't let the Jitter Season get them down. But they are in the minority. Most of us women go on year after year letting the holidays get the best of us.

The trouble, of course, is that we always try to do too much. We plan too many parties, to which we try to invite too many people.

We love to have our families with us for the holidays, and get so enthusiastic over our plans that we work ourselves to death in preparation, and then don't really enjoy our loved ones when they arrive.

We have overdone the Christmas card gesture, until sending out cards has become a tiresome task—instead of a pleasant job. Instead of just going to friends, our Christmas cards go to everybody who for one reason or another sent us a card last year—plus all the people we regard as "contacts."

We think it is absolutely necessary to houseclean before the holidays begin, and so we go in for an orgy of housecleaning and curtain-washing that often puts us in bed with a cold.

We don't pay any attention to the "do your Christmas shopping early" advice that is handed us, and so have to shop when the stores are so crowded our feet get worn out standing at counters trying to get waited on. And we find ourselves upset because everything looks picked over, and we can't find just the right size or color in the gift we had set our hearts on buying.

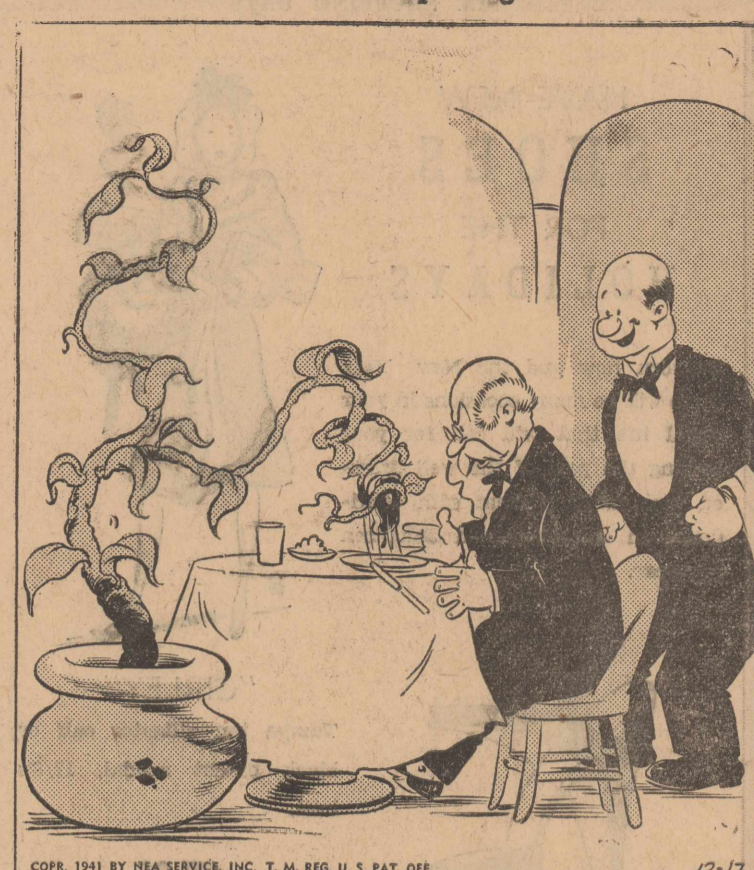
So with our too-elaborate plans. We put off until the last minute work that could be done in advance. Then try to crowd more into every day than will fit in comfortably—we end up with the Holiday Jitters.

We could avoid them if we would. But we probably won't. We had them last year—and the year before. In fact, we are so used to them, they seem to be a part of the holidays, like mistletoe and cranberry sauce.

Three troop trains, heavily loaded with men and equipment, passed through Midland Tuesday afternoon and early Wednesday. All were traveling west.

The first train passed through soon after noon Tuesday and was followed by another about 5 p. m. The third train went through at 3 a. m. Wednesday.

Hold Everything!



"I hope you'll pardon it, sir—it's a South American meat-eating plant!"

Legal Notices

NO. 798

IN THE MATTER OF M. R. HILL DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF M. R. HILL, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original testaments upon the estate of M. R. Hill, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 3rd day of November, 1941 by the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Mrs. Winifred Holloway Hill Independent Executrix of the estate of M. R. Hill, Deceased. Dec. 11-17-24-31

Be a Goodfellow! It's the best insurance we know for a happy Christmas.

The nursery pianette is one of those things over which we marvel—because of the utter ingenuity of the idea. At first glance it seems to be merely an extraordinarily thick book. But when one opens it, lo! there is a little piano keyboard with lettered keys and above it a nursery verse and above that a musical setting for it. Even a tiny child can pick out the simple little tunes.

And why, pray tell, did someone not think of such a thing when we were of an age to want toy pianos? In some ways the modern child has the better of things, though naturally an adult's childhood usually takes on a kind of golden glamorous haze in retrospect.

Here and there about the shops: That squared-off salad spoon is ideal for the bowl or dish which has a flat bottom. Wonder why it wasn't thought of before? Plastic (what won't it do next?) now crops up in a remarkably light-weight sawed-edge knife to be used for cutting pies, cakes, citrus fruits, and various other foods. An intriguing oddity and it's said that it won't break when dropped on an ordinary floor, despite its glass-like appearance.

Members of Girl Scout Council Are Announced

New members of the Girl Scout Council were honored at a meeting of Girl Scout leaders and troop committee members and their husbands and wives, Tuesday evening at the junior high auditorium.

Following are the council members who will be in office after the first of the year:

Mrs. A. P. Shirey, commissioner; deputy commissioner, Mrs. Frank Stubbeman; secretary, Miss Vesta Deaton; treasurer, Ellis Conner; financial chairman, H. S. Collings; public relations chairman, Bill Collins; training chairman, Mrs. G. G. Galligan; camp chairman, Dr. J. M. Devereux; records chairman, Miss Fannie Bess Taylor; program chairman, Supt. Geo. A. Heath.

Miss Mae Crysler will be here January 4-9 to install the officers. A display of work done by Girl Scouts was held.

A social hour was a feature of the evening and refreshments were served. About 32 persons attended.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa: I know it is taking all the copper and steel for defense. So I will not ask for much. All I ask for is a Bee-gun, a pair of boxing gloves, a football, a Boy Scout knife, and a wood-burning set. That is all. I hope I get all of this. I will be satisfied.

With love, Glenn Kinsey Jr.

1001 E. Wall St., Midland, Texas Dec. 10, 1941

SERIAL STORY

HIS CHRISTMAS CAROL

BY ADELAIDE HAZELTINE

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THE STORY: When Andrew Dearborn dies of heart attack, his secretary Carol refuses to admit to unscrupulous Mr. Herrick, assistant manager of Dearborn's Store, that she knows the terms of the will. Having typed it, however, she knows that she and five other employees are to judge whether or not playboy son Andy Dearborn, yachting with sleek Linda Julian, runs the store according to his father's policy of "service to the people." If he fails the store is to be sold for charity. Carol's role is the more difficult because another faithful employee, Bill Hecce, is in love with her, while she has loved Andy since girlhood, remembering a time when his eagerness to come into the store was put off by his father.

"JUST HIS SECRETARY—"

CHAPTER III

THE other five on the jury to judge young Andy were not actually named. The will simply specified that they would be the five who on the day of his death had longest served the store. "These five and Carol Fairfield, whom I trust very much."

She had gone to plead with him. "Name someone else, Mr. Dearborn. I'm not capable of helping make a decision like that."

"You'll do it well," he had said. "I trust you very much."

He smiled across his desk at her. "You're perhaps the most capable of them all, Carol. For you, more than anyone else, see the store through my eyes. I would feel safe with you alone to decide it. I expect your influence to be felt. Naturally," he hesitated and she noticed a dampness in his eyes, "I hope with all my heart that Andy will carry on. Run the business as I have built it. Where the customer is always right and the employe always happy. If he doesn't—he looked away—"Dearborn's shan't exist. I must make sure of that. Promise me you'll stand by the spirit of the will, Carol, between the people and my son."

She said, in a small voice, "I will." She couldn't say, "I love you, Mr. Dearborn. Hopelessly, yes. But love just the same. Don't leave me to pass judgment on him."

She couldn't say anything to change his mind. The more she tried to say the firmer he became. "You'll do this one last thing for me, Carol. You'll do it well," he spoke the words he had written in the will. "I trust you very much."

Quickly she ran over the list of the five who were with her in it. Bessie in notions, Methilde in dresses, John in the stock room, Mr. Majors in the merchandising office, Miss Fanny in hosiery. They had been longest in the store.

Suddenly she tensed, glanced at a calendar. December 18. She drew a startled breath. Annual inventory began the Monday after New Year's. Seventeen days away.

Too short a time. Far too short! Yet there it was. Mr. Dearborn had thought inventory the right date to close the store, if close they must. He surely hadn't expected to die within less than three weeks of it!

Every day, every minute was precious.

It was too much for her young shoulders. She dropped down at her desk, flung her head on the typewriter and through sheer bafflement let the tears come.

That's why the masculine feet had stopped beside her before she became aware of them. They stirred impatiently. A pair of women's shoes with ridiculously high heels joined them.

Carol took a quick dab at her eyes, smoothed her hair and looked up.

"DAZEDLY, she rose and said, "Oh, you've come!"

Andy Dearborn and Linda Julian stood before her.

Andy's voice sounded strained.



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"I'm sorry your cable didn't reach us sooner, Carol. With the funeral and all—you must have had a lot on your hands."

"We managed. If we'd known you could come so soon—"

"I left within an hour after I got your cable."

"They couldn't find you for two days." Her tone was an accusation.

He noticed it and stiffened. "We were cruising. We didn't hit a port for a week. I had no idea my father was ill." A shadow of pain crossed his face.

Her sympathy went out to him. She knew he had loved his father.

"You must have known he expected an attack any time."

He looked steadily at her. "No, I didn't know. He never mentioned it." After a moment he added, "You probably knew more about him than I did."

"He loved the store. He kept hoping you'd be here more."

"Yes. I know." A one-sided smile embellished the meaning of his words. "Well, you know how we got along, Carol. The time I was here he was always pushing me to settle down—to keep my nose to the desk—"

"Of course, you're not interested in that."

"Better be more careful, boy," Andy's voice was annoyed. "What are you doing up here anyway? Can't you sell your papers on the street?"

Nicky twisted his cap. "I—you see—" he stammered. "It was just—well, Mr. Dearborn always bought a paper from me and he wanted it in a hurry. He'd be standing there jist like you, waitin' for me. Now—well—I jist keep comin', in a hurry. I like to think—"

Carol couldn't look at Andy. "The boy began to back away. Andy stopped him. 'Here, son,' he said gently, 'how many papers did you spoil?'"

"Oh, that's all right. I can lose 'em."

Andy's mouth was firm but his eyes were warm. "How many?" he persisted.

Nicky surveyed his armful. "Bout twelve, maybe. But it's all right. I guess I ought to have come slower—"

Andy fished some coins from his pocket and pushed them into Nicky's hand. "You can count me a regular customer, too, Nicky. Every day."

"The boy grinned his thanks. 'Jimmy-gee!'"

"And Nicky," Andy added quietly as the boy turned to go, "I'll want my paper—in a hurry."

(To Be Continued)

Answers To Cranium Crackers

Questions on Page 2

1. Moscow is capital of Russia, attacked by the Germans; Muz-zuck, in southern Libya, was seized by Free French troops early in 1941; Minsk, in western Russia, was taken by Germans in early weeks of current campaign.

2. Tobruk, east Libyan port, was captured by British last winter and besieged through the summer when isolated by Axis troops; Tabriz is city in northern Iran where British troops massed for defense of Russia's Caucasus; Taranto is port in heel of Italy's boot where British made big raid on Italian fleet.

3. Rezheg is desert town south of Tobruk, Libya, where British and Axis fought great tank battle; Rostov is city in Russia at gateway to the Caucasus oil region; Riga is capital of Latvia, now in German hands.

4. Hamburg is north German port heavily bombed by RAF; Hanoi is capital of French Indo-China, now in Japanese hands; Hull is British industrial center and port heavily bombed by Germans.

5. Vichy is capital of unoccupied France; Vinh is port and minor base in Indo-China; Viipuri is Finnish city, first seized by Russians, now back in Finn hands; Vladivostok is Russian air port on the Pacific, strategically close to Japan.

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With love, Glenn Kinsey Jr.

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 11 Harvest.
 12 Ex office (abbr.).
 13 Part of "be."
 14 Native compounds.
 16 Baseball player.
 18 Everlasting.
 20 Punitive.
 22 Diner.
 23 Myself.
 24 Drive.
 26 Winter toy.
 28 Either.
 29 Articles.
 31 Standing room only (abbr.).
 32 Egyptian goddess.
 33 Advertisement (abbr.).
 34 From.
 36 Icy rain.
 38 Work with a spade.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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40 North America (abbr.).
 41 Merit.
 42 Funeral pile.
 43 Tibetan monks.
 44 Daughter of Phorus (myth.).
 45 Mountain hats.
 46 Domestic.
 47 Beverage.
 48 Indian army (abbr.).

20 Closer.
 11 Symbol for rubidium.
 15 South latitude (abbr.).
 17 Parent.
 19 Each (abbr.).
 21 Nominal.
 23 Idiot.
 24 Wash.
 25 Restrain.
 27 Artifice.
 30 Perched.
 35 Collapse.
 37 Make beloved.
 38 Electrical energy machine.
 39 Metallic element.
 42 Turn.
 44 Mimicked.
 45 Note of scale.
 46 Against.
 47 Observed.
 49 Suffix.
 50 Morindin dye.
 51 Monkey.
 52 Rest.
 53 Transpose (abbr.).

VERTICAL

1 Jumper.
 2 Repose.
 3 Not shut.
 4 Cure.
 5 Age.
 6 Perish.
 7 Respect.
 8 Kinds.
 9 Building stones.

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Midland Teams Lose One-Point Contests

Goodfellows Keg Tourney Starts On Local Alleys

The Midland Bowling Association's Goodfellows Tournament got underway Tuesday with seven entries in singles and two sets of mixed doubles. M. M. Fulton is leading in singles with a 629 series and P. D. Grommon and Mrs. C. Edwards are ahead in the mixed doubles with scores of 1,128.

The tournament is on a handicap basis and entrants can roll as many times as they desire. Other leaders in the singles are Grommon 619, Berte Haigh 598, C. C. Keith 588, and C. Edwards. Second in the mixed doubles are Mrs. J. Lemley and J. Lemley 1101. The tournament ends Thursday night.

Southwest Cage Teams Win Two Of Three Games

Southwest Conference basketball teams won two out of three games Tuesday night with non-conference foes.

The University of Texas Longhorns swept a two-game series with Southeast Teachers of Durant, Okla., winning a tight defensive battle 28 to 25. Les Sanders led the Texans in scoring with 9 points. Curtis led the visitors with 7.

In Houston 2,000 fans saw Rice defeat Texas Tech and the Aggies lose to the polished Phillips "66" squad from Bartlesville, Okla., in a doubleheader at Sam Houston coliseum.

Rice, with Bob Kinney scoring 21 points, beat a stubborn Texas Tech five 55 to 43.

The Phillips Aggregation, boasting several all-Americans, defeated the Aggies 74 to 43. Howard Engleman, who won all-American honors at Kansas University, made 20 points for Phillips.

Rice and Phillips meet in the second game of Wednesday night's twin bill. Texas Tech and the Aggies will play in the first game.

Pyote Will Have Liquor Election

MONAHANS — (Special) — Pyote will vote next Tuesday on whether the sale of all alcoholic beverages will be prohibited in Precinct 3. Qualified voters of the precinct, numbering 67, reside in Pyote, at the Cabot Carbon Camp, and the Wicket Refinery Camp.

Citizens of the precinct recently petitioned the commissioners' court to call a local option election. As a result, both "wets" and "drys" in the precinct have been busy campaigning.

MRS. WHITE'S CONDITION REPORTED IMPROVED
The condition of Mrs. Taylor White, Odessa, critical in a Midland hospital after an automobile accident, was reported improved Wednesday.

Other persons injured in the accident are improving.

PLAN NOW FOR NEW YEARS!
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DiMaggio Wins Athletic Honor By Big Margin

NEW YORK—(AP)—For breaking all major league consecutive hitting records with a string of 56 straight games, Joe DiMaggio was voted the outstanding male athlete of 1941 by a margin of more than 2 to 1 over his nearest rival.

The New York Yankee outfielder, who batted .357, piled up a total of 157 points as 42 of the 82 sports experts participating in the Associated Press' annual poll placed him first on their list. He was given either second or third place on 20 other ballots.

Ted Williams, who in hitting 406 for the Boston Red Sox became the first major leaguer in many years to surpass the 400 mark, ran second to DiMaggio. Polling five first-place votes, Williams received a total of 74 on the basis of three points for first, two for second and one for third.

Football loses out. Joe Louis, heavyweight boxing champion, outscored Williams in the number of first places, receiving 10, but wound up third with 64 points for his unprecedented performance of successfully defending title seven times during the year.

With Craig Wood, U. S. Open golf king, finishing fourth with 27 votes, football was completely routed for the first time in three years.

The voting:

	1st Points
Joe DiMaggio, baseball	157
Ted Williams, baseball	74
Joe Louis, boxing	64
Craig Wood, golf	27
Don Hutson, football	23
Bruce Smith, football	16
Cornelius Warmerdam, track	14
Frankie Sinkwich, football	12
Bill Dudley, football	7
Frank Leahy, football	6
Bud Ward, golf	5
Bob Feller, baseball	5
Bill Smith, swimming	5
Leslie MacMitchell, track	4

Oil News--

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three and one-half miles south of the Spencer pool and two miles west of Hathaway production in the Estes pool. Location is 660 feet from the northeast and 1,996 feet from the northwest line of section 34, block 34, H. & T. C. survey.

Shell No. 1 Sealy-Smith, Northeastern Ward deep test three miles northwest of Monahans, is drilling past 7,906 feet in an unreported formation.

In Winkler County, near the Ward-Winkler line, Stanolind staked No. 1 George Sealy 660 feet from the north, 1,980 from the west line of section 48, block F, G. & M. M. B. & A. survey. The scheduled 3,200-foot test is three-quarters of a mile north of North Sealy production.

Union Oil Company of California No. 1 W. C. Driver, East Central Winkler wildcat, is drilling below 3,675 feet in hard lime.

Hockey Wildcats
A wildcat in Northern Hockey County, Stanolind No. 1 Victor J. Williams, recovered 65 feet of drilling mud on a 55-minute drillstem test from 4,861 to 4,742 feet. It is being carried deeper.

In Northeastern Hockey, Anderson-Prichard and American Drilling Corporation No. 1 Ellwood is drilling at 5,742 feet in brown sandy lime.

Tide Water Associated Oil Company No. 1 Commerce Trust Company, nearly three miles east of the northeast edge of the Hockey production in the Slaughter field, is drilling past 1,715 feet in red rock.

On Ordovician pool opener in Northeastern Pecos County, the Gulf-Wentz No. 2 Miller et al, was reacidized with 5,000 gallons, bottomed at 4,383 feet in Ellenburger formation. Swab was run three times and tubing was found plugged tubing about eight feet and try to circulate out plug with oil load.

Sinclair-Prairie has completed No. 2 Rosa R. Daley, in Northern Pecos' Abell Ordovician pool, for natural potential flow of 1,419.12 barrels of 43.8-gravity crude. Total depth is 5,415 feet in lime and shale of the Simpson, middle Ordovician. Production is from Simpson sand, through 48 perforations in 7-inch casing from 5,375-85 feet. Gas volume of 1,196,318 cubic feet daily gives the well a gas-oil ratio of 843-1.

In the Barnhart Ellenburger area of Southeastern Reagan County, Amerada Petroleum Corporation No. 1-RB University is preparing to swab through tubing after gun-perforating 5 1/2-inch casing, with 70 shots from 9,112-32 feet. Total depth is 9,230 feet in dolomite, with casing set 10 feet off bottom. The well topped the Ellenburger at 9,000 feet. The firm's No. 1-RD University is drilling past 4,196 feet in shale and lime shells.

On a pumping test lasting six hours and 45 minutes Humble Oil

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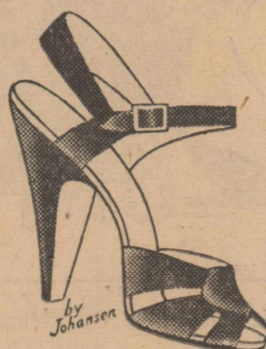
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Tools Arrive Here For General Metals Classes At School

Tools have arrived for the general metals workers course which will be taught at Midland High School if sufficient young men between the ages of 18 and 25 years are enrolled. At least 12 young men must enroll as students, Frank Monroe, principal said. Several already have indicated they will sign.

The course is sponsored by the state board of vocational education and no fee is charged students. The only restriction is the age. Classes will be conducted for three hours, five evenings a week. The course requires ten weeks and is a preliminary to instruction for aircraft factory work.

Monroe hopes at least twelve young men will sign promptly, so classes can start the first of the year. Employed and unemployed persons are eligible for the classes. Men desiring to enroll should communicate with the high school promptly.

LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH—(AP-USA) — Cattle 2,800; calves 2,000; generally steady; common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings 7.50-10.25, good grade offerings 10.50-11.50, few choice yearlings to 12.00; beef cows 6.25-8.00, canners and cutters 4.00-6.00; bulls 6.00-7.75; good and choice fat calves 9.25-10.50; common and medium lots 7.25-9.00.

Hogs 2,100; mostly 10-15c higher than Tuesday's average; top 11.25. Good and choice 180-280 lb averages 11.10-25; good and choice 150-175 lb 10.15-1.00; packing sows and pigs steady; packing sows 9.75-10.00; stocker pigs 9.00 down.

Sheep 1,600; all classes steady; few mixed grade fat lambs 10.25 down; good woolled yearlings 9.50; two-year-old wethers out at 8.50; aged wethers at 6.50; fleshy feeder lambs 9.00 down.

Wool
BOSTON—(AP-USA)—The Boston wool market was firm Wednesday. Moderate quantities of fine territory wools of average to good French combing lengths were sold at \$1.12-1.13, scoured basis. Wools of good French combing length with a fair per cent of staple lengths brought \$1.13-1.15, scoured basis. Graded three-eighths blood combing territory wools brought 96-98 cents, scoured basis, and graded one-fourth blood wools sold at 92-93 cents, scoured basis.

SUBMITS THURMAN CASE TO APPELLATE COURT
AUSTIN—(AP)—Proceedings in the court of criminal appeals included: Submitted by briefs and arguments: W. P. Thurmon Jr., Midland, & Refining Company No. 1 J. W. Owens et al. 1 1/2-mile northwest of the Fort Lancaster area in Western Crockett County, yielded 44 barrels of oil out one per cent with acid water. It is bottomed at 2,003 feet in lime and has been acidized with a total of 7,000 gallons.

Petroleum Industry To Develop Reserves, Effect Conservation

TULSA, Okla. — (AP)—The oil industry already is forging into a war program.

Conservation of vital supplies and equipment and development of additional reserves are the first steps, industry observers said Wednesday.

Restriction of the use of aviation gasoline was one of the first measures taken by Petroleum Coordinators Ickes. All mid-continent refineries have reduced by two to seven points the octane ratings of premium and standard grade gasolines to conserve tetra-ethyl lead supplies, and third grade gasoline manufacturing may be eliminated.

Plans are going ahead for a sharp increase in the output of 100 octane gasoline for warplanes.

In the production field, a concerted drilling campaign has been forecast. It has been said that about 30,000 wells would be put down during 1942, but the industry may be expected to drill as many as 45,000 if necessary.

Russians--

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discourse on the "unbelievable difficulties" under which Nazi troops were fighting in Russia.

On the North African front, British Imperial headquarters reported heavy British pressure was being maintained on the left flank of Hitler's battered desert armies and that new progress was registered despite fierce sandstorms during the past 24 hours.

A hint that the Italians may already be pulling out of North Africa chopped up in a British admiralty communique reporting that a Fascist submarine carrying an Italian general and 19 other military officers from Libya to Italy had been sunk in the Central Mediterranean.

Warfare--

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to expect attacks by U. S. submarines brought home the war to Japan, whose own fleet was widely scattered, with some vessels assigned to hit-and-run shelling of Johnston and Maui Islands near Hawaii.

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First Christmas Matinee Is Given

The first of two Christmas benefit matinees for boys and girls of the city was scheduled Wednesday afternoon at the Ritz Theatre.

The price of admission was toys or clothing. Sponsor was the Boy Scouts in co-operation with the theater management.

The second matinee will be held Friday afternoon at the Yucca Theatre, sponsored by the Goodfellow's Club.

Children will be admitted to the show for contributions of non-perishable food which will be distributed at Christmas by the Goodfellows.

Organize Pilot Training Classes

Citizens interested in a civilian pilot training course were asked to attend an organization meeting at 8:15 p. m. Wednesday night at the high school.

J. B. Hunt, instructor, and Jerry Debenport and T. Long, Odessa, will explain the course.

If given, the instruction will be for two groups, competitive and non-competitive. A similar course was given here several weeks ago.

Frank Miller Heads Midland Camera Club

Frank Miller was elected president of the Midland Camera Club at its meeting and annual election Tuesday night at Hotel Scharbauer.

Other officers chosen include John Ross, vice-president; Louis Wallace, secretary-treasurer; and L. H. Tiffin and E. S. Griffin, directors.

A scavenger hunt picture contest was continued. Several entries had been received in the contest but it was extended.

Ward County Clerk Issues 3 Licenses

MONAHANS — (Special) — Marriage licenses were issued at the office of Mrs. Ira M. Morris, county clerk, to the following:

Robert Farmer and Lottie Perryman, both of Monahans; Walter L. Billings, Jr., and Scharlene Allen, both of Monahans; and Rafael Lujan and Juanita Hinojos, both of Grandfalls.

Civic Theater Will Present "The Goose Hangs High" At Yucca

With reservations being made at the Yucca Theatre, ticket sales for the Civic Theatre's second production of the season, The Goose Hangs High, continued Wednesday.

The play will be presented Wednesday night at 8:15 o'clock at the Yucca.

Wilson Uses Left To Retain Feather Title

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson needed only one fist, his left, to decisively outpoint Richie Lemons Tuesday night and keep the National Boxing Association featherweight championship he won from Richie here Nov. 18.

The 27-year-old Pittsburgh negro, veteran of 10 years in the ring, calmly set about his work in the first round and either won or drew in all of the first nine.

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