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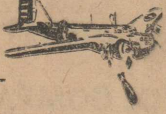
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U.S. Fleet Defeats Japs In Big Battle

SAM SLOAN



By Ray Camp
News Editor

On the first day of January, 1929, Samuel Addison Sloan was killed in an airplane crash . . . and on the thirty-first day of January, 1942, the United States Army Air Corps will open formally the greatest Bomber College in the nation, and call it "Sloan Field."

On the spot where Sam Sloan had the mesquite brush cleared so he could ground his little plane, Uncle Sam has built a \$5,500,000 air school . . . for training bombardiers . . . and cleared a tremendous field where the giant bombers will find ample room.



SAM SLOAN

At Sloan Field, Uncle Sam will train such boys as Sam was . . . daring, scrappy fellows of great courage . . . who will take up Sam's fight on any challenger of our democratic way of life. Sam would like that. He was a fighting man himself. In March, 1918, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps, and four months later was fighting over the lines in France. He was a natural flier, a daring fighter, and conducted himself with distinction . . . he enjoyed the fight!

And, he loved his airplane . . . it fitted his spirit . . . and he flew constantly after the war . . . and met his death in a plane crash. Boys at Sloan would have liked the handsome, happy, friendly Sam Sloan. He was of their calibre . . . and all-American.

Native Texan
Sloan was a Texan, born at Breck-

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Colonel Davies And Six Officers Here Advance In Rank

Lt. Colonel I. Davies, commander of Sloan Field, Saturday was advanced in rank, becoming a full Colonel, and six members of his staff were advanced from the rank of major to lieutenant-colonel.

Davies was notified Saturday of the advances. Other officers advanced, all majors until Saturday, are Lieutenant Colonels Henry R. Baxter, Shelton E. Prudhomme, Richard H. Smith, John W. White, John P. Kenny, and William M. Garland.

PROMISE MURDER CASE SUSPECTS ARE RELEASED

EL PASO (AP)—Sheriff Albert Anderson of Culberson County said Saturday night four persons charged in the slaying four years ago of Mrs. Weston G. Frome and her daughter, Nancy, had been released.

Officers said the action was taken because available evidence against them was insufficient.

WAR BULLETINS

NEW YORK—(AP)—A German broadcast Saturday gave the first account of U-boat activity in North American waters. The high command said 18 merchantmen of 125,000 tons had been sent to the bottom in an unspecified period—as against U. S. Navy reports of six ships torpedoed in U. S. Atlantic coastal lanes since Jan. 14.

LONDON—(AP)—Sir Stafford Cripps, returning from 18 months as Britain's ambassador to Moscow, predicted Saturday that war between Russia and Japan was inevitable and said that the Red Army was confident of crushing Germany by next fall and winter.

CHUNGKING—(AP)—Chinese Army headquarters announced violent attacks against Japanese in a new quarter Saturday, declaring they had opened drives against Siao-kan, 40 miles north of Hankow, and Hwaiyuan, 56 miles north of Hankow.

Place Blame For Pearl Harbor Raid On High Officers

"Dereliction Of Duty" Responsible For Japs Successful Attack

WASHINGTON — (AP).—A presidential board of inquiry Saturday attributed the success of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor primarily to 'dereliction of duty' on the part of Lieutenant General Walter C. Short and Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, the commanding officers of the Army and Navy in that area.

They had been adequately informed from Washington that war was imminent, it found. They had been warned to prepare against an air raid. They failed to confer upon the warnings and the measures to be taken. They refused to believe an air attack possible. Consequently the Japanese raid was a "complete surprise."

One result of their lack of collaboration, the board said, was that Short believed the Navy was operating reconnaissance flights far off shore, when it was not, and that Kimmel thought the Army was operating devices which would detect the approach of planes, when these were actually in service only a few hours each day.

Other Factors

But, while the board pinned major responsibility upon the two officers, it found numerous other contributing factors:

Effective Japanese espionage which could not be adequately countered under peace time conditions.

Japan's disregard of international law in making the attack before declaring war.

Emphasis in warning messages sent from Washington on sabotage and the possibility of a Japanese attack in the Western Pacific rather than at Pearl Harbor.

However, the blame was placed squarely upon Short and Kimmel, who in the opinion of the board "failed to make suitable dispositions to meet such an attack" and "failed properly to evaluate the seriousness of the situation." It added:

"These errors of judgment were the effective causes for the success of the attack."

Striking Incidents Noted

It noted, too, two striking incidents.

A destroyer and an airplane teamed up to sink a small Japanese submarine just outside Pearl Harbor, 43 minutes before the attack. It was reported to the chief of staff at the naval base. No additional alert orders were issued.

The Army's aircraft detectors were operated four hours daily, from 4 to 7 a. m. On the morning of the attack they shut down as usual at 7 a. m., forty-five minutes before

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Russians Crack Nazi Winter Line

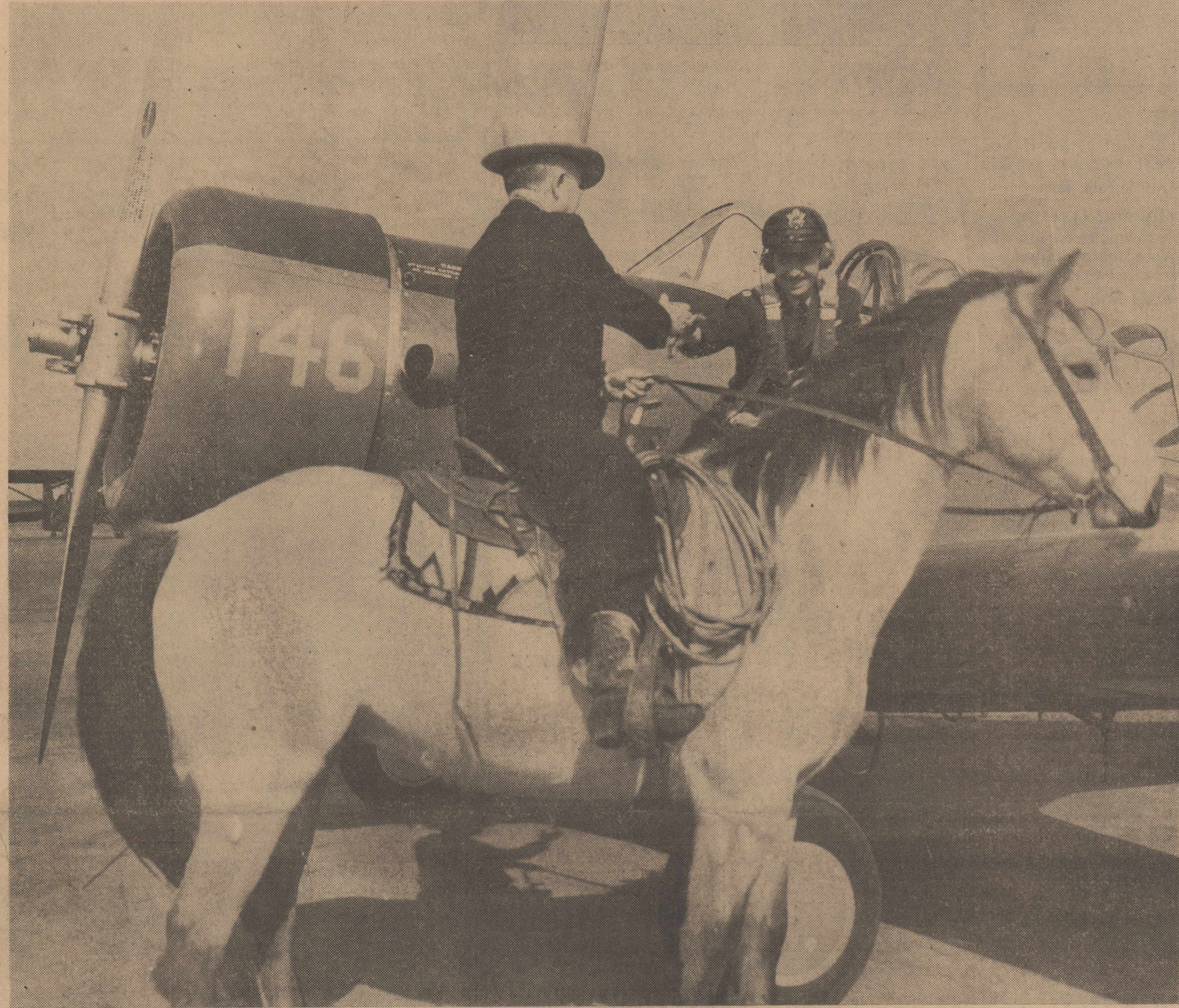
MOSCOW (AP)—The Russians declared Saturday night that Red armies beating the Germans back with ever-increasing momentum have cracked the northern anchor of Adolf Hitler's winter line, and cut deeply into his winter reserve supplies as well, in the farthest advance of a brilliant general offensive conceived and directed by Joseph Stalin.

With achievement of this stunning victory, which imperiled the Germans south of Leningrad and on the central fronts, the newspaper Pravda said the Russians now would concentrate on clearing the Axis out of cupped southern areas between Kursk and Orel and at Smolensk, west of Moscow.

Rifted on every side, given a drizzle of starvation appropriations by a doubting Congress, the early Army airmen fought on against odds that would quell the enthusiasm of any but the most fanatic believer in aviation's future. And they were fanatics; they were a small, devoted band, preaching of the wrath to come, of the days when armies would march across the sky, when the high ramparts of our defense would be beyond the peak of the loftiest cloud. On them were built the solid foundations of the structure that became the United States Army Air Force. A few of them have their names immortalized in the names of Army airfields, but many, with records just as brilliant, died in the furtherance of their cause, and have been forgotten. Pioneers, they suffered the fate of pioneers; in many cases others gathered the grain they sowed. But some carried on and have handed down the tradition that the Army Air Corps leads, never follows.

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Welcome To Midland--Says Mayor Ulmer To Colonel Davies



A real Midland welcome with its hearty handshake was given Colonel I. Davies by Mayor M. C. Ulmer who donned his white hat and his boots and mounted a dun horse to ride out to the Colonel's Plane at Sloan Field.

Photo By Tiffin

Bombardier Training Will Be Started Soon

Colonel Davies Came Up Hard Way To High Rank In Army Air Corps

By Captain Glenn L. Laffer
Public Relations Officer

In 1914 buck private Isaiah Davies of the Infantry raised his eyes and saw a ramshackle, haywire and broomstick contraption, propelled by a wheezy four cylinder engine, sail grandly across the sky. In 1942 Colonel Isaiah Davies, of the Army Air Corps, is Commandant of the post destined to be the greatest bombardier training base of the United States Army.

In 1914 it was considered, by all but the flyers themselves, that any one foolhardy enough to venture aloft in the flimsy, almost powerless kites that in those days were called airplanes, was either insane or had a suicidal complex. Every flight that did not end in a forced landing was hailed as an aeronautical achievement of the first water, and every pilot was able to walk away from it without assistance.

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Enters Air Corps

Private Davies transferred to the Air Corps, then the aviation section of Signal Corps, in February 1914. He did not remain a private long, for he became an expert airplane and engine mechanic, and by 1917 he had risen to the grade of Sergeant First Class. He was stationed at Rockwell Field, San Diego, a field from which many famous flyers graduated.

In 1917, commissioned a 1st Lieutenant in the Air Corps, the ex-private of Infantry was fairly launched on what has become his life work, the training of Army airmen. Transferred to Langley Field, Virginia, by September 1918 he had been promoted to the rank of Captain, and had an important part in the training program of his station. After the war the Army Air Force was stripped of the bare skeleton of an organization and only the cream of the officers and enlisted men kept in service, and they were all reduced in rank. Captain Davies was once again a first Lieutenant. After the war he was to stay at Langley Field for seven more years. During that time Lieut. Davies took part in an event that made history. Under the command of the late Gen. William "Billy" Mitchell, he commanded a squadron in the Army's bombing and sinking of the German battleship Ostfriedland, an event that changed the military picture of the world. Until that time it was thought impossible for aerial bombs to sink a first class battleship.

In 1925 Lieut. Davies was transferred to Kansas City, Missouri, and became commanding officer of the 490th Pursuit Squadron of the Organized Reserve. In a two page story of a Kansas City newspaper of August 7, 1927 we read that Lieut. Davies' command is considered by officers of the regular Army to be equal to anything in the regular

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Midland Citizens Will Get Opportunity To Visit World's Newest Bombardier College

Midland today is proud and happy to be the home of the largest Bombardier College of the world—Sloan Field where the U. S. Army Air Corps will train bombardiers.

In almost record time, the \$5,500,000 Advanced Flying School was erected here. Colonel I. Davies, his officers and his men now are on the job preparing for the opening of training, expected in the near future.

Men are reporting for duty at the field almost every day. Supplies and equipment necessary for operation of the big school are arriving by train and truck.

Two-engine bombers will be delivered to the field soon. The Army expects to keep almost 200 of these ships in service there.

Practically all construction work has been completed and soldiers guard the military reservation day and night. It already has attained a reputation as one of the finest posts in the Army and many men in uniform have asked transfers to Midland.

Next Saturday, hundreds of Midland citizens will get their first opportunity to visit the post. Colonel I. Davies has made plans for an informal visitation. Citizens of this vast area will be permitted to drive through the military reservation and inspect some of the buildings. It will be the first opportunity for many of them to visit a major Army post.

Midland long has awaited this invitation from the Air Corps and is grateful to the Army for the privilege of visiting this modern post.

Sloan Field has its own water system, sewage system and disposal plant, its hospital, its motion picture theatre, its chapel, post exchanges, motor repair shops and everything that goes to make a 1942 model airfield.

In addition to the scores of barracks, classroom buildings, mess halls, offices, and utility buildings, it has three large hangars, parachute building, bombsite storage

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Texas Oil Allowable Increases During Week

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government will fix the price of gasoline and other refined petroleum products soon, the Office of Price Administration said Saturday, at levels prevailing last Nov. 7.

Crude oil price ceilings will be issued, at levels prevailing last Oct. 1.

The new schedules will take "special situations" in various parts of the country into account, OPA declared, and will not necessarily be final so far as petroleum products are concerned. Extensive OPA investigations still are underway covering crude oil production, refining and distribution.

Stanolind Byrd May Open New Pool For Ward

By Frank Gardner
Oil Editor

Opening of a new area in Southeastern Ward County was promised Saturday as Standard Oil & Gas Company No. 1 H. L. Byrd, wildcat two miles west of the Estes pool and three and one-half miles south of the Spencer pool, showed up favorably on drillstem test.

The prospect was tested for 35 minutes from 2,630-55 feet and recovered 150 feet of drilling mud, top 90 feet of which was cut with gas and the bottom 90 feet heavily cut with oil and gas. Prior to taking the test, a core from 2,644-55 feet had returned four feet of dolomite and sandy dolomite carrying gas and oil. The well is being cored deeper. It is located 660 feet from the northeast, 1,956 from the north-west, line of section 34, block 34, H. & T. G. survey.

Big Ector Producer
In the southeast part of the Foster pool in Ector County, Broderick & Calvert, Inc., No. 8 Mrs. Vina Bagley was completed for potential flow of 10,538.92 barrels of oil per day, making it the second largest well in the area. Potential was based on a six-hour gauge multiplied by four. Oil tested 35.2-gravity and gas-oil ratio 740-1. The well logged virtually solid pay from 4,235 to 4,355 feet, the total depth, and was treated with 1,000 gallons of "mud cake" to clean up hole before it was gauged.

On a full 24-hour gauge, Cities Service Oil Company No. 6-A J. L. Johnson, also in the Foster pool, flowed 283.78 barrels of 35.2-gravity crude, with gas-oil ratio of 578-1. It was shot with 340 quarts in pay zone between 4,110 and 4,210 feet, total depth.

Daily potential of 1,776 barrels of 33.4-gravity oil was established by Gulf Oil Corporation No. 29 M.

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Sinks Two Enemy Ships; Batters Others In Attack

British And American Pilots Blast Japan Bombers Over Rangoon

By Bill Boni
Associated Press War Editor

The United States Asiatic Fleet, removed intact from its Philippine base ahead of the Japanese occupation in a masterly display of seamanship, has come through with flying colors—hardly even a scratch on its paint—in a new major encounter with the Japanese.

The Navy Department announced Saturday night that a flotilla of destroyers, now based presumably in the Dutch East Indies and cooperating with the Indies Air Force under the Allied Supreme Command, sunk at least two ships and battered others with torpedo and shellfire in a night attack on an enemy convoy.

The surprise maneuver, which took place in the Straits of Macassar between Borneo and Celebes, was so successful that not a ship was lost. In fact, said the Navy, only four men were injured, and only one of these seriously.

Location of the action meant, apparently, that this Japanese invasion fleet was the same which Dutch Army planes had under their bombsights twice in 48 hours. The latest Dutch attack, in which a large transport was capsized and two other ships were hit, made the score 11 ships hit without the loss of a single plane, and was one of a series of striking Allied aerial operations.

Americans Are Busy
Over Rangoon hard-bitten American and British pilots blasted an entire Japanese bomber formation and four of its escorting fighters out of the skies, to raise to 32 their two-day bag of raiding planes.

Over Malaya, where British Imperial troops were making their defensive stand along a contracting front generally 70 miles from Singapore, RAF squadrons struck at Japanese troop and transport concentrations well beyond the battle line.

But it was the Malayan armies—still instinctively seeking cover when planes are heard overhead—and the Australians, with Japanese formations now established on their protecting fringe of outer islands, who called most loudly for more planes. And it was a lack of planes, even enough to act as artillery spotters, that brought the battle of Batan Peninsula into a new and even more critical stage.

Sugar Rationing Will Start Soon

WASHINGTON (AP)—Government rationing of sugar, it was announced Saturday night, will begin early next month with each person limited to about a pound a week.

Announcing the program, Price Administrator Leon Henderson said it was proposed, too, to recover excess stocks from persons who have hoarded supplies.

The prospective allowance of one pound per person a week compares with average per capita home consumption of about 1 1/2 pounds a week in 1941.

Rotary Club Wants Names Of All Persons In U. S. Armed Forces

Ily Pratt, secretary of the Midland Rotary Club, wants immediately the names of all persons from Midland County who are in the Armed Forces and who did not enlist through the local draft office or who were not sent into service as selectees.

He has the names of selectees from the county and men who volunteered at the draft office here.

The names will be placed on the Rotary Club's Honor Roll which will be installed on the courthouse lawn. The name should be sent to Pratt at the city hall.

Baptists Will Have Faculty Banquet

The quarterly Sunday school faculty banquet of the First Baptist Church will be held at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday at the church.

The Rev. P. D. O'Brien, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Big Spring, will be guest speaker.

About 100 persons are expected to attend.

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THE GREATEST SIN IS THE SIN AGAINST LOVE: Hear, O Heavens, an dgive ear O earth, for the Lord hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.—Isaiah 1:2.

A Salute To The Army

Proudly and gratefully, Midland salutes the United States Army and the individuals who have made possible the construction of the world's greatest Bombardier College at Sloan Field here.

In almost record time, this modern Advanced Flying School has been erected for the Air Corps. Economy was the watchword of all persons connected with the project and engineers who know have commented that the Army perhaps got more for its money at Sloan Field than on any other National Defense project.

Last August the task of transforming an expanse of ranch land into the military post for approximately 4,000 men was started. The change that has been wrought since then has brought the Army post very near to completion.

Within a short time, bombardiers will be training at Sloan Field. Within a few weeks, it will have its full complement of men and it will be deep in the all-important task of training bombardiers so vital to our nation in wartime.

We salute citizens of Midland who have enabled their city to play so valuable a part in the defense of our government through this undertaking. It was a civic undertaking which called for unity, for understanding, for unremitting toil. There were difficulties to be overcome, but there was, and is, a spirit that would not be denied.

We could name some leaders, but we hesitate to do so, lest some citizens who have aided be overlooked. But the citizenship knows those to whom major credit and thanks are due.

We salute Colonel I. Davies, his staff, his officers and his men whose job it is to direct and supervise and organize. If a further word of welcome to them were needed, we gladly would utter it.

We salute the U. S. Engineers, the general contractors, Cage Brothers and F. M. Reeves and Sons, and the workers, who have brought that wide expanse of buildings into being in so short a time and at a minimum of cost to our government. We believe all in authority will join up in saying an excellent job has been done.

Let us, as Midland citizens, not forget that tasks are ahead. We must do all that we can, in all ways that we can, to make the officers, enlisted men and civilian personnel of Sloan Field feel that they are welcome. Let us resolve that our hospitality shall be something deeper and more genuine than a mere gesture. Let us accompany our salute with a promise to make the welcome of these men of our Armed Forces a lasting one, that they may never forget Midland and its hospitality.

Secretary Morgenthau Denies False Rumors

DALLAS (AP)—Recurring rumors that the Federal Government intends to confiscate all savings have been denied by Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau.

"I wish to state most emphatically that there are no foundations whatever for such rumors," he said. "The Federal Government does not have under consideration any proposal involving the confiscation of the savings deposits of this country for any purpose. Furthermore, anyone circulating rumors of this character is acting against the welfare of the nation."

Midland Delegates Go To Big Spring Meeting

Five representatives of the Midland Chamber of Commerce attended the annual banquet of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Friday night. In the delegation were Jim Allison, president, Bill Collins, Manager, Dan Hudson, Clint Lackey and Clint Dunagan.

B. L. LeFever is the new president of the Big Spring organization.

Sloan Public Relations Office Staff



The public relations staff at Sloan is under direction of Captain Glenn L. Laffer, seated at right. His assistants include Lt. George W. Smith, seated left, standing left to right, Privates Jack Steele, Ben Bailey, and Robert Wistrand. Not shown, having arrived only Saturday, is Private Jim Toomey.

Post Executive Officer, Who Keeps Them Flying, Likes Hunting, Golfing

Second only to the post commandant is the post executive officer. It is his duty to see that the orders of the commanding officer are carried out, to take command when his superior is not available, and to have at his fingertips knowledge or advice that the post commandant may require. To him the post commander delegates the authority and the responsibility of keeping them flying. At Sloan Field the Post Executive Officer is Lieutenant Colonel Henry R. Baxter.

Is West Pointer

Lieutenant Colonel Baxter, West Point graduate, is the embodiment of the soldier's and civilian's conception of the "Pointer." Military carriage, terse manner, clipped speech, all indicative of the four years he spent at the United States Military Academy. Answering questions speedily and precisely, never using an unnecessary word, but giving an answer that covers the question. One gets the idea that here is a man that not only can command, and get instant obedience, but that he can also lead and his men will follow.

Is Pennsylvanian

Lieutenant Colonel Baxter was born at Chester, Pennsylvania, where his mother still makes her home. He attended Swarthmore College in 1920-21-22, entered the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1922. He graduated from the Academy in 1926. During his college years he received letters for playing football and lacross. His first station as an officer in the United States Air Corps was Brooks Field, Texas, where he took primary and basic training as a pilot, later finishing advanced training at Kelly Field, Texas. At the present time he holds the ratings of Command Pilot and Aircraft Observer.

Building Permits For Week \$17,000

Building permits for the week ending January 23 for Midland total \$17,000, bringing the year's total to \$67,500.

A six-room frame dwelling with garage attached to cost \$5000 will be built at 2010 W. College by the A. & L. Housing and Lumber Co., and a five-room frame dwelling with garage attached to cost \$3500 at 1808 W. Texas will be built by the same company.

A brick veneer at 211 South L. to cost \$7400 will be built with Houston Hill as contractor for A. P. Shirey.

L. S. Stephens will build a frame dwelling at 319 S. Big Spring to cost \$700.

Police Recover Stolen Automobile

Police reported the recovery in Odessa of an automobile, belonging to E. G. Eidson of Midland Thursday night. The car was stolen Jan. 17.

February Tire Quotas Announced At Austin

AUSTIN (AP)—Texans will be allotted a maximum of 6,152 passenger car, motorcycle and light truck tires in February, about half the January quota, the office of the State Rationing Administration announced Saturday.

Corresponding reductions were made in tubes and tires and tubes for trucks and buses.

Quotas for Midland County are 17 passenger car, motorcycle and light truck tires; 14 tubes for the same vehicles; 29 truck and bus tires; 49 tubes for the same vehicles.

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THREE ARMY CAPTAINS ARE ORDERED TO MIDLAND

CAMP BOWIE, Texas, (AP)—Three captains from the 142nd Infantry were ordered to the new Army Bombing College at Midland. They are: Capt. J. Franklin Spears of San Antonio, who is also a state senator, Capt. Pat A. Warren of Coleman, and Capt. Harry E. Phelps of Austin.

STEPHENS GETS EIGHT YEARS FOR SLAYING

GRAHAM, Texas (AP)—W. P. Stephens, 61, was convicted Saturday on a charge of slaying his brother, W. E. Stephens. A district court jury fixed his punishment at eight years in the penitentiary. The killing occurred after a quarrel over location of a fence.

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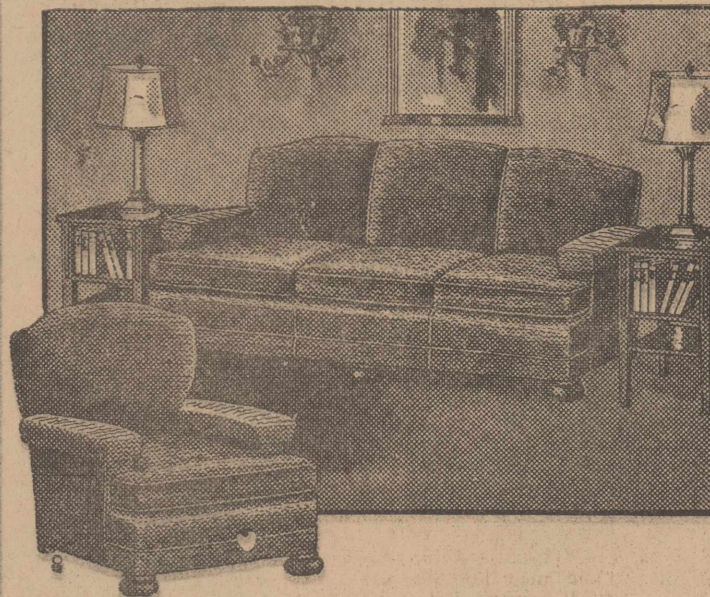
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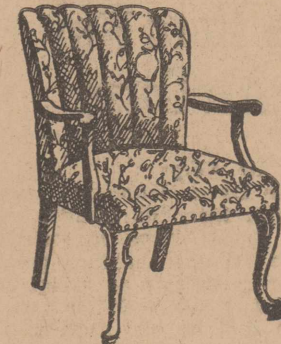
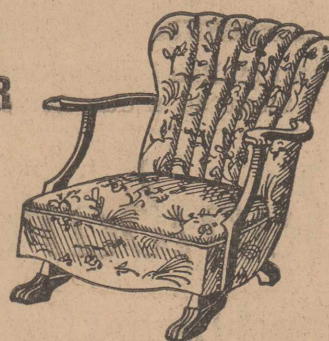
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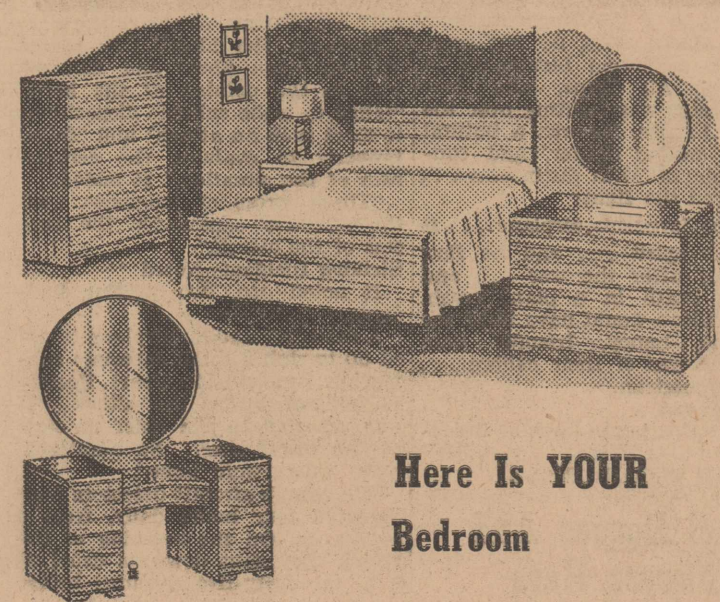
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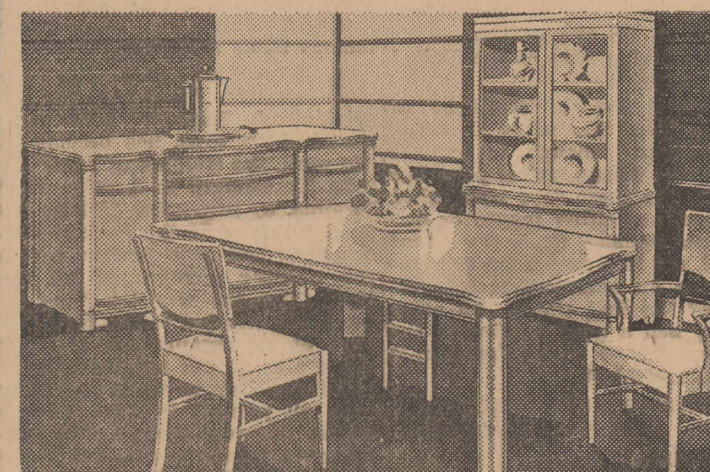
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(County Clerk)
And
Deputies

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County Attorney

Sam Spears To Teach High School Courses

Sam Spears has been employed by the Midland Public Schools as teacher of diversified occupations courses, and will begin his new work Monday, it was announced by the Board Saturday. He succeeds J. Webb Miller, who resigned to enter the armed services.

Spears has been recreational director for the city, but resigned that position Saturday to accept the place with the schools. He has had three years teaching experience.

Colonel Kenny, Coordinator, Polo Player; Held Post In Philippines

Directing and coordinating all ground and air training activities of the Bombardier Cadets at Sloan Field "Bombardier College of the Air" is Lieutenant Colonel John P. Kenny. Graduate of the class of '27 of the Oregon State College, he took his primary flight training at March Field, California, and in 1929

graduated from the advanced flying school at Kelly Field, Texas. His first station was at Rockwell Field, San Diego.

In many ways Lieut. Col. Kenny's career has paralleled that of his superior officer, Col. Davies. Both have served at Rockwell, Kelly and Nichols Fields. At Nichols Field, in the Philippine Islands, they served at the same time. Col. Davies as group relations officer, and Lieut. Col. Kenny as squadron officer attached to the 28th Bombardment Squadron.

At Sloan Field Lieut. Col. Kenny will use the experience he has gathered at Lowry Field, Denver, as assistant director of training; and at Ellington Field, Texas, as the Director of Training. In addition to training bombardiers, he is fully capable of also training pilots, and has done so at Randolph Field. He has had over 4500 hours in the air as pilot and carries the ratings of Senior Pilot and Aircraft Observer. Is Sportsman.

Quite a sportsman, Lieut. Col. Kenny has won school letters as a football and polo player. He still is an enthusiastic polo player and horseman. He has played with the San Antonio Air Corps team, the Headquarters team of the Philippine Department and in 1936 he journeyed to Australia with the Manila Polo club and played against the Sydney Hurricanes in a series won by the Manila club.

According to the Lieutenant Colonel, Sloan Field has all of the ingredients for making the finest bombardier training base in the United States. Fine location, with equipment and general layout seems to be far in advance of other training stations that he has visited. He predicts that the future of Sloan will be very bright, and the class of bombardiers turned out will be exceptional.

In 1929, flying through Midland with the 11th Bombardier Squadron, enroute to Columbus, Ohio, for maneuvers, Lieut. Col. Kenny was entertained by the citizens of Midland with a Barbecue. He says that the reception given him at that time has always remained in his memory, and that he was very pleased to return to the part of the country where such hospitality was given, as a matter of course.

Married in March of 1930 to the daughter of Maj. George E. Kelsch (Ret.), Lieut. Col. Kenny and Mrs. Kenny make their home at 1106 West Kentucky, Midland.

Australia Appeals For Ships and Planes

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Australia, who has sent her sons to fight in Malaya, Libya and England, sent a second urgent appeal to London and Washington Saturday for planes and ships and began mobilizing all able bodied men for the possibility of "the Battle of Australia" being fought right on our beaches.

Project Expedited By Efficient Trio



Captain R. J. Harrison of the U. S. Engineers, Felix Reeves of Cage Brothers and F. M. Reeves and Sons, the general contractors, and R. H. McCulloch, chief engineer, worked long hours to expedite completion of the Army's Bombardier College at Sloan Field.

Three Midland Men To Enter Air Corps Soon

Three Midland young men will enter the Army Air Corps as cadets February 1 at Kelly Field. They are James F. Miles, Bernard T. Westerman, Jr., and W. H. Churchill, Jr.

Governor Appoints County Parole Board

Governor Coke Stevenson has appointed the following to serve on the Midland County Parole Board for 1942: Dr. W. E. Ryan, chairman, H. G. Bedford, Ed Richardson, Mrs. H. N. Phillips, and W. N. Orson will fill the position of secretary.

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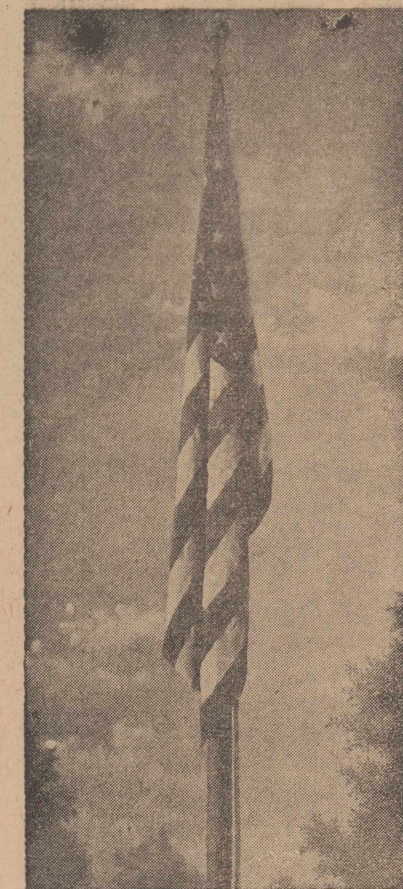
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Blame--

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the Jap airplanes struck. At one of them a non-commissioned officer, learning to use the devices, was given permission to continue operating.

At 7:02 he discovered what appeared to be a large flight of planes northeast of Oahu, about 130 miles distant.

At 7:20 he reported his discovery to an inexperienced lieutenant. The latter, knowing that certain American planes might be in the vicinity assumed the planes shown by the detector to be American planes and took no further action.

Relieved Of Commands

The board which conducted the inquiry was headed by Associate Justice Owen J. Roberts, on leave from the Supreme Court. Its other members were Admirals William H. Standley and J. M. Reeves, both retired; Major Gen. Frank R. McCoy, retired, and Brig. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, an active air corps officer.

Short and Kimmel, were relieved of their commands ten days after the attack. What is now in store for them was a matter of conjecture. Under Navy and Army regulations, they may be dismissed by the President for "dereliction of duty," in which event they have the right to appeal for a court martial.

The board's report gave no added details of damage inflicted in the Japanese attack.

Secretary of Navy Knox had reported earlier that one battleship, the Arizona, was sunk, along with the target ship Utah, three destroyers and a mine layer, and that several other vessels were damaged, including the battleship Oklahoma which capsized. Army and Navy dead were placed at nearly 3,000

OPA Will Fix Prices Of Oil And Gasoline

AUSTIN (AP) — The average allowable of Texas oil wells increased 1,439 barrels daily to 1,644,903 barrels in the week ended Saturday, the railroad commission reported.

The daily permissible exceeded by 71,403 barrels the Office of Petroleum Coordinator's recommendation for January production in Texas but engineers estimated actual daily flow at 1,166 barrels above the OPC standard.

This was because normally Texas production averages 4.27 per cent less than monthly allowable.

Even greater production was in store for Texas pools next month.

The OPC has recommended a maximum daily yield of 1,596,000 barrels daily, 22,500 barrels more than the January estimate and 21,324 barrels in excess of estimated daily production for the current week.

The OPC report and other matters pertaining to Texas' production pattern will be aired at a statewide prorator hearing in Austin Monday.

The number of Texas wells increased by 23 to 9,472 this week.

Miss Marguerite Laney Accepts Shell Position

Miss Marguerite Laney, stenographer here in the District 8 offices of the Texas Railroad Commission since Oct. 1, 1937, has resigned her position and will assume new duties Monday in the engineering department of Shell Oil Company, Inc., Midland division.

with upwards of 900 wounded. Japanese losses, Knox said, were three submarines and 41 planes.

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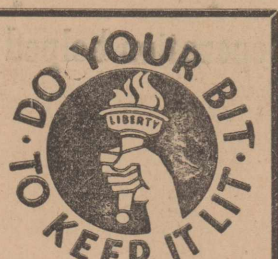
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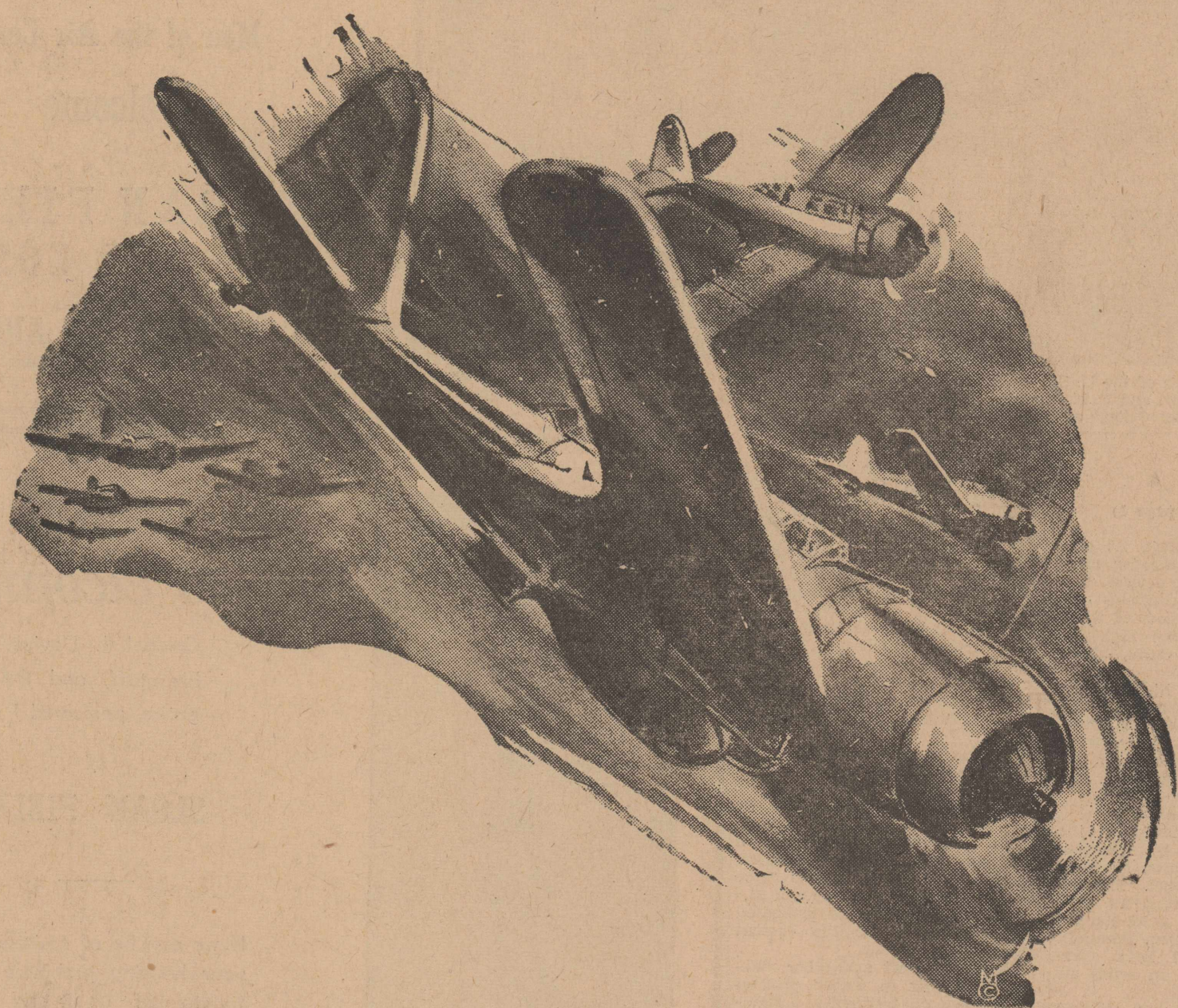
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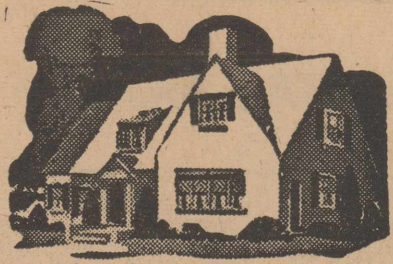
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- For County Sheriff
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J. C. ROBERTS
(Reelection)
- TYM WINGO
Precinct No. 2
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(Reelection)
- Precinct No. 3
ARTHUR JUDKINS
(Reelection)
- Precinct No. 4
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Questions will be answered by the clerk, at the Draft Board office in the courthouse, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4 p. m. daily, except Sunday. Where questions of special nature arise, written questions and requests must be filed with the clerk for action at regular meetings of the board. The most urgent matters should be pointed out to the clerk, who will in turn advise the members, and they shall then call a special meeting if necessary.

Board members, who serve without pay, all are engaged in business, and will appreciate the cooperation of the public in handling all matters relating to the draft board through the routine as outlined above. Mrs. Eddie Flannery, clerk

of the board, with offices in the courthouse, can handle all strictly routine requests.

"Full instructions will be issued in a few days, relating to the next call," said Chairman W. L. Simmons of the board. "In the meantime, we shall appreciate the cooperation of the public in taking all matters relating to the draft and registration to the office of the clerk. We are anxious to see that every question is answered and all will be. In the case of special requests, since the board must meet as a body to take any action, all such matters should be filed in writing with the clerk, so that they can have official action."

Members of the draft board are Simmons, H. G. Bedford and C. C. Keith.

**GMC GETS CONTRACTS
TOTALING \$300,000,000**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy said Saturday it had awarded contracts for \$300,000,000 of war material to the General Motors Corporation. The type of materials to be produced was not disclosed.

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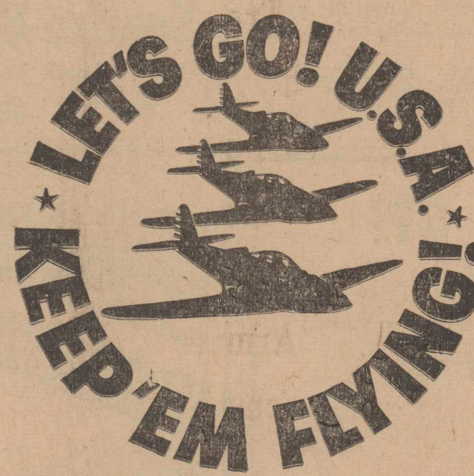
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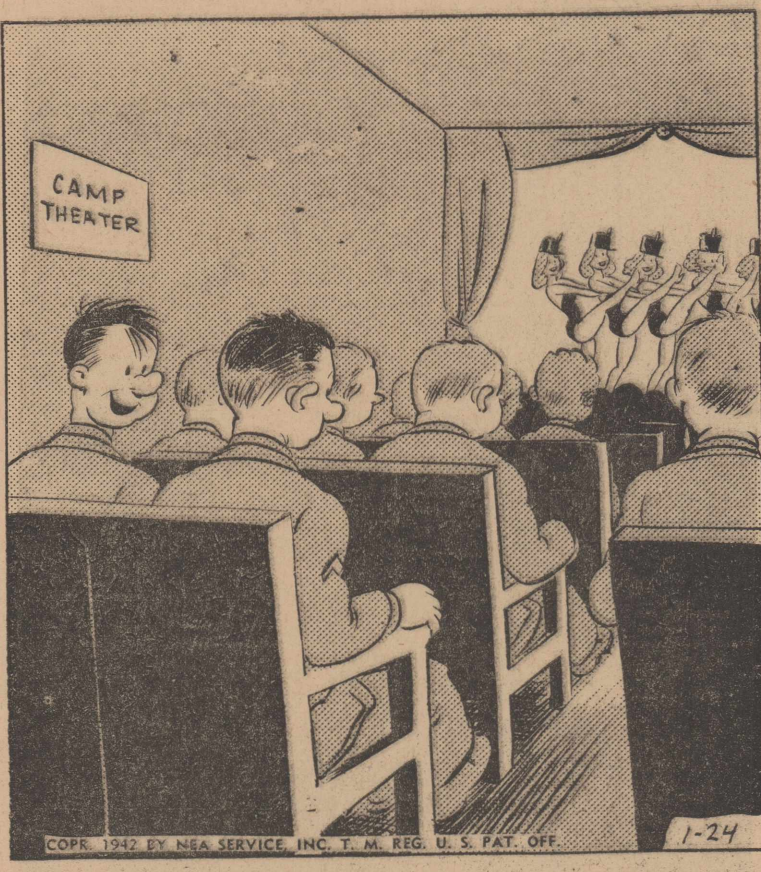
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SERIAL STORY

TAMBAY GOLD

BY SAMUEL HOPKINS ADAMS

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THE STORY: Mom Baumer sets up "Federal" lunch wagon at run-down Tambay Plantation, forms tourist camp partnership with Jane Ann Judson, last of the Mauries. Juddy tells Mom she has been married—to wealthy Henderson Kent. Other characters: Loren Oliver, Welliver, U. prof. begging for Indian relics; Doc Swob, Slovene refugee; "Doc" Oliver is harboring; Duke, Mums, pet skunk; lawyer Maurice Sears and football star Angel Todd, both in love with Juddy. Sheriff Hollister Mowry thinks Oliver is after gold at Tambay. Juddy, ill after a typhoid at the Hanging Tree, tells Maurice Sears she will leave Tambay if it ever happens again. Angel picks a fight with "Doc"; later worries with Mom and Juddy over Welliver's chances in football game with Balestier.

you're sending that bird on a risky errand?" I asked Juddy. "Why, no," she said. "Besides, I didn't send him." Well, I might have known it wouldn't occur to her. If she thought of Doc at all, it was just as something convenient or inconvenient. . . .

It was a long wait at Carling's. All of five minutes that seemed like 20, before Doc joined us. "I've got his revolver," he said. "He's getting washed up."

Maurie Sears came in. His face was gray and stiff. He walked carefully.

"Hello, Maurie," Juddy spoke as if nothing had happened. "I've ordered hot coffee for you. Then you're going home."

"He put his hands on me, damn him! I beg your pardon, Cousin, and yours, Mrs. Baumer." He gloomed at Juddy. "What is your interest in this?"

"I don't want anything to happen to either of you; either you or Angel."

"Never mind me," Maurie Sears said. "I don't count. I know you're in love with him."

Doc jumped in his seat. "Are you?" he said, like it was forced out of him.

It came so sudden that Juddy and I just stared. I was startled; but Juddy's look was different. What possible concern was it, of his?—that's what her expression meant.

"That saves his life," Sears said. "I'd have killed him on sight. Now I can't. You may return my pistol, if you please," he said to Doc.

"Certainly," Doc said, and handed it over.

"You will excuse me now," Maurie Sears said. And by this-sentiment if he didn't make a drawing-room bow to all three of us! "I am sorry to have caused any alarm."

We went to the Inn. Angel didn't show up. The others had run him off.

The news flew around town and didn't lose anything as it went. One version was that Maurice Sears had been mugged up by the football ace and then had his gun taken away from him by the college prof who was living over at Tambay. Another story was that Oliver had tricked the lawyer out of his gun, and Todd had then beaten him up, and that the girl over at Tambay was mixed up in it some way. That wouldn't be the end of it, folks said, and shook their heads. . . .

"Both of you go there. Get a booth near the door. I won't be long." He tipped his hat and left. "Did it occur to you, pal, that

Sears' tip, I didn't discourage him. He opened up by being worried about Loren Oliver.

"Tell that star boarder of yours he'd better watch out for Lawyer Sears," he said.

"Baloney!" I said. "Doc and Maurie are all right."

"He took Sears' gun away from him, didn't he?"

"It was all friendly."

"Maybe it looked like it to you. But something is liable to start Sears to mullin' and sullin' over it. Then watch out."

"I guess the Doc can take care of himself," I told him.

"You're overlooking a fine proposition right here under your feet, or don't gold interest you?"

"It might if I believed in it."

"It's there. Look at Oliver. He knows."

"He never said anything to me."

"No. He's had his face buttoned up. They've told him over at the U. that if he gives out anything about his findings he'll get the boot. That's what makes him so slit-mouthed. I've got my lines of information."

"Okay," I said. "I'm interested now. How do we get in?"

"You get my little cousin to cut me in for a percentage. We'll get rid of Oliver. I'll handle the political end and see that you get yours."

"What would you figure was a fair cut?" I asked him.

"Twenty-five percent."

"Is that all?"

"I'll kick back 5 per cent to you. Look; I'll kick back 7 1/2 per cent."

He gave me the fishy eye then. "Think what it would be worth to you to keep out of trouble," he said.

"Uh-huh," I said. "What kind of trouble?"

"You never can tell, can you?" he said. "Put it up to your partner, ma'am. Make her see reason. You don't want any interruption to your trade, just when everything is goin' so good."

Well, I didn't want to pester Juddy with it then. But I did pass on what he had said about Doc. There was a rumor around town that Sears had been drunk again and had threatened to shoot both Angel and Oliver. So Juddy and I decided to wise up the Doc. He looked puzzled.

"Why, I saw Sears only yesterday," he said.

"How was he?" Juddy said.

"Perfectly pleasant. A little reserved perhaps. But that's his way, isn't it?"

"Loren Oliver," Juddy said. "Sometimes I suspect there's more to you than meets the eye."

(To Be Continued)

EAST INDIAN ISLAND

HORIZONTAL

1 Depicted island in the East Indies.

7 Additional nymph.

9 Mountain position.

12 Change of land.

13 Allotment of land.

15 Portico.

17 Black bird of the cuckoo family.

18 Portable chair borne on poles.

20 Spinning toy.

21 Doctors (abbr.).

22 Sells again.

24 Strike against violently.

26 We.

27 International language.

28 Tellurium (symbol).

30 Music note.

31 Reverend (abbr.).

32 Entirely.

33 Court (abbr.).

35 Down (prefix).

36 Louisiana (abbr.).

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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VERTICAL

1 Female saint (abbr.).

2 Chaldean city.

3 Men.

4 Absolute.

5 Railroad (abbr.).

6 Bronze.

7 Ages.

8 Sixteen (Roman).

10 Attorney (abbr.).

11 Portal.

12 Planet.

14 Lyric poem.

16 South American.

19 New Latin (abbr.).

21 It belongs to the . . .

22 Rambler.

23 Approach under cover of a screen.

25 — is one of its principal cities.

27 Color.

29 Highest note in Guido's scale.

34 Tilts.

39 Tissue (anat.).

40 Saucy.

42 Abyss.

44 Hermit's hut.

45 Part of "be."

46 Destruction.

47 Established value.

49 Hawaiian food.

51 Footlike part.

53 Lone Scout (abbr.).

55 North Dakota (abbr.).

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**TEXAS UNIVERSITY
ADDS NEW TERM**

AUSTIN (AP)—Regents of the University of Texas Saturday authorized a new three month term which will put the school on a year-round teaching basis designed to expedite the training of students for war industries and activities.

**San Angelo Clips Midland 38-26;
District Race Stays 4-Way Tie**

San Angelo did its part to keep the district 3AA race in a tie by defeating Midland 38 to 26 in the San Angelo gym, while the other three

terms sharing the leadership chipped in with wins in Friday night's games.

San Angelo was the last of the four-way tied first place teams, with Big Spring, Abilene, and Lamesa defeating the Bulldogs on three previous occasions, that Midland will have to tangle with for a while. Spotting the last four loop-leading opponents a great advantage in height, the stubby Bulldogs were always a decided loser long before game time.

James Stickney lead the Midland attack against San Angelo with 10 points, while Kearney was high score man for the Cats with 15 points.

Midland will meet Sweetwater in the local gym Tuesday night, with both A and B teams playing, making a two game card.

District 3AA's basketball remained in the same first place tie Saturday, with Abilene, San Angelo, Lamesa, and Big Spring winning over Odessa, Midland, Colorado City, and Sweetwater respectively.

The game with the attractive score was the Big Spring-Sweetwater go, which ended 7 to 6 after an added over time period, with Big Spring on top. As the score suggests, it was truly a defensive battle with very little offense thrown in. The regular playing time ended with the score at 5-all, and it takes a while of a defense by both teams to have only ten points scored in four full quarters of basketball. The score stood at 3-2 for Big Spring at half-time. The pay off came in the over time period when James Fallon sank a field goal for Big Spring, and although trying hard to win, Sweetwater made only a free toss.

Lamesa rolled to an easy win over Colorado City by building a lead to total 43 to 26.

Abilene whipped the mighty Odessa Broncos 33 to 25, to stay in the tie for leadership in 3AA.

**To Hold Two-State
Bowling Tourney Here**

The Midland Bowling Association will be host to the second Annual West Texas-New Mexico Bowling Tournament to be bowled at the Plamor Alley in Midland on the week ends of March 20-21, March 27-28, and April 4-5. Entry deadline is midnight, March 10.

The West Texas-New Mexico Bowling Association is composed of teams from West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. Cities to be represented at the second annual tournament from Texas are: Amarillo, Pampa, Borger, Lubbock, Big Spring, and Midland, with San Angelo and Abilene being eligible for entrance, but having failed to indicate entry yet. El Paso is to be represented by one or more teams, but is not an official member of the Association. New Mexico will be represented by the cities of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Roswell, Carlsbad, Las Vegas, and Gloriv.

All bowling leagues and tournaments are under the sanction of the American Bowling Congress of which both the Midland Bowling Association and the West Texas-New Mexico Bowling Association are affiliated members.

**Rugged Cowboys Are
Rarin' To Ride**

MARFA (AP)—Packing their own shooting irons, a hundred bronzed cowmen rode in from remote ranches of the Big Bend Saturday and signed to defend this rugged stretch along the Mexican border.

Their outfit, the "Highland Herford Rough Riders," is one of the nation's first home defense cavalry units.

Assembling in groups, the rough riders registered their equipment with their organizer and director, George Jones, Marfa cattleman.

him down for the count. It was the first time Sprouse had even closely examined a pair of gloves in over two months. However Sprouse has gained weight since he last fought, and now he'll be fighting in the heavyweight division. He has an all-round attack and defense and a pair of super-arms.

Representing Sloan Field in the light-heavy bracket will be Cecil Moore, Troy, Ohio boy out of the 97th Material Squadron, who has seen action in several Golden Gloves in Ohio. In Dayton he reached the quarterfinals and semifinals in contests sponsored by the Dayton Daily News, and he won his division twice in tourneys in Sidney, Ohio.

Only heavyweight, besides Sprouse, is L. C. Phillips, Denison, who was going strong up in his part of the country until he banged up his hands and was forced to quit. He's also out of the 97th.

The other six men on the team are all out of the Ordnance company. There's Billy Anderson, who'll probably fight lightweight, and has had around four years experience around his home, San Angelo. He's also been in Golden Gloves at Hobbs, New Mexico.

And Vernon M. Blissit, 155 pounder from Corpus Christi, who casually remarks that he's "had about 14 or 15 fights here and there in the Corpus Christi area."

Louis John, who only entered the tournament last Friday is another veteran of Golden Gloves. He's been in five of 'em, and in 1939 he went to Chicago in the Nationals as a welterweight.

Flyweight of the team is Walter Bakoian, who made quite a name for himself in school and park leagues in Lynn, Mass., his home.

Only inexperienced men are Dominic Lovaglio, from New York City, and middleweight King Koenig, 97th Material boy who's rarin' to get his first taste of boxing.

The team is under the general direction of 2nd Lt. George W. Smith, Athletic Officer.

**Bomber Fighters
Train For Golden
Gloves Tourney**

Sport fans in this section will have their first chance to see a real "Bomber" team in action when the Odessa District Golden Gloves tournament gets underway Monday evening in the Ector county auditorium.

Sloan Field entrants are bombers in every sense of the word, since two-thirds of the team is composed of pugilists of the 347th Ordnance Co., which is a bombardment outfit. These boys take their title, "Bombers" seriously since they keep in shape by wrestling genuine bombs of assorted sizes and weights during duty hours and by working out in the Ordnance day room each night.

At the present time the prowess of the Bombers is a question that is worrying the Odessa and Monahans teams. A heterogeneous mixture of well-seasoned sluggers, semi-experienced and inexperienced amateurs, is the way Sloan Field team stacks up.

The Bombers are remarkable, not because of their strength, but because all members have been at the field only a little over a week, and that's a short time to form and train a championship team—take it from Tony Grippio, former New York professional who is training the team.

Golden Glover of long standing and mainstay of the Sloan Field team is Robert Sprouse, 489th School Squadron who's held the light-heavy weight championship of West Virginia for five straight years, and in 1939 was runner-up in the National tourney in that weight division.

He's the only Bomber that the public has seen in action so far. He caused a sensation in Odessa Tuesday night when he knocked classy Monahans light-heavy weight Albert Hansen, hard enough to send

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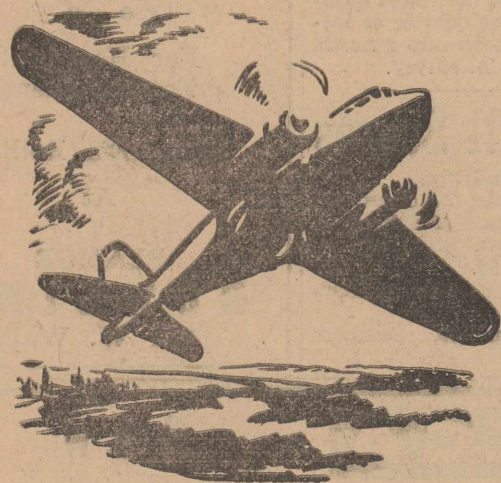
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Col. I. Davies-- (Continued from page 1)

Army when flying ability of the pilots and tactical ability of the officers in command was considered. Flying obsolete "Hisso Jennies" cast-offs of the regular Army, the 430th gave observing officers a show that proved it knew it's business.

To Philippines
In 1930, captaincy regained, Captain Davies reported to the Office of the Chief of Air Corps, Washington, D. C., for duty. For four years he was to cool his heels at a desk job. Undoubtedly his broad experience in actual operations in the field were invaluable; but just as undoubtedly the complaints of Captain Davies over his being chained to a desk too far from the flying line to hear the actual clangor of operations, were very loud in the ears of his superiors. In 1934 he was transferred to Nichols Field, Philippine Islands, where his assignment was Group Operations Officer. In his office at Sloan Field he has a map showing the flights he made and the territory covered during his tour of duty in the Islands. Wherever there is a cleared spot in the Islands big enough to set an Army plane in, according to the map, he has been a visitor. From Borneo to the northern tip of the Philippines was his beat, and Zamboanga, where

according to the song the monkeys have no tails, was a port of call. Looking at the map, Colonel Davies said: "See that little peninsula there, that's where MacArthur is fighting the Japs, see right here, that's where the Artillery blew the Japs to pieces, and right here is Corregidor, where they've shot down so many Jap planes," and crossing and recrossing the places where he pointed were the lines showing his flights over that very place. They are not just names or spots on the map to Colonel Davies; they are actual places that he knows as well as his own front yard.

It was while in the Philippines that the only two fatalities due to his flying were chalked up against him. While flying over an out-of-the-way part of the Islands he passed over a native barrio that had never seen white men or planes before. In the resultant excitement and confusion one man died of heart failure and another running from the low flying plane stumbled and fell over a cliff to his death. It seems that a native legend was that some day a malignant god in the form of a bird would wreck havoc with the tribe, and the natives thought their hour had come.

Perfect Flying Record
In more than 4400 hours of flying Colonel Davies has never scratched a passenger or himself, and considering the mechanical marvels (marvel that they flew

that many of the hours were passed in, his record verges on the impossible. In the unaimed days of the Hisso Jennys, SE5s, DHS, Hall-Scott Standards and rotary Tommies the average pilot spent a fair portion of his time recuperating from his last crack-up.

In 1935 the silver bars of a captain were discarded for the golden oak leaves of a major, and in 1937 Major Davies returned to the United States and reported for duty at Kelly Field, Texas. At Kelly, considered to be the kingpin advanced flying school of the world, he was appointed director of training and assistant to the commanding officer. There he had an opportunity to fly the latest planes the Army had to offer (older planes usually shipped to outlying stations like the Philippine Islands), and at Kelly he studied the latest methods of instructing cadets in the Air Corps. In 1941 he was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel.

Assigned To Sloan

When Sloan Field was projected, it was laid out to be the greatest bombardier training school in the Air Corps. With perfect weather and climatic conditions, it is a field from which operations can be conducted on a year round basis, and an unexcelled location for a bombing range. For such a school the requirements and ability of a commanding officer must be the highest. The Air Corps had in Lieutenant-Colonel Davies a man who for over twenty five years had been preparing himself for that very task. During his whole period of service he had been closely identified with the training of airmen, and his knowledge today on that subject is unquestionably as complete as that of any officer of the entire Air Corps. He was ordered to duty at Sloan Field and reported to that station on October 24, 1941. On Jan. 23, 1942, he was promoted to Colonel.

"This station," said Colonel Davies, "is one of the most important in the Air Corps training set-up. It has good weather, it is a good field, and it's operations are vitally essential in our war scheme. As time goes on, bombardment will become more and more important in the furtherance of military operations."

The commandant of Sloan Field has no Pevian complaint; he does not believe that he can operate the field alone and single handed. Stemming, probably from the days when he was a humble mechanic, he has profound respect for the abilities of the men under him. His years of active duty have given him the insight necessary to a commanding officer in picking his subordinates and the positions they shall hold. Examples of that knowledge are to be found in his appointing Lieutenant-Colonel Baxter, West Point, and Command Pilot, whose experience in the Air Corps dates from 1926 as executive officer; Lieutenant Rowden, a graduate of the Adjutant General's Office School for Adjutants,

as post adjutant; Major Lambert, cavalryman and attorney as post administrative inspector; and Lieutenant-Colonel Kenny, veteran Air Corps pilot, as director of training; to mention only a few of the brilliant staff that Colonel Davies has gathered around him to direct the operations of Sloan Field.

Wife Encouraged Him

Perhaps this story would have never been written about Colonel Davies, and there would have been another nameplate on the commandant's desk at Sloan Field, if Colonel Davies did not have such a persuasive manner. For in 1915 it took much persuading on the part of any man whose fortunes were attached to such a crack-brained con-

New Neighbors Meet At Sloan Field



Clarence Scharbauer rode to Sloan Field to greet his new neighbor, Colonel I. Davies, commander of the Advanced Flying School, located on land which once was a part of one of Scharbauer's ranches. Photo By Tiffin

Midland Citizen--

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building and all improvements required by a college of the Air Corps.

More Buildings Soon
A fourth large metal hangar will be erected soon and bids will be called in the near future for a \$120,000 base engineering building and construction of an ordnance area to cost approximately \$240,000.

Streets in the military reservation are lighted at night and the post has its own fire department, telephone exchange and military police system.

Midland not only gave its modern Municipal Airport, in which it had invested almost \$200,000, to the government for the Bombardier College, but it purchased additional land required by the Air Corps for the big school. City officials and civic leaders have worked closely with the Army to make the Advanced Flying School one of the finest in the nation.

Sam Sloan--

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enridge October 29, 1887. He enlisted at Oakland, California, Sept. 12, 1917. He was transferred to Rockwell Field, and there received his commission. After his fighting experience he returned to Texas, out here, and became an oil man, a wildcatter, and the discoverer of some of the best oil fields.

Sam was a sociable fellow, and had and deserved a lot of friends. He was a great hunter, and often hunted big game in the Northwest. He was a square-shooter, and game as they make them. He would blush to know that he has been so honored... but perchance his spirit will join with the wings he loved so well in daring flights... maybe his spirit will see in Sloan Field Bombardiers the answer that he groped for in seeing ahead to that day when the fate of a nation and of the world would be borne on the wings of airmen... fighting young Americans.

Sloan Field was carried on after Sam's death by his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sloan of Midland, and his sister, Mrs. C. C. Hightower of Los Angeles, Cal. They wanted to carry to completion his dream of a great airport here.

In 1939 the City of Midland began negotiations for the purchase of the field, with the aim of making it a municipal port, and the purchase was made, the City taking over operations on July 1, 1939.

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Oil News--

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More Activity for Fullerton

With its deep Permian discovery well in Northwestern Andrews County, the No. 1 H. M. Wilson, having reached contract depth of 8,000 feet, Fullerton Oil Company of California is reported making locations for six more tests in the vicinity of the strike. No. 1 Wilson will be carried to the Ordovician before completion, it is understood. The well was assured deep Permian production while bottomed at 7,324 feet when it flowed at an estimated rate of 30 to 40 barrels of 37.6-gravity oil per hour on drillstem test. It is 930 feet from the south, 1,650 from the east line of section 15, block A-32, public school land.

Cellar and pits are being dug for Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company and Seaboard Oil Company No. 1-D Midland Farms Company, Southeastern Andrews wildcat less than 20 miles northwest of Midland. Operators decided to drill the well in the center of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 46, block 40, township 2 north, G. & M. M. B. & A. survey.

Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press
West Texas State Teachers 105, Buffalo, N. Y. State Teachers 41. Missouri 45, Iowa State 41. Rice 73, Baylor 35. Kansas 46, Kansas City 44. (Overtime). Texas Christian 39, Southern Methodist 35.

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6:30 A.M.	7:05 A.M.
7:30 A.M.	8:05 A.M.
3:30 P.M.	4:10 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	5:10 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	6:10 P.M.
6:30 P.M.	7:10 P.M.
10:00 P.M.	10:30 P.M.
11:30 P.M.	12:00 Mid-night.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE	
Leave Odessa and Midland	Leave Sloan Field
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8:30 A.M.	9:05 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	12:05 P.M.
12:30 P.M.	1:05 P.M.
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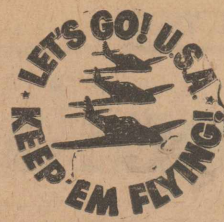
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Midland Is Proud To Be The Home Of Army's Bombardier College

You Remember Joe, Don't You These Bombardiers Are A Great Bunch Of Average American Boys

By Lt. George W. Smith
Of Sloan Public Relations Office
You wouldn't recognize Joe these days.

He's the boy who used to deliver groceries to your back door, and maybe talk you out of a piece of pie while he was at it. Or he's the fellow you used to see tinkering with motors down at the gas station. Maybe he's just "one of the boys" who hung around the drug store, watching the girls come down Main Street.

But you ought to see him now. As straight as the telephone pole you used to fix him lounging against, he carries his shoulders back and his head up. In his smart, well-cut uniform—with the gold bars of a second lieutenant gleaming on his shoulders—he'd give the girls at the drug store a real thrill these days.

Joe On the Job
But you won't find Joe loafing any more. He's got a job to do. And he's going to do it, because he's had the best training in the world. As proof of this he proudly wears the special insignia of his place in the Army Air Corps' great fighting force. He may be a pilot, or he may be a navigator, or an aerial gunner, an observer. Whichever insignia he wears, it means that he is a vital component of an Air Force combat team—the deadliest fighting unit there is.

Joe is typical of the thousands of young men—just average young men from the drug stores and street corners and gas stations, rich homes and poor homes—who are getting a new thrill out of life these days and finding something "really worth fightin' for".

But the job of "fightin'" for these young men has an added kick and carries a real responsibility. For

they have earned their commissions in the fastest-moving, hardest-hitting fighting force in the world—the United States Air Corps.

Joe Joined Up
"But I knew Joe," you'll say. "How'd he ever get to be an officer in the Air Corps? He never went to college, and even though he did graduate from high school, he certainly didn't set any scholastic records."

And you'll be right. Joe never did go to college, and he certainly wasn't any genius. In fact, he was just an "average guy".

But Joe had a good strong body; he had a mind that was willing to learn; and he had the fighting spirit to go out and enlist as an Aviation Cadet.

That's all it took. For today the Air Corps has thrown wide open the door to Aviation Cadet training. Training now is available for all men between 18 and 26, regardless of formal education. And now, instead of the previously required written examination or college credits, a young man need only pass a uniform intelligence test.

A trip to any Army Recruiting Station, Corps Area Headquarters or to the adjutant of any Army post or organization is all that's needed to get the whole story. From then on becoming a cadet is only a matter of time; and these days the time involved can be as short as a single day.

That's how Joe did it. And that's how thousands of other "just average" young men are finding that Aviation Cadet training can lead to the biggest thing in their lives—a commission in the United States Army Air Corps.

There is a North Carolina town named Japan.

Civic Workers Happy To See Big Dream Of Development Come True; Worked Many Months For Project

By Bill Collens
Manager Midland Chamber Of Commerce

Friday, the 13th day of June, 1941, was a lucky day in the history of Midland for it was on that date that announcement was made of the establishment by the U. S. Army Air Corps of the Advanced Bombardier College at Midland's Sloan Field.

But it was not all luck that brought the big flying school to Midland, for civic leaders for more than a year had been working tirelessly to have established at Midland's fine municipal airport one of the flying schools which were being located by the Air Corps at various points over the Southwest.

The announcement as to the establishment of the school here was the reward for which city officials, chamber of commerce leaders and others long had been working—and working hard. It took countless hours away from their business and families, but they never looked back and the location of the training center here was a just reward for their efforts.

Idea Is Started
It all started back in the spring of 1940 shortly after plans had been announced by the government to expand its air forces. Patriotic citizens of Midland, ever alert to cooperate in every way possible in the Nation's defense program, immediately offered their fine municipal airport, one of the finest and most modern in the Southwest, for full military use and assured the government of complete cooperation.

Once the offer had been made, Midland leaders left no stone unturned in their effort to have Midland designated as an Air Corps Training Center. Much data was compiled, many meetings and conferences held, and numerous trips made in the interest of the project.

Efforts to have such a school located here were started by the Chamber of Commerce under the administration of John W. House, immediate past president, who worked long and hard on the movement. House, during the year 1941, continued to head the project as chairman of the chamber of commerce aeronautics committee. He was a top-notch leader in the venture from beginning to end.

Council Takes Lead
The City Council, headed by Mayor M. C. Ulmer, joined in the program and went the limit in doing everything possible to have the Air Corps school established in Midland. Each and every member of the Council cooperated fully in the project. Many special council meetings were held and full cooperation was extended Army officials. Other members of the council are: Tom Sealy, Paul McHargue, R. M. Barren, Barney Greathouse and D. H. Roettger.

Sloan Field, back in 1939, had been purchased by the city and turned into a municipal airport after citizens had voted the issuance of \$125,000 in bonds for its pur-

Led Chamber Of Commerce In Bringing Bombardier College To Midland



JOHN W. HOUSE



PAUL MCHARGUE



JAMES M. ALLISON

House, a past President of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, is chairman of its Aeronautics Committee; McHargue is chairman of the National Defense Committee, and Allison is Chamber of Commerce President at this time.

chase and improvement. The City Council continuously had improved the airport with the view in mind of some day having a large Army air school located there. This improvement program doubtless had a great deal to do with the establishment of the school here.

It was early in the spring of 1940, shortly after the Board of Directors of the Midland Chamber of Commerce had initiated the project, that the chamber of commerce prepared and filed with Army Air Corps and CAA officials its first brief, "Midland Municipal Airport." The brief pointed out the facilities available at the airport and many advantages to be found for establishment and operation of an Army Air Corps school here.

Kept On Trying
The brief was revised and brought

up to date in July of 1940 and again in February of 1941. The last brief contained maps showing possible locations of bombing targets over this section of West Texas. A survey had been made previous to that time to determine the number, size and availability of bombing targets.

Mayor Ulmer, loaded down with all information available, went to Washington for conferences with Army and CAA officials early in 1940. He returned to Midland convinced that full consideration would be given Midland Municipal Airport in the locating of Air Corps schools.

On June, 1940, several officers of the U. S. Army Air Corps visited Midland to inspect facilities available here and to make a report as to living and housing conditions. At the request of the officers, the chamber of commerce prepared a

complete report as to local conditions.

Port Is Recognized
Then on June 6, 1940, it was announced from Washington that Midland Municipal Airport was recognized as an important cog in the National Defense program and that full priority for the continued development of the field would be given.

A few weeks later another inspection was made by Army officers and another brief was filed by the chamber of commerce.

Announcements then were made of the establishment of flying schools in San Angelo and Houston, and although the fact that Midland was not included in the Air Corps plans was a keen disappointment to

Midland leaders they did not give up, but rather they began to work all the harder.

Improvements at the field continued, with the assistance of WPA funds and labor, and Midland Municipal Airport became the best and largest municipal airport in the Southwest. Such a well-equipped and modern airport certainly was bound to attract the attention of a fast-expanding Air Corps.

Few developments were noted during the last four or five months of the year 1940, but early in 1941 information was received that Air Corps officials again were considering the establishment of a large Advanced Flying School in the Midland area. Civic leaders started bearing down harder than ever and a third brief was filed in February 1941. Numerous contacts were made prior to an official visit of Major General G. C. Brandt and his staff to Midland to inspect facilities and conditions in April.

General Brandt
During the visit of General Brandt and staff, a hurried mass meeting of citizens was called at which time citizens voted unanimously to turn over to the government the municipal airport.

After General Brandt's visit, more data was compiled and additional reports were made by city and chamber of commerce officials and staff members.

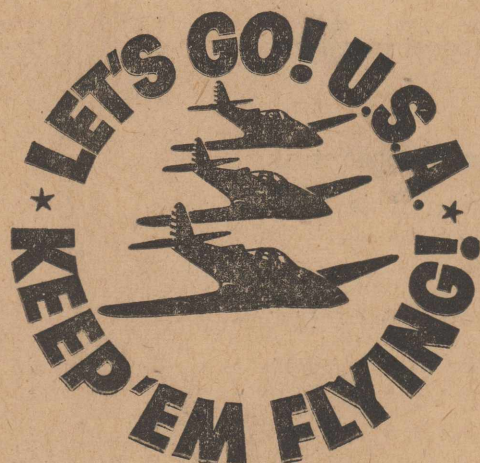
Then on Friday, June 13, came the announcement for which Midland citizens long had been waiting. Only a few days later, information was received announcing the field had been more than doubled.

Yes, the efforts of the loyal civic workers of Midland finally had borne fruit.

All Worked Hard
Paul McHargue, a vice president of the chamber of commerce and chairman of its National Defense Committee, was another individual who worked tirelessly on the project in the face of what sometimes seemed insurmountable odds, but never once did he look back.

Another individual who toiled

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Midland Welcomes Sloan Field Personnel



Officers and enlisted men of Sloan Field will find Midland ready to extend every courtesy to make their new home one they will enjoy.

Midland, the Oil, Livestock, and Financial Capital of the Permian Basin is now an ARMY TOWN . . . proud to be the home of the Bombardier College . . . proud of its opportunity to play a role in our all-out war effort.

Midland Chamber of Commerce

Bombardier Field Is Tightly Policed Against All Dangers

Aircraft Industry To Furnish Fighting Planes On Schedule

WASHINGTON.—Col. John H. Jonett, president of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of America, trade association for the aircraft manufacturing industry in the United States, commenting on the President's message to Congress, said:

"The President of the United States did not demand the impossible when he told Congress that he had asked the American aircraft industry to out-build the Axis powers three to one in 1943."

"I might state here," said Col. Jonett, "that what the American aircraft manufacturers are doing today is the result of 20 years of planning for the defense of the United States and world civilization which was undertaken by the War Department, the Navy Department, and the aircraft industry of the United States more than 15 years ago. At that time a war mobilization plan was conceived, based upon the ingenuity of American industry, which is conceded to be equal to any in the world, the resources of the United States and the development of aviation in the United States, and the knowledge that decisive action in any major war would depend on the aerial arm for results."

"When the President of the United States on May 6, 1940, asked for an annual production rate of 50,000 warplanes, the production was about 5,750 a year. Today, about 19 months later, our industry has increased military plane production nearly 500 per cent. Last year our industry produced approximately 20,000 warplanes, including trainers. We have trained the labor and put up new plants. We have modified the production pace to meet all-around material procurement."

"I cannot over-emphasize the effort ahead, nor can I exaggerate the result which will be apparent within the coming months. I can say now with every assurance that the American aircraft industry, aided by upward of 30 allied industries in the United States, and this includes the great and powerful automobile industry, will produce 60,000 airplanes, including 45,000 combat aircraft, during this calendar year; and the 125,000, including 100,000 combat planes, requested by the President for 1943. In this assertion we have every reason to believe that the American people will stand behind our industry as one man. Air power, American air power, already represented by American aircraft fighting on all fronts throughout the world, will win victory; and that victory will come to us much more quickly than our enemies appear to believe."

Pilot Jacket Is Warmest; As Well As Good Looking

Army pilots, landing at Sloan Field or stationed there on active duty, wear short sheepskin-lined jackets. They are snappy equipment, and the civilian is apt to wish he had one for his own use.

Those jackets, however, were not designed for beauty and effect, but rather for warmth. This winter has seen on the Russian battlefield the proof of the need for warm clothing; while in the air service it has always been a necessity, regardless of the season of the year, to wear warm garments, especially at high altitudes.

Since 1929 the Army has conducted exhaustive experiments on every type of winter clothing. Frank G. Manson, Chief of the Parachute and Clothing Division at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, tried rabbit, bear, beaver, and even the wolverine, on the basis of wear, moth resistance, and warmth. He found that the sheepskin had no equal.

Eliminating all other furs, the Air Corps began testing fur-tanned, electrified sheep shearing and continued the development of that material. Now it is used exclusively for Air Corps winter clothing. It is produced in varying pile lengths, depending on whether it is to be used for moderate or extreme cold temperatures. The skin part of the shearing is treated and tanned in such a manner that it emerges flame-proof, wind-proof, and acid-proof. It serves as an outer shell for the garment.

A natural insulating system is provided by sheep shearing wool. It is easy to spin an insulated house in the winter because snow remains on the roof. Snow does not melt on a sheep's back so the natural insulating qualities of wool are apparent.

Only other material used in Air Corps winter garments is wolf fur. The parka hoods of their Alaskan suits have small strips of wolf fur around their edges. Ice will not accumulate on this type of fur. It is sewn to the edge of the hood to prevent ice from forming when the moisture from the breath freezes.

Army Drivers Are Best; Set High Safety Mark

CAMP STEWART, Ga. (U.P.)—Probably a world's record in safe driving has been set by the 209th Coast Artillery here with enough driving to encircle the world 47 times—and no deaths from accidents.

The regiment boasts of only one accident in its 1,175,000 miles of driving during the past nine months. That mishap occurred during the recent maneuvers when four soldiers received minor injuries.

This feat was accomplished over all types of roads and during extensive blackout operations.

Persuasive Spaghetti Wins Coveted Job

The old adage of the way to a man's heart was tried out on a company mess sergeant by Private Quaranto of the Second Ammore Division, Fort Benning, Georgia. The soldier wanted to cook instead of drive a truck. He turned the trick with a spaghetti recipe. This is the recipe that landed him a job in the company kitchen: Chop two each of onions, garlic, cloves, and peppers, with a stalk of celery until minced and brown in butter. Add one and one-half pound of ground beef and cook over slow fire until done. Add one large can of tomatoes and simmer two hours. Have cooked spaghetti enough for four people and serve with the sauce liberally poured over top. Sprinkle with cheese.

Midland Proud--

(Continued from page 1) long and hard on the project and who kept up enthusiasm and kept committees functioning was Jim Allison, president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce during the year 1941.

Dr. W. E. Ryan was chairman of the chamber's aeronautics committee when the airport project was put in motion.

Clarence Scharbauer of course was a leader in the project—making numerous contacts and cooperating fully in every way possible.

To the late Sam Sloan, founder of Midland's Sloan Field Airport and an early-day aviation leader in West Texas, should go much of the credit for making possible the location of the flying school here.

Harvey Sloan of Midland and Evansville, Ind., who until 1939 owned and operated Midland Airport, is another who deserves praise for the establishment of the Bombardier Flying School in Midland. It was Harvey Sloan who laid the groundwork which resulted in the establishment of the Air Corps school here.

Among others who worked hard on the project were: George D. McCormick, city purchasing agent; L. A. Rodenhiser, city engineer; A. M. East, former city engineer; J. C. Cunningham, and S. S. Stinson.

Members of the Board of Directors of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, all of whom had a part in the project are: Allison, House, McHargue, Ulmer, R. M. Barron, E. H. Barron, H. F. Fox, D. H. Griffith, J. E. Hill, Hamilton McRae, J. C. Miles, R. F. Miller, P. A. Nelson, Roy Parks, Ryan, Scharbauer, W. B. Simpson, J. C. Smith, Dr. John B. Thomas, Allen J. Watts, and Ed M. Whitaker.

Many other Midland citizens played leading roles in the project and the establishment of the Bombardier College here was a just reward for all.

Provost Marshal Directs Force To Protect This Field

By Pvt. Ben Bailey

Of Sloan Public Relations Office
It's a tough job seeing that any Army post is well protected and policed, guarded from any dangers from within and without, besides being responsible for the identification of all military and civilian personnel who have business on the post, and all the other odds and ends that are incidental with the job of being Provost Marshal and Intelligence Officer; but First Lieutenant M. L. Downs has that job at Sloan Field, and seems to be enjoying it.

Naturally one of the first things that he is responsible for is to see that no unauthorized persons gain admittance to the "Bombardier College of the Air". Consequently enough guards are posted around the field so that it would be impossible to gain admittance without being let in by a guard. And the guard has the responsibility of identifying all persons who enter and leave the field.

Cars Are Marked

All cars that enter and leave Sloan Field bear distinctive tags, according to the type person operating the vehicle. Officers have red tags, enlisted men have white tags, and civilians, yellow. All civilians have passes that certify that they are employed, or have business on the field, and very shortly soldiers will be required to carry passes which bear their photographs, serial number, and official signatures.

Before any person is employed on the field, he is fingerprinted, photographed, and his past history has been carefully investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, according to Lieutenant Downs.

The Provost Marshal is also responsible for the maintenance of law and order on the field, and for the behavior of soldiers of the reservation. Patrolling the streets of nearby towns are the Military Police who report violations of civil and military law, and if conditions warrant, place under arrest and bring to the post prison the offenders. They receive "excellent cooperation from the civil authorities of nearby towns," says Lieutenant Downs, who also stresses the fact that thus far there have been comparatively few arrests in the vicinity of Sloan Field.

The Military Police, under the direction of Lieutenant Downs, also controls all traffic on and near the huge training school area, thus assuring that there will be no delay or mishap to military or civil vehicles around the important entrance to the field.

Should military personnel be involved in any type of accident, identification can be made easily and speedily, through specimens of the victim's fingerprints, or his dogtags (identification discs that soldiers are required to wear), and the identification pass.

Police, guard, and intelligence work is serious business—serious to the guards themselves, to the soldiers, and to the civilians. Soldiers sometimes express contempt of

Save The Crew, Forget The Plane, Fire Fighter Slogan

Sloan Equipment Best, And Always On Alert

By Pvt. Jack Steele

Of Sloan Public Relations Office

"In case there ever is a plane crash at Sloan Field, my men will follow the instructions that I give them: Get the crew out first, regardless of the danger involved," says Fire Chief Ernest Boyd of the Sloan Field Fire Department. He continued, "This is not heroics or humanitarianism on my part, it is purely a business proposition. Our country is at war and trained men are our most vital need. It takes not only thousands of dollars to train each man in the crew of one of our big bombers, but it also takes time that we cannot afford to lose. So, in case there should be a crash

those on guard, but in their hearts they are profoundly grateful to their buddies who protect them while they sleep.

Chief Is Old Hand At Fire-Fighting Business

at Sloan Field, my instructions are: Forget the plane and forget yourselves, but get that crew out at all costs."

Experienced Chief
Chief Boyd has nine years experience as a metropolitan and air field fireman. Before coming to Sloan Field he was assistant chief at Elington Field. He has experience in fighting almost every type of fire and has studied the methods used by departments all over the world.

The Army Air Corps insists that fire fighting equipment used on flying fields shall be the best and latest available. At Sloan the department has four trucks. Two of the trucks are of the pumper-hose wagon type, and two are specially built airport crash wagons. The crash wagons have large chemical tanks on them to be used in fighting gasoline fires that may start around planes or gasoline tank trucks. While flying is in progress

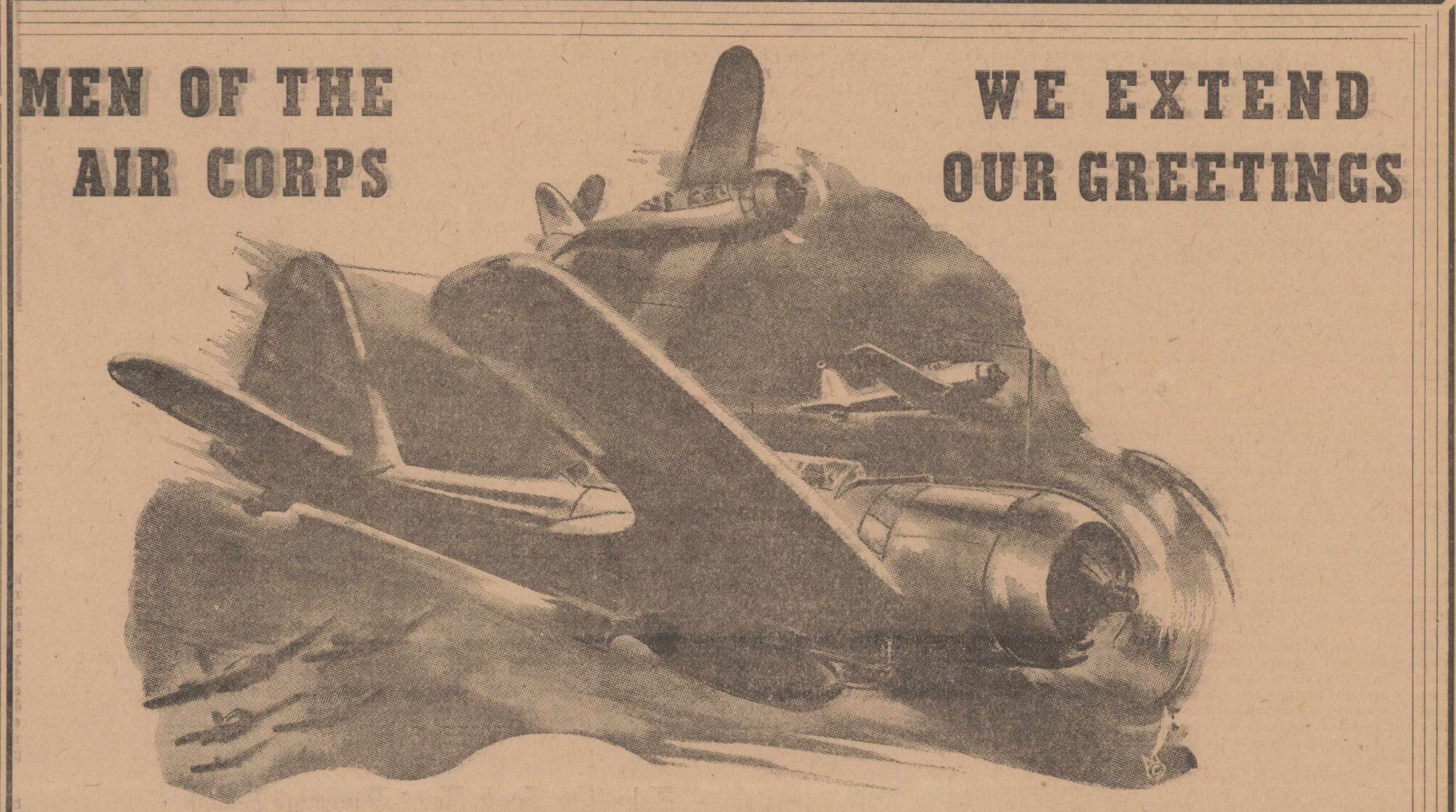
Blackouts Should Be Authorized By Army

tee. The State then would transmit the request to the Regional Civilian Defense Office at San Antonio, for submission to the Army.

Army approval or cooperation on blackouts then would be handled in the office of Major General Donovan, with the proper Army Air Corps Interceptor Command being advised through Army channels. By the same procedure, officials of cities where test blackouts are desired would be advised by their State committee, after the State gets the Army request through the Regional Civilian Defense Office.

"This procedure has been adopted for the entire 8th Region, to eliminate confusion," Mr. Smith said. "It is similar to the procedure desired on all Civilian Defense matters. Cities and local defense councils should work directly with their State committees and obtain instructions and help from them. The Regional Civilian Defense Office works with the State committees, but also is available to lend assistance to local councils channeling their requests through the State committees."

Under the procedure, Mr. Smith announced, cities desiring to hold blackouts should first communicate with their State Defense Committee. It is considered that at least one truck will be on alert duty on the field, so there is no need for storage space for all the four trucks.



Welcome To Midland

It is good, to realize that the Army has seen fit to place the largest bombardier school in the world at Midland's former Municipal Airport.

We feel that this is just another step in the growth and the development of Midland in particular, and West Texas in general. In our opinion it is only the beginning.

We have pledged ourselves to cooperation with the armed forces of our Nation, if we can assist you in any way, Colonel Davies, we await your command.

it is a patriotic service to build a house in Midland

Housing facilities in Midland at the present time, are strained to the limit to care for the personnel of Sloan Field, and others who are moving to Midland.

Building materials are available in Midland, since the Federal Government has recognized the need for more houses here, and has placed Midland in a high priority rating.

It makes no difference whether you build your home and avoid paying the high rents, or whether you build rental property. Both are good investments at this time, and in the future.

We have facilities to plan, build, and assist with the financing of any new construction in Midland, and we invite you to consult with us on your problems.

If you believe in Midland as a city, and America as a Nation, then we feel that you are only doing your duty to yourself, and to your government to investigate the possibilities of building NOW.

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The Air Corps is with us! This is hard for many of us to realize, as only a short time ago the first plows and scrapers began clearing the site at Midland's Municipal Airport for this great defense project. The training school at Midland is the largest Bombardier College in the world. Hundreds of young men will be trained here and leave as bombardiers to play a vital part in the defense of America.

Months before war was declared our government was looking for a desirable site for the location of this training center. The patriotism of our citizens was again displayed when they offered our Municipal Airport to the United States Air Corps for this vital defense project. It was accepted and we are justly proud.

WE EXTEND A HEARTY WELCOME

To Colonel I. Davies
His Staff, Officers and Men

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Other Real Estate	5,375.00
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	6,000.00
Cash:	
U. S. Government Bonds	43,068.00
Other Stocks, Bonds & Secs	1,519,069.47
Cash & Exchange	2,456,950.92
Total Cash	\$ 4,019,088.39
	\$ 5,405,498.70
Liabilities:	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided Profits	210,584.66
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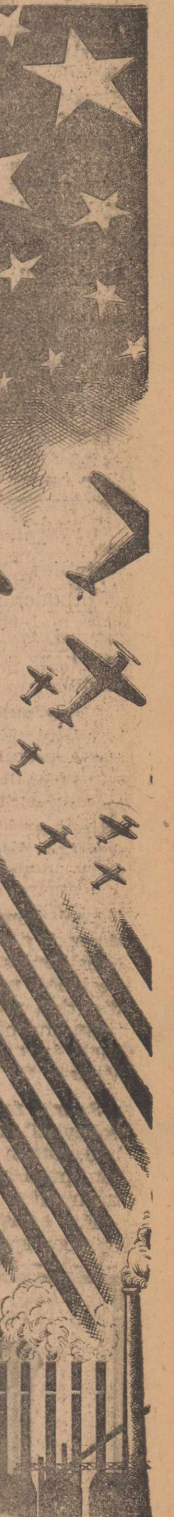
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Sloan Sports, Varied And Competitive, Harden Cadets

To Play Civilian And Post Games; To Organize Soon

By Pvt. Robert Wistrand
Of Sloan Public Relations Office
There'll be no scarcity of sports for the men of Sloan Field when the proposed athletic program gets under way.

Rising like a small city along Route 80, Sloan Field will offer even better facilities for the men stationed there than the average town of equal size.

An athletic officer will be appointed in the near future, and a definite program of sports will be set up in which all men who desire to may participate. The athletic officer will coordinate sports activities and a physical training program that will include both enlisted men and Cadets.

Squadron Teams

Squadron basketball teams, organized when the groups were stationed at Ellington Field, near Houston, already have had a number of workouts, and for them a regular schedule of on and off the post games will be arranged.

The flat, dry terrain of Sloan Field makes an ideal setting for almost every outdoor sport, and the activities program, as it is developed, will take full advantage of this factor. Post baseball, softball, football and boxing teams will be organized, as well as teams from the individual squadrons stationed at the field. Matches eventually will be scheduled with teams from other Army posts, usually on a home-and-home basis, and with civilian teams throughout the area.

Tournaments Planned

Squadron, and intra-squadron teams will offer organized sports activities for men who do not have the time or ability to make the post teams. Tournaments will be arranged, and even ping pong players will have a chance to enter competition.

Since every Aviation Cadet must be physically trained to peak condition and perfect coordination, a more specialized program of sports and physical training will be worked out and set in operation in time for the first class of bombardiers at this Bombardier College of the Air.

Each bombardier cadet will be put through a rigorous daily program of callisthenics and specialized games designed not only to develop coordination and flexibility, but also to train the particular muscles used in their jobs as bombardiers.

Variety Of Sports

Sports for cadets usually include volleyball, basketball, soccer, speedball, touch football, golf, badminton, push ball, and workouts on the trampoline and other apparatus.

For enlisted men, in addition to outdoor sports, there will be a wide

'Many Happy Returns, Benito'



Husky Australian soldier loads up with an armful of Italian 75-mm. shells captured from retreating Italian soldiers in Libya. Scrappy Anzacs returned them with interest.

Five Aces In One Deck, Is Winning Hand

Did you ever discover five aces in your hand—and get by with it? Uncle Sam did. He has them at Randolph Field for brief training before putting them to work.

The whole deal was simple. Due to terrific expansion of the Army Air Corps, more directors were needed to handle physical education of Aviation Cadets in the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center.

Uncle Sam reached into the deck of athletic greats and came up with a cinch hand.

Remember Hugh Wolfe, All-America fullback for the University of Texas in 1937 and twice the Southwest Conference choice? He left his father's nursery at Stephenville, Texas, to do his bit for the United States government.

Maurice Harper, giant from Sherman, Texas, last month completed five years of professional football with the Philadelphia Eagles and Pittsburgh Steelers. Now he's ready to give pointers to fledgling warbirds on body control and muscular coordination, but hopes to continue his sixth year of Southwest Conference basketball officiating.

The third draw netted Charles Forward, University of Iowa football and track luminary who migrated to Texas 13 years ago. He has been helping Port Arthur, Texas, gain a staunch footing in high school athletic circles.

Spruce Keen, born at Baltimore, Md., but a Texan for 20 years, ranks very high in Southwestern University's hall-of-fame at Georgetown, Texas. He was in his fifth year in the Corpus Christi, Texas, athletic system when he rallied to the aid of Aviation Cadet training.

The fifth ace is Delton "Jude" Potts, who sparked Durant, Okla., to the national semifinals in high school basketball while gaining all-state laurels in four sports—basketball, football, track and tennis. In 1932 he received All-America recognition as a basketball guard for the University of Oklahoma.

Uncle Sam isn't worried about winning with this hand of five athletic aces. They'll go to the Army Air Corps' basic and advanced flying schools in the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center. They'll aid in making better pilots by teaching aviation cadets body control and muscular coordination.

High School Athletic Calendar Will Prove Interesting To All

Gym Will Be Available To Sloan Field For Any Special Games In City

The athletic calendar of the Midland Public School has many attractive sporting events at both the current time and stretching into the fall football season. The administration of the schools in Midland, directs the following statement to the men at Sloan Field— "The public schools would like to be of service to the men of Sloan Field in any way possible. We extend a very cordial invitation to you to attend our athletic events at any time, and if our athletic plant can be used by you are welcome to it at any time it is not already scheduled for use."

At the present time basketball season is in progress. Being a member of district 3AA, Midland High's schedule will bring some of the best of Texas high school basketball teams to the local gym. Games to be played here and near here in completion of the season will pitted Midland against Colorado City on Jan. 27, Sweetwater on Jan. 30, Odessa on Feb. 3, Abilene Feb. 6, San Angelo Feb. 13, Lamesa in Lamesa Feb. 17 and Colorado City in Colorado City Feb. 20.

Right on the heels of basketball season comes the track season which includes an invitation track meet, rural county track and field meet, and the district track meet, and the district track and field meet. At the same time the track season is in progress, the B football squad will be holding daily spring training drills. The invitation track meet will be held in March, date pending decision of school officials, and will feature competition between schools of West Texas.

Midland will be host to the annual District Track and Field meet, to be held on either the second or third week end of April, at the local high school track which circles the football playing field.

The A football squad will begin spring training upon completion of the track season. An annual football game between the high school squad for the coming season and the ex-players of the last season will top off the training drills.

Intramural athletic events are to be held between different groups of the schools throughout the remainder of the current term.

September will find the football squad back on the field going through rigid drills in preparation for a stiff district and non-district schedule. At least half the games of the presently incomplete schedule will be staged on the home field.

Heated battles of the 1942 gridiron season to be held on the Midland field will bring San Angelo on Sept. 25, and Odessa on Nov. 20. Midland will play in Sweetwater Oct. 9, in Abilene Oct. 23, and in Lamesa Nov. 11. Matching of non-conference games is under way, but at this early date is incomplete. Prospects for a better season in 1942 are bright.

Alaska Troops Geared For Those Long Evenings

The same indoor games played by the average American household in the United States to while away the long winter evenings are being played by the soldiers on Alaskan stations, where less daylight and more night is the order of the weather.

Table tennis, checkers, and basketball, where the courts are available, archery and all the puzzles that American invention has devised have been stocked at Ladd Field, Alaska.

England and Wales are estimated to have a total population of approximately 40,467,000.

A brine shrimp in the embryo stage survived six months in a sealed glass tube, without air.

North Dakota has a town named Snow and Arkansas has a town named Snowball. It costs about \$10,000,000 a year to put that good smell into beauty products.

We Extend Our Hearty
Welcome
To
Colonel I. Davies
The Officers and Enlisted Men of
SLOAN FIELD

Sloan Field and its personnel represent the newest link in our plan of National Defense. There, men will be trained in the methods of offense and defense, to protect our Nation from the forces that threaten our Democracy. We have no doubt that they will do their job well, and that our Nation, a Democracy, will remain, as the greatest Nation on Earth.

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We too, offer a form of defense to the individuals in this section of the country. Our business offers a defense against the elements of misfortune, and calamity that are beyond the control of any person. Insurance offers peace of mind and gives a sense of security to the individual, and assures him that he is protected from those misfortunes beyond his control. We sincerely believe that this is a service for the Nation and the individual.

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Mexico May Ship Shrub To US To Make Rubber

WASHINGTON — (UP) — Importation from Mexico of rubber obtained from the wild guayule plant will increase rapidly this year because of war time emergency requirements, according to the Department of Commerce.

Mexico has for many years supplied the United States with rubber from this source and in recent years has exported increasingly larger quantities, but, according to Commerce Department figures, the amount has been relatively small compared with total needs in this country.

A variety of more sedentary means of recreation. Each of the field's squadron areas is provided with a day room, which will be furnished with comfortable chairs, magazines, card, checker, chess, domino and pool and ping-pong tables. There also will be reading rooms furnished with comfortable chairs, tables, and lighting conducive to writing and study.

Finally, there is the post motion picture theater, which offers the latest movies at extremely reasonable prices.

Private Pilots Great Secondary Defense For Home Life Of Nation

MIAMI, Fla. (UP)—A second line of air defense rapidly forming here includes doctors, lawyers, clerks, debutantes and housewives—people from all walks of life and all ages—learning to fly at their own expense.

Airport officials announced a 500 per cent increase in private flight instruction since last year and said Miami's quota of private pilots, climbing way above average, may prove invaluable in time of emergency.

A majority of the students are young; one youth started at 16 and will receive his commercial license at 18. But there are also many enthusiasts well past the 50 mark.

"If you want to feel younger, learn to fly," one older said. "Doing something different and new makes you feel young and alive."

Many students were reported soloing in two weeks, others in a month.



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The hands of Americans are clasped across the country in a great spirit of unity. The capital and labor which gathers resources and turns them into the needs and wants of our people is united to serve the government, and serve it well . . . to put forth every effort possible in building and

manufacturing equipment for the defense of the democratic way of life.

United we stand! Never have those words been more significant in symbolizing the people of this great nation. This year shall go down in history as the one in which has been welded invincibly, and for all time, the efforts of a people inspired to serve together for a common cause. Today our hand is firmly clasped in that of Uncle Sam and his men to whom we make this solemn pledge; United we stand to write the greatest chapter in American history—VICTORY. We can all "shake" on that!

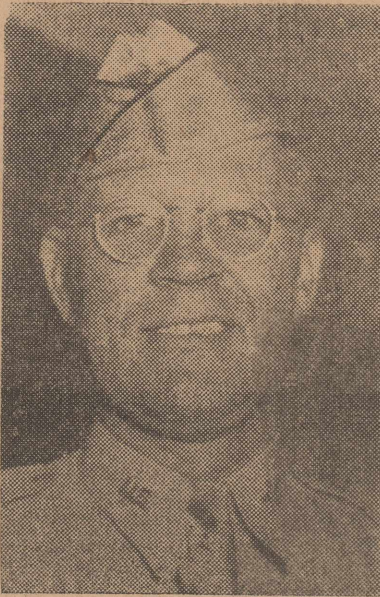
To the Air Corps and Civilian
Employees of Sloan Field
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Executive Officer



Lt. Col. Henry J. Baxter, executive officer at Sloan Field, came here during the construction period to advise with the Army Engineers on various phases of the building program.

Sloan Field has one of the most modern and complete hospitals in the Army Air Corps. X-Ray, laboratory, pharmacy and dental clinic are all equipped with the latest developments in mechanical aids to medicine. The operating room of the hospital can take care of any serious hurts or sicknesses that may happen to the personnel of the "Bombardier College of the Air."

Having a capacity to care for 150 patients, the hospital is to be staffed by 15 physicians and surgeons, three dentists and a veterinary. There will be 22 nurses of the Army Nurses Corps; no civilian nurses will be employed. One hundred and eight enlisted men of the Army Medical Corps complete the roster of the staff.

Nurses at the hospital have their own quarters, recreation room and mess hall. Twenty one of the nurses at Sloan Field have the rank of 2nd Lieut. of the Army Nurses Corps, and the Chief Nurse has the rank of 1st. Lieut.

Own Dining Room

The mess hall for the enlisted personnel and patients will accommodate 200 diners, and is under the supervision of a dietician who prepares the menus and directs the preparation of the foods to be eaten by both patients and staff of the hospital.

The Army Medical Service does not believe in waiting until a member of the armed forces is hurt or sick before going into action. One of the principal duties of the Service is to keep a close surveillance on the health of the Army. All enlisted personnel of the Army is inspected at least once each month by a physician, and twice each year all men must attend health lectures and view moving pictures that have been prepared under the direction of the Medical Service.

Major Allott In Charge

The Sloan Field hospital is under the command of Major R. M. Allott, M. D., who came to Sloan Field after establishing an Air Corps hospital at Jackson, Mississippi. Major Allott has over twelve years experience in the Medical Service of the Army, and is a graduate of the Air Corps' Randolph Field School of Aviation Medicine.

The color yellow, which in ancient times denoted glory and fortune, now is the symbol of infidelity, treachery, and misfortune.

'Home' For The Boys At Sloan Has Maximum Comfort; Is Good Looking

To the men of Sloan Field, "home" is a trim, green and white two-story building designed to afford the maximum comfort and utility for the sixty-two men it houses.

All told, the barracks that line the post's wide streets in orderly rows will accommodate Sloan's enlisted men. They are snug and warm in Winter and well ventilated for Summer warm spells, and are so planned that the men can live in them with the maximum comfort and the minimum effort.

Privates live together in the main portion of the barracks' two floors, where each has his separate bed, clothes racks and foot locker. Non-commissioned officers, serving as bay chiefs and barracks chiefs, occupy separate rooms at one end of the building.

Outside, the frame living quarters are covered with asbestos shingles, which serve as insulation against both heat and cold. A large shower room is provided in each barracks, and there are individual wash bowls and mirrors, as well as mirror lights and plugs for electric razors and other electrical equipment.

Real Mirrors

Made of clear-vision glass, the mirrors are the thing that pleases the men most about their new homes. Usually, mirrors in Army barracks are of the polished metal, which soon warps and tends to make the handsomest soldier look like the poor relation of a gargoyle.

"This is the first time I've been able to tell what my face looks like since I've been in the Army," one private said as he took his first shave at his Sloan Field barracks home.

The problem of keeping the barracks clean has been reduced to a simple and effective routine. Each man sweeps and mops his own living area each morning after making up his bed; and each day a room orderly and a latrine orderly are appointed by the barracks chief to slick up the remainder of the building.

Saturday Inspections

For Saturday inspections, the whole barracks is given a thorough going over the night before. Everything is shined, polished, mopped, swept and dusted until the whole place is spic and span and neat as a pin.

In the mornings the men are awakened by the squadron charge of quarters, who sleeps in a separate room and has an alarm clock to ring himself out of bed. Kitchen police and other men who must be awakened earlier than other men in

Gangway Folks!

Darlin' Of Army, The Mighty Mite, The Jeep Is Here

Gangway folks, give 'em plenty of room and stand clear on the corners. These mighty mites, those almost legendary contraptions, those four-wheeled first cousins of a centipede, the Jeeps, have arrived at Sloan Field. Six of them.

It is a common barrack rumor that Jeeps are the off-spring of the dilirium tremens of a lunatic asylum inmate who found the key to the superintendent's wine cellar—and used it. It also is often heard that the body is the product of an apple box manufacturer who decided to use his original designs, but work in metal.

But, boy! How those buggles do travel.

With three to six unfortunate soldiers aboard and trailing an anti-tank gun, the little bounding Betsy, with all four wheels driving, can take ditches, plowed fields and low-land secondary roads at sixty miles per hour. The term unfortunate is used because springs, as far as these war babies are concerned, are just a word in Mr. Webster's celebrated work. To be exact, there 'aint none.

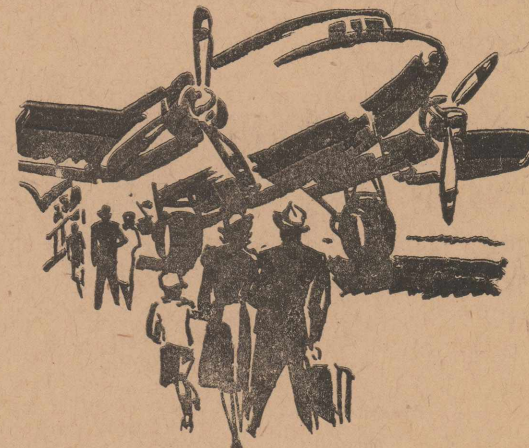
But bumps, bounces, scrunches and shakes to the contrary, the Jeep is the Army's darlin'. And it's the darling of the Air Corps, too. In fact, everyone loves the Jeeps—except, according to rumor—the Dental Corps. The corps complains, the story goes, that the Jeeps keep them too busy bolting back in place the teeth of Jeep riders. Just now, the Sloan Field Jeeps are serving as steeds for the MP's, otherwise known as Military Police.

So gangway, folks! The Jeeps are here.

the barracks, place their shoes on their foot lockers so that the charge of quarters will know they are on early call.

Although life in the Army barracks is somewhat lacking in the privacy most young men are accustomed to in civilian life, it very effectively teaches one of the most important lessons a soldier must learn—that of cooperation and teamwork. And it gives the men a chance to develop friendships that otherwise might never be formed.

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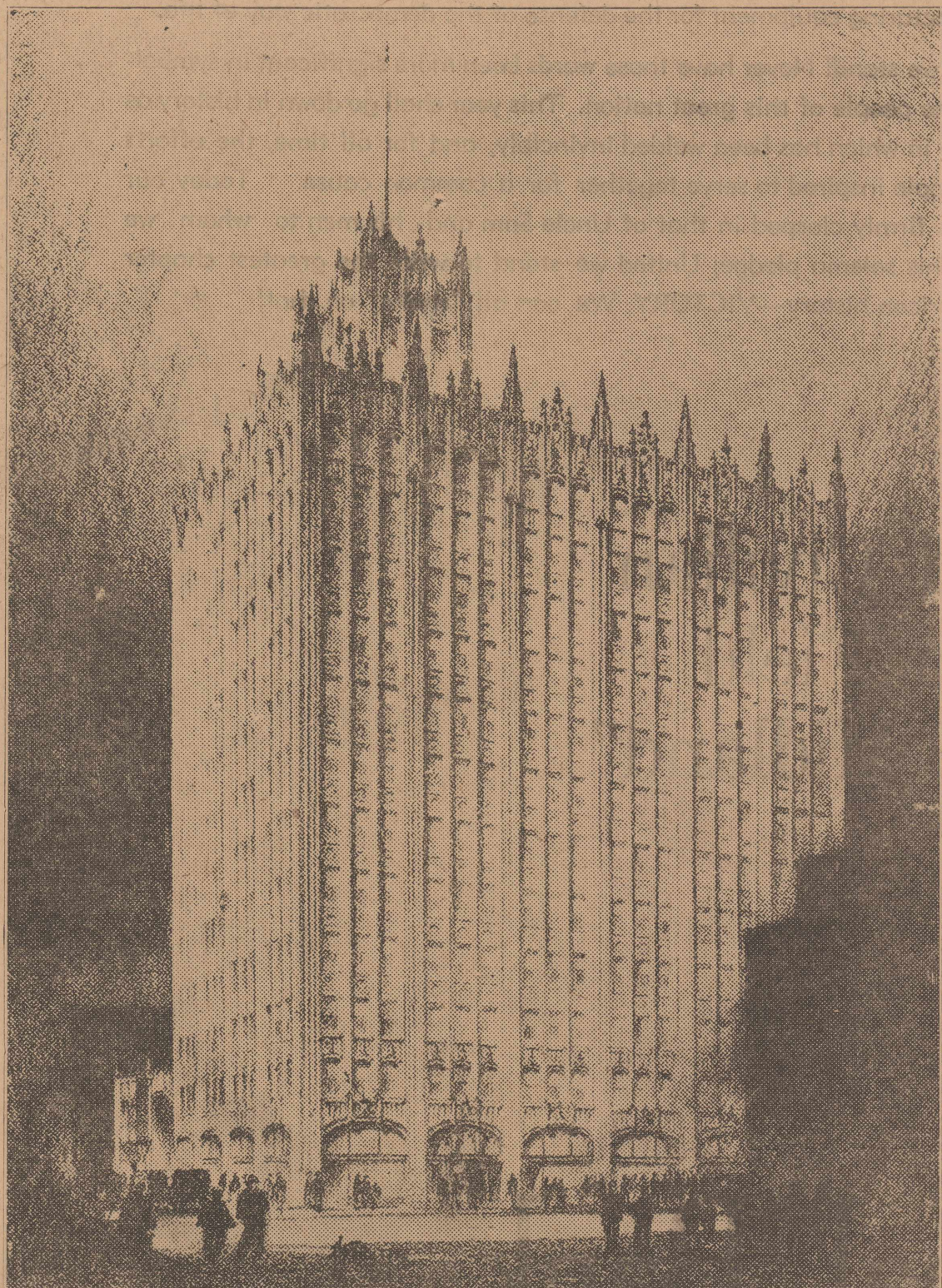
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We Say Welcome

We at the Petroleum Building extend greetings to the men at Sloan Field. This great institution located on the site of Midland's Municipal Airport will mean much to our city, and to the nation in it's "all-out" for victory program. Midland is indeed fortunate in having this great defense project established here.

The Petroleum Building

Ralph Geisler, Building Manager

City Churches Welcome Sloan Field Men And Families

Pastors Greet Bombardiers, And Invite All To Become Active In Church Life Of The Community

By Rev. John E. Pickering
President

Ministerial Association Of Midland

To the Officers, Cadets, Enlisted Men and all Personnel of Sloan Field:

The Ministerial Association of Midland, in behalf of the pastors and membership of Midland churches extends to you a most hearty and cordial welcome to our city.

Here you will find a friendly and hospitable people, whose earnest desire is to make you feel at home and enjoy the fellowship of a community life such as the wide open spaces of Texas alone offers to all newly found friends.

* Offer Friendship

It is the purpose of the churches of Midland to offer friendship and cordiality to our visiting soldiers in a realistic and sincere manner. And this means that the latch-string always hangs on the outside of the door, and you will be a welcome guest to dine with us and be one of the family as long as you are here. And if the heart grows heavy at times and you feel that your lot makes real the sentiment of that old war song:

"It's a long, long way to Tipperary,

And my heart's right there—"

You will find that old Western hospitality is real and workable, and we shall be willing to help you—

"Pack up your troubles in

Your old kit bag and smile,

Smile, smile!"

That is what the Christian people of Midland are here for—to make easier, and more enjoyable and victorious the lives of men in all walks of life, and we are willing to enter into those vales and vistas of your particular life that perchance together we may make new and glorious discoveries of what it is all about, and the way out of the dead-end streets and the blind alleys.

Nearer Life Goal

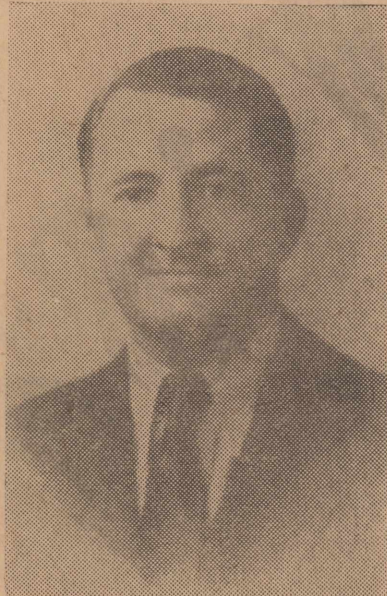
We cannot promise any riotous or disorderly excitement; but we can offer paths of life which are filled with great adventures—those adventures into the vast and exciting experiences of the Soul—which, when once undergone, make us to be forever a little more sure of ourselves, and a little nearer to the goal of life.

The Ministerial Association, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, under God shall unite in a pre-Easter week of public worship services.

There will be revival services at each of the individual churches, where a renewed effort shall be made to rededicate our lives and talents to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. A very special invitation is made to the men of the United States Army to attend as many of these services as possible—attending the church of your choice.

The Ministerial Association members pledge themselves and their churches to cooperate with any

Extends Greetings



REV. J. E. PICKERING

National Defense plans authorized by federal, state or local governments designed to protect our citizens and our country.

At a joint session of the ministers of Midland and Odessa committees were appointed to call attention of all Christian people in our communities to the request of the government and our President, that we spend one minute in prayer each day at 6 o'clock, and that the heart of our praying may be that God's will be done and that He will lead us in this great national and world wide chaos to a better day when Peace and Love shall prevail throughout the earth. From pulpit, through the press and by radio we are calling people to a moment of meditation and prayer each day.

Welcome to our churches, to our cities and to our homes, and may your stay with us be one of joy and satisfactions long to be remembered.

Letters To Home Folks Swell Tide

Stamp-collecting goes on in the Army, as well as in civilian life. When the millionth outgoing letter checked off the cancelling machine at Camp Wallace, Texas, Corporal Patterson retrieved the envelope for a keepsake.

The envelope had been addressed by him to a friend in Kentucky, so it was easy for him to get this cover. Postal employees at the camp expressed the opinion that the soldier write constantly to their home folks, since the camp cancelling machine does not record all the outgoing mail. The nearby Galveston office cancels many of these letters to relieve the Army branch.

Opened on March 15, the Camp Wallace post office had its millionth letter exactly nine months later, on a day 16,000 other letters went through. In addition to this holiday letter rush, the parcel post department had an unusual amount of business in sending back civilian clothes for the soldier ordered out of such attire with the declaration of war.

Midland Parks Offer Beautiful Places Of Relaxation, Pleasure

Army men, their wives, and children who want to forget military cares and relax in the pleasant outdoors will find Midland's series of parks places both of beauty and relaxation.

Chief of these by reason both of size and popularity is Cloverdale Park, about five miles southeast of Midland, at the site of the city water works. A good road, plainly marked, leads to the grounds which comprise about 21 acres.

A wading pool, swings and other play apparatus combine with smoothly-clipped lawns and conven-

iently-placed picnic tables, barbecue pits and grills to make the place a favorite of picnickers, young and old.

Trees and flowerbeds add to the beauty of the park. The improved grounds are gradually being enlarged by A. B. Cole, Sr., superintendent of the water works, who is in charge of parks.

The triangular little beauty spot just east of the business district is Goodman Park. Here trees, lawns and flowers have made a spot of cool attractiveness which in sum-

mer is particularly frequented by nearby Mexican residents.

One of the most attractive units of the system is Crier Park on W. Wall Street. A well and concrete surface tank is a distinguishing mark of this grassy plot with its brilliant beds of flowers in season and the cool shadiness of its trees.

Halcyon Park in the southwest part of the city is one of the more newly-improved parks but in summer its gay-colored blossoms and fresh laws and trees add to the appearance of the residence section about it.

Although the history of Half Park, near South Ward school, goes back some two decades, improvement was begun in 1941 with the setting out of sixty rose bushes, grass and trees.

Then there is the tiny plot of

ground north of the railroad station which is too small for strolling in but which last summer was veritably a giant bed of vivid-colored blossoms.

There's another new park in the Elmwood extension and out between Cloverdale and Midland is a quarter-section of land purchased for its additional water supply. Officials hope to develop this into another garden spot of beauty under the name of Rosedale.

And there is the Ball Park in West Midland whose name is self-explanatory. It has twice done duty as a campsite for anti-aircraft searchlight troops here on maneuvers.

Credit for the beauty of the parks goes not only to the city officials but to the Garden Club and various individuals who have given time

ARMY TIRE RECAP SCHOOL

A school for training enlisted men in recapping, retreading, and repairing tires will be operated beginning this month at a tire and rubber company plant at Akron, Ohio, the War Department has announced.

Inhabitants of one section of Brooklyn, N. Y., stole a quarter mile of wooden roadway for firewood in 1935.

and effort and have supplied hundreds of plants for the landscaping.

Park lovers, whether they prefer to picnic, play or simply "sit and look", should find a park to their liking among those supported by Midland.

They're Etiquette As Well As Air Minded These Days

Future air pilots now studying at the Baton Rouge Air Base, Louisiana, read books on etiquette equally as often as they do volumes on flying, according to Private John Stephens, librarian for the base.

The library has a collection of more than 1,500 books on a list of subjects. Requests for reading matter have ranged from higher mathematics to the care and feeding of infants. The 500 members of the library check out about 50 books daily.

Steve Doesn't Shave But That New Razor Really Takes Paint Off Window Panes

Private Steve Moreland, 19 year old veteran of six months Air Corps service, now stationed with the 48th School Squadron at Sloan Field, Texas, is a happy man nowadays.

Christmas the soldier, a native of Birmingham, Ala., received a shaving set. Now Steve hasn't yet begun to shave, but his voice is almost through changing, and he can sing a mean baritone in the showers.

Despite the fact that he had no need for it, Moreland kept the shaving set on hand, and now he's found a use for it.

Recently his outfit was transferred from a field near Houston to the "Bombardier College of the Air". And one of the first things that Stevie and his buddies were detailed to do was to scrape all the paint off and clean the windows of the new barracks.

So, the lad now merrily uses his shaving equipment—on the windows, and mentally thumbs his nose at the rest of the outfit who have to roll out early and shave in the cold West Texas dawn each day.

In Midland

Uncle Sam Began From Here

New faces were seen around the Scharbauer, high ranking Army officials were arriving. Uncle Sam was moving to Midland.



the SCHARBAUER was READY! as usual

Even before Midland was decided upon as the location for Sloan Field, the Scharbauer was destined to be the center of activity. Meetings were held by progressive citizens and their ideas and plans were developed into a realization. Then men who plan and men who build arrived, setting up headquarters here . . . the Scharbauer became a participant in National Defense Production.

The Scharbauer has always taken a keen interest in every activity relative to the development of Midland and West Texas . . . and rightly so because we are a part of it.

We Welcome the Men of Sloan Field to Midland and Invite You to Make the Scharbauer Your Meeting Place

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Clarence Scharbauer, President

We are proud of our National Anthem. We are proud of our Country and the things that it stands for. We are proud of Sloan Field and the men who are there. We feel that it is a privilege to welcome them and to cooperate in any way that we can.

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2. On the shore, dim-ly seen thro' the mists of the deep, Where the

hail'd host at the in dread twi-light's last



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To every man connected with Sloan Field . . . We want you to know this store and it's people! We want you to avail yourselves of the hospitality and many special services offered at Wadley's . . . Every Department . . . every person, await your coming! The confidence vested in Wadley's for over a quarter century is something to cherish. We pledge ourselves to be deserving of it now.

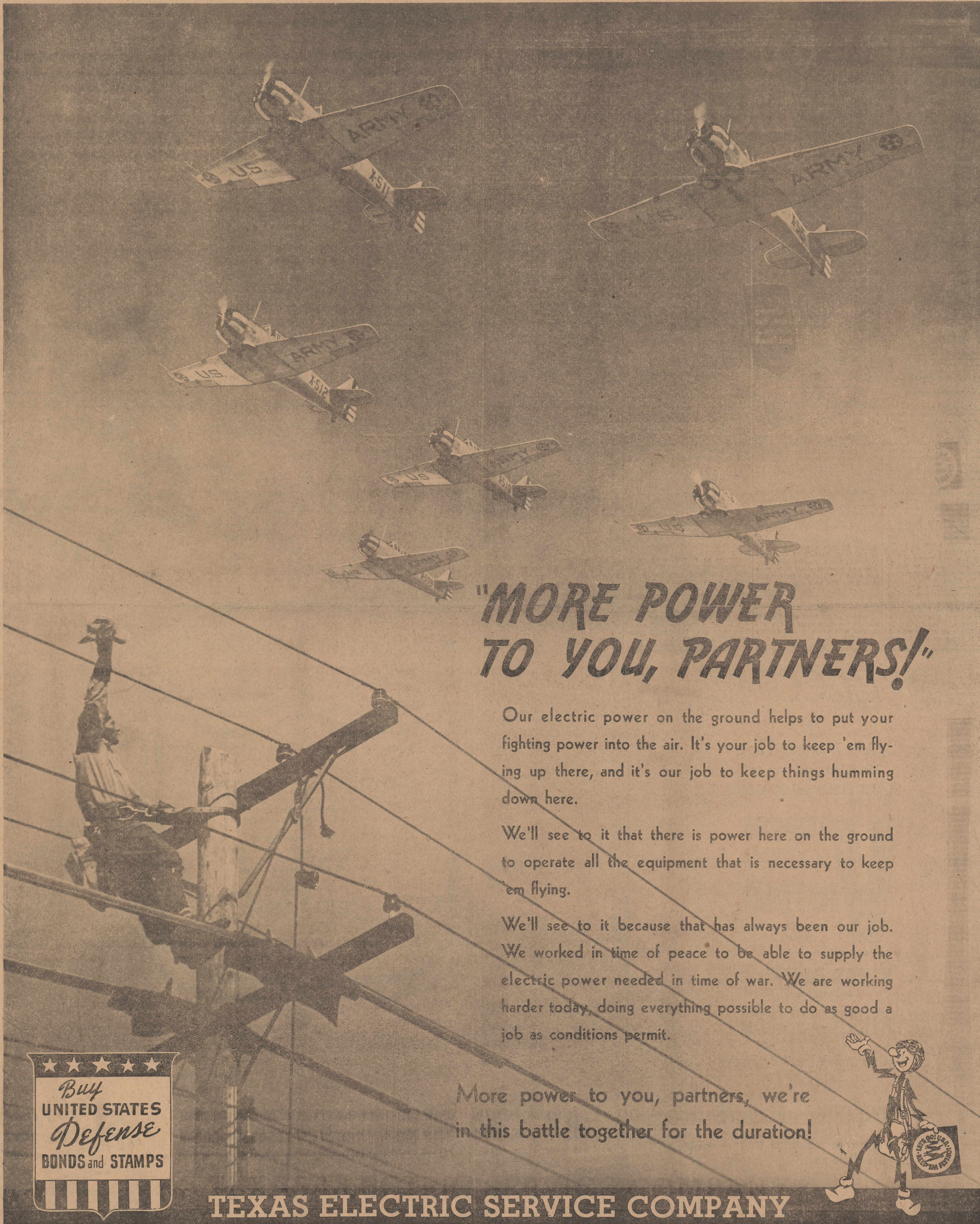
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More power to you, partners, we're in this battle together for the duration!



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Since Was Knee-High To Grasshopper

Captain Laffer Has Newspapered; Now Heads Sloan Publicity Work

Because he promised his wife not to have "anything to do with the Army" and stuck to it for eleven years, Captain Glenn L. Laffer, Sloan Field Public Relations Officer, gave up a major's commission and started all over again as a first lieutenant.

Now he's back up to Captain. It all came about when, after working his way up from a buck private to a major in command of the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry, Iowa National Guard and then serving overseas during the World War, he took his wife's advice and decided to let the Army get along by itself. That was February 19, 1919. And for the next eleven years he went about his business of working on and running newspapers.

"I've been in the newspaper business," he says, "since I was knee-high to a grasshopper." Actually, he started setting type on Iowa newspapers when he was fourteen, and with the exception of his "hitches" in the Army, has had a finger in the newspaper business ever since.

For the past twenty years he has been employed by the Fort Dodge Messenger; and also during that time he has owned and run country weeklies in both Riverside and Buffalo, Iowa.

Started At Sixteen

Captain Laffer's military service started on January 9, 1907, when he was only sixteen years old. He enlisted in the Cavalry.

"I guess I joined up in the first place because I wanted to ride horses," he says, but adds that since then he's found there's a whole of a lot more to Army life than the pleasures of bounding around in a saddle.

Starting his Army career in 1907 as buck private, Captain Laffer progressed to the rank of corporal, sergeant, supply sergeant and then first sergeant.

Discharged May 9, 1915, he was appointed a Captain in the Iowa National Guard the following day, and assigned to Troop B, 1st Cavalry. From 1916 to 1917 he served in United States service, and then on April 6, 1917, when war was declared, he was promoted to the rank of Major and assigned to command the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry, Iowa National Guard.

Called into Federal service in May of the same year, he attended machine gun school at Fort Sill, Okla. From there he went to the Mexican border on border patrol duty with the 34th Division. At this time he also served as Intelligence Officer of the Division.

Assigned To Sloan

In December of 1918, the Bombardier Collier's present Public Relations Officer was called overseas, and while there he attended the school for General Staff officers at Langres, France.

His discharge came through in 1919, and it was then that he gave

the Army the "gate" and returned to the smell of ink and newspaper. "I stuck to my promise to leave the Army alone for eleven years" he says. "But in 1930 I felt the old urge to get back in the Cavalry again. So I signed up."

Having resigned his major's commission, he took the first commission that was available and went in as a first lieutenant with Headquarters, 5th Cavalry Brigade, Des Moines, Iowa. By 1936 he was back up to Captain again. He was transferred to the 13th Cavalry in 1940, and in January of the following year was inducted into active service.

During the Louisiana maneuvers last year Captain Laffer went on special duty with the 4th Corps Area, serving on the Rents and Claims Board. His job was to obtain land for the maneuver area, and after the war games were over, arrange the settlement of damage claims.

On January 7, this year, Captain Laffer arrived at Sloan Field, where he now handles the job of keeping the public in touch with the complex activities at this huge "Bombardier College of the Air."

The Captain points out, incidentally, that in spite of the promise he kept for only eleven years, he has been very happily married for the past twenty eight, "and to the same woman," he adds. He has a married daughter and, he announced with a note of understandable pride, "a fine young grandson," six months old.

Southwest Mementoes In Midland's Museum

Soldiers at Sloan Field and other newcomers to West Texas will find dozens of interesting mementoes of the Southwest, of pioneer life, and of the early days of Midland on display in the county museum.

Located in the basement of the courthouse, opposite the children's library, the museum is open from 2:30 o'clock to 5 on six afternoons a week and visitors are welcomed. Mrs. J. M. Connor is in charge.

Displays range from oldtime saddlebags (there's a pair once used by Dr. C. G. McCall of this city) to Indian relics, stuffed birds, Indian and Mexican stone tools, guns and other relics of the harder side of pioneer life to fascinating costumes of belles of long-ago decades, and souvenirs of travels in far corners of the earth.

Pictures of Midland and its citizens in the early years of the settlement here are a special feature of the collection.

Heads Publicity



Captain Glenn L. Laffer

Broad Powers Are Given To Mayors

CHICAGO (U.P.) — Blackout and war emergency ordinances enacted by cities since war was declared have broadened extensively the powers of mayors, city managers, and local defense agencies, the American Municipal Association revealed.

Ordinances enacted fall into four classes and range from the type that delegates all authority to the city executive to the type that merely outlines complete orders on civilian conduct during blackouts.

Seattle, first American city to enact such an ordinance, has a new law which vests the mayor with all authority to proclaim emergency rules with the force of law. Washington, D. C., Baltimore and Richmond follow the Seattle model.

Portland, Ore., has an ordinance which specifies degrees and types of illumination in a blackout and makes it unlawful for "any person, firm or corporation to refuse or neglect to comply with such orders" promulgated by civil authorities or by the army or navy.

Violations Fined Up To \$500 In Atlanta, the power of making rules rests with the Municipal Defense Council, without specifying procedure as it relates to duties performed by regular civil authorities. Additional provisions for combat action are provided.

A fourth type of ordinance adopted by Los Angeles directs the police chief to sound blackout and all-clear signals only on notification by the U. S. Air Force Interceptor Command and authorizes police and firemen to enter illuminated premises during a blackout.

Kinda Like The Old General Store

Post Exchange At Sloan Has Wide Variety Of Merchandise For Sale

What the afternoon bridge sessions are to the ladies, and the smokers are to the men, the post Exchange at Sloan Field is to the soldiers stationed at the Bombardier College of the Air.

Army Exchanges, which exist on most military reservations, are revamped, 20th Century versions of the old country general store, carrying constantly on hand an amazing variety of goods, which can be purchased with cash, "GI Script" or if you can rate it—credit.

Although Sloan's Exchange has been open only a short time it has been doing business on a "boom town" scale, and one of the problems that Exchange Officer First Lieutenant James L. Duke has had to face is to stock the shelves faster than the soldiers deflate them.

Toilet articles, soap, shoe polish, and other essentials for the well-groomed soldier occupy a large portion of the space in the store, but there is plenty of room left for the distribution of cold drinks, ice cream, candy and tobacco. Then, too, there are show cases loaded with insigna, stationery and gifts such as watches, pen sets, compacts, bracelets, rings and other trinkets which the soldiers send home to mother or to THAT girl.

More Than A Store

Catering mostly to the needs of enlisted men, the Exchange does, however, stand ready to serve officers, and keeps on hand a supply of clothing and insignia and other items that officers are required to have in their possession. Special articles can also be ordered through the Exchange.

But the Exchange is more to the soldier than a place where he can spend "canteen checks", which are issued through the squadrons to carry him through the dark ages between the 15th and the first of each month. It is the unofficial club for enlisted men, where they gather each night, after duty hours to philosophize and gossip about subjects military and otherwise. It is an informal center, a three ring circus, a social institution, and the place where rumors are born, live for a short time and die.

The Exchange is a clearing house for the latest jokes, and as a sideline is the distribution point for the names, addresses and phone numbers of West Texas belles. It is an "Amman's" paradise, as well as a place to sit, relax and wait for "lights out."

Just Work To Clerks

But to the men behind the bar-tite-counters and in the offices, it is strictly a business proposition. With the tremendous volume of sales, coupled with the three type of sales, credit for officers who desire it, cash for all, and canteen checks, an enormous amount of accounting and bookkeeping is necessary. Then, too, the goods are sold to the soldiers at a cost plus a small profit basis, which is nice for the buyers but a headache to the bookkeepers.

In addition to all its other functions the Exchange is an investment for the soldiers, for the profit is turned over to the squadron "funds," where it is spent in furnishing day-rooms with recreational equipment, furniture, and other extras.

The Exchange opened with soldiers serving as clerks, but in the

Factory Workers Afire With Real War Spirit

War brought an instant and nationwide response from workers and management of America's vast aircraft industry.

Almost too numerous to count were the manifestations of this spirit of victory. Here are a few, as reported by the Aviation News Committee of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce:

Citizens of one community in which an aircraft plant is located staged a "Stampede for Battle Bonds" to raise sufficient funds to purchase two training planes manufactured in their city. The drive far surpassed the original goal.

Employees of a giant engine company worked a "free" Sunday and sent their pay checks—totaling more than \$100,000—to the Treasury at Washington.

Executives of an airplane firm reported they were deluged with offers to work Sundays without pay, if necessary, to make up time lost through blackouts. Proffers of money and time to buy bombers were made by thousands of workers.

Numerous plants worked through the holidays and in nearly every case employees expressed a desire to contribute this time to the nation's victory effort.

And throughout the industry the men and women who are arming America in the aid did everything within their power to welcome and entertain the troops of the U. S. Army rushed to various plants for protection purposes.

near future civilian employees will be hired, according to G. W. Bubendorf, acting steward. The store is operated by civilians under the supervision of military authorities.

At Sloan the Exchange is located so that it is handy to all soldiers, which helps it to maintain its reputation as being one of the focal points of non-duty activities.

"Soup's On" Was What They Meant

Just for comparison's sake, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, recently dug out the menu used for its men in garrison 115 years ago. The northernmost Army post dates back to the era of Indian fighting.

In those days, soldiers at Fort Snelling ate for one day's ration: one and one-fourth pounds of beef, or three fourths pound of pork, 18 ounces of bread and one gill of rum. For each 100 rations issued two quarts of salt, four quarts of vinegar, four pounds of soap and one half pounds of candles were also supplied. Soup and bread were the main articles of soldier diet.

In 1832, at this post, the rum was supplanted by coffee and sugar. This may be cited as the beginning of the 1942 well-balanced soldier ration for the Fort as it marked the first expansion of this Post's earliest menu on record.

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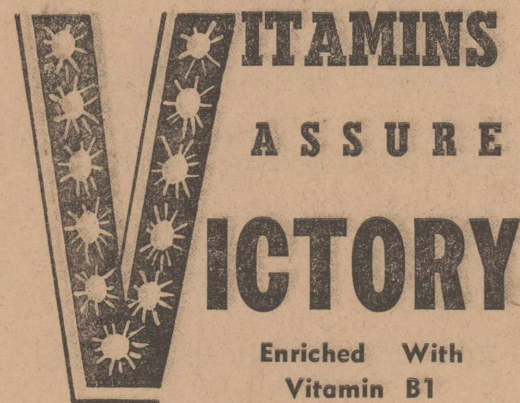
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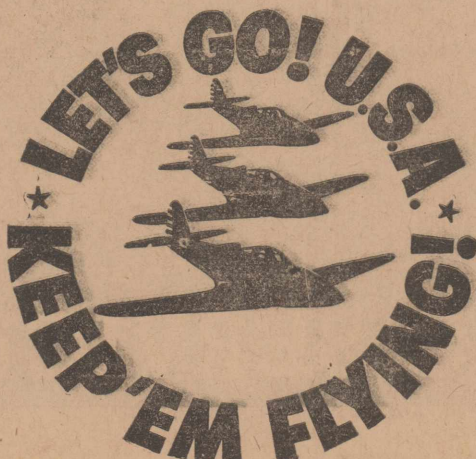
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WE are indeed glad to welcome the men of Sloan Field and their families to Midland. We want you to feel "at home" here and become a part of our city... of which we are very proud.

WE would like to meet each of you and extend our welcome personally, but since we can't do this we take this means of saying to all of you as a group...

"WELCOME"



WILSON'S



WORLD'S DEEPEST WATER

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. (UP)—Naval battles in the Western Pacific are fought in the deepest waters in the world. Just west of Mindanao Island is Mindanao Deep, the deepest underwater spot known to geologists. Here the measuring tape went down 34,218 feet, or nearly six and one-half miles before it struck bottom, according to Dr. Edward S. C. Smith, professor of geology at Union College. Other deep spots in this area, Dr. Smith said, are the Tonga Deep, 30,132 feet, and the Kermadec Deep, 30,920 feet. Waters in the Northeastern Pacific average about 15,000 feet.

YACHT BUILDERS TURNING FACILITIES TO DEFENSE

PORTLAND, Ore. (UP)—Trim pleasure craft are being replaced in Oregon shipyards by sturdy defense craft. Yards formerly specializing in demands of finicky private yachtsmen now find themselves working for Uncle Sam, an even more exacting customer. Submarine chasers, minesweepers, picket boats, cutters, and rescue boats are taking form where cruisers, speedboats, and sailing craft used to grow, but where one was building in pre-war days, 10 now are on the ways.

Commands GCACTC



Brigadier General Hubert Harmon is commanding officer of the Army's Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center, with headquarters at Randolph Field, San Antonio. General Harmon has visited the Bombardier College at Sloan Field on a number of occasions.

The Adjutant... A Busy Man Is He... Lieutenant Rowden, Front Man For The Colonel, Well Met, Efficient

By Captain Glenn L. Laffer, Sloan Field Public Relations Officer

Squarely on the shoulders of the Commanding Officer of any military post falls the responsibility of directing the operations which are assigned that post. No commanding officer of a post the size of Sloan Field would think of attempting to direct operations of that post single handed, it would be beyond the powers of any one human. To assist him, to be in his second-in-command, and to coordinate and direct activities, the commanding officer has a post adjutant. The post adjutant must be an of-

ficer in whom the post commandant has perfect confidence, a man of tact, discretion and diplomacy. He must be able to say "no," or "yes," or "I'll-let-you-know" and do it quickly, and when he says it, make no mistakes. The post adjutant is the buffer against which are spent the thousand and one petty details that would be a waste of time for the commanding officer, but must be taken care of. He must be courteous but firm, he must be very military in his bearing and conduct, but able also to be informal and friendly, because the post adjutant is the headquarters officer who most often comes in contact with both military personnel and civilians as the official representative of the commanding officer. He must be able at any time, day or night, to deliver to the commanding officer a complete report on the state of affairs at the post, and his report must be accurate. Necessarily, in order to perform his duties, the post adjutant must be a highly trained executive. At Sloan Field the adjutant is responsible to the commanding officer for the direction of a five million dollar enterprise, and the efforts of thousands of men. At Sloan Field the post adjutant, selected by the commanding officer is 1st. Lieut. Burton H. Rowden, graduate of the University of Arkansas and the Adjutant General's office school for post adjutants, at Washington, D. C. Lieut. Rowden is a native son of Arkansas and in normal times his home address is at Fayetteville of that state. A married man, the Lieutenant when interviewed insisted that mention be made that he was also the father of a daughter whose age was exactly 19 months and one day.

Prior to being called to active duty Lieutenant Rowden was affiliated with the Arkansas Western Gas Co., until March 10, 1937; on March 15, 1937 he went on duty with the Civilian Conservation Corps, except for the first eight months of the C. C. C. tour he was commanding officer of various camps, the last being a war veterans camp at Damascus, Arkansas. He remained with the Conservation Corps until August 31, 1941. On September 1, 1941 he was called to active duty in the Army and has had duty at Camp Robertson, Randolph, Ellington and Sloan Fields, arriving at Sloan Field, October 26, 1941. October 29, 1941 he entered the Adjutant General's Office school at Washington, D. C., and graduated from it December 20, 1941, and returned to Sloan Field.

A key to the Lieutenant's character is to be found in the fact that all the above dates were off-handedly given to the interviewer without reference to any memorandum or record. He is friendly and when interviewed seems to have all the spare time in the world, but it took two days persistent siege of his office for the Lieutenant to find the few minutes allotted to the press. His ability is best summed up in the words of a newly arrived veteran soldier: "This office here took three hours to clear me through headquarters, the station I left took three days."

WAR VETERAN SENATORS OFFER SERVICES AGAIN

KANSAS CITY, (Mo. UP)—Missouri's two Democratic senators, Bennett C. Clark of St. Louis and Harry Truman of Independence, both have offered to serve in the United States army.

Both Clark and Truman were in the last war. Clark served as an officer in the 140th Infantry, 35th Division, and Truman commanded Battery O, 129th Field Artillery, 35th Division.

Both senators now hold the rank of colonel in the Officers Reserve Corps.

West Texas Was Bombed Ages Ago, Boys When The Angels Chunked At Pecos Pete For Acting Kinda Sassy Like

And, speaking of bombs... fellows, you boys at Sloan, those bombs you gonna drop out here as you practice to knock the left ear off a Bosh or a Jap... you ain't seen nothing!

Once old Pecos Pete, one of the goshawfullest strongest men that ever trod the earth and all her boundaries, practiced up on his jumping for quite a spell. He jumped the Pecos River. He hopped and jumped to the New Mexico mountains... he finally got so good that... well, it's a fact he could just practically fly, with only his shirt tail for wing spread.

Well, they was a roundup out west of here a piece and he got to bragging... sort of. A lonesome little bit of a cloud came a floating by and one of the hands spit and dared old Pecos Pete to leap over the wisp of cloud.

Old Pete squinted one eye at the cloud, and didn't know for sure... but he filled up his powerful lungs with this wonderful West Texas ozone... and leapt, or... well, I mean he jumped! Like a meteor, old Pecos showed up, making time, too; fact, he was coming down so fast his old shirt tail was ablaze! But, he landed safe and sound... and out of breath. "Fellers," he yelled, "get a move on ye! One of them dern angels up there was a looking for a rock when I left... and he was mad enough to throw it, if he finds one... and I guess he can."

Well, long late next day, what with us all powerful worried over Pecos, we kept a weather eye on the skies purty close, I tell you.

Then she happened! Like a meteor, old Pecos showed up, making time, too; fact, he was coming down so fast his old shirt tail was ablaze! But, he landed safe and sound... and out of breath. "Fellers," he yelled, "get a move on ye! One of them dern angels up there was a looking for a rock when I left... and he was mad enough to throw it, if he finds one... and I guess he can."

Well, he aint more'n got out them

worried words until we seen a blaze in the skies... a big blaze... and we saddled up and run but it weren't no use... that rock was a coming mighty fast.

But old Pecos was always a fellow to shoulder his own troubles, so he went back up and siddled into that rock and turned her off her course a bit... and it missed us. See this sear on my left cheek? Well sir, just a little pebble fell off that rock and burned me... that was how close it come.

And then... well London or Singapore or Berlin or Rome never heard any explosion like that... for when that rock hit out west of here it jarred the ground so hard that me and my hose was thrown away up in the air, and if I hadn't had on extra wide chaps to sorta help ur sail down, we would have sure had our necks broke when we landed.

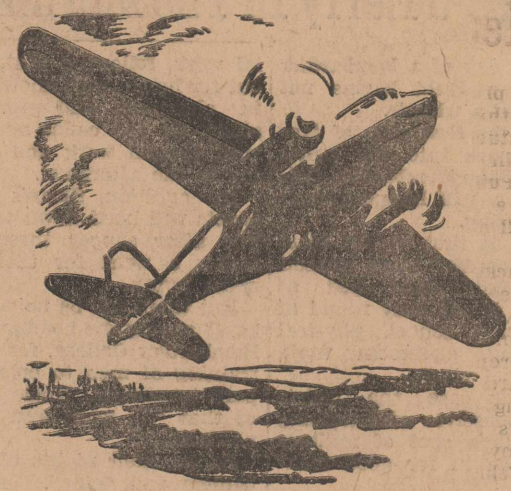
So, when you boys feel like bragging about your bombs... ride out here 27 miles west and see where the rock hit... and imagine what Pete and me and the other boys would have looked like if that angel had caught us unawares.

Editors Note: Boys, it is all true. One of the world's largest meteors is just a bit west of here, Pete, however, is not around to show it to you. We'll tell you about him some other time.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES IN DEMAND

TOPEKA, Kas. (UP)—The necessity of possessing a birth certificate to get in many lines of defense work has swaped the state Board of Health office with applications, Minnie Fleming, registrar, says that she receives requests for about 2,000 birth records daily.

The first census taken in England was in 1801. There were five reported lynchings in the United States during 1939.



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Oh It's Nice To Get Up

Bombardier Cadet Is Whistled Out Of Bed So-o Early In The Morning

The average day of a bombardier cadet at Sloan Field begins not with a bang but a whistle.

That, when the first class of tyro bombardiers move into the Cadet Detachment at the Bombardier College of the Air, will happen about 5:45 each morning.

And from that first whistle blast until the bombardier tucks himself into his carefully made bed at night, his day is one busy round of athletics, ground school, physical training, flying, classroom work, more flying and study.

Then, just in case the cadets might find themselves with nothing to do, there is a spot of military training thrown in for good measure.

And After Breakfast

After breakfast about 7:15 a. m., the cadet on his average day will head for the flying line, where he will spend about half a day in aer-

ial work, following that, after time out for lunch, with another half-day in classroom and ground school study. Or the cadet may start out with ground work and do his flying in the afternoon.

In addition, Sloan's Bombardier cadets will head down to the flying line after supper three or four nights a week for their stint of night flying.

But there will be no "Jack-a-dull-boys" among the bombardiers at the Bombardier College, for even in the training of men to operate his superb bombsight, Uncle Sam realizes that "all work and no play" is not good.

So, on their nights off, the bombardiers will "play". And because they have all the glamour of a flock of movie stars in their snappy uniforms—well, you know how the ladies go for a uniform—they'll not have to worry about what to do then, either.

Sloan Theatre Will Have Variety Of Latest Films, And Road Shows

A theatre with acoustics so perfect that U. S. Engineers are studying it so that the elements of construction can be incorporated in other Army Theater Buildings is another boast of Sloan Field, the "Bombardier College of the Air."

The Army Motion Picture service operates theaters in Army posts all over the nation, furnishing first run pictures, if attendance warrants, at low cost to military personnel. The theater at Sloan Field has been given permission to operate on trial on a nightly basis, with one double-feature a week, offering the latest in motion picture entertainment, according to Second Lieutenant Raymond A. Fitzjar, post theater officer. There is a possibility that the theater will hold matinees if the attendance is large enough to justify it, says Lieutenant Fitzjar.

Stage Shows Coming

After February 1, the theater will be placed on a stage-show circuit, and high-ranking professional entertainers will be featured on a regular schedule at Sloan.

The theater is a member of the world's largest string of motion picture houses, and consequently is entirely independent of the post and is controlled by the Adjutant General's office in Washington, D. C. Use of the building itself by other agencies is entirely up to the theater officer, and the building cannot be used for any purpose at night, save that of showing pictures, Lieutenant Fitzjar states.

The building at Sloan is of the second largest type in use, is equipped with the latest projection and sound equipment, is winter and summer air-conditioned, and the walls are covered with sound absorbing celotex.

Chairs Later

At present wood benches are being used for seating, instead of regular type theatre chairs, but there is a possibility that regular cushioned seats may be obtained to replace the hard wood, unpadded seats. Incidentally, Lieutenant Fitzjar says that citizens are not prohibited by Army Regulations from contributing seat pads to Army theaters if they desire.

The theater turns back 40 per cent of the gross receipts to the post, and there is a possibility that the theater can buy seats out of this

Sloan Looks Good To Man

Who Has Had Two Good Ships Shot From Under Him

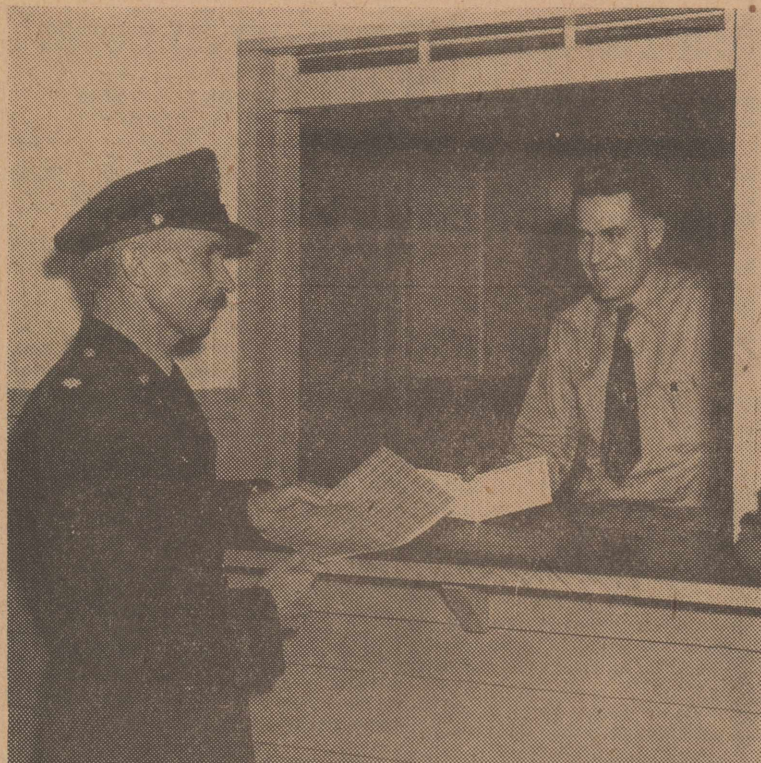
There are thousands and thousands (so it seems) of "Shipwreck" Kellys but Sloan Field lays claim to having the only "Unsinkable" Kelly. Staff Sergeant Joseph Kelly is Unsinkable's official name, and he is a member of the 437th Ordnance Company. Sergeant Kelly was very pleased indeed when, after his arrival at Sloan, he was informed that the entire field was underlaid with solid rock.

The Sergeant figures this is the best possible place for a man to do his bit for his country during such times as we are now going through, and the Sergeant should know for he is a man of experience. A good, solid untorpedoable place is what he has been looking for since hostilities commenced and he figures he has found the perfect place. During World War I the Sergeant was in the British navy and twice he suffered the let down feeling a man must have when his ship is shot out from under him. This happened to the Sergeant once in the Dardanelles campaign and once on the North Atlantic.

The Dardanelles swim wasn't so bad as the Mediterranean is not so chilly, but the North Atlantic, even in mid-summer is not noted for having water of exceptional warmth, and the Sergeant morosely confided that he didn't particularly care for salt water swimming anyhow. So Unsinkable has found, what is for him, the perfect place to fight the Japs, Italians and Germans, that's Sloan Field. You see, it has a solid foundation.

money, if the receipts are given back to the theater, according to Lt. Fitzjar.

Sloan Field Has Own Postoffice



Colonel Davies finds the new Sloan Field Postoffice a handy place to purchase Savings Stamps. Frank Smith, of the Midland Postoffice, is postmaster at the new branch.

Pastor Rides Bike In Calling, To Save Tires

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UP) — Rev. Sheridan Bell, Jr., youthful Methodist pastor, is all set for the rationing. Clad in a short undercoat leather jacket, he bicycles his way to visit his flock of 230 families scattered over five square miles of suburban Columbus.

Bell, who drove his automobile at least 250 miles a week, foresaw the difficulties of tire rationing. He bought an English-type bicycle with low handlebars from a youth who entered the army.

When his overcoat caught in the spokes he bought a warm leather jacket. Bell made 10 calls on a trial run, was well satisfied. Besides saving tires, he cuts out the cost of 20 gallons of gasoline a week.

An Army Payroll Is A Headache, But Captain Keb Knows All The Answers

There is one branch of the Army that fights, not with bullets, bayonets and bombs, but with decimal points, dollar signs and arabic numerals.

That's the Finance Department which plays a major, yet unpublicized, part in all of the Army's activities including the Air Corps' "Keep 'Em Flying" program.

According to Captain Fred Keb, finance officer at "The Bombardier College of the Air," those enlisted men of the finance branch are necessarily trustworthy, honest and of the highest all round character, in addition to being masters of mathematics, accountancy and book-keeping.

The nature of the work of the Finance department involves a tremendous amount of bookkeeping and accounting, due to the many factors that are involved in each type of work that the department is engaged in.

Payroll Changes

Of prime importance to the world of soldiers at large is the pay roll. And that is one of the department's biggest headaches, according to Captain Keb, due to the many different rates of pay, and to the frequent changes of status that occur in the enlisted men's ranks. For example, during the course of a month one enlisted man might have four or five changes of status (promotion, rating, demotion, rerating, lost time, etc.) and with each change he is placed under a different pay scale, and he must be paid accordingly to the different scales that he is under each month.

And there are 135 different rates of pay! That doesn't include extra compensation such as travel pay, furlough allowance, subsistence and

rental allowance, nor pay for marksmanship, flying, or other specialized abilities.

Seventy Pay Rates

When the finance clerks begin to make up the pay roll for officers, they really begin to figure, for there are 70 base pay rates, in addition to flying pay, subsistence, (which varies for single and married officers) and other extras.

Travel pay and allowances have their complications at times, too, says Captain Keb, for distances must be computed in relation to the time required, for each different type of travel, and then a per diem allowance has to be computed.

But when the Finance Department gets the payroll figured up, checked for accuracy, and delivered, it can't leave a big sigh and relax for a while, for it must then jump to its other duties which includes paying for all authorized expenditures of the different departments, the checking of contracts, and verifying the costs of all goods sold to the Army.

Men of the finance service are in a special clique in the military world; they are separate and independent from the rest of the Army, and on their coat lapels they wear the simplest, and yet the most distinguishing of all Army insignia—the diamond.

For several years, parachutes were known as "fall-breakers". Ten million persons are accidentally injured every year.



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Folks, You'll Like Our Library; And You're Always Welcome There

Wide Reader Interests Served With Magazines, Books And Newspapers

One of the things to which Midlanders "point with pride" is the county library, located on the first floor of the courthouse.

It houses 14,488 bound volumes, and receives 115 periodicals regularly. Books run the gamut of reader-interest from fiction Western to weighty treatises on philosophy—even to cookbooks for the career woman.

Magazines and newspapers similarly have a wide range of appeal.

The circulation for 1941 totaled 61,115. This included circulation from the main library located in the courthouse, from the three stations maintained at the three rural schools in the county, and from the two library branches, that in Mexican town and that in negro town.

Sloan Folks Welcome
Army men, their wives, and families are invited by Miss Marguerite Hester, librarian, to visit the library and use its facilities.

Borrowers' cards will be issued to soldiers with the commanding officer's signing.

Citizens desiring borrowers' cards are required to have a property

owner sign their application, as the library is supported through a county-wide tax.

There is no charge for use of the books, except for one small group of the newest volumes which rent at a minimum price with proceeds going to purchase of other volumes.

Most of the books may be checked out for two weeks with the privilege of renewal. A few of them are checked out for seven days.

A small fine is assessed for each day a book is kept over time.

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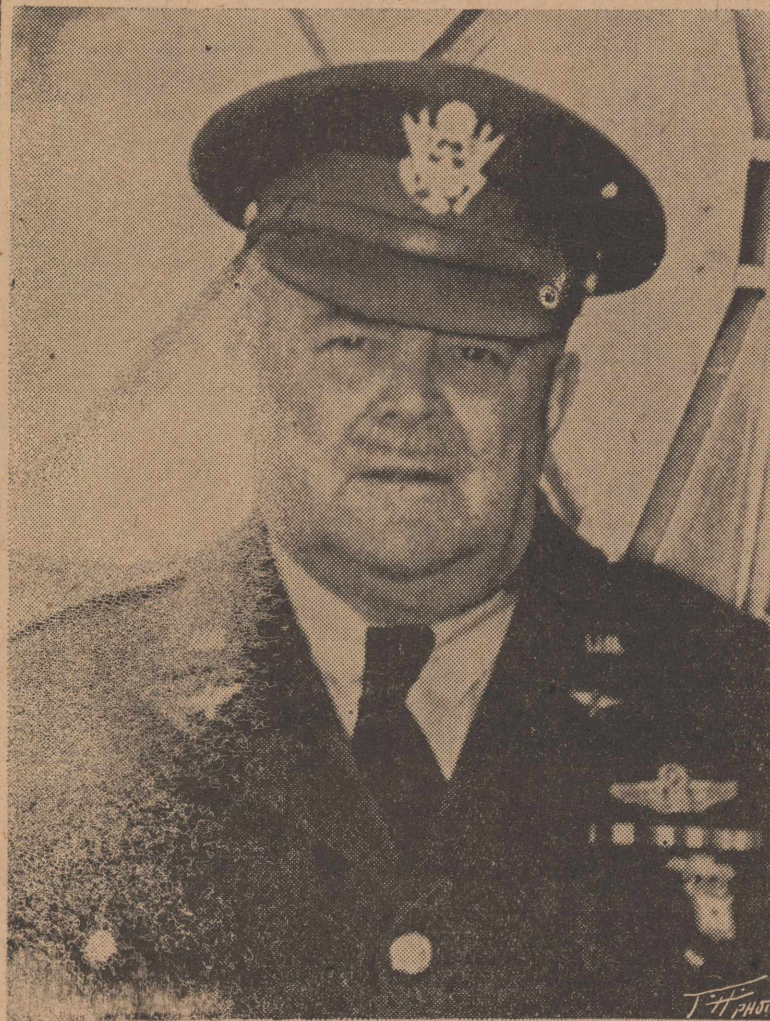
The main library is open six days a week and the children's library, housed in spacious quarters in the basement, is open during stated hours each afternoon.

A special service for children is the Story Hour held each Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the children's library. All children are invited to attend.

Asks RAF Bomb His Factory

LONDON (U.P.)—A London man is begging the RAF to bomb his factory. It sounds like a strange request, but he has a reason. His factory is in Nantes, France, and makes plywood for airplanes. The ships being built with his plywood product are Junkers bombers.

Arranged For Bombardier College Here



Major General G. C. Brant arranged for the establishment of the Bombardier College at Sloan Field while he was in command of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center. General Brant visited in Midland a number of times, inspecting the proposed site, the climate, and the background of facilities that were available or which might be had in the area, for the establishment of a great school of bombing training.

Says He To Bill . . . Be Gosh, Pard

Where At Are All Them Cowboys I Done Told These Yanks About

OFFICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER, SLOAN FIELD, TEXAS

To: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AT. MR. COLLYNS
Subject: WEARY PRIVATE AND HARRIED FIRST SERGEANT

DEAR COLLYNS:

To tell the truth I am just a little disappointed in the folks at Midland. Yes, sir, they sure have put me on the spot, and my first sergeant is very disgusted indeed, and if you people over at Midland don't do something quick I am very, very afraid that there will be a lynching with your humble servant the guest of dishonor and piece de resistance.

Of course there are two sides to every story (if you're not married).

But I want to get my side in first and it goes like this: Now my company is made up of men from all over the U. S., but a large slice of them come from the East. Well, those Easterners were with me down at Houston, at Ellington Field, and we got orders to come to Midland. Getting those boys away from Houston was worse than weaning a calf. They hollered and howled and rolled on the floor and kicked and screamed until I thought Captain Mack himself would have to boot them into the convoy's trucks.

At last these Easterners found out that I had been in West Texas some, and they came to me for a little advance information. Well, to make a sad story sadder, I have noticed that many of these lads had a few copies of wild and woolly Western Stories and kindred literature lying around, and I further noticed that when the day's work was done they would very often pick up these magazines and peruse them quite closely. So, having that in mind, I maybe embroidered the facts a little, you know, slightly colored my story.

Anyway, after I was through with my missionary work the boys almost ran over the officer in charge getting aboard the convoy. And it is reliably reported that their happy chatter on the road out here dealt largely with gun fighters, gamblers and rodeos. And an observant corporal says that the boys left their Wild and Woolly Western Stories at Ellington, as they thought that at last they were going to see the real thing.

Now, Mr. Collyns, I'm not kicking on the reception given the boys out here. But it must have been quite a shock to them to see Midland had an almost skyscraper, and not a single hitching rack on the main drag, with a cow pony tied to it. And when they came to town and couldn't find a single gambler, gun-fighter, cowboy or genuine sawdust on the saloon floor, my goose was well done. And you know it's not the rodeo season.

After their preliminary inspection of Midland the boys came back to Sloan, and although they didn't get close enough to me for me to hear it, I have been reliably informed that my position is precarious indeed. My first sergeant is a very understanding man, and he is willing to go to any lengths within reason, but tonight he told me he was getting a trifle fed up on having to escort me through the barracks so I can shave and take an occasional bath. And I am altogether too skinny to sleep on a desk here in the Public Relations Office.

So, Mr. Collyns, if you have a spark of humanity in you, for the love of Mike go out and find me one genuine cowboy and hang a forty some odd only a trifle smaller than a siege mortar on his belt and bring him and his pony out here and try to mollify that gang of blood-thirsty Carolinians, Virginians and Marylanders.

Desperately yours,
Private Jack Steele.

May Get Aluminum From Kentucky Clay

LEXINGTON, Ky. (U.P.)—Aluminum may be extracted from Kentucky clay if experiments being made at the University of Kentucky are successful.

Arthur W. Hixson, of Columbia University, recently announced a chemical process for taking aluminum silicate out of common clays and has made his method available to the Chemical Foundation of the United States.

The cost of producing aluminum from high-grade bauxite ranges from \$30 to \$40 a ton. Prof. Hixson said the same grade of aluminum can be produced from certain types of clay found in eastern Kentucky for \$31 a ton.

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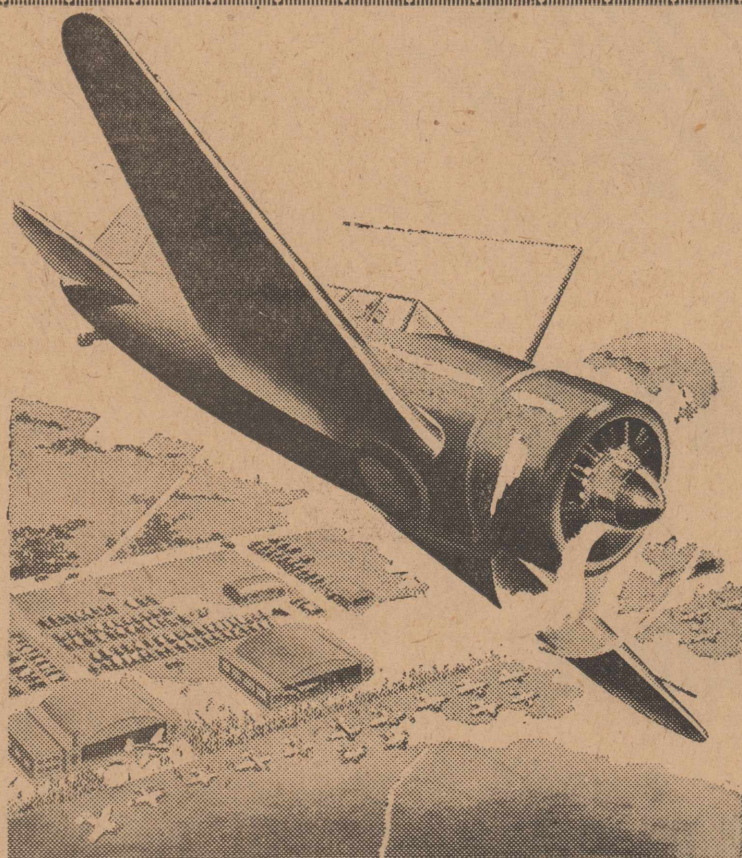
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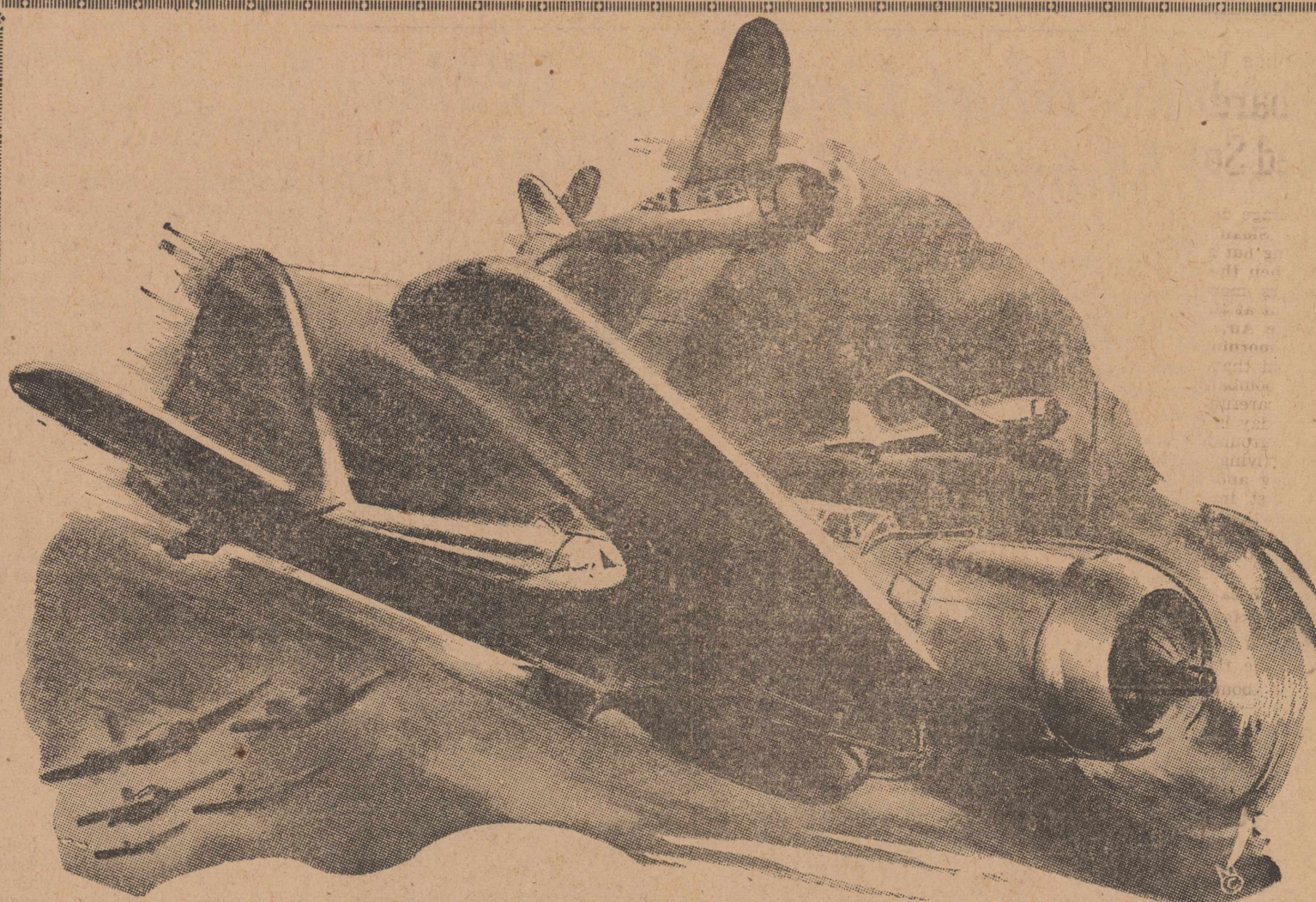
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Supplies Must Come Up; Without Food, Munitions Armies Will Lose

Private Jack Steele
Sloan Public Relations Office

The Service of Supply has, since the dawn of military history been recognized as the one vital service of armies that must be maintained at all cost. Men can fight on when their comrades are dying by the thousands, they can stand torrid heat or freezing cold and still fight, but when their Service of Supply fails and they have neither food, ammunition nor weapons pouring in the front in a steady stream, they can fight no longer and they are just another beaten army marching across history's pages.

And now that mechanization has become the order of the day in the world's armies, the Service of Supply has found its problems increased a thousand fold. Where formerly the supply of an Infantry company was concerned with the issuance of a few articles such as rifles, ammunition, bayonets, uniforms and food, with the coming of gasoline propelled armies the supply of Infantry includes besides the above items: Anti-tank artillery, machine guns of assorted types and sizes, sub-machine guns, troop carriers, mortars, motorcycles and thousands of other items that thirty years ago were unheard of.

Plane Big Problem
With mechanization of warfare came a brand new problem that was dumped squarely on the doorstep of the Service of Supply, the airplane. Ten years ago the Air Corps of all armies was the poor relation of the older branches of the armed forces, a new born brat that it was considered good form to ignore. Today it is the roaring giant that protects the nation, our first line of defense and offense. And supplying its needs have called into play the utmost resources of the Service of Supply.

At Sloan Field, "Bombardier College of the Air" supply is maintained by three agencies that each have several subsidiary branches: Air Corps sub-Depot and Supply; Quartermaster and Ordnance.

Three Branches
The Sub-Depot at Sloan is under the command of Major Shelton E. Prudhomme, who directs the operations of the three branches of the Sub-Depot, Headquarters, Supply and Engineering. Headquarters has charge of the administration of the entire organization and supervises and coordinates the activities of Supply and Engineering.

The Supply branch of Air Corps Sub-Depot has the task of procuring and issuing all special and technical instruments, gear and equipment peculiar to the Air Corps and also maintains a stock of parts for all the planes and equipment that are used by the Air Corps on Sloan Field.

Engineering branch of Sub-Depot is responsible for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of all flying equipment used by the Air Corps. To enable it to go about its duties in an efficient manner, Engineering must have a staff of highly trained technicians, instrument and motor specialists, radioticians, aircraft riggers and airplane mechanics, and dozens of other specialists.

Quartermaster Personnel
Quartermaster, father of all the various Services of Supply and originator of the methods of procurement and issuance used by other services, has a company at Sloan Field under the command of Captain Wm. Nevel, and all Quartermaster activities are under the direction of Major Wayne R. Donaldson, who directs and coordinates Quartermaster efforts as a whole on the field. It is impossible of the average person, even though a member of the Army, to envision the vast

First Military Pilot Visited Sloan Field



Major General Frank P. Lahn, retired, first military pilot in the United States Army, who served as Commanding General of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center, with headquarters at Randolph Field for a brief period before his retirement in November of 1941 by virtue of reaching the statutory age limit of 64 years. General Lahn, father of the present unified Air Corps pilot training system, and who drew the first rough sketches of the ideal military training airfield, inspected Sloan Field on November 3, 1941.

scope of works that Quartermaster covers.

Major Donaldson has under his control at Sloan Field the following agencies, some of them split into several divisions and branches within themselves: Motor Pool, which takes care of all transport problems for the field; Contracting and Purchasing division; Civilian Personnel Office; Salvage Division; Subsistence and Sales Division; Storage and Issue Department; Warehousing facility and administration office. He also has supervision over maintenance of all barracks and other buildings of the field, and through Quartermaster Utilities the work of seeing that plumbing, heating and lights of the field are kept in good order is carried out. Construction of buildings behind the flying line on the field are carried out by Quartermaster cooperating with Army Corps of Engineers.

Feeds, Houses Men
Quartermaster feeds, houses and clothes every enlisted man of the Army. He heats the barracks he lives in, supplies the water he bathes in; Quartermaster lights supplied electricity by night. When he travels it is by transportation supplies by Quartermaster sheets, under Quartermaster sheets, under Quartermaster blankets. When he is routed out of bed in the morning it is by the dulcet strains of a whistle that has thoughtfully been provided by Quartermaster. If the soldier should die while in service Quartermaster supplies the casket and transportation to ship the body home, and if the body is accompanied by a trumpeter traveling on Quartermaster transportation, when the last rites have been said

Here Is How To Join Air Force

WASHINGTON. (ANF)—Want to enlist in the U. S. Army Air Forces—and don't know how to go about it?

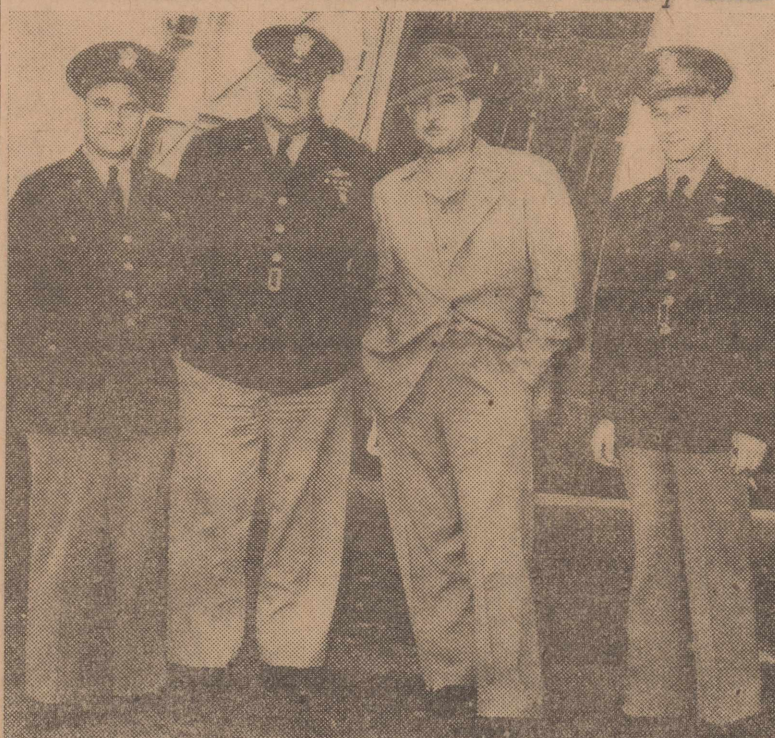
The Aviation News Committee in answer to many inquiries from potential applicants, passes along the following guide, furnished by the War Department:

Go to the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting station. Yours probably is at either your Postoffice or Federal Building. If it isn't, you should be able to find a poster advertising the whereabouts of the recruiting station. If not, ask a Postoffice or Federal Building employee. If all else fails, write the Adjutant General of the United States, Recruitment, Section, War Department, Washington, D. C.

The Air Forces are seeking flight crew members and aviation cadets. Prior training is not necessary. Uncle Sam will furnish you with the best there is to be had!

Squirrels can tell whether a nut is good without even touching it; humans have to crack it first.

Aeronautics Committeeman Meets Army Staff



John W. House, chairman of the aeronautics committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, greets Major General Gerald C. Brant and members of his staff at the Midland Airport on one of the General's trips to Midland.


War Stimulates An Army Hobby

Pearl Harbor stimulated a hobby of long standing in the Army among both the enlisted personnel and officers. It is the collecting of regimental insignia and each new fighting unit adds another possibility for its devotees.


First Sergeant Donovan Jurgens of the Antitank Company, 157th Infantry and Captain James H.

Weaver, commanding Company G, 186th Infantry, are crest-collecting enthusiasts of Camp Barkeley, Texas. More than 130 insignia are in the Jurgens collection, many of them traded during the Sergeant's stay on maneuvers in Louisiana. The most prized item in the Weaver collection is the Windmill series of nine crests.

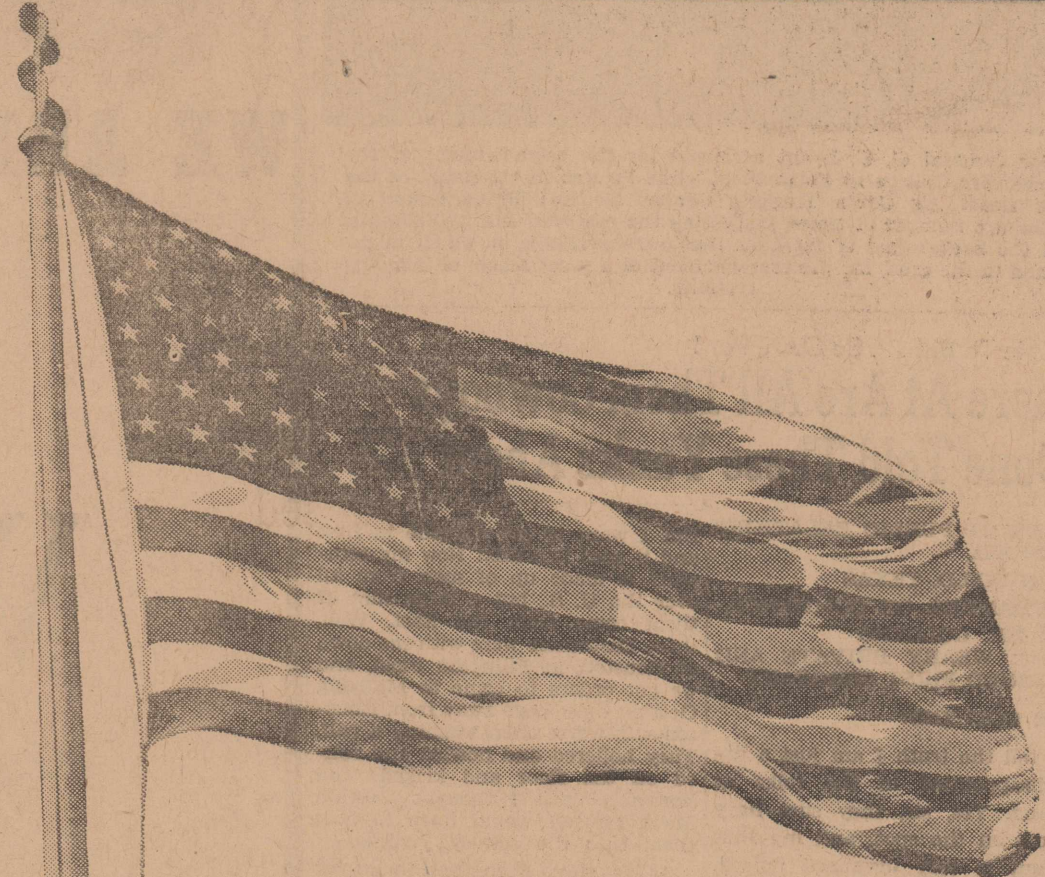
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When the first class of bombardier cadets arrives at the Bombardier College of the Air they will find themselves the focal point of a set-up carefully planned to make the captains of the world's hardest-hitting fighting units—the Air Corps' combat teams.

The cadets will be sent to Sloan Field after spending five weeks at a Replacement Center, where they will receive their clothing and equipment and be given basic military training. In effect, the replacement center serves as a preparatory school for the training the men will receive at the Bombardier College.

At Sloan Field the two bombardiers will be assigned to the Cadet

Detachment, which serves as a post within a post, having its own commanding officer, adjutant and squadron commanders.

Intensive Training
During their twelve weeks at the Bombardier College the cadets will follow a regular and intensive schedule. For beside qualifying in the duties of a bombardier, graduates of the course must also qualify in the duties of observer for reconnaissance aviation and as an aerial gunner. And in addition to their air training, ground training, observer training and gunnery practice, the bombardiers will engage in

a period of military study and athletics.

Particular stress, naturally, in the air phase of the bombardier's course, will be laid on actual bombing, of both the day and night variety. Actual bombing, however, does not start until the student has fully mastered the varied subjects planned to prepare him to drop his "eggs," as bombardiers call their missiles.

In bombardier ground classes, outside study of the operation and adjustment of various bombardier controls, most of the time is taken up by detailed instruction in operation and construction of bombsights to be used and the maintenance of bombsights.

Confidential Lectures

All instruction in bombsight operation and maintenance is given in confidential lectures; for America's bombsight still is the finest and deadliest instrument in the world today.

When Sloan Field swings into full operation, it will be the Nation's greatest bombardier school, and the thousands of bombardier cadets who will complete their training and be commissioned at this huge, \$5,000,000 advanced flying school will be the key men in the operation of the hardest-hitting, fastest-moving weapons man has yet devised—America's great new bombing planes.

For without the expert hand and knowledge of the bombardier, the huge expense, endless labor and time that goes into the construction of the modern bomber is wasted.

Is The Key Man

The bombardier is the key man. The government goes to great expense to train pilots to fly the planes; trains navigators to guide the planes to their destinations, and trains gunners to protect them en route—all so that the bombardier can do his job.

So, because of the importance of the bombardier, it will be the function of the Bombardier College at Sloan Field to make all the expense, time and labor involved in producing bombing planes and flying them to their targets pay dividends through the expertness of the men it trains—the bombardiers of the United States Army Air Corps.

According to Lieut. Col. John P. Kenny, director of bombardier training at Sloan Field, the modern bombing plane, like a long-range gun, is useless without an expert to operate it. The bombardier is the man who gives the bomber its "punch."

Directing Personnel
At the Bombardier College, Lieut. Col. John W. White is director of flying and Maj. William P. Garland is director of ground training. 1st. Lieut. Roscoe C. Crawford is commander of the Cadet Detachment in charge of cadet administration. Secretary of the training department is Lieutenant Carl W. Allen.

Cadet Detachment squadron commanders are: Capt. John D. Ryan, Captain Bertram C. Harrison, Capt. James H. Isbell and Capt. Gibson E. Sisco, Jr.

In Command At Sloan Field



Colonel I. Davies, commander at the Bombardier College at Sloan Field, has been a member of the Air Corps for many years, and has seen service throughout the United States possessions. He came to Sloan Field from Randolph Field.

Medical Corps Is Now Streamlined

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La. (U.P.)—The difference between the medical care tendered today's private and that given the 1918 doughboy is about the difference between tank fighting and trench warfare.

One thing the doughboy never saw was a provision for plastic surgery on soldiers transported rapidly from the battlefield to "rear installations," behind the lines.

In this work the dental officer deserts his usual garrison job of pulling and filling teeth and doubles an expert in facial reconstruction. He works under combat conditions with the regular surgeons as an assistant confined to the lower jaw, where many disfiguring injuries occur.

Many a casualty who, 25 years ago, would have been maimed for life will return from this war little the worse for his experience, army surgeons believe. The serious case has a better chance of reaching the rear hospital alive.

Tag Carries Blood Type

A "blood bank" system has been developed to minimize fatalities from loss of blood, which, with shock, causes more deaths in battle than the actual destruction of physical tissue by a projectile.

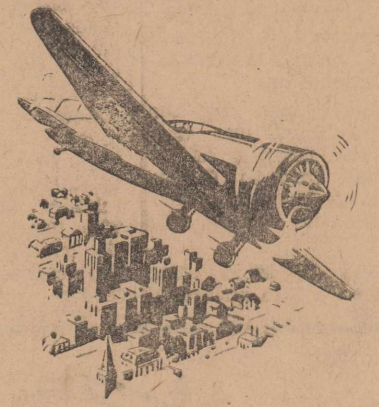
Each soldier is tested for blood type. The test result is stamped on his records and on his metal identification tag.

In the first World War technicians and doctors close to the lines drained their own blood when necessary. Now the serum—prepared in advance and stored in refrigerators—can be removed from the bank and transfusions given under combat conditions and within the zone of fire.

About the only echo from the doughboy days is the 7 a. m. "sick, lame and lazy" call.

A mattock is an implement similar to a pick, for digging and grubbing.

Awards of decoration and medals in the first World War used up ribbon measuring 2,000 miles. The oldest fighting force in England, the militia service, dates back to the days of King Alfred.



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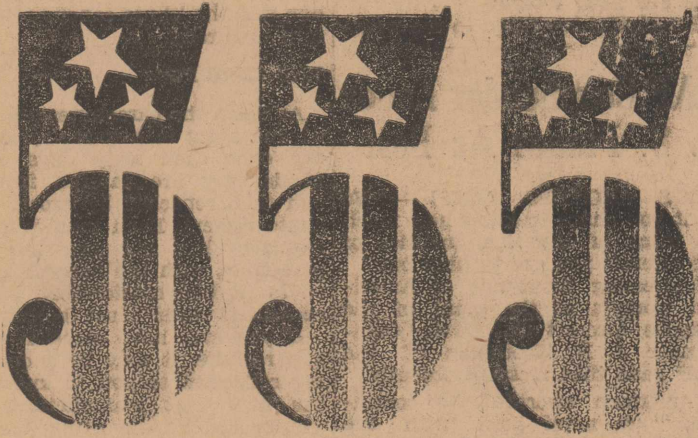
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Midland Schools Ready To Care For Heavy Increased Enrollment

The Administration of the Midland Public Schools has prepared a statement pertaining to developments in the school term thus far and the expected developments during the duration. It is the wish of the Administration that the following statement reach every family of Sloan Field's personnel that will have children in school.

"There has been an increase in students of 543 since the opening of school in September, and the present total enrollment, which is expected to reach 2600 by the end of the term, is 2510. This faculty of over 70 has been greatly affected by the national emergency, but every possible thing will be done to keep as many men teachers throughout the emergency as can be kept.

"All buildings of the schools are overcrowded, but officials are definitely trying to adjust the situation through federal building aid, with some conclusion to be reached shortly. Defense courses will be added to the list of subjects as the need arises. However large the enrollment may become, we will be striving to add teaching personnel and necessary building facilities to handle it in the proper way."

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Army Air Base Rescues Town

SUMTER, S. C. (U.P.) — Location of one of the army's new air corps basic flying schools here has saved the city from virtual bankruptcy and financial stagnation.

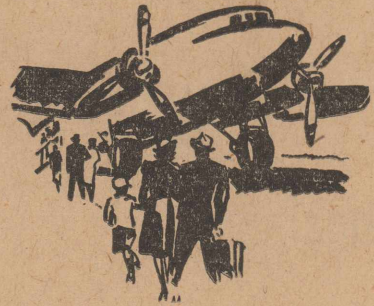
Sumter business men say that the \$1,500,000 released into trade channels by the payrolls at the base from July through October took the place of the cotton Sumter County farmers didn't raise this year.

Cash registers in Main street stores were faced with a quaint au-

turn because of the drop from 36,000 bales of cotton raised last year to 8,000 this season. Drought, rain and the boll weevil combined to reduce the crop.

With start of construction on the new field, one of the largest in the southeast, farmers left their fields for good paying jobs at the air base. Money began flowing and the bad cotton crop was forgotten overnight.

Now with the arrival of army squadrons, business is even better. Columbia, nearby state capital, is off-limits because of the 42,000 soldiers there at Fort Jackson. The nearest towns of comparable size are 40 to 50 miles away. So the cadets do their trading in Sumter.



The people of Midland are pledged to cooperate with the Officers and men of Sloan Field, as a part of the National War Effort.

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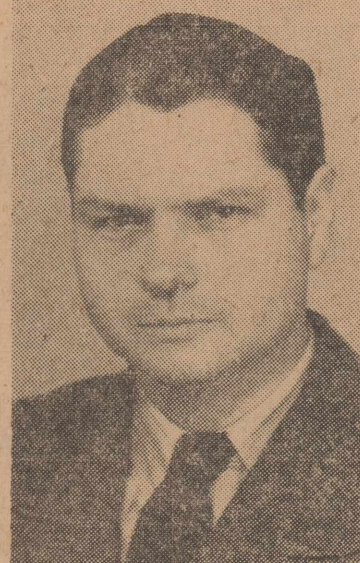
Alert City Council Aided In Making Midland Aviation Center Of Southwest



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Members of Midland's ever-alert and business-like city council took the initiative in many phases of the Air Corps project at Sloan Field and cooperated to the fullest extent with all federal agencies in the establishment and construction of the Advanced Flying School.

Municipal Airport, one of the best in the Southwest attracted the attention of the Air Corps to Midland. The council also has acquired land for Midland's new airport and it has worked in close harmony with CAA officials in all matters concerning the new field.

The city council, composed of M. C. Ulmer, mayor, R. M. Barron, Tom Sealy, Barney Greathouse, Paul McFargue and D. H. Roettger, has displayed foresightedness in its actions which made Midland the aviation center of the Southwest.

Midland Housing Company Now Has 30 Homes Under Construction, Meeting Demand For Army Families

Citizens Took Steps To House Many Newcomers

Organized by patriotic, loyal and civic-minded citizens of Midland to provide homes for families of Army officers assigned to Sloan Field, the Midland Housing Company now has under construction 30 houses, the first of which will be ready for occupancy early in February.

The housing company was organized in September, 1941, under the sponsorship of the Housing Committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce of which John P. Butler is chairman.

President Roosevelt, on September 18, designated Midland a Defense Area under Title VI of the National Housing Act, and previously arranged plans immediately were put into motion to start construction of defense houses as quickly as possible. Members of the Housing Committee and other interested citizens at-

tended a breakfast on the morning of September 22, following which a drive for funds with which to finance a building corporation was launched.

Within a week's time, more than \$10,000 had been paid into the fund by individuals and business firms of Midland who realized their civic and patriotic responsibility in providing homes for Army personnel.

Organization of the company then was perfected by stockholders, officers were elected, application for a charter was filed, and the name "Midland Housing Company" was chosen. The charter was granted by the State Department.

Dr. John B. Thomas was elected president of the company, P. J. Mims, vice president, and L. G. Mackey, secretary-treasurer. J. R. Martin and M. C. Ulmer complete the Board of Directors. Plans for the houses were drawn

*Other Buildings Will Be Added As Need Arises

and within a few weeks time the company had let contracts for the construction of 50 houses. Six contractors were awarded contracts for construction of five houses each. The houses are of five-rooms and are scattered in various parts of the city. Individual floor-plans are being used.

The first group of five houses will be completed early in February, with another group to be ready later in the month. All will be completed some time in March.

Organization of the company marked another forward step in the history of Midland and again displayed the determination of Midland citizens to take care of the Army's housing needs to the best of their ability. Officers, directors and stockholders of the company are to be commended upon their efforts. Members of the chamber of com-

Sergeant Has Praise For Today's Soldiers

American parents of this generation have been paid an indirect compliment by an Army Sergeant who has had 30 years' contact with enlisted men.

Unlike some mature persons who sigh over present conditions as being inferior to those of other days, Master Sergeant Frank Cooper of Camp Davis, North Carolina, says the trainees of today make up the finest group he has ever seen in the Army.

"The citizen soldiers being inducted today are better educated, more intelligent and have better physique than any men I have seen in the Army since I entered in 1910. They are being better trained than their fathers were in the last World War and they will make a better showing at the front, too."

Known as the Grand Old Man of the 93rd Coast Artillery at Camp Davis, Sergeant Cooper is serving his last year in the Army.

What The Life Belt Is To The Sailor; What The Life Net Is To Firemen, The Chute Is To Bombardier

It Don't Mean A Thing Unless You Pull The String Of The Parachute

What the life belt is to sailors, and the life net is to the firemen, the parachute is to the airman when his plane is in distress. It is his last resort, when his plane has flown into a position that he cannot escape from and save the ship too. Airmen of today have preserved a tradition of the sea, that when a plane is abandoned in the air the pilot-captain shall be the last man to leave.

At Sloan Field, as at all Army fields, every man who goes aloft in a plane is required to wear a parachute, and be familiar with its operation. Army parachutes are made in two sizes, 24 and 28 feet in diameter. Both the canopy, or 'chute itself, and the shrouds (the cordage that attaches the 'chute to the wearer) are made of fine silk, and must be carefully handled, packed and stored.

One For Your Weight Parachutes are fitted to the wear-

er according to his weight, and if the parachute is the exact size that he should use, it would in emergency let him drift to the ground from the falling plane at the rate of about 12 miles per hour. A curious sidelight on the development of the ultra-high-speed planes of today is the fact that anyone dropping from them must fall for quite a long distance to allow them to slow down sufficiently to open their parachute. The planes of today reach 600 miles per hour in power dives, and a falling man has a top speed of only 118 to 130 miles per hour (according to position in which he is falling). The parachutes are designed to be used only at the speed a man attains in a normal fall. If he opened the 'chute at a speed of 400 miles per hour or over the sudden stop would probably kill him and the 'chute canopy would be torn to shreds.

Well Cared For

At Sloan the parachutes are opened and hung in a tower to air and dry once each sixty days. Afterwards they are carefully inspected and then repacked by expert parachute riggers. Each man who flies regularly has his own individual parachute, with the harness adjusted to fit him comfortably, but the occasional flyer must borrow one.

If you ever have occasion to use a parachute, it may be a comforting reflection to you to know that the firm that manufactures the 'chute used by the Army has conducted exhaustive tests with the standard type seat pack used by Army flyers and in 10,000 free drops not one failure was recorded.

Most accidents with parachutes are due to two things. Either failure of the jumper to pull the rip cord, or some part of the plane striking him as he jumps. So, in case you should ever jump remember: Duck past the tail surface of the plane and "It don't mean a thing unless you pull that string."

Nazis Call Commandos Churchill's Cutthroats

BRANTFORD, Ont. (U.P.) — Britain's Commandos are referred to by the Germans as "Churchill's cut-throats," according to Lieut. Reg Parmenter, now serving with a "Commando" unit "somewhere east of Suez."

In a letter to his parents here, he described the Middle East as an area "where knives are sharp and feuds are long."

Parmenter could not say exactly where he was stationed, except that he was "east of Suez," where the laws of the Koran still are practised, namely, "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and an infidel's head for a beard."

merse housing committee which sponsored organization of the company are: John P. Butler, chairman, J. L. Barber, C. H. Shepard, G. W. Breneman, Gordon Holcomb, L. L. Butler, Marvin English, J. F. Friberg, B. G. Grafa, Houston Hill, R. E. Langford, R. V. Lawrence, L. H. Pittman, P. J. Mims, W. J. Sparks, Clint Myrick, Felix Stonehocker, R. M. Barron, Ray Upham and Roy Stockard.

RAF Commander Lauds U. S. Planes As Best

LOS ANGELES, (ANP) — "We want you chaps to know how much we think of the fine qualities of the aircraft you are turning out."

Addressing thousands of American workers at the plant of the Douglas Aircraft Co., Group Commander J. N. Boothman of the RAF gave that message recently.

"American aircraft," he continued, "are never built with the idea that maybe they won't come back. They are built so strong they absorb a frightful amount of punishment, with the result that they do come back."

"Your many types were confusing at first, but we find now there's a ship for every job. For instance, these Douglas Havocs are just the ticket for lurking about airports in the occupied areas along the Channel and pouncing on German bombers when they come back from their raids."

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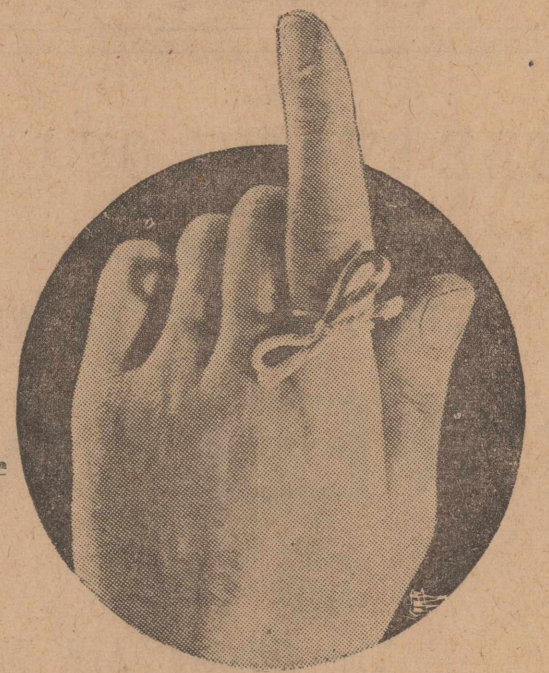
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Wedding Is Scheduled At Bombardier College

First Marriage At Sloan Field Chapel To Be That Of Lieut. Charles Baldwin And Miss Sue Stevenson On February 7

Sloan Field's first wedding will take place in the new chapel at the "Bombardier College of the Air" Saturday, February 7, when Lieut. Charles E. Baldwin, Jr., marries his college sweetheart, Miss Sue Stevenson, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Lieut. Baldwin, Stratford, Conn., and Petersburg, Va., is assigned to the Sloan Field communications office. He met Miss Stevenson while attending Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn., from which he was graduated last June.

Miss Stevenson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stevenson, Pittsburgh, Penn. Both her father, who is chief engineer for the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, and her mother will be present for the ceremony.

During his college career Lieutenant Baldwin received notice in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." He enrolled as an Aviation Cadet at Scott Field, Ill., in July. He graduated from the Cadet communications course December 5, and on January 7, this year, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant, Air Corps, at Sloan Field.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Hubert Hopper of the Midland Presbyterian Church. The couple will make its home in Midland.

Bible Class To Place Literature At Sloan Field

Mrs. H. M. Reigle taught the lesson from the thirtieth chapter of Deuteronomy at the meeting of the Belmont Bible Class with Mrs. A. C. Moore, 310 South F. Street, Friday afternoon.

The class has purchased religious literature which it will place at Sloan Field for the soldiers.

Mrs. J. D. Webb dismissed the group with prayer.

A refreshment course was served to two visitors, Mrs. Lee Bolin of Houston and Mrs. Frank Prothro, and the following members: Mmes. Roy Long, W. P. Collins, M. D. Long, W. L. Sutton, Maude Newnam, Gladys Holster, Webb, Reigle, and the hostess.

Next Friday the class will meet with Mrs. Sutton.

Red Cross Work Quickens Tempo For Wartime

Pearl Harbor and the routine-shaking events in its wake have fanned interest in Red Cross work in Midland to a new high.

The Red Cross workroom in the Old Heidelberg Inn now is open six days a week and each day sees a group of volunteers busy with cutting, sewing, knitting, and the other tasks that go toward completion of Midland's quota of Red Cross work. Some eight or 10 organizations have set definite days on which to gather at the workroom and assist in the tasks, and these, along with individual volunteers, have contributed to the increase in the amount of work done.

During the first two weeks of January in which the workroom was functioning (it was re-opened January 5 after, the holiday recess), 160 knitted garments were given out, including refugee garments, sweaters and socks for the navy; 25 pairs of Army and Navy hospital pajamas; 18 refugee convalescent robes; and 110 dresses were cut. Scraps are being made up into quilts, six now being out on assignment, with several having been completed.

Work now underway includes the making of Army and Navy hospital clothes, Navy sweaters for the North Atlantic patrol, and regular Red Cross refugee garments.

No bandages are being made at present.

Those women who can't knit and whose fingers are all thumbs where sewing is concerned need not despair, however, for there are still tasks they may do to help the Red Cross. They can wind yarn, attach

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City-County Federation Benefit Bridge Draws Large Attendance And Is Financially Successful

Mrs. O. B. Holt Is General Chairman For Affair Held At Hotel Scharbauer; More Than Forty Prizes Are Awarded

Miss Krapf And H. K. Thomas Are Wed At Wickett

Miss Rubalee Laura Krapf, daughter of Mrs. Hazel Krapf of Midland, and H. K. Thomas of Plainview were married at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the home of the Rev. Zack Chambliss, pastor of the First Baptist Church, at Wickett, Texas. Mr. Chambliss officiated, reading the single ring service.

The bride wore a beige alpaca shirtwaist dress with ruffled pockets below which the skirt fell in soft loose pleats. Her shoes, purse, and gloves were turtan and her flowers were a corsage of gardenias. She wore "something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue" in matrimonial tradition.

Only attendants for the couple were the bride's mother and Mrs. Chambliss. Mrs. Krapf wore a tailored black dress with a corsage of red roses.

The bride has lived at Midland for three and a half years, being employed as PBX operator for the Magnolia Pipe Line Company at the Magnolia Tank Farm. She is a graduate of Desdemona High School and of Brantley Draughon's Business College in Fort Worth. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Midland.

Mr. Thomas is a graduate of Plainview High School and of Draughon's Business College in Dallas. He is employed with the Magnolia in the Gasoline Department at Sunray, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas left for Sunray where they will live until he is called into the Army.

Mr. Thomas has been granted a month's leave of absence and will afterward resume her work at Midland.

With bridge games being played at 30 tables and a total attendance estimated at 200 or more, the City-County Federation benefit bridge in the Hotel Scharbauer Saturday afternoon was recorded as a success both from the standpoint of attendance and financial proceeds.

More than 40 prizes were presented, donated by business firms and individuals of the city.

Appreciation for the response shown by the public, by the contributors of prizes, and by Federated Clubs and committee members assisting in arrangements for the bridge was expressed by Mrs. O. B. Holt, general chairman.

Proceeds of the benefit will go to the City-County Federation's scholarship loan fund.

Door prizes went to Mmes. O. P. Jones, M. Unger, Ed Black, R. C. Conkling, Fred Girdley, Holdeman, Geo. Todd, Bruce McKague, Miss Mildred Ethridge, Mmes. Roy Parks, J. M. Speed, Sr., W. M. Schrook, Jerry Williams, Miss Lula Elkin, Mrs. David Gogins, Miss Theresa Klapprodt.

Mmes. Vera Lewis, Houston Hill, Helen Washam, Geo. Ratliff, Carl W. Covington, L. H. Anderson, Mary Canfield, O. P. Jones of Amarillo, D. Schempf, Andrew Fasken, Whalley, J. P. Rickman, Eleanor Wheeler, Johnson Phillips, Frances Dixon, Eugene Russell, Frank Lewis.

Mmes. Vada Dye of Oklahoma City, John House, A. P. Shirley, Hal Peck, J. B. Mills, Lloyd Edwards, Frank Connor, Walter Jarrett, Jack Petosky, Ralph Geisler, Miss Gwen Chambers, Mmes. Jimmy Burton, W. D. Anderson and J. R. Martin.

Miss Oakley Bride Of D. H. Godwin

WINK (Special)—Miss Ruth Oakley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Oakley, and D. H. Godwin were united in marriage at the First Presbyterian Church Tuesday evening, the Rev. Shaal reading the ceremony.

Mr. Godwin is an employe of the Magnolia Oil Company at Odessa. They will make their home in that city.

Mr. Godwin has been employed in the office of County Judge G. E. Gilliam, in Kermit for several years.

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Escondida Club Meets At Home Of Mrs. D. H. Griffith

Mrs. R. C. Crabb and Mrs. Oscar Champion were playing guests when Mrs. Daniel H. Griffith was hostess to the Escondida Club at her home, 701 N. Marienfeld, Friday afternoon.

Defense stamps were given as bridge prizes, award going to Mrs. E. C. Hitchcock for high score and to Mrs. O. L. Wood for bingo.

Members present were: Mmes. Harry Adams, J. L. Greene, Butler Hurley, Hitchcock, Wood, and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham have as their guest, his cousin, Senator Chas. S. Ingham of Haddam, Conn.

Twenty-Six Attend Weekly Story Hour

Twenty-six boys and girls gathered in the children's library at the courthouse, Saturday morning, for the weekly Story Hour.

Mrs. O. J. Hubbard conducted the program of the stories and riddles.

Children present were: Charles Shepard, Adelle Blackman, John Blackman, Faith Schott, Marilyn Ann Dunagan, Winona Geraldine Russell, Melba Jean Clark, Joe Hale Russell, Richard Clard, Walter Dunagan, Bobby King, Aubrey Barnes, Marshall Rotan, Tony Dunagan, Emil Roper, Bob Short, Jimmy Fulton, Jeanne Renroe, Ruth Hall, Betty Ray Sivals, Billy Jensen, John Jensen, John Bond Rush, Sheila Ann Shelton, David Shelton.

Sloan Field Officers Honored At Tea-Dance

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Chapters Of Midland And Odessa Are Hostesses For Affair; Air Corps Colors Are Featured

In courtesy to the officers of Sloan Field, Midland and Odessa Chapters of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority entertained with a tea dance at the Midland Country Club, Saturday afternoon from 4 o'clock till 7.

Quiet Ceremony Unites Miss Hale And Alton Ledbetter

The marriage of Miss Imogene Hale of Anson and Alton Ledbetter of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Hale, in the Stokes community, Sunday afternoon, January 11.

The Reverend B. Barrington of Midland read the wedding vows in the presence of the immediate families of the bride and groom. The couple had no attendants.

The bride chose a blue-and-beige ensemble for her wedding dress.

Following the ceremony the couple left for Anson.

Mrs. Ledbetter was reared in Midland County and is a graduate of Midland High School. She holds a degree from Texas State College for Women at Denton and at present is supervisor of the F. S. A. at Anson.

Mr. Ledbetter, a stone cutter, was employed with a monument company at Wichita Falls until his induction into the Army about a year ago. After being released from the service, he was recently called back to duty and stationed at Fort Sill.

Pals Social Hour Meets For Bingo

Pals Social Hour met with Mrs. Erwin Wilson, 907 W. Front Street, with bingo as diversion. High score went to Mrs. J. T. Weathered.

Members present were: Mmes. Harry E. Barney, Don Schott, Jesse Strong, Milton Abbott, Herman Whitson, Weathered, and the hostess. Visitors were Mrs. Dock Miller and Mrs. W. L. Brasher.

* Sprays of spruce and arbor vitae marked the windows and doorways and clustered about the chandeliers while potted palms flanked the fireplace and were grouped at vantage points in the large ballroom and dining room.

The patriotic motif was featured in an American Eagle emblem over the mantel, while Air Corps colors of blue and gold were emphasized in floral appointments.

Guests were received by Mrs. L. C. Link, educational director, and Miss Alma Heard, vice president of the Midland chapter, and Miss Florine Miller of the Odessa chapter.

Mrs. S. R. McKinney Jr., president of the Midland Chapter, presided at the guest register.

Badges were presented to guests by Mrs. Ralph Guyger and Miss Marguerite Bivens.

The tea table, laid with a Quaker lace cloth, carried out the chosen blue and gold with a centerpiece of gold acacia and blue cornflowers on a reflector. Blue candles burned in crystal candlesticks at the four corners of the centerpiece and blue napkins bore the words "Sloan Field" in gold. Mints were in yellow and blue. Silver services were at either end of the table. Pouring during the tea hours were Mrs. W. T. Pratt and Mrs. Link of Midland and Miss Gracie Gober of Odessa.

Mrs. Pratt and Mrs. Link wore white carnation corsages tied with gold and blue.

Members of the houseparty were in formal gowns.

The invitation list included the following officers and the wives of those who are married:

Major Robert M. Allott, Henry R. Baxter, Wayne R. Donaldson, Clarence J. Lambert, Shelton E. Prudhomme, Clarence Edward Shankle, Richard H. Smith, John W. White, Captains Albert M. Allison, Albert E. Armstrong, Russell B. Brown, Truman E. Faulkner, Bertram C. Harrison, James H. Isbell, Fred Keb,

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Lucky Thirteen Club Entertained At Shepard Home

A patriotic motif was dominant in party appointments when Mrs. C. H. Shepard, 707 North D, was hostess to the Lucky Thirteen Club members, and their husbands, Friday evening.

Games of 42 were the evening's diversion with high score for women going to Mrs. O. H. Jones and high for men to Ellis Conner.

A salad plate was served to the following members: Messrs. and Mmes. O. H. Jones, L. F. Joplin, S. P. Hall, Ellis Conner, W. N. Cole, J. C. Hudman, B. M. Hays, H. S. Collins, Mrs. Delbert Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Shepard, and two new members, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Daugherty.

Delta Pegasus Club Presents Farewell Gifts To Two

Farewell gifts were presented to Mrs. Bill Sherrod and Mrs. C. R. Fitch following a luncheon of the Delta Pegasus Club at the home of Mrs. E. E. English, Thursday, at the Magnolia Tank Farm.

Members present were: Mmes. C. A. Barton, G. P. Bradbury, F. D. Breedlove, T. E. Christopher, Fitch, J. H. Ford, D. S. Hughes, Hazel Krapf, J. A. Sewell, W. A. Sherrod, L. E. Standlee, R. A. Smith, J. R. Wright, McEldowney, Young, Rush, Miss Rubalee Krapf and the hostess.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. J. H. Ford as hostess at the home of Mrs. Bradbury.

PTA Board Makes Wives Of Army Men And Other Newcomers Are Given Welcome

SAN ANGELO (Sp)—The Sixth District conference, Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, to be held April 15-16 in Sweetwater was outlined at a board of managers meeting here and four state delegates to the national convention were named.

Tentative conference highlights include a panel discussion by Sweetwater principals Wednesday morning, April 15; a talk by Mrs. James E. Day of Rotan, state representative, and conference on parent education, for new officers, on visual education, for Spanish speaking groups, and on councils Wednesday afternoon; a chuck wagon supper; a panel by superintendents and a play hour Wednesday night; and a talk by Dr. Bernice Moore and the election report Thursday morning.

Mrs. L. G. Byerley of Midland, district president, conducted the board session and reported some changes made at the state board meeting. The Sixth District gift to the state home in Austin is to be a pair of hurricane lamps from the councils and Mrs. Byerley. Field service is to be limited in time from spring conference to Oct. 1, and a revolving fund is planned as state aid to county councils.

Mrs. J. C. Stewart of Lawn, Mrs. L. L. Stuart of Eldorado, Mrs. Ernest Sidwell of Midland, and Mrs. Ed Jensen of Sweetwater were chosen to serve as Texas delegates to the National Congress convention May 3-7 in San Antonio. Mrs. Byerley as a member of the state board is also a delegate.

Wives Of Army Men And Other Newcomers Are Given Welcome

Federation President Brings Message

Hospitality is the keynote for Midland's greeting to the wives of Army men at Sloan Field in the welcome given them by Mrs. Hal C. Peck to the various interests and organizations of women here.

Mrs. Peck extended her greeting and invitation to participate in women's activities in her capacity as president of the Midland City-



MRS. HAL C. PECK

County Federation, composed both of federated clubs of the city and of individual members.

"In behalf of the women of Midland, we are happy to have the privilege of welcoming into our midst the wives of Army men and other newcomers," Mrs. Peck said. "We are indeed proud to have so many splendid women become citizens of our city and we want to extend to them each and every one a most cordial welcome."

We Need You
Midland has a number of women's civic organizations which will appreciate very much your attending and becoming members," she continued. "We know that we need you and your counsel and we sincerely hope you may need us and that we may be of some assistance to you folks."

"Midland has in the past been termed a true town of Western hospitality and now that we have so many new citizens moving in simultaneously we must not and will not lose our reputation as such.

"Again we want to give you a wholehearted greeting and ask that you immediately take your places in our community life, in our churches, and in various organizations and really and truly become a part of us—true Midlanders."

Organizations for Midland women range from those engaged in defense activities such as the Red Cross, first aid and home nursing classes, to study clubs, AAUW, business women's groups, League of Women Voters, sports organizations, hobby clubs, Civic Theatre, and purely social organizations such as the bridge and 42 and dancing clubs.

Wives of military men or other newcomers to the city will find an organization to represent almost any interest they may wish to pursue.

Single Ring Service Unites Couple In Quiet Ceremony

Grady Harris and Mrs. Faye Black were married quietly at 1103 W. Kentucky, Thursday night at 9:30 o'clock.

The Rev. John E. Pickering, pastor of the First Christian Church, read the single ring service in the presence of a group of friends.

Colonel's Wife Likes Midland

"I believe everyone is happy to be here," Mrs. I. Davies, wife of the commanding officer at Sloan Field, said in discussing the reaction of the military personnel, especially the wives of the Army officers, to Midland as their new home. "The Colonel and I just love it," she continued.

The climate here is one of the things which the newcomers like, and then Mrs. Davies, with long experience as the wife of an Army officer, reminds the younger women that they are "so lucky to be with their husbands". She has talked to a number of the newcomers and she finds that they are "all happy to be here".

"A Grand Town"
The Colonel's daughter, Miss Virginia Davies, is a Midland enthusiast.

"Isn't it a grand town?" she exclaimed when she arrived. "The streets are so broad. It's really a city." And on a subsequent visit to San Antonio where she attended high school, she was anxious to get started "back home" to Midland.

Additional officers for the Bombardier College are arriving almost daily, many of them with their wives and families.

Mrs. Davies plans to create soon an auxiliary of club officers' wives to meet twice monthly and foster group interests and activities.

Officers Elected By Training Association

CRANE (Sp)—The Pecos Valley Training Union Association held its annual meeting here Thursday, enrolling 142 representatives, and having State and Southwide workers programmed.

From the Southwide office of Nashville, Tenn. was Chester L. Quarels; the approved state worker from the Dallas office, Miss Clara May, and team workers, Mr. and Mrs. Iby Cox of Big Spring where Mr. Cox is also educational director. The Rev. J. A. Kidd, Alpine, missionary of District 7, and the Rev. W. C. Harrison of Odessa, missionary of District 8, gave inspirational addresses.

A. B. Lightfoot of Rankin was elected associational director when new officers for the year were named; Miss Maurine McKenzie, of Crane, associate director; Mrs. R. L. Nichols, Imperial, secretary-treasurer; C. C. Dillow, Iraan, chorister; Mrs. J. A. Slaughter, Kermit, pianist; pastor-advisor, Z. C. Chambliss, Wickett; Zone 1 director, J. L. Lambert, Monahans; Zone 2, J. A. Edwards, McCombs; departmental director, Mrs. B. J. Martin, McCombs, beginners; Mrs. W. P. Collins, Bakersfield, Junior; Mrs. A. B. Riley, Wink, intermediates; Leroy Smith, Monahans, young people; and Mrs. C. Casey, Kermit, adults.

McCAMEY CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

McCAMEY (Special)—The Woman's Study Club elected officers in a meeting at the elementary school. They are as follows: President, Mrs. H. E. Stoker; first vice president, Mrs. G. W. Eamer; second vice president, Mrs. A. S. Houdek; third vice president, Mrs. C. T. Stern; recording secretary, Anna Pearl Alexander; corresponding secretary, Gertrude Griffith; treasurer, Mrs. Walter Putnam; parliamentarian, Mrs. Ralph Daugherty; critic Mrs. Jolly Johnson; reporter, Mrs. Austin Bush; historian, Mrs. John Kellerman; Fed. councillor, Mrs. R. A. Williams.

EXTINGUISH BLAZE

Midland firemen extinguished a tent house blaze in the 100 block on South Dallas Street Friday night. No estimate of the damage was available.

Marriage Of McCamey Girl Is Announced

McCAMEY (Sp)—Word has been received here of the marriage Dec. 12, 1941, of Miss Doris Cave to Staff Sergeant James M. Hibbard of Camp Barkeley, Abilene. The ceremony was read by the Rev. Roy E. Kemp of the Corinth Baptist Church in Abilene.

For her wedding, the bride chose a soldier blue jacket dress and turban with brown accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

Miss Paudene Hall of Paint Rock, Joe V. Alexander of Pinon, N. M., and Mrs. Roy E. Kemp were the only attendants.

The bride is a daughter of Frank Cave and a niece of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Searcy of McCamey. She was graduated from McCamey High School in 1940, and for the past several months has been attending business school in Abilene.

Sgt. Hibbard is formerly from Sapulpa, Okla., and was stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, before being transferred to Camp Barkeley where he is in charge of the receiving office in the medical detachment, station hospital.

To Colonel Davies and his entire Staff we say

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Coming Events

MONDAY

Circles of the First Baptist WMU will meet Monday afternoon as follows: Walker Circle at 3 o'clock with Mrs. R. O. Walker, 205 E Ohio; Annie Barron Circle at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. J. C. Hudman, 413 W Indiana; Mildred Cox Circle at 2:00 o'clock with Mrs. F. D. Breedlove at her Magnolia Tank Farm home; Mary Elizabeth Truly Circle at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. J. C. Bobo, 101 North G Street; Lottie Moon Circle at 3 o'clock with Mrs. S. L. Alexander at 202 South A Street; Rebekah Circle at 2:00 o'clock with Mrs. W. H. Hall on S Main Street; Lockett Circle at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. W. H. Spaulding, 1204 N Main Street; Mary Martha Circle at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. V. A. Walston, 809 W Michigan.

Rijnhart Circle of the First Christian Church will meet at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. D. B. Snider, 204 South A Street, Monday afternoon. Junior Matrons will meet at the same hour with Mrs. Delbert Downing, 1205 W College.

Business and Professional Women's Club will meet Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Hotel Scharbauer.

Episcopal Auxiliary will meet Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. D. R. Carter, 900 W Tennessee.

Methodist WSCS will meet at the educational building, Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, for a business session.

Calvary Baptist WMU will meet for Bible study Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock as follows: Katherine Shelburne Circle with Mrs. W. G. Flournoy, 300 S Dallas; Virginia Bryant Circle with Mrs. Jack Tisdale, 1110 S Big Spring; Mildred Cox Circle with Mrs. Hoyt Burris, 708 S Loraine; and Mildred Smith Circle with Mrs. E. Crain, 1100 S Baird.

Presbyterian Auxiliary will have a regular inspirational meeting at the church, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Adult education advanced nutrition study group will meet with Mrs. L. W. Leggett, 901 W Storey, Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Tea Dance--

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James D. Knox, Kenneth A. Mack, Clarence H. Munson, Glenn L. Laffer, William Nevel, Orville LaV. Partch, John D. Ryan, Gibson E. Sisco, Jr., Harry Waxman.

First Lieutenants Joseph J. Avons, William W. Benham, William J. Buchanan, Jr., Floyd R. Cowan, Roscoe C. Crawford, Charles E. Davidson, Malcolm L. Downs, James L. Duke, Bernard H. Fried, Harold R. Garman, John H. Gibson, James F. Hall, Edwin C. Helkkila, Vernon W. Henderson, Embree H. Hunt, Francis J. Moore, Edward W. Ramsey, James F. Reed, James T. Rice, George S. Richardson, Burton H. Rowden, Elmer T. Schaberg.

Second Lieutenants William D. Aaron, Carl W. Allen, Richard R. Anwyll, Joseph W. Bailey, Charles E. Baldwin, Jr., Wilson G. Bell, William M. Bolton, Ronald W. Bookman, Sam W. Bowman, Jr., Charles W. Brown, Oliver O. Bushchaw, William E. Bushnell, James R. Callihan, Vincent J. Capobianco, William T. Chambers, Robert G. Cheatum, George H. Collins, John H. Collins, Chester A. Coltharp, James R. Crain, John H. Crane, Milton J. Deters, David A. Duffy, Eugene H. Duggan, Frank B. Essex, Jr., Donald C. Fenton, Raymond A. Fitzjar, Roscoe D. Foster.

Red Cross--

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Second Lieutenants George W. Hammond, Jr., A. H. Hammer, John F. Hart, Roger M. Healy, Merle L. Henderson, Francis C. Hinton, John H. Hoover, Linton B. Hopkins, Jr., Eugene T. Hottel, Donald C. House, Barton L. Hunt, John P. Hunt, Karl D. Johnson, William W. King, Benjamin B. Klose, Robert I. Langford, Donald D. Lettow, John W. Linsley, Jr., Arnold A. Mase, Ray L. Mahaffie, George W. Mabquardl, John W. McCaslin, Charles R. McClintick, James E. McConnell, John R. McCray, Ralph H. McDill, William E. McDonald, Wallace T. McGill, Fred L. McGinn, Jr., John L. McKenzie, Jack E. Moore, Dick Myers, James C. Logan, Herbert L. Moreland, Jack E. Morris, Arthur D. Morrow, Jr., Carl D. Potter, Sterling D. Price, III, Robert G. Schaefer, Harold B. Shull, George W. Smith, Wilbur E. Snodgrass, Matthew D. Strait, Robert A. Strauch, Robert G. Swift, John P. Titus, Edward A. Van Dyke, Alden E. West, Walter L. Wheaton, Foster Lee White, Gordon R. Willis, Carl W. Wilson, Russell K. Wainowsk.

Warrant Officer Clyde W. Doyoll, Majors, John P. Kenny, John W. Ranson.

Captain Walter E. Brummond, Second Lieutenants James B. Col-

Treble Clef Club Elects Officers

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Midterm officers were elected by the Treble Clef Juvenile Music Club in regular meeting at the Watson Studio, 210 W Ohio, Saturday morning. They are: Joyce Adams, president; Billie LaJean Pigg vice president; Shirley Winter secretary.

A standing vote of thanks was given retiring officers.

Dorothy Jean Walston presided as president and Patsy Chariton served as secretary in the absence of Patsy Riley.

Billie LaJean Pigg and Joyce Adams were at the attendance card.

Jane McMillian was leader for the day's program. Numbers presented were:

Piano, The Man in the Moon—Jane McMillian

Biography of Mozart—Dorothy Barron

Hawaiian guitar, In the Gloaming—W. L. Thompson, Jr.

Shirley Winter told the story of the opera "Pinafore" by Gilbert and Sullivan and played an excerpt from it.

Birthday greetings were extended to Dorothy Jean Walston.

Niles and Shirley Winter introduced their cousins, Glenna Sue and Larry Gill, of Enid, Oklahoma. Sixteen were present.

Red Cross--

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labels, pink seams, sew on buttons, and bundle packages.

The Neighborhood Knitting Corps is being established to provide assistance or instruction to those knitters whose home duties keep them from visiting the workroom but who want to do their share. For such homekeeping patriots, neighborhood instructors will be provided.

Two hundred workers have shared in the Red Cross work since June, 1941, and these have amassed the total of 9,500 working hours.

Some garments of the 1941 quota are still out, officials reported, and they request that these be completed and turned in as soon as possible.

Whether she is a busy young mother with only odd minutes to spare during the day, the woman of leisure who can devote hours to the work, or the business girl with only her evenings free—the Midland Red Cross chapter offers each woman some task in which she may aid her country and do her bit in the March to Victory.

Fred Middleton, Jr. was discharged from Ryan's Hospital Saturday morning.

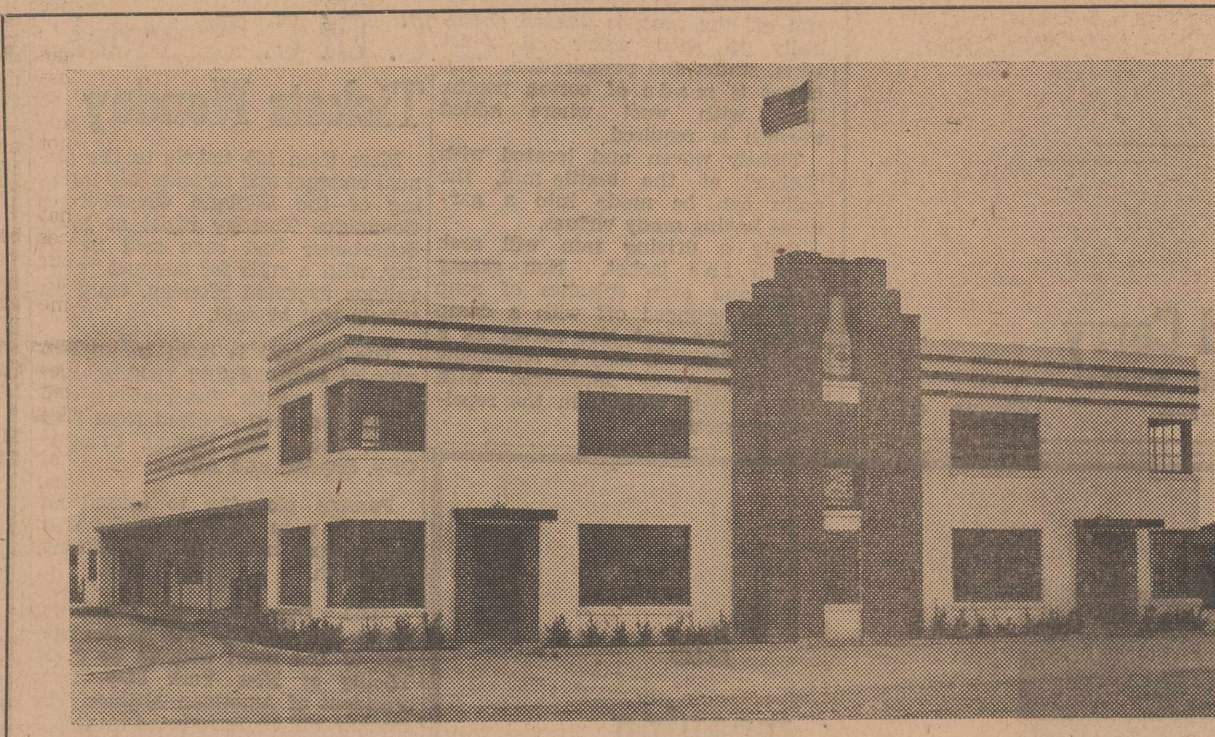
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HOMEMAKING CLASS ENTERTAINS AT COFFEE

WINK (Sp) — The Homemaking Class I of Wink High School were hostesses at a coffee given for their mothers and friends, following the assembly program.

Opal Cooper acted as hostess for the class and Sue Morgan presided at the coffee table.

Mrs. C. R. Hooks and baby were discharged from Ryan's Hospital Saturday morning.

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Four Clubwomen Win Reporting Prizes

Prizes of a year's subscription to the Reporter-Telegram were awarded to four Midland County clubwomen for their work as reporters in home demonstration work. They are: Mrs. Neal Staton of Prairie Lee Club; Mrs. J. H. Smith of Westside Club; Mrs. M. D. Ruth-

erford of Greasewood Club; and Mrs. C. C. Carden, home demonstration council reporter. The scrapbooks of the four were graded according to the club reporters' score card with grades of more than 85 per cent.

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Coming to Sloan Field directly from a cadet replacement center where they will be "processed"—receiving preliminary training in such things as military courtesy, discipline, drill and the like, bombardier cadets will find themselves starting on an intensive whirl of training which will continue twelve weeks.

At the replacement center, they also will receive their equipment and uniforms. Since these are the same as those worn by officers, all that's necessary when the cadet completes his course is to pin on his insignia and gold shoulder bars and he blossoms into a Second Lieutenant.

Wide Variety Of Studies

Training time at the Bombardier College will be divided between air training and ground study. While the actual set-up of the course which teaches young men to operate Uncle Sam's famous bombsight is a strict military secret, it is known to include a wide and comprehensive variety of studies, among which are aerial gunnery and navigation, as well as plenty of time spent in actual bombing practice.

In addition to their studies and bomb dropping, the bombardier cadets engage in a rigorous course of physical training designed not only to keep them in the peak of condition, but also to develop those specific muscles brought into play in their work.

The cadets first become familiar with the operation of the bombsights through the use of a bomb trainer. This is a device which simulates the action of a plane and enables the student to practice use of the sight without ever leaving the ground.

Army Man Today Best Dressed Of All Time

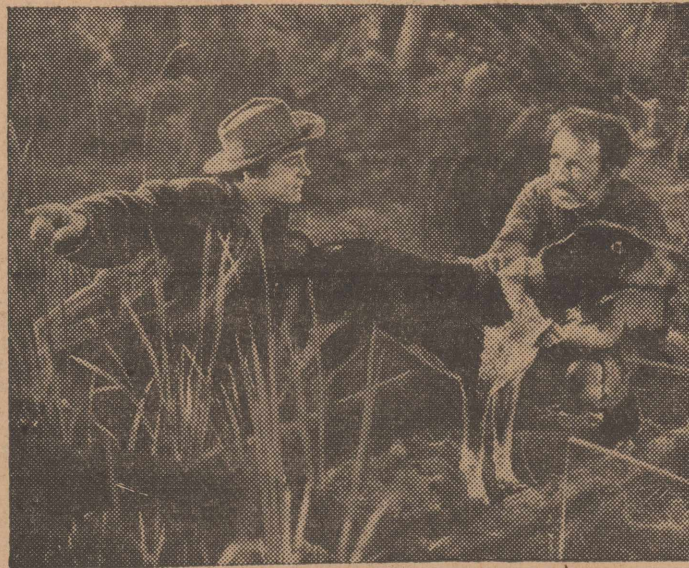
WILMINGTON, Del. (U.P.) — Men in the United States Army are receiving the best uniforms ever issued soldiers, and veterans of the last World War can well be envious of modern soldiers whose outer garments are treated to shed water.

The army jacket, worn both on and off the post, is treated chemically to shed water and resist spots, stains and perspiration. The jacket is made of cotton poplin, lined with wool where added warmth is required.

Tightly woven and treated with "Zeilan" at the textile mill, the poplin can be made into a garment having many virtues.

Only a driving rain will soak through the jacket. Non-greasy spots and even splashes of soup may be sponged off with a damp cloth. The coat also serves as a windbreaker. It may be repeatedly dry-cleaned or laundered with only a slight change in the repellent properties.

Talk Things Over



In the depths of dread Okefenokee, Georgia's 700 mile swamp, Dana Andrews and Walter Brennan talk things over. It's a scene from the new 20th Century-Fox hit, "Swamp Water," now at the Yucca Theatre.

Romance



The screen's new Henry Aldrich, Jimmy Lydon, and his best girl, Mary Anderson, make an appealing twosome in Paramount's "Henry Aldrich for President," opening today at the Ritz Theatre.

Director Flying Is Texan; Here From Kelly Field

Director of Flying at Sloan Field, Lieutenant Colonel John W. White has seven years of military flying experience after graduating from Kelly Field Advanced Flying School, to assist him in making his decisions. A Uvalde, Texas, boy, Lieut. Col. White studied at Texas A&M and St. Edwards, Austin, in preparation for entrance to West Point. Entering the United States Military Academy in 1930 he graduated with the class of '34 and from there went to Randolph and then Kelly Field for his air instruction.

In June of 1937 he became a 1st Lieutenant of the Air Corps, advanced to a captaincy in September of 1940, to a majority in 1941 and his Lieut. Colonelcy dates from January 23, this year. He is rated as aircraft pilot, aerial observer, navigator, and expert bombardier. He arrived at Sloan Field from Ellington Field, where he was assistant director of flying.

Col. and Mrs. White reside in Midland.

Expect Rush For C. Of C. Banquet Tickets Monday

More than 125 tickets to the annual banquet and membership meeting of the Midland Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night at Hotel Scharbauer had been received from Lubbock, Pecos, Big Spring, Colorado City, Snyder, and Alpine.

The banquet is open to all citizens of Midland and vicinity, both men and women. Reservations Saturday had been received from Lubbock, Pecos, Big Spring, Colorado City, Snyder, and Alpine.

Persons planning to attend the banquet were urged to make their reservations not later than Monday afternoon.

"The Chamber of Commerce Keeps 'Em Flying," will be the subject of the main address by J. H. Theilig of New York City, vice-president of American Airlines. The speaker will be introduced by Col. I. Davies, commanding officer of Sloan Field. Mayor M. C. Ulmer will be toastmaster. Several musical numbers will be presented.

Officers and directors who will serve during the year will be elected at the meeting.

Major C. J. Lambert Addresses Scout's Court Of Honor Here

Major C. J. Lambert, administrative inspector at Sloan Field, addressed the Boy Scout court of honor Friday night at the courthouse. John P. Butler is head of the court. George Heath, new Midland district chairman, was represented at the court by Guy Brenneman, chairman of the camping activities of the Buffalo Trails Council.

Brenneman and M. T. Hartwell presented awards to Frank Aldrich and William Elledge. Both received merit badges. Elledge also received the star scout award.

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Magazines, Games And Radios Are Requested

A call for old magazines, radios, ping pong tables and other games for use in the squadron reading and lounge rooms at Sloan Field was issued Saturday by the chamber of commerce.

Persons wishing to contribute such items are requested to bring them to the chamber of commerce office in Hotel Scharbauer.

R. O. Smith, manager of Western Union in Midland, left for Dallas Friday night seeking enlistment in the U. S. Navy. He will return Saturday night to spend a few days before being called.

Fire-Fighters Set Registration Day

Members of the city fire department, and several others met at the fire hall Friday night to draft plans for civilian fire defense in the city.

Fire Chief Lutehr Tidwell, assistant district coordinator, is leading the drive for the organization in Midland, and he reports that official registration day for enlisting in the civilian defense project has been set for Wednesday, Jan. 28.

Crane Man Dies Gun Shot Wounds

CRANE (Sp)—Shock and heart failure resulting from gun shot wounds caused the death Friday night of Dallas G. Waters, who had been in ill health for several months.

His body was sent to Rochester, Texas, where funeral services were held Saturday afternoon. Waters is survived by his widow, a son, and his mother.



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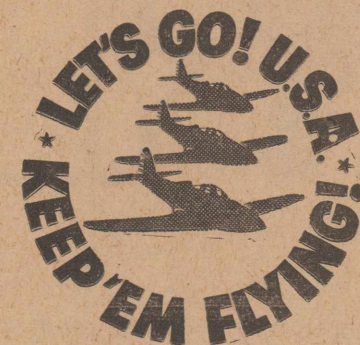
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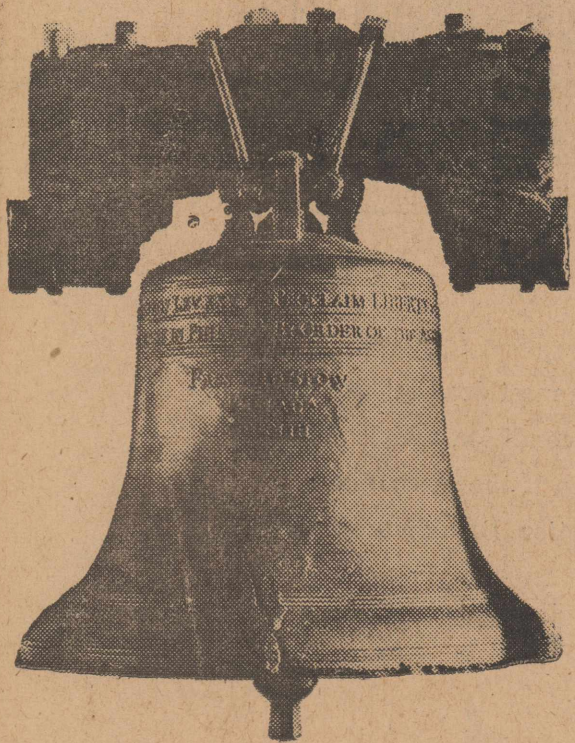


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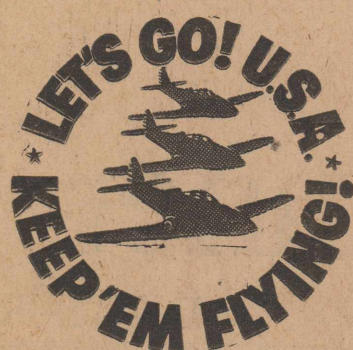
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**New Pool Opener In Western Lea
Center Of Southeast New Mexico
Interest As Pumping Gauge Made**

HOBBS, N. M. — Western Lea County's new pool opener captured most of the interest in Southeast New Mexico Saturday as it was completed on pump for natural 24-hour gauge of 245 barrels of 24.1 gravity oil.

The discovery well is Culbertson & Irwin, Inc. of Midland, Tex., and Southern California Petroleum Corporation of Los Angeles No. 1 Beulah V. Lynch, slightly more than four miles north of the Halfway pool. It is producing from white crystalline lime logged from 2,740 to 2,751 feet, the total depth. Seven-inch oil string of casing was cemented at 2,696 feet with 100 sacks.

Location of the strike is 660 feet out of the southwest corner of section 21-19s-32e. The partnership owns jointly 3,200 acres in an almost solid block in the vicinity of the well.

They have staked location for a south offset to the discovery in their No. 1 The Texas Company-S. A. Bowman, 660 feet out of the northwest corner of section 28-19s-32e. Drilling is scheduled to start immediately.

Richmond Drilling Company of Midland No. 1 State, Eastern Lea wildcat 1,900 feet from the south and 660 from the east line of section 5-16s-38e, is drilling below 2,340 feet in salt. With elevation of 3,754 feet it topped the anhydrite at 2,180 feet.

In Southern Lea Wildcat territory six miles west of the Jal pool, Prexy Wilson and others No. 1 Saunders is drilling by tools lost at total depth of 2,204 feet. The test is 690 feet out of the southeast corner of section 11-25s-35e.

Limiting the northwest spread of the Monument pool in Lea, Skelly Oil Company No. 3 Monstate, in section 19-19s-36e, has been abandoned a failure at total depth of 4,500 feet in lime. It logged only slight shows of oil and gas before encountering sulphur water from 4,460 to 4,482 feet.

The Malamar pool in Western Lea registered two new producers and one failure. Larger of the two oilers was Drilling & Exploration Company, Inc., No. 2-A-24 Johns, section 24-17s-32e, which gauged natural flow of 88 barrels per day through 5/16-inch choke on 2-inch tubing set at 4,300 feet. It logged first pay at 4,125 feet and drilled to 4,318 feet in lime. The well proves a short eastern extension of the pool.

The same operator's No. 1-A-26 Johns, 26-17-32e, flowed 75 barrels of oil a day through 7/16-inch tubing swung at 4,136 feet following a 580-quart nitro shot from 4,000 to 4,200 feet. It topped pay at 3,885 feet and is bottomed at 4,200 feet, plugged back from 4,236 feet in lime.

A northeast extension try, A. H. Hover No. 1 Williams, was abandoned at 4,343 feet in lime after hitting sulphur water from 4,320 to 4,327 feet. It failed to log any consequential oil shows above the water. The duster was in section 15-17s-32e.

In the new North Grayburg area of Eddy County, Sanders Brothers and others No. 2, Elz, section 34-16s-30e, was completed for natural flow of 210 barrels of oil in 72 hours through 2-inch tubing set at 2,984 feet, ten feet off bottom. The well topped pay at 2,960 feet and is producing from lime.

Flows 96 Barrels
A semi-wildcat in the same area, L. H. Choate and C. W. Brown No. 1 Hover-State, section 2-17s-30e, is shut down for repairs at 2,600 feet in anhydrite.

Sanders Brothers No. 2 Leonard, section 34-16s-30e, flowed 96 barrels of oil in 24 hours through 7-inch casing after shooting with 150 quarts from 2,955 to 3,000 feet. Total

depth is 3,014 feet in lime. At last reports the well was being cleaned out through tubing. Also in section 34-16s-30e, the same operator's No. 4 Leonard is drilling below 930 feet in salt. Their No. 2 Elz is drilling at 470 feet in anhydrite.

In section 36-16s-30e, Carper Drilling Company No. 1 Tellyer-State has passed 2,120 feet in anhydrite. V. S. Welch No. 1 State, in the same section, is drilling anhydrite below 2,575 feet. Sanders No. 2 Evans, section 4-17s-30e, is drilling at 2,615 feet in anhydrite, while their No. 3 Evans is shut down for orders at 2,239 feet, corrected by steel line measurement from 2,230 feet.

A new location for the producing sector of the North Grayburg area has been staked by Nay Hightower as the No. 2 Grier, 1,980 feet from the north and 660 from the west line of section 31-16s-31e.

**Captain Keb Is
Man Who Pays
The Bombardiers**

Around the first of the month the most popular man on Sloan Field is Captain Fred Keb, finance officer of the post. But the popularity does not affect the Captain very much as he is well used to it by this time. He has been in the finance departments of 23 different Army posts scattered over the continental United States and the Philippines. He has had over 20 years of service in the Army and his rank has ranged from buck private up to master sergeant in the enlisted ranks, and from second Lieutenant to Captain as a commissioned officer.

Of necessity, the finance officer of a post must be an expert mathematician, accountant and bookkeeper. Captain Keb has all of these qualifications. The primary duty of the Finance Department is payment of the personnel of the military post to which it is attached. To complicate their task, the men of the department must figure pay on a basis of a possible 135 different rates. And that is not all, each man paid may have several changes in his status during any month (promotion, demotion, re-rating), lost time, etc.). All the above does not include furlough ration allowance, travel pay, subsistence and rental allowance, pay for weapon proficiency, and several other special allowances that may be due some man.

To assist the Captain in his work he has a staff of men who are trained in their duties. The men are carefully chosen for their ability, trustworthiness and honesty. It may interest those unacquainted with military procedure to know that Army payrolls are met with a cold cash payment, not checks.

Captain Keb is married and the father of a nine year old son, Franklin. Captain and Mrs. Keb make their home at 1607 West Kentucky, in Midland. His home address is any Army post to which he may be sent.

**Midwest Fat Stock
Show In Sweetwater**

SWEETWATER — The Midwest Livestock Show and Exposition will be held here March 23-25 inclusive. Peter Fox, president has announced.

At a recent meeting, County Agent R. B. Tate was named chairman of the arrangements committee.

High Ranking Officers At Sloan



Colonel Davies is here shown with several members of his staff. Several were absent as this photograph was made. Seated is Colonel Davies, and standing, reading left to right, are Lt. Colonel John W. White, Lt. Colonel William M. Garland, Lt. Colonel Richard H. Smith, Lt. Colonel Henry R. Baxter, Major Clarence Shankle, and Lt. Colonel John P. Kenny.

**Air Corps Supply Handles Equipment
That Keeps Men And Planes Flying**

Often confused with the Quartermaster supply, but really an entirely different organization, Air Corps Supply handles materiel that is peculiar to the Air Corps. Parachutes, flight instruments, aircraft and engine parts, aerial cameras and photographic equipment form a large part of the supplies procured, stored and delivered to the user by the Air Corps Supply.

Lieutenant Robert Langford, lately of San Angelo, is in charge of Air Corps Supply at Sloan Field. Lieut. Langford was called directly from Texas A&M, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree, into the Army. While at A&M he was a member of the Reserve Officer's Training Corps, assigned to the cavalry. The Lieutenant, working his way through school, made an impressive scholastic record, studying in the particular matters relating to administration.

Supplies and Repairs
At Sloan Field his primary duty

is to see that the planes on the flying line are fed a steady stream of needed supplies and repairs, and that the men who fly them are fully equipped with all necessary flight clothing, instruments, etc. In Lieutenant Langford's own words his job is "to keep 'em flying night and day".

**MIDLAND STUDENT
IN BAND PROGRAM**

William Hurt, student in SMU and son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hurt, appeared recently in the Mustang Band's "V for Victory" program at the Majestic Theater in Dallas.

Hurt, freshman baritone horn player, is majoring in public school music, and studying piano under Morgan Knott. He is a Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity pledge.



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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By Wm. E. McKenney
 America's Card Authority
 There is one title in bridge which cannot be defended. It is the National Amateur Pair Championship; the winners immediately become national masters and, therefore, ineligible to compete in the amateur event the following year.

I had the pleasure of playing against Raymond Farber when I was in Greensboro, N. C., and I was not a bit surprised when he and his partner, Hal Oliver, were

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announced as the winners of the National Amateur Pair Championship at Richmond. Farber plays a splendid game and if given an opportunity to compete in national tournaments, would have a good chance of carrying off one of the titles. Here is an example of Farber's play.

Farber, sitting South, responded to two spades with three no trump in order to show 1 1/2 honor tricks. North's leap to six looked natural enough, since he could count four honor tricks in the combined hands outside of the spade suit, which in itself was probably good for five tricks.

East took the ace of clubs on the first trick and returned the jack, which South won. Let me note in passing that this is the sort of hand on which many players will now claim twelve top tricks—five spades, five hearts, the ace of diamonds, and the king of clubs. Then a defender has to remind the claimant that it is possible for both hearts and spades to be adversely stopped, and a bitter argument ensues on the law governing "deals not played out."

Farber realized that a bad break in either major suit could beat him. He therefore first cashed the spades, where he had four tops.

For the last six cards, South held five hearts and one diamond. East had to save four hearts and two diamonds. His discard of the three of clubs, three and ten of diamonds, made it clear to Mr. Farber that he held four hearts.

The next lead was the ace of hearts, followed by the ten, which

Versatility Is Key American Soldier Best In World, Is Buchanan's Belief

Lieut. W. F. Buchanan, Jr., now stationed at Sloan Field as Assistant Adjutant in charge of Personnel, is a living example of why the American soldier is the best in the world. Versatility is the

South would have fished. East covered, and the king won. Then the ace of diamonds put dummy back in to lead the three of hearts, and East's remaining tenace was picked up.

key. The Lieutenant terms his permanent address as eight sections west and seven sections north of Shamrock, Texas, his home address as Dallas, and at present he is stationed at Sloan. He graduated from Allen Academy, Bryan, Texas, in 1931, in 1937 he received a B. A. degree from North Texas State Teachers College at Denton. At the present time his wife is attending the North Texas State Teachers College. The Lieutenant is the proud father of two daughters, the youngest being born on the day before he was called to active duty, Dec. 27, 1940.

When called to duty Lieut. Buchanan was director of bands at Lone Oak and Magic City, Texas schools. Before that he was for two years an officer in C. C. work at Lubbock, Tyler and Perryton, Texas. And

when at his permanent address it is very likely the Lieutenant engages in agricultural pursuits. Since coming into the Army he has been stationed successively at Randolph, Brooks, Ellington and Sloan Fields. At Sloan Field his duties cover the direction of the Personnel Section of Headquarters, the department that has charge of all the records and assigns the men of the post their various duties, and also maintains supervision over the administrative activities connected with

personnel. Lieut. Buchanan, when interviewed said that Sloan Field was in his opinion the finest field of all the new fields in Texas, and that he was enthusiastic about his work at the post. "But," said the Lieutenant, "What really gives you enthusiasm for any work is having a wife and two daughters to support."

Canada's 1939 production of wheat flour totaled 16,887,000 barrels.

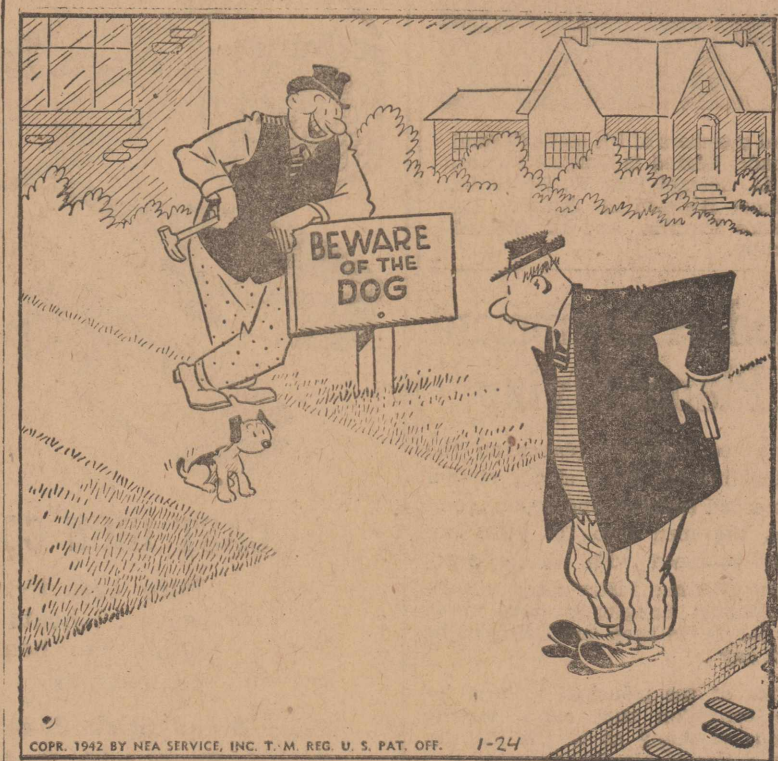
Stanton School Has Junior Red Cross

STANTON, (Sp1)—A Junior Red Cross, composed of school children has been organized under the direction of Mrs. J. Morgan Hall. As a contribution to the Red Cross fund each class room, or 100 pupils, has been assessed 50c. The quota was reached with \$14.40 over, all of which goes to the war fund.

The Junior group have used up all the material and thread sent them and are waiting the arrival of dresses; 20 baby layettes; 80 baby diapers; 100 pounds yarn being knitted into sweaters.

First aid classes have been organized with Sam McCole, Big Spring, Highway foreman, instructor. There were 42 men and women present at the first meeting. The class meets every Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p. m., in the basement of the Methodist Church.

FUNNY BUSINESS



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SIDE GLANCES



"Why have a wedding if you don't cry? I've attended the weddings of all three of her daughters and never saw her shed a tear!"

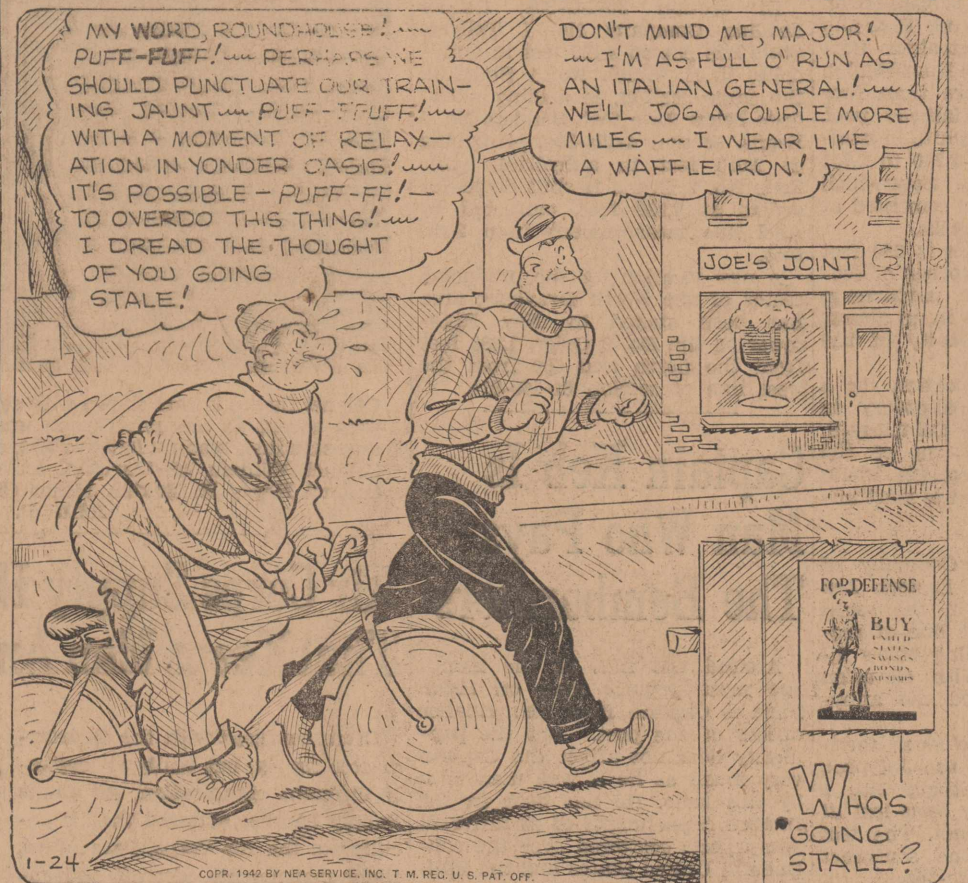
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By William Ferguson

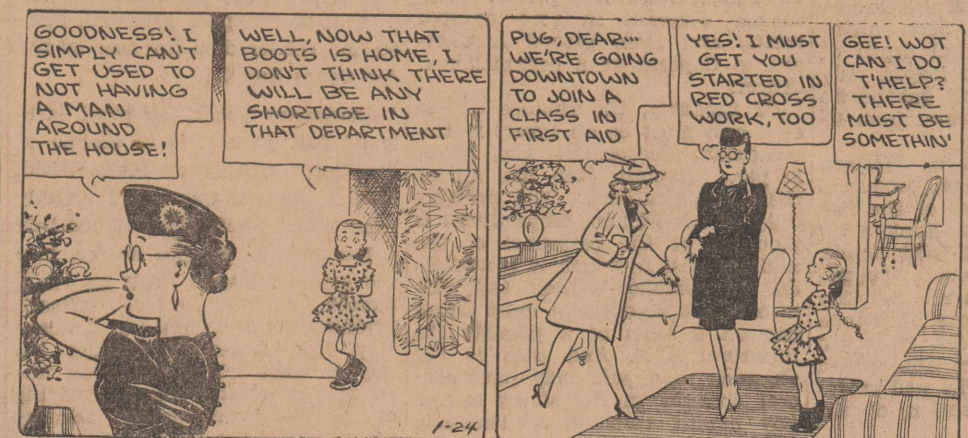


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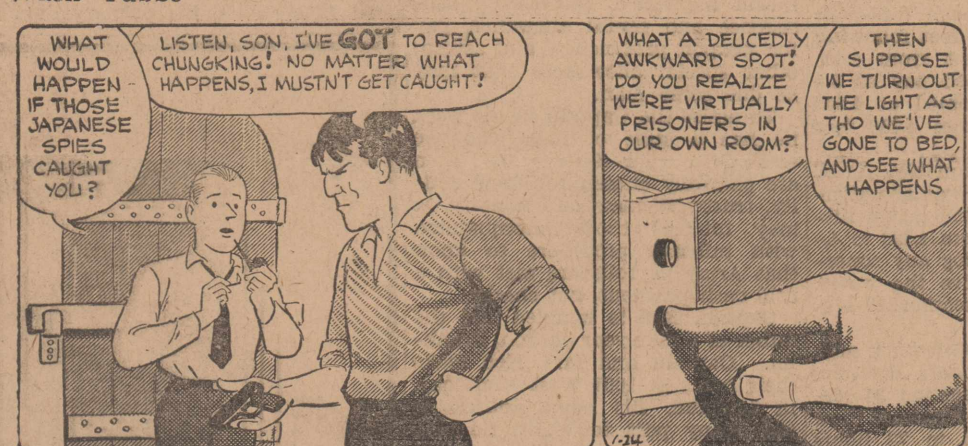
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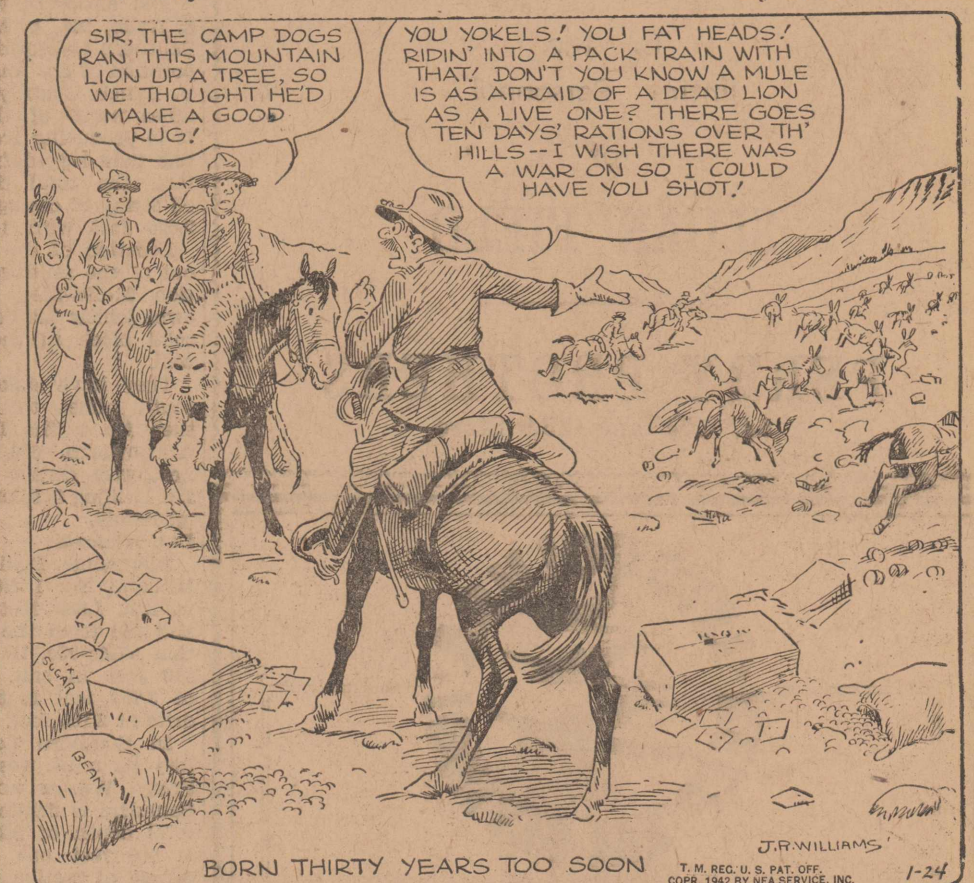
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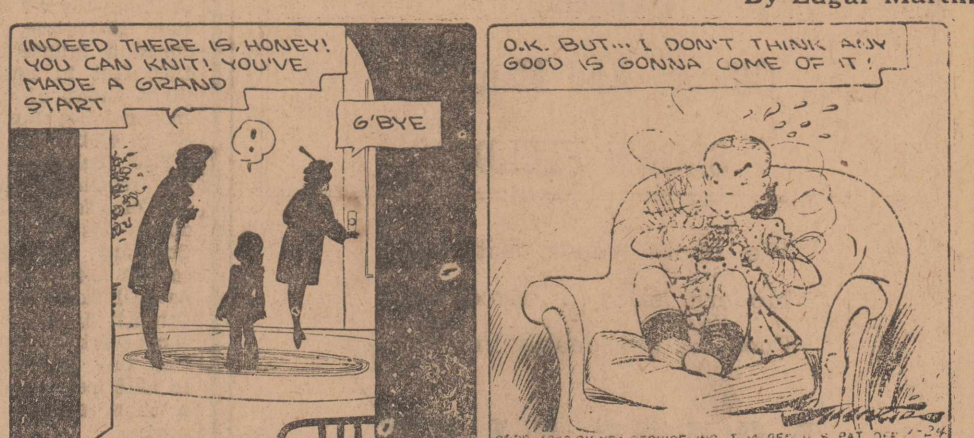
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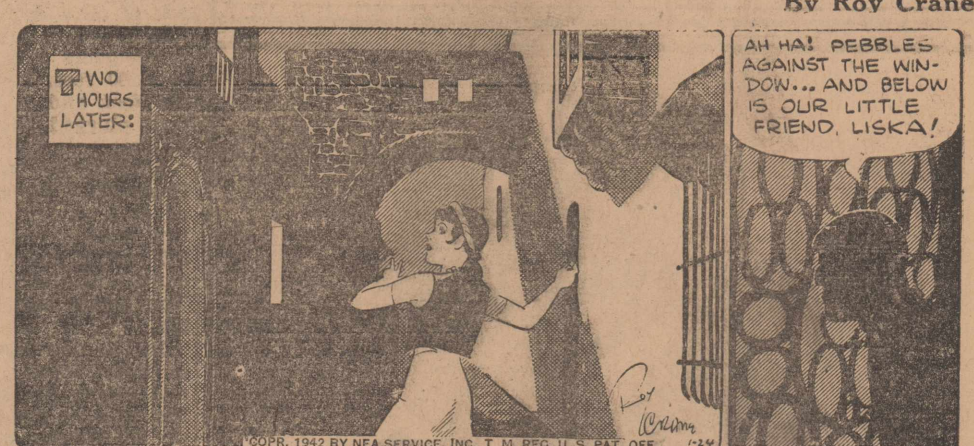
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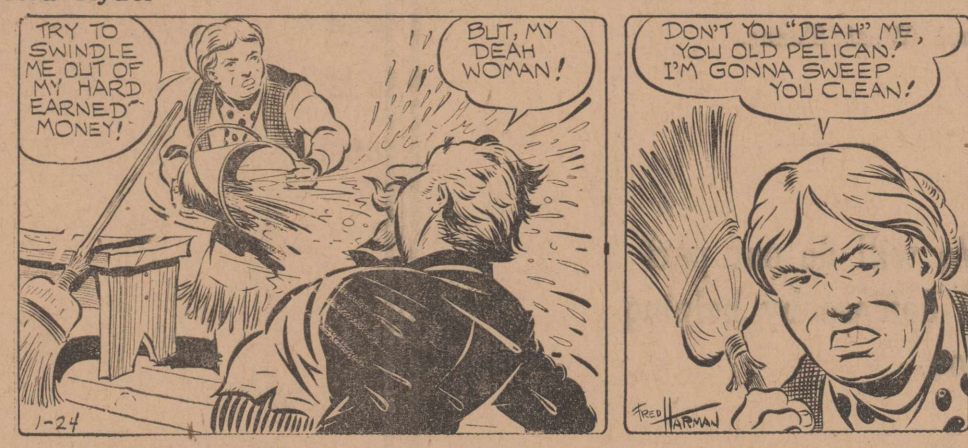
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By V. T. Hanlin



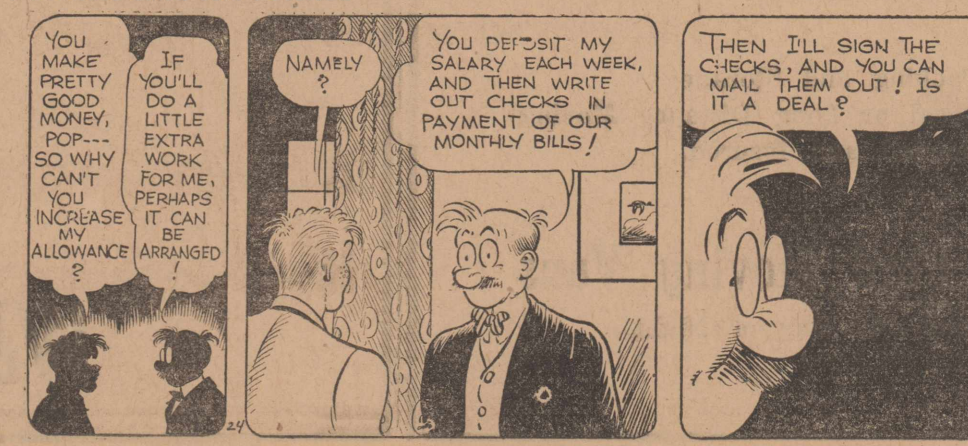
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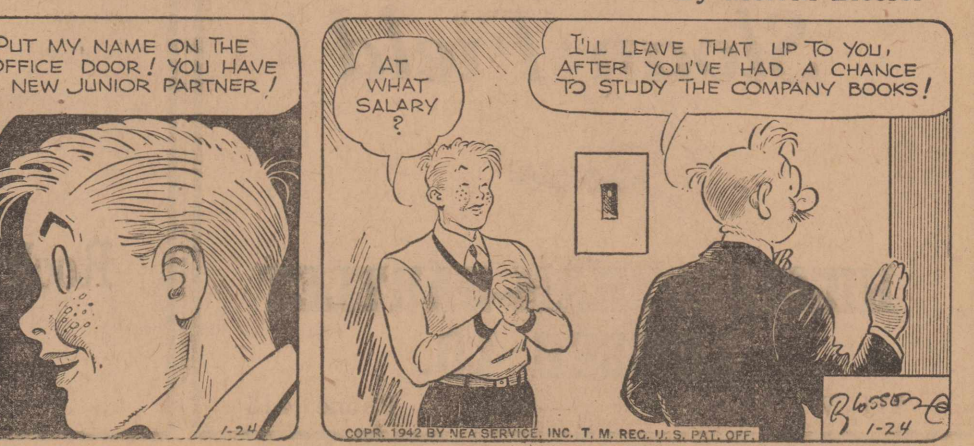
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Freckles And His Friends



By Merrill Blosser



Tailored Style



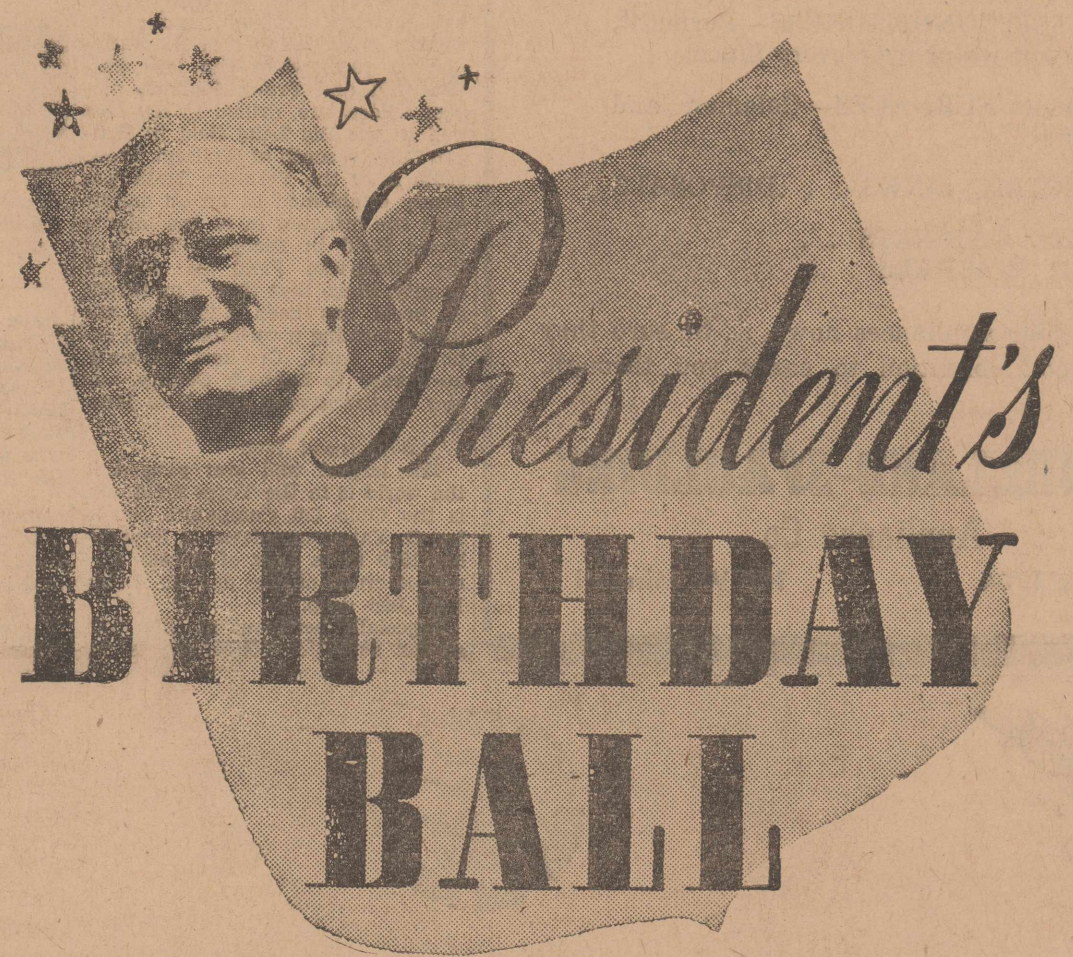
When made, you'll thank your stars again and again that you have this dress—it is so useful to wear any time of the day—for any occasion! Simply tailored, with revers shaping an attractive neckline, and skin-pleated for comfortable fullness, this dress makes you look at your best always. Grand to plan for your wardrobe right now in foulards—flannel, gabardine, printed rayon crepes—or cottons!

Pattern No. 8113 is made for sizes 32 to 46. Size 34, short sleeves, takes 4 1/2 yards 39-inch material. For this attractive pattern, send 15c in coin, your name, address, pattern number and size to The Reporter-Telegram Today's Pattern Service, 211 W Wacker Drive, Chicago.

Looking for new ideas for your January sewing? Then send for the new Fashion Book—our catalogue of advance styles for spring, just published.

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DANCE THAT OTHERS MAY WALK



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You're a lucky fellow, Mr. Smith! You're invited to the biggest party of the year. There'll be smooth, danceable music, sparkling entertainment. Americans throughout the land will be celebrating with you and your neighbors. And while you're having the time of your life, you'll be helping the thousands of children all over American who are putting up a courageous fight against infantile paralysis.

That's why January 29th belongs to you almost as much as to the President. It's your chance to buy a share in the future of the U. S. A. While you dance, you'll be making that future bright for thousands of young Americans. Helping them will give you new faith in yourself, and faith in a land where boys and girls, busy with ice-skates and homework and movies, are unafraid of tomorrow and the day after.

TIME: Thursday, January 29, 1942, in the Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Scharbauer.

ENTERTAINMENT: Music by C. A. Rodgers and his orchestra of Lubbock, Texas.

PROCEEDS: To go to the relief and treatment of infantile paralysis. 50% of the receipts will go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and the remainder will be used to advantage in our own community.

A Healthy America Is Our First Line Of Defense
Help Your Country- Attend The Birthday Ball!

PERSONALS

Mrs. C. F. Franklin of Odessa was admitted to Ryan's Hospital for major surgery Saturday.

A. H. Flaherty was admitted to Ryans Hospital Friday night.

Mrs. J. M. White was dismissed from the Western Clinic Hospital Friday.

C. W. DeWald of Sloan Field was admitted to Ryan's Hospital Saturday.

P. H. Abbott was admitted to the Western Clinic Hospital Saturday.

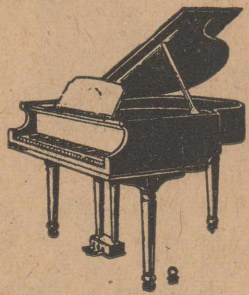
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Sloan Field Encircled By Thousands Of Wells In Vast Permian Basin

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It will be interesting to officers and men of Sloan Field to know that they are operating a bombardier training college right in the center of the greatest oil field in point of area in the world.

There are producing oil wells over an area covering roughly a 150-mile radius from Midland, even extending over into New Mexico at the southeast tip of the state.

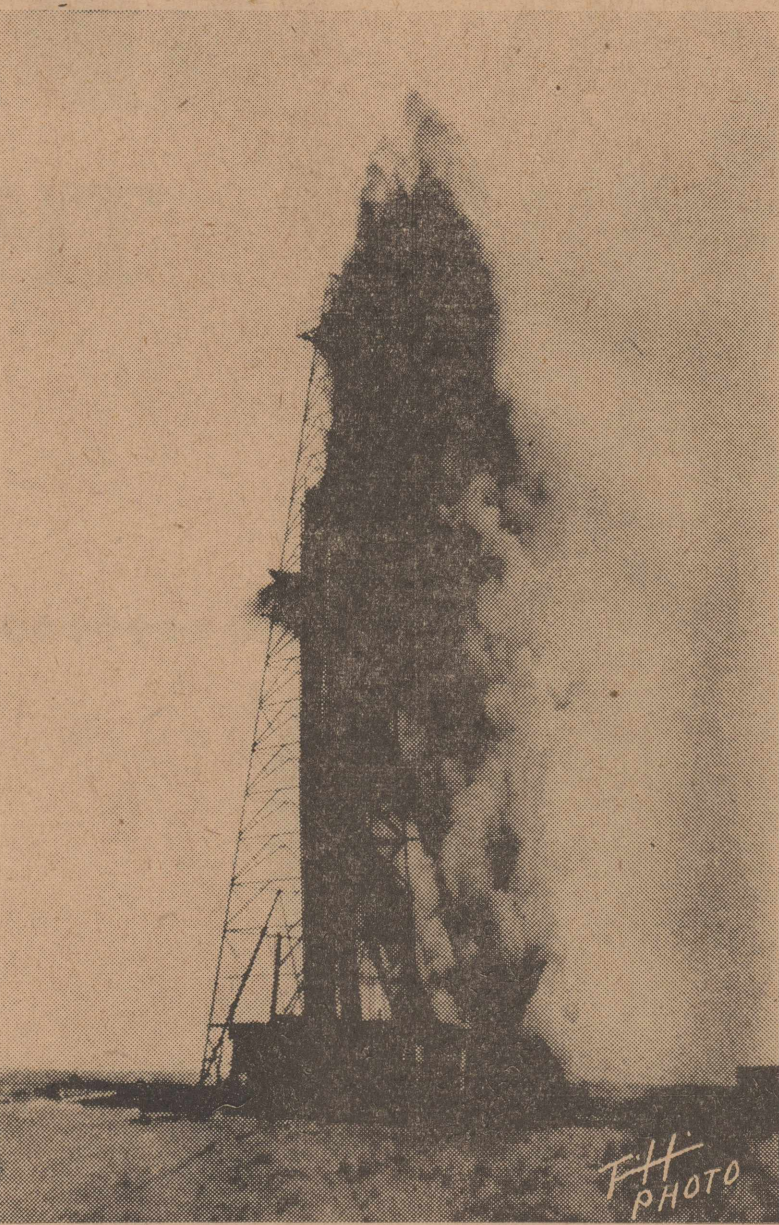
This area is called the Permian Basin, deriving its name from an immense land-locked sea which existed some 350 million years ago.

Oil was first discovered in West Texas in Mitchell County, in 1921, but the real start of West Texas' bid for top ranking among the world's great fields had its inception in 1923.

The largest well ever gauged in the world is in the Yates Field, and is the Ohio Oil Company's No. 30 Ira G. Yates, completed in September 1929 for a flow of 204,681 barrels of crude oil per day.

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'Thar She Blows—Right Over The Crownblock



A familiar scene in West Texas oil fields is a well, such as this one drilled by Shasta Oil Company in Howard County, flowing over the derrick after a severe "bombing" (nitroglycerin shot) of the subterranean producing formations.

grade of crude produced in the Permian Basin, for it has a high octane content, which is an essential source of aviation gasoline.

Proration, or the controlled output of oil, has prevented Permian Basin oil fields from being wasted, and has preserved these vast stores for national defense.

of their capacities, was originated in the Permian Basin, and has since come to be recognized throughout the world as a great factor in oil conservation.

And, as bombardiers from Sloan Field fly over these vast oil fields, they should know, too, that the area is already peopled with fearless "bombardiers" in their own rights.

Woman Dies Of Gunshot Wound

Coroner B. C. Girdley returned the verdict of death by a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the case of Mrs. Josephine Edwards, who died at the Perry Brooks farm 14 miles southeast of Midland Friday morning.

Survivors are her husband, John Henry Edwards, and six children. The Edwards family came to Midland from Tyler, Texas, about six months ago, and has been employed as cotton pickers by Perry Brooks on his farm 14 miles southeast of Midland.

Relatives at Lindale, Texas, were notified of the death, and funeral services are to be held at 3 o'clock Sunday, Ellis Funeral Home has charge of the body.

John King Dies Of Heart Attack

John Elize King, a resident of Midland County for more than forty years, died Saturday of a heart attack at his home two miles south of here.

Born December 29, 1880, he is survived by his wife, one son, Earl, of Austin, three brothers, Charlie and Helen of Goldsmith, and Earnest of Odessa; four sisters, Mrs. Jim Spiller of Voca, Texas, Mrs. George Zimmerman, of Lubbock, and Mrs. Claude Armstrong and Mrs. W. E. Stewart both of Midland.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Church of Christ. Ellis funeral home is in charge of the body.

Beautify Grounds Of 437th Ordnance Area

The 437th Ordnance Company, Capt. Kenneth A. Mack commanding, is the first of the organizations at Sloan Field to commence the improvement and beautification of the area surrounding their barracks.

A stone border has been placed around the Company's grounds and the number of the organization outlined in stone at several points.

DRUGS SALE

PETROLEUM PHARMACY

SPECIALS For SUNDAY MONDAY and TUESDAY

Advertisement for various medicines including ALKA-SELTZER, WITCH HAZEL, MILK OF MAGNESIA, SYRUP OF PEPSIN, CREOMULSION, ASPIRIN, U. S. P., and GLYCERINE.

Precision Plays A Vital Role advertisement featuring a beaker and a hand pouring liquid.

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HAIR OIL... 21c
HAIR TONIC, 4 oz... 14c
SHAMPOO... 49c
SHAVING BOWL... 78c
SHAVE CREAM... 16c

- CIGARETTES... 5c
Carton... 1.53
CIGARS... 6 for 25c, 10c CIGARS, 3 for 25c
\$1.50 Dr. Grabow PIPES \$1.19 3 days only—Cash and Carry

- Old Spice... \$1.50
BODY POWDER... \$1.25
FOAMING BATH... 64c
BODY POWDER... 98c
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TALCUM POWDER... 38c
POWDER PUFFS, 3 for... 6c
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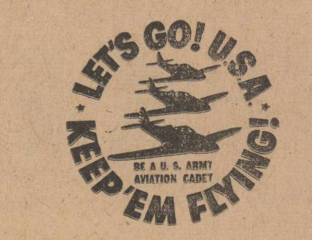
\$5 Griffon MANICURE SETS \$3.29

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