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German Army Retreats

Test Air-Raid Puts Congress On Alert

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The 78th Congress, consecrated to victory at arms for the free people of the United States but divided on home front policy, formally entered upon its duties Wednesday at the stroke of noon.

It was the first Congress in a quarter of a century to convene with the nation at war. And, as if to impress upon the new and old members the gravity of the times, a test air-raid put them on the alert an hour and a half before Vice-President Henry A. Wallace banged the gavel in the Senate and Chief Clerk South Trimble rapped the representatives to order in the house.

The opening followed the traditional pattern of initial sessions of new Congresses.

Unlike openings of the last ten years, however, was the large occupancy of seats by Republicans.

Only One Vacancy

In the House, membership consisted of 208 Republicans, 222 Democrats, two Progressives, one Farmer-Labor and one American-Labor representative. There was one vacancy.

The Senate had 38 Republican members, more than had sat on the minority side in a decade.

All members of the House, those re-elected as well as those starting service, were sworn in, and in the Senate nine new members—seven Republicans and two Democrats—took the oath, as well as those re-elected.

Wants Liaison Committee

Introduction of bills and resolutions started simultaneously with the fall of the gavel, with Senator Wiley (R-Wis.) saying he had ready a resolution calling for the establishment of a liaison committee between the President and Congress.

More than 150 bills were introduced in the House, with major subjects being service men, fiscal reform, poll taxes and lynching.

Long controversies developed during the 77th Congress over anti-

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Gen. Clark Heads New Fifth Army

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark, the tall, 4-year-old American officer who made a daring landing on the hostile shore of North Africa from a submarine for a secret meeting with French officers before the Allied occupation, has been placed in command of the newly activated U. S. Fifth Army, now preparing with its British and French Allies to drive Axis forces from Tunisia.

The announcement that Gen. Clark, formerly deputy commander-in-chief to Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in North Africa, had assumed his command came as most of the long Tunisian front lay quiet in the mud and winter rains.

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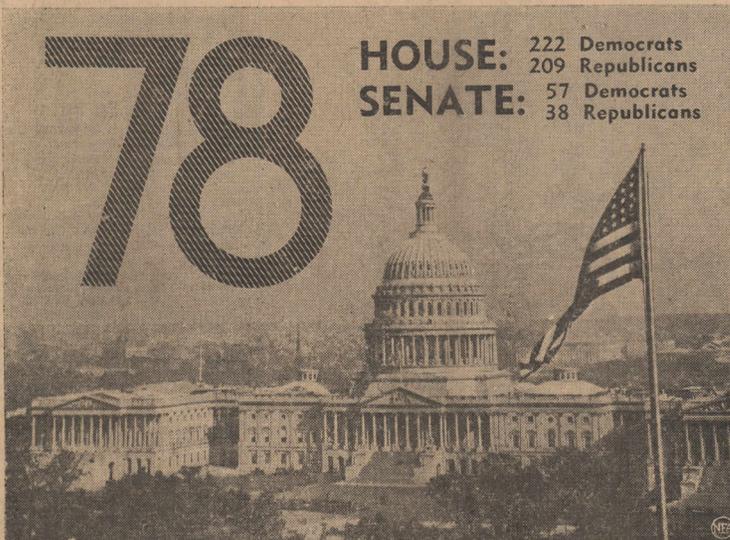
MOSCOW—(AP)—The German army was reported in full retreat in the Caucasus Wednesday blowing up bridges and mining road in a desperate effort to check the surging advance of Russian forces driving hard at its heels.

CAIRO—(AP)—Air Vice-Marshal Wilfred McClaughry, commanding the Royal Air Force in Egypt, was among 11 persons killed Monday in an airplane crash, it was disclosed Wednesday. Lady Tedder, wife of Air Marshal Sir Arthur William Tedder, vice chief of staff of the RAF, was killed in the same crash.

CAIRO—(AP)—Heavy bombers of United States Army's Ninth Air Force pounded the Eastern Tunisian harbor of Sousse again Tuesday in a daylight attack without the loss of a plane, an American communique announced Wednesday.

DAKAR—(AP)—Governor-General Pierre Boisson of French West Africa said he considered an agreement with the Fighting French of Gen. Charles De Gaulle "most desirable," but that the problem should be handled "in its entirety" by Gen. Henri Honore Giraud, high commissioner of French North and West Africa.

ALGIERS—(AP)—An authoritative source said Wednesday that the political complications following the death of Admiral Jean Darlan had made no change in the admiral's pledge to use the French fleet at Dakar with the United States and British Navies and had caused no slackening of Pro-Allied French military effort.



Just three months shy of 154 years since the first Congress met on March 4, 1789, the 78th Congress convened in Washington to cope with some of the greatest problems in the nation's history.

R. W. Gallagher Heads Standard Oil Co. Of N. J.

NEW YORK—(AP)—The Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey) Wednesday installed as president and chief executive officer R. W. Gallagher who succeeds the late W. S. Farish. Gallagher gave up the post of chairman of the board which will not be filled.

Eugene Holman, a vice president and a member of the board, was elected to membership on the executive committee. The new president of the two-billion dollar Standard Company was born in Salamanca, N. Y., in 1881. Last November he was elected chairman, succeeding W. C. Teagle, resigned.

Holman, 47, and native of San Angelo, Texas, joined the Humble Oil Co. in 1919 after service with the U. S. Army in France. He came to New York in 1929 as assistant to Vice President E. J. Salder of Standard Oil Co. (N.J.), later serving as president of the Creole Petroleum Corp. and Lago Petroleum Co. He was elected to the Standard board in 1940 and became a vice president last year.

Anabel Youngblood Dies At Home Here

Miss Anabel Youngblood, 25, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Youngblood, died at the home of her parents, 202 South Marlenfield, at 12:30 a. m. Wednesday. She became ill Christmas Day.

Miss Youngblood was born December 8, 1917 in Midland, and she was graduated from Midland High School. Following her graduation from high school she attended college in San Antonio. At the time of her illness she was office assistant to her parents at Everybody's Store.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Youngblood, and her grandmother, Mrs. Ella Youngblood, and two aunts, Mrs. Guy Cowden and Miss Lois Patterson, all of Midland.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Thursday at the Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Vernon Yearby, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery.

4-H Classification Is Completed Here

All Midland men over 38 years of age and under 45-years have been put in 4-H classification by the Midland County Selective Service Board.

The reclassification work was completed late Tuesday and cards were mailed to all men in the 4-H group. Men over 45-years of age have been put in 4-A classification.

Strikers In Ford Plant Go To Work

DETROIT—(AP)—All war production tasks at the Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Company were returning to normal pace Wednesday with the end of a wildcat strike of maintenance workers.

Bert Gray Dies In Houston Hospital

HOUSTON—(AP)—Bert Gray, president and general manager of the Houston Electric Company, died at a hospital Wednesday after a short illness. He also was president of the Texas Bus Lines, the Galveston Electric Company and the People's Gas Company in Port Arthur.

HOUSE:	222 Democrats
	209 Republicans
SENATE:	57 Democrats
	38 Republicans



All Is Confusion As Congressmen Arrive

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Things may quiet down in Supt. Edward Brown's office on Capitol Hill before the week-end—but Wednesday the joint is jumping.

Brown bosses both the old and new House office buildings—a stone's throw from the Capitol where the new Congress convened Wednesday.

At the moment, some 107 new representatives want in. About the same number may not want out—but there's a lot of things to hold-overs wait to swap offices to get better locations.

The phones ring from 7:30 in the morning until nearly midnight. Moving men move in and out of the buildings. Desks, typewriters, and stenos are being shifted up and down the halls. Of course, the stenos can walk, but the other stuff can't.

Congressmen crowd in Brown's office, wanting to know when office No. so-and-so will be vacant, and how much longer they'll have to wait.

It isn't quite so bad over at the Senate office building where they have only 96 senators and never more than one-third in or out.

WAAC Lieutenant Addresses Lions

The Women's Army Auxiliary Corps has given women of this country a real stake in America and an opportunity to help win the war in an active way, Lt. Virginia Williams of the WAAC told Midland Lions at their meeting in Hotel Scharbauer Wednesday noon.

The WAAC lieutenant was introduced by Joe Mims, Lions president. Lt. Williams said WAAC recruits are coming from all walks of life, and from all types of work. She emphasized the need of women for all branches of the service, and said there isn't a job or classification now held by a woman that the Army doesn't have. She said WAAC's are doing every type of work women are physically able to do. WAAC's, however, will not be sent into combat duty.

She said every WAAC recruit releases from one to three soldiers for combat duty. Many Want Foreign Service "Over 90 per cent of WAAC recruits have asked to be sent overseas," Lt. Williams said. Such duty is optional with the recruit.

Discussing the strenuous training program and work of the WAAC's, Lt. Williams said, "The women of America can take it." She explained the WAAC program and asked club members to serve individually as recruiting agents for WAAC's.

Lt. Raymond Dees of the Army Recruiting Station at Lubbock, listed the Army's reason for starting the WAAC Army, and said 150,000 recruits are needed. The quota for the West Texas area is 600 recruits. Lt. Dees said the 150,000 WAAC recruits will release from (Continued on page two)

Ray Rhodes New Member Gasoline Rationing Board

Ray Rhodes Wednesday became a member of the gasoline panel of the Midland County Rationing Board. He takes the place formerly held by Roscoe Crabbs who resigned recently so he could give more time to business interests in New Mexico.

John Shipley succeeded Crabbs as chairman of the gasoline panel. The other member of the group is L. G. Eberly.

Rhodes, an independent oil operator, has been a resident of Midland more than seven years. As a volunteer worker, he aided the gasoline board in setting up the rationing machinery here.

Anti-Aircraft Fire Principles Will Be Told Bombardiers

The principles of anti-aircraft fire, a topic of vital interest to bombardiers, will be the topic of the graduation address Thursday to Class 43-1 which will receive wings and second-lieutenants commissions at the Midland AAF Bombardier School.

Lieut. Col. Allison F. H. Scott, of the Anti-Aircraft Training Center at El Paso, will discuss with the new bombardiers the principles of "flak" and highlight methods which they may soon be called upon to employ in avoiding enemy fire over Axis targets.

Lieut. Col. Scott will be introduced by Brigadier General Isaiah Davison, commanding the Bombardier College, who also will present commissions to the graduates.

The class is the thirteenth to complete training here and, together with the classes graduating simultaneously at the Big Spring and San Angelo bombardier schools, is the second group to win its wings in what is now the West Texas Bombardier Triangle.

The exercises will be held in the post theatre, beginning at 9 o'clock Thursday morning. Chaplain Theodore Schoech will deliver the invocation and benediction. Lieut. Col. J. K. Brown, Jr., director of training, will award wings. A musical program will be presented by Master Sergeant Thomas Marcell and the AAF Band.

Army Activates Pyote Air Base

PYOTE—(AP)—Army officials gathered here Tuesday in connection with ceremonies activating the Army Air Forces newest base. Maj. Clarence L. Hewitt, Jr., is commanding officer of the base, where pilots, bombardiers, navigators and other specialists will form combat crews.

Texas Winter Wheat Acreage Is Increased

CHICAGO—(AP)—The acreage of winter wheat seeded in the fall of 1942 for harvest in 1943, according to the State Department of Agriculture, is estimated at 3,491,000 acres. This is 2 per cent above the seedings for the 1942 harvest, but is the second smallest acreage sown in Texas since 1929.

Precipitation Here Totals Quarter Inch

Midland in Midland Tuesday night and early Wednesday totaled .25 of an inch. The minimum temperature Wednesday was 34 degrees.

Soldiers Eat Here

Soldiers traveling west with a load of Army trucks stopped in Midland for lunch Wednesday noon. They ate at the Scharbauer Coffee Shop.

Americans Blast New Jap Base

By The Associated Press A United States task force of surface ships has successfully bombed the airfield at Munda, New Georgia Island, 180 miles northwest of Guadalcanal, where the Japanese have been developing an important base, a Navy communique announced Wednesday.

The communique said Japanese bombers tried to intercept the warships but were driven off by four Guruman "Wildcat" Navy fighter planes which shot four into the Pacific and probably destroyed two others. It said the action occurred in the pre-dawn darkness of Tuesday.

Two-Fisted Assault The sea attack was part of a two-fisted assault by Allied forces on Japanese bases menacing the American hold on Guadalcanal. Heavy bombers were credited officially Wednesday with sinking or damaging 10 enemy ships in Rabaul Harbor, New Britain.

In the background of these attacks was an Australian warning that Japan was massing a new war fleet in the Southwest Pacific.

The Navy communique said that B-26 "Marauder" medium bombers followed the warships in another attack on enemy installations at Munda and that Flying Fortresses, heavy B-17 bombers, attacked an enemy cruiser at Buin, on Bougainville Island, but that the results of either attack were observed.

It was the sixth raid in 10 days on the big Japanese base at Rabaul, which lies 600 miles northwest of American-defended Guadalcanal Island in the Solomons, and 800 miles northeast of Cape York, Australia.

United Nations Headquarters said 50,000 tons of shipping suffered under the newest blows of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's far-ranging bombers, with eight vessels left in flames or sinking, a ninth struck by a direct hit with a 1,000-pound bomb, and a tenth probably destroyed.

Only one Allied bomber was lost, while six Japanese planes were shot down out of a flight of two dozen that tried to intercept the attack, it was announced.

Other Allied bombers virtually (Continued on page 2)

House Reelects Speaker Rayburn

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Speaker Rayburn told a cheering House Wednesday that when victory at war is won "this time there must be no stopping until the Russian and Japanese of Berlin, Rome and Tokyo are wiped from the face of the world."

"We must disarm these vandals and keep them disarmed," Rayburn said. He had shortly before been re-elected House speaker as the 78th Congress convened.

He told the house that this nation would be confronted with "world-shaking" problems at the war's end and that the problems of "trade and commerce, peace and civilization must be looked to."

Simultaneously, he pledged that it would be his "unswerving determination" as speaker "to protect the rights, the prerogative and the powers of the house."

Oil Moves Through Big New Pipe Line

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Oil moved Wednesday through the Texas-to-Illinois pipe line while work was underway to repair and complete a section recently washed out by Mississippi flood waters.

Actual delivery of the first oil at the Norris City, Ill. terminal must await completion of the section crossing the Mississippi. Petroleum Administrator Harold L. Ickes said.

"By pumping oil into the lower section of the pipe line while the break is being repaired," Ickes added, "we shall be able to save much of the time lost through damage."

The line-filling operation, he said, would proceed as fast as block gates could be installed ahead of the stream.

Despite delay occasioned by crossing the river, Ickes declared, additional plumbing and pipeline equipment can be installed on sections and first deliveries at Norris City "may still be possible on or about February 1."

At the start the 24-inch pipeline is expected to deliver about 90,000 barrels of oil a day and to carry its capacity load of 300,000 barrels of crude oil daily in March, making possible a net increase of 120,000 barrels daily in East Coast deliveries.

Flood-Tide Of Nazi Disaster Quickened By Russia's Armies

By Roger D. Greene Associated Press War Editor Russia's armies quickened the flood-tide of German disaster in the Caucasus and Middle Don Thursday engulfing at least six vital new cities and towns, and there were indications that a final drive had begun to annihilate the remnants of 22 Nazi divisions trapped before Stalingrad.

Soviet dispatches said the German army was in full retreat in the Caucasus, blowing up bridges and mining roads in a desperate attempt to delay the on-rushing Soviets.

Reuters, British News Agency, estimated that more than half a million of Hitler's finest troops were in headlong withdrawal before the twin Russian offensives in the Caucasus and Middle Don.

Hitler's High Command acknowledged that the Red Armies were pressing the initiative, declaring tersely: "Heavy defensive fighting continued with unabated fury in the Don area."

Win Back Entire Province Dispatches to Red Star, the Russian Army newspaper, reported that the entire Caucasus province of Osetia, lying between Kordzhoumdzhe and Nalchik, had been won back under the Red banner by Soviet troops driving along the west bank of the Terek River.

The Russian drive northward from recaptured Nalchik was described as sweeping ahead on a wide front, overrunning a large number of towns.

Battle In New Sector For the first time, Russian headquarters reported battle in the sector "west of Stalingrad"—a new designation—and announced: "In fighting for a height, our troops occupied several dozen enemy trenches. The enemy left more than 200 dead on the battlefield and prisoners and war material were captured."

It is in the Don-Volga corridor immediately west of Stalingrad that survivors of the German siege army have been locked in a steel ring for several weeks, cut off by the sweep of Col.-Gen. Nikolai F. Vatutin's troops across the Middle Don Steppes toward Rostov.

A series of bulletins from Red Army Headquarters declared the Germans had lost more than 11,000 troops from Dec. 24 to Jan. 4 in the North Caucasus and listed the capture of Nalchik, Frokhladnenski, Kolyarevskaya and Malskoye in the Central Caucasus, along with Tsimlyansk and Morozovskaya in the Middle Don region.

Soviet dispatches said the capture of Nalchik and Frokhladnenski at once eliminated the sharpest dangers to the Grozny oil fields and perhaps started the Germans on a withdrawal toward Rostov, 710 miles to the northwest.

Shock Troops Take City The Russian command said Red Army shock troops swept into Nalchik (Continued on page 2)

British Drive Nazis From Strategic Hills

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—British troops, attacking 15 miles west of Mateur, have driven the enemy from strategic hills and are now mopping up in the first activity on the northern Tunisian front in some time, an official spokesman announced Wednesday.

Mateur is 20 miles southwest of the Tunisian naval base of Bizerte. The attack was supported by RAF Hurricane bombers and fighters, and an RAF spokesman announced that four Nazi Focke-Wulf 190 fighters and one JU-87 dive-bomber were shot down for the loss of one British plane.

Flying Fortresses raiding the enemy port of Sfax were said to have scored hits on or near a cruiser leaving the harbor and to have left the power station in flames.

Farm Mobilization Day Is January 12

AUSTIN—(AP)—Farm mobilization day will be observed in Texas January 12 by a proclamation issued by Gov. Coke Stevenson.

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press RUSSIA—Reds press on. German army of Caucasus reported in full retreat. AFRICA—Crack British troops oust Nazis from hill stronghold near Mateur. PACIFIC—Allied air activity harries Japs over wide area.

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And the Lord said unto Satan, From when comest thou? And Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.—Job 2:2.

How Many Shall We Need?

The most recent official forecast is that 6,000,000 workers must be added to the nation's labor force during 1943. This was made by Otto S. Beyer of the War Manpower Commission, publicly, and is presumed to be a considered statement.

Almost simultaneously the Office of War Information presented manpower estimates, as of the end of 1943 or early 1944, like this:

Armed forces	9,700,000
War industry	20,000,000
Civilian industry	19,600,000
Year-round farm work	7,900,000
Miscellaneous occupations	6,000,000

Total 63,200,000
This indicates the addition of some 4,000,000 to the armed forces which, with 6,000,000 new industrial employees, would call for finding 10,000,000 men and women during the next twelve-month.

Competent economists raise the question whether these figures are not exaggerated. Among others is A. W. Zelomek of the International Statistical Bureau, writing in the conservative and usually informed Bulletin of the National Association of Purchasing Agents.

Using a slightly earlier and less alarming figure of 4,000,000 as the 1943 industrial requirement, Zelomek discusses two angles which give weight to his doubts.

The enormous concentration of shipping required for the North African invasion, he says, emphasizes the problem of utilizing huge armed forces in global combat. Likewise, the reshuffling of the war program to increase emphasis on ships and aircraft, indicates how far we are from solving overseas transportation problems.

On this basis, he wonders whether we shall be able to move men overseas next year at a pace that will warrant adding 4,000,000 men to the armed forces, bringing their total up to almost 10,000,000.

As for industry, Mr. Zelomek points out that expansion in armament production—and that is the only place where expansion is anticipated—has to depend upon available steel and other metals.

With the raw materials available, he questions whether we shall be able to use more than 2,000,000 additional factory workers before the end of 1943.

If he is correct, then by stepping the work day up to 48 hours, transferring workers from non-essential to essential work, reducing absenteeism, and similar labor economies, we may be able almost entirely to avoid forcing millions of women into factory employment.

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Bureaucracy

Premier John Bracken of Manitoba, new leader of the Canadian Progressive Conservative Party, is disturbed about growing bureaucracy in the neighbor dominion. Without passing upon the validity of his worry, here's company for him in misery:

Before the war Canada had 75,000 Dominion government employees. In November there were 120,000, an increase of 60 per cent and a current average of one federal employe to every 100 Canadians.

When the American defense program began we had 1,011,066 executive employes. Now we have approximately 3,000,000, an increase of roundly 200 per cent and a current average of about one federal employe to every 44 Americans.

More than twice the burden, about five times the rate of increase.

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Cost Plus

The House Merchant Marine committee's report on the South Portland (Me.) Shipbuilding Corp.'s financial operations makes interesting reading, particularly for those who always have been suspicious of the cost-plus type of war contract.

The company invested \$250,000 of its owners' capital. Its criticized performance has entitled it only to minimum fees. Thus far the owners already have taken in \$500,000, or twice their investment.

After all penalties have been deducted, when the contract is complete, the committee estimates minimum profits at \$5,040,000, or 20 times the investment.

WAAC Lieutenant

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12 to 14 divisions of soldiers for actual combat duty.

Corporal Horace Simmons of the recruiting station at Odessa also attended the meeting.

Bohannon Gets Award

The Thomas E. Wilson award for outstanding 4-H Club work in Midland County last year was presented to Jerry Bohannon, a student of Midland high school. Jerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bohannon. The presentation was made by County Judge E. H. Barron, who told of the work being done by the winner.

A group of county agents, vocational agricultural teachers and ranchers here to plan a spring livestock show for 4-H and FFA members attended the luncheon as guests of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. The group included B. N. Duff, Judge C. M. Sparkman and Marvin Scott of Garden City; J. H. Martin of Stanton; and George Glass of Midland. They

90% Employes At MAAFBS In 'Share The Ride Group'

Ninety percent of the civilian personnel at the Midland AAF Bombardier School are in the "share the ride group" it was announced Wednesday. Out of a total of 375 civilian employes only 28 do not have, at present, "share the ride" transportation and most of these are working odd hours.

Officials at the Bombardier School expect the remainder to be signed up in transportation groups in another two weeks.

In private industry if as many as 80% of the civilians are participating in group ride plans the program is considered a success, military officials said.

He and Mrs. Mann became the parents of a seven-pound boy at 7:30 a. m. at St. David's hospital. Colombo, the capital of Ceylon, was named for Christopher Columbus.



Test Air-Raid--

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poll tax and anti-lynching legislation. The first session opened on a note of self-assertion, with House Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) reportedly telling a Democratic caucus that congress no longer would yield to "bureaucrats" and that the Congress "must reassert itself."

Expect Bitter Sessions
And while harmony in the Administration party hung in the balance, Republicans likewise blasted at "bureaucrats" and "waste," and called for many changes in wartime government operations—all pointing to rough and possibly bitter days ahead in Washington.

President Roosevelt, in an address that may vie in importance with his message asking war on the Axis, will appear before a joint session of the Senate and House Thursday to report on the state of the union.

Some leaders expect him to deal not only with the progress of the conflict, and domestic problems, but to give some clue to his ideas on the peace to follow, in the writing of which this congress may take a place in world history.

Leaders Center

Congressional leaders were expected to confer with Mr. Roosevelt on the text of his message, and it was understood some would urge him to skip any proposals for social security revision or expansion, contending that such proposals in wartime might cause "an unnecessary fight that might disrupt the entire Congressional program."

Speaker Nomination
In pre-session caucus Tuesday, Sam Rayburn of Texas was nominated by the Democrats for the Speakership, and the Republicans put forward their floor leader, Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts. The bald, soft-spoken, business-like Rayburn appeared certain to retain the chair, as the Democrats still hold 222 House seats to 203 for the Republicans.

The majority reelected John W. McCormack of Massachusetts as its floor leader, Senate Democrats will caucus Thursday and Republicans Friday to choose their leaders. The majority in that chamber is expected to retain Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky and the Republicans, Charles L. McNary, Oregon.

Democrats Seek Unity
Many Democrats hustled to instill unity in their ranks. Some regarded Rayburn's reported remarks about "bureaucrats" as directed to that end. The Speaker was quoted as saying that, unlike the "bureaucrats," Mr. Roosevelt made a practice of consulting congressional leaders on matters of policy. A number of Democrats have been severely critical of various administrative bureaus, some contending that authority had been assumed by too many broad interpretations of congressional acts.

Rayburn's remarks were described by some who heard him as "a declaration of independence" for congress, and notice that the Speaker would prevent legislation being put on his desk by bureau chiefs without prior conferences with the House leadership and the proper committees.

He was quoted as declaring to the caucus: "Department heads may come and go, but Congress will live on long after their departure."

ATTORNEY GENERAL PROVIDES CIGARS

AUSTIN (P)—Attorney General Gerald C. Mann was a few minutes late for work this morning. He had to stop off at the drug store to buy cigars.

He and Mrs. Mann became the parents of a seven-pound boy at 7:30 a. m. at St. David's hospital.

Colombo, the capital of Ceylon, was named for Christopher Columbus.

Senators Demand Progress Reports On Rubber Program

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WASHINGTON (P)—Senators, impatient with headway of the synthetic rubber program, called for new progress reports Wednesday from refineries awarded \$650,000,000 of government funds a year ago to produce butadiene from petroleum.

Chairman Gillette (D-Iowa) of a Senate agriculture subcommittee investigating the rubber outlook said 18 concerns have been asked when they expect to start producing this basic ingredient of the synthetic product.

Gillette said the concerns queried were given government financing with expectation they would produce 900,000 tons of rubber annually.

"We still haven't any definite proof of the success of rubber production from butadiene made from petroleum," Gillette told reporters.

Dr. Walter G. Whitman, assistant director of WPB's chemical branch, testified at Tuesday's hearing that sufficient to meet all synthetic rubber and other war requirements.

German Army--

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chik in a night attack after bitter fighting.

In the Middle Don, the Russians announced the capture of troops or German airborne division, including a regiment commander, and declared that in fighting Tuesday night "our troops occupied several populated places."

Amid these fresh blows to Adolf Hitler's dream of holding his gains through the winter, the Axis position in North Africa grew ever more precarious.

British Attack In Africa
British Commandos, parachute troops and regular soldiers were reported to have executed a swift dawn attack which threw the Germans out of a strategic position in the hills near Materu, 20 miles southwest of the big Axis-held naval base at Bizerte, in Tunisia.

A Reuters (British News Agency) dispatch said the British, striking after an all-night rainstorm, captured the position in three hours against some of the best German forces in Tunisia. The attack apparently took place Monday or Tuesday.

U. S. Fifth Army Formed
At the same time, Allied headquarters in North Africa announced that Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark, 46-year-old hero of a secret rendezvous with French officers before the Allied occupation, had been appointed commander of the newly activated U. S. Fifth Army.

The announcement indicated that the Fifth Army comprised at least two or three divisions, organized as a separate entity to take its place alongside the British First Army and French forces preparing for a showdown in Tunisia.

Bombers Blast Port
On the Italian coast, British Bomber Command announced "nothing to report" from Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British Eighth Army in its pursuit of Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's Africa Corps toward Tripoli.

While the land front remained quiet, presumably still shrouded by whirling sandstorms, the British reported that RAF bombers again blasted the Axis-held port of Soussa, in Tunisia, scoring hits on docks and buildings.

Sanitarian Will Address Geologists

S. E. Burnett, Midland county sanitarian, will address members of the Midland Geological Society at their meeting Thursday noon at Hotel Scharmauer.

Shell Deep--

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251 barrels of oil through 3/4-inch choke on 2-inch tubing the last 24 hours and continued testing. Production is natural and through 70 perforations in 5 1/2-inch casing from 7,930-48 feet, opposite the lower part of the Ellenburger pay zone.

In the southeast portion of the pool, Phillips No. 33 University-Andrews still is swabbing through tubing after perforating casing with 40 shots from 7,913-23 feet. Also headed for the Ellenburger, Phillips No. 20 University-Andrews is drilling at 5,973 feet in lime.

Seeking deep Permian pay in the Embarras section of the area, Phillips No. 28 is drilling lime at 5,225 feet and No. 29 lime at 6-150.

Shell No. 1 W. D. Blue estate, Eastern Winkler County Ordovician wildcat, is drilling at 8,435 feet in chert.

Pecos Wildcats

Continental Oil Company No. 1 J. H. Claybrook, Delaware test 22 miles west by northwest of Fort Stockton in Pecos County, is drilling unchanged at 5,427 feet in Delaware sand topped at 5,268 feet. It is carrying one barrel of salt water per hour from the Delaware black lime section. The well thus far has shown only a little gas in the sand.

North by northwest of Fort Stockton, Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1 Alan Robertson is drilling at 7,595 feet in black shale, chert and lime.

In the southeast central part of Pecos, Phillips No. 1 Ada C. Price has passed 6,563 feet in shale.

An Ordovician wildcat six miles southwest of Imperial in Northern Pecos, Magnolia No. 1-29 H. J. Eaton, still was in Permian as it drilled to 4,554 feet in lime.

Anderson-Priehard Oil Corporation No. 1-A M. I. Masterson, Ordovician wildcat, three miles south of the Apco-Warner Ellenburger pool in Northern Pecos, is drilling at 2,264 feet in lime.

East Basin

Ohio Oil Company No. 1 L. T. Clark, Southeastern Sterling County Ordovician test, is drilling at 6,897 feet in black shale.

Col-Tex Refining Company No. 1 W. N. Reed et al, Northwestern Sterling Ordovician wildcat, resumed drilling at 5,530 feet in lime and shale after changing out draw works.

String of 13-inch surface casing probably will be set Wednesday in John I. Moore and P. D. Moore, both of Midland, No. 1 Amerada-Stockton et al, scheduled 7,500-foot Ordovician wildcat in Western Crockett County. Present depth is 555 feet in red rock.

Wool

BOSTON (P)—(U. S. Dept. Agr)—Sales of good quality mohair were reported in the Boston wool market Wednesday from Texas at prices of 50 cents for adults and 60 to 70 cents for kid hair. A small sale of average 12-months Texas wool was made at a resale price of 43 cents, delivered mill, for a lot of shrinking 63 per cent. Sales of 58 and 60s grade Montevideo spot wool were made at a resale price of 40 cents.

Soldiers Service Club

THURSDAY

Square Dance for all enlisted men at 9 p.m. at the club.

SATURDAY

Ballroom Dance at 9 p.m.

SUNDAY

Vesper service at 5 p.m. followed with a twilight sing-song.

Six Persons Die In Chicago Fire

CHICAGO (P)—Six persons were killed and more than 100 injured in a fire and explosion in a bowling alley on the far south side Tuesday night. Many of the 200 patrons who escaped to the street were blown through doors by the force of the blast.

The sixth body, that of Joseph R. Bingham, 41, was recovered from the ruins Wednesday more than eight hours after the blaze started. Fire Marshal Anthony Mulvaney estimated the damage at \$150,000.

One of the bodies was identified as William Gutrich, 19, son of a policeman who had been reported missing.

In a hospital where 35 victims were taken for treatment, 27 were held all night with at least seven reported in a critical condition.

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spread-eagled the vast arc of Japanese-held islands north of Australia, attacking the New Guinea bases of Lae, Salamaua and Madang; Gastmata airdrome in New Britain; and Timor Island.

Other Aerial Attacks
A United Nations Communiqué also reported aerial attacks on the last-stand Japanese garrison at Sanananda Point, north of Buna, as tank-led American and Australian troops closed in on the enemy along the Papuan Beach in New Guinea.

The widespread Allied attacks followed a statement Tuesday by a high Australian government official, who declined to be identified, warning that the Japanese were gathering the biggest Armada of warships, transports and supply ships yet sent into the South Seas battle theater.

Other far Pacific developments: Burma—U. S. Headquarters reported that a large formation of American heavy bombers attacked the railroad yards at Mandalay, ruined temple city of Burma, and set fires visible for 50 miles.

Hitting the mikado's forces with rising strength, other Allied warplanes bombed or machine-gunned more than 60 river and coastal ships used to transport Japanese troops and supplies in Burma, attacked rail installations at Naba Junction, and pounded the Japanese airdrome at Monywa, 50 miles west of Mandalay.

RAF assaults also fell on Japanese positions west of Rathedaung, 25 miles from the Japanese base at Aykay on the Arch of Bengal, where Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell's British imperials are driving back along the coast from India.

BENITO JUAREZ GETS \$46.78 FOR RED CROSS

The Benito Juarez Association in 1942 obtained \$46.78 for the Red Cross and will continue its fund raising this year to do all it can in the war program.

"Marrying Girl" Sought By Farmer

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.—(P)—Lloyd Back, 26-year-old draft-exempt operator of a "one-horse farm with chickens" way up on Lookout Mountain, has run into a woman-power shortage, so he bashfully asked the News-Free Press to help him find a "marrying" girl between 15 and 30 willing to share his home.

Unsuccessful in his search for a housekeeper, he wanted the paper to run an advertisement for some "good single girl" with whom he could "marry up." The paper undertook the task.

Blushing a bit, Back said he "kinda likes them black-headed ones, not too fat and not too lean. Just kinda plump, I guess." He'd want his wife able to cook a little, willing to help with the chores and not demand too many new hats and dresses.

But, shucks, I'd be willing to take her to see a moving picture once in a while," he added.

His cousin, T. C. Whit of Lookout Mountain, would receive and correspondence, Back said, because he "kinda likes 'em, too." However, he asserted, he wouldn't hold an education against a likely applicant.

Back, who said he was in a draft-exempt classification, explained that he'd been running the farm alone for two years and it was just too much for him. Besides, it's lonesome, he added.

The farmer made a special fifteen-mile trip down the mountain to enlist the paper's aid in his search for that "marrying" girl.

Bombardier College Needs Mechanics Now

More mechanics and apprentice-mechanics are needed immediately at the Midland AAF Bombardier School. R. E. Devine, Civil Service representative, is in Midland to conduct mechanic-learner examinations.

No experience is required of applicants and both men and women, above 16 years of age, may take the examinations at the Midland High School at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Salaries for mechanic-learners start at \$1,080 a year, with time and a half for overtime.

Devine will interview persons with general mechanical experience or training at the post office at 8:30 p. m. Thursday. The age minimum for mechanical jobs is 18 years.

He said several jobs for junior typists also are open at the school and that all positions will be filled immediately.

The Great Salt Lake and Dead Sea are the two bodies of water on earth saltier than the oceans.

GIFTS Indian and Mexican MIDLAND INDIAN STORE 206 W. Texas

Construction Work Starts At MAAFBS For WAAC Buildings

Ground was broken Wednesday at the Midland AAF Bombardier School for barracks to house a complement of WAACs who soon will be stationed at the Bombardier College.

Four buildings involving the gross of \$70,000 are to be constructed in the area immediately in front of the post hospital to provide quarters, mess and recreational facilities for the women soldiers.

Construction work is to be completed by June 21. Frank Shaws Construction Company of Houston is the contractor.

Lt. Hank Greenburg Is Visitor At MAAFBS

First Lieut. Hank Greenburg, formerly outstanding outfielder of the Detroit Tigers of the American League, was a visitor at the Midland AAF Bombardier School Tuesday.

While playing with the Tigers, Greenburg was voted the most valuable player award in the American League in 1933. During that season, he hit 59 home runs, one short of Babe Ruth's record and batted better than a 360 clip.

Greenburg was a member of the armed forces before the United States' entry into the war. He recently completed the Army Air Forces Officer's Candidate School at Miami, Florida.

Production Staff Of Civic Theater To Meet

All persons interested in the building, designing and painting of sets for the Civic Theater's coming production, "Watch on the Rhine," are urged to attend a called meeting of the production staff of Civic Theater at 8 p. m. Thursday at the Municipal Auditorium.

Persons who are not dramatically inclined will have this opportunity to do Civic Theater work.

High tide at new and full moon is called spring tide; that at the first and third quarter, neap tide.

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SOCIETY

'Suspension Movement' In Hats Brings Back Old-Fashioned Hatpin



Styles come and styles go, but a sweeping brim is always graceful. The spring, 1943, millinery inspiration is of Sally blue felt, flanged and gathered by a felt drawing, which ties at the back. The flat, open crown is also gathered, and there are tiny forget-me-nots on the hatpins.

"Ringing the bell" for spring might be the idea behind the gay bonnet pictured above, which features an unusual, hollow brim of natural straw and black velvet rings, through which a veil is drawn. A huge candy pink bow provides contrast and color. It's a Walter Florell original, copies of which will be available in low price ranges. At right is a millinery fashion inspiration from an admiral's hat. It's of envy green felt, with the crown tucked and cuffed and is worn with two outside hatpins of green felt, one of which can just be seen, at the back.

Mrs. Ben Black Is Elected Regent Of Lt. William Brewer Chapter Of DAR

Mrs. Ben Black was elected 1943 regent of the Lt. William Brewer Chapter of D. A. R. at a meeting of the chapter Tuesday at the home of Mrs. J. A. Haley, 423 West Wall. Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, Mrs. Ben Smith and Mrs. J. D. Robinson were hostesses.

Coming Events

THURSDAY
Red Cross workroom in the Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock.

Red Cross Surgical Dressings room on the third floor of the courthouse will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock and from 1 until 4 o'clock.

Delta Dek Club will meet at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Don Albers, 306 1-2 West Ohio.

Midland County Museum will be open from 2:30 until 5 o'clock.

The Dos Mesas Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. with Mrs. H. W. Anderson, 201 Ridgea Drive.

Grace Lutheran Parish workers will meet at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. G. Synatschek at her home south of Midland.

Mrs. R. C. Crabb and Mrs. L. G. Lewis will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

Red Cross Home Nursing class will meet from 7 until 9 p. m. at the Midland High School.

Friendly Builders Class of the First Methodist Church will meet at 3:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Pat Barber, 1004 West Michigan, for a party.

FRIDAY
Red Cross Surgical Dressings room on the third floor of the courthouse will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock and from 1 until 4 o'clock.

Red Cross workroom in the Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock.

Belmont Bible Class will meet at 4 p.m. at the educational building of the First Baptist Church.

Children's Service League will meet at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Walter Collins, 609 West Kansas.

Mrs. Walter Jarrett and Mrs. Ross Williams will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

Miss Jean Bain's Canteen Class will meet from 9:15 until 11:15 a. m. in the assembly room of the courthouse.

SATURDAY
The Robyn Music Club will meet at 10 o'clock at the Watson School of Music.

Midland County Museum will be open from 2:30 until 5 p.m.

Treble Cleff Juvenile Music Club will meet at 1 o'clock at the Watson School of Music.

The AAUW will meet at 1 p. m. Saturday at the First Methodist recreational building for general meeting.

Red Cross Notes

There still is time for women who are interested in taking the new Home Nursing Course to register. The class which organized Monday night at the High School under the direction of Mrs. Addison Young, enrolled 10 women.

A class really should be composed of fifteen to twenty women in order for the best work. Other women are urged to join. Those who are not interested in the entire course may come for the phase of work in which they are interested.

Women with small children especially are urged to attend the course as more women with grown-up children have taken the course already.

The class begins at 7 p. m. and lasts until 9 p. m. Mondays and Tuesdays. All women interested are asked to contact Mrs. E. H. Davidson.

Wesley Bible Class Has First 1943 Meet With Mrs. W. A. Black

Mrs. W. A. Black was hostess to the Wesley Bible Class Tuesday at her home, 111 North G, at the class' first meeting of the year.

Mrs. Mary L. Wyatt gave the devotional from John 5, and she read the song, "Abide With Me," as a poem.

Mrs. L. C. Stevenson gave a report on "Approach of Christ Today."

The class will meet Feb. 2 with Mrs. Mary Lou Snodgrass. Refreshments were served to Meses. M. J. Allen, Stevenson, S. H. Gwyn, M. D. Johnson, T. A. Fannin, Snodgrass, Black, Wyatt, and Mollie McCormick.

Pick Cream, Powder To Suit Complexion

By Alicia Hart
NEA Service Staff Writer
Some of the most interesting beauty products accentuated now are cleansers and prettifiers keyed to several different types of skin. You name your skin-type and take your choice.

For dry, sensitive skin, there's an emulsified cleansing cream which lubricates as it cleans. This comes from a house which specializes in beauty aids for young girls. It should interest any woman who has a naturally dry skin that tends to flake and chap at the first winter breeze. The same house has a lighter cold cream cleanser—pink—for smooth normal or slightly oily skin, and still another quick-melt-tending one for the person whose nose tends to the oily side.

The house which features milk in its creams now has a sort of spectrum from which you choose your face powder and rouge color. It suggests that you find a powder a shade or two livelier than your own skin; peach or wheat for a paleface; apricot to invigorate a dull or sallow cast; almond for the skin that flushes frequently. These are displayed in shaker-top vials so you can try the colors on your own hand.

Complexion creams by this maker are keyed to purpose rather than skin type. There's a cleansing milk which removes makeup and serves as the gentlest of mask-treatments. You put it on and let it set a moment, then rinse off with sponge or cloth and clear warm water. An emulsion is used to soften and protect the skin. A richer milk and emollient oil concoction is for overnight use to soften and condition the complexion.

A little of these fine anointers goes quite a distance—and should. Spreading your cream instead of just slapping it on and slathering it on is indicated. Remember, the massaging you do as you spread with your fingertips is beneficial, too.

JAMES LE ROY HARRIS DIES IN CALIFORNIA
SAN MARINO, CALIF.—(P)—The man who directed the railroad transportation of livestock throughout the nation during the First World War, James LeRoy Harris, 80, died at his home here.

He was a railroad shipping official for nearly 50 years. Death came Monday.

We, the Women

By Ruth Millitt

"I was just one of a lot of guys," a sailor on the cruiser San Francisco told a reporter who wanted to know about his part in the battle in which the San Francisco accounted for a Japanese cruiser, crippled a battleship, and sank a destroyer.

That is one of the first lessons a man learns when he goes into any branch of the service—that he is just one of a lot of guys. And it is a lesson that civilians are going to have to learn—and the sooner the better.

Sure, the wife or mother whose husband or son is overseas is lonely and worried—but she is just one of many, so feeling sorry for herself is out. Naturally, the Jones would like to visit their parents who live clear across the country. But they are one family of many to whom a trip, though not essential, seems important. They won't make it if they realize fully that their need is no worse than that of the other fellow—and that they can't all travel when they want to.

You're Not The Only One
The rationing of one particular article may seem especially hard on an individual. It won't seem so hard if he quits thinking of himself as a particular individual and remembers he is "just one of a lot of guys."

Such pleas as "Don't make long distance calls unless they are essential" may not seem to apply directly to you. It is so easy to think, "Just this one call won't matter and it will be so good to hear a friend or relative's voice." It isn't, easy to reason that way when you realize that if that is your way of reasoning—it is probably the way thousands of people are thinking.

Remember the young sailor's attitude when you are tempted to kick about a blanket ruling or when you are ready to ignore a government request.

Your need is no greater than the next person's. You aren't just an individual any more—not when there is a war on. You are "just one of a lot of guys."

Personals

Togo Julian left Wednesday for Sheppard Field, Texas where he will be stationed.

Miss Bobbie Morris returned to Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene Wednesday after spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Morris.

Pvt. Bill Orson of Midland has been transferred to the Army radio school at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis., from Midland AAF Bombardier School.

Civil Air Patrol Search For Bomber
WENDOVER, UTAH—(P)—A Civil Air Patrol unit from Reno, Nev., aided Army planes and ground crews Wednesday in a methodical search of the wastelands along the Utah-Nevada border for a missing Army bomber.

The big craft, carrying four officers and six enlisted men, has been unreported since it left its base here last Saturday.

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Convenes At Hotel Scharbauer

Beta Sigma Phi sorority met Tuesday night in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer.

Those taking part in the discussion on "Beauty" included Mrs. J. H. Fine, Mrs. Ralph Guyer, Miss Filma Ruth Holman, Mrs. M. D. Johnson, Jr., Mrs. S. R. McKinney, Jr., and Miss Dorothy Newberry. Others attending were Mrs. Frances Stallworth, Mrs. Riley Parr, Mrs. J. B. Bain, Mrs. A. L. Hallman, Jr., Mrs. Cecil Waldrep, Miss Faye Powers, Miss Nita Gothard, Miss Lee Johnson, Mrs. John Porter, Miss Dorothy Hamilton, Miss Ruth Smith, Miss Janice Watts, Miss Eleanor Wood, Mrs. T. H. Stringer and Miss Maedele Roberts.

Miss Greebon Weds Pvt. C. D. Johnson

Miss Rees Greebon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Greebon of Millersville, Texas, and Pvt. C. D. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Johnson of Emerald, Wisconsin, were married January 1 at the First Methodist Church. The double ring ceremony was read by the Rev. W. Carl Clement.

Miss Brittle Neill and Sgt. Dale Oliphant were the couple's attendants.

The bride wore a blue dress with a white gardenia corsage. For something borrowed she wore a pearl necklace, and for something old she wore a ring.

Mrs. Johnson is a graduate of Millersville High School and also of San Angelo Business College. At present she is employed with the Shell Oil Company here.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Emerald High School and now is stationed at the Midland AAF Bombardier School.

The couple will reside at 407 West Illinois here.

Little Ones Count When Food Ration Goes Into Effect

By Ann France Wilson
NEA Service Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON—There is a lot to be said for having a baby in the family these days. Take fuel oil rationing, for example. If your child is under four you can get an extra allowance of oil. And that, of course, means that Papa and Mama will be a lot more comfortable, too.

But here's the best yet. As you probably know, baby is entitled to a No. 2 ration book to be used for canned goods. And that means that if Mama is clever and ambitious, she can use a little elbow grease, strain the baby's food, and save baby's ration coupon for anything she likes in the canned-food line.

Her grocer may look at her a little quizzically when she buys canned shoestring potatoes on a 3-months-older's ration book. Or, if she ambles off with a can of concentrated Italian sauce, he may wonder whether that's just the thing to feed a new-born.

But, he won't mummur a word. He got his ration coupon, didn't he?

Ration Books

There's no official announcement yet, but OPA is hinting at Feb. 5 as being the possible "freeze" date on which you'll go to your local ration board and apply for Ration Book No. 2. And that will be the day you'll declare your supplies on hand. You'll be asked how many ounces of canned fruits and vegetables you have in your pantry, and—if you're stocked up—how many you have in your cellar and attic.

You won't be asked to figure out what your stocks amount to in point value, but OPA ration-board officials will convert the figures for you. Then from February 5 to Feb. 15 there'll be a complete freeze on sales of canned goods. During that period storekeepers will be busy placing point values next to prices of canned goods.

On Monday, Feb. 15—Monday's always a good day to start a program of this kind—you'll be down at the grocer's, battling away with your coupons and figuring how to make them go farther.

Your ingenuity as a housekeeper is going to be taxed, sister—but plenty.

MIND Your MANNERS

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. If you move to another city is it thoughtful to write at least one letter to neighbors who were kind to you before you left?
 2. Do you have to wait until you have a lot of news before writing a letter to a friend?
 3. Is "There really isn't any news" a good way to begin a letter?
 4. Should letters to family and friends strike a cheerful note?
 5. Is answering letters promptly a good habit?
- What would you do if—
You haven't heard from a good friend in months and he owes you a letter—
(a) Write to him?
(b) Don't write so long as he owes you a letter?
- Answers**
1. Yes.
 2. No.
 3. No. It is a very dull beginning.
 4. Yes.
 5. Yes.
- Better "What Would You Do" solution—(a).

Doubly Useful



HERE are a couple of handsome wardrobe doublers for your clothes conservation campaign. Each of the jackets can double up with skirts you already have and, likewise, each of these skirts plus one of your odd jackets will give you an extra suit outfit. The two-piece jersey outfit at left combines a bright blazer-striped jacket with a skirt in subdued diagonal pattern. Quite Chinese in feeling is the outfit at right, of quilted rayon jacket with skirt of sharply contrasting color. The smart jacket can go stylishly with dinner slacks or a simple dinner dress.

Bridge Party Fetes PasTime Club At Home Of Mrs. Bert Cole

Members of the PasTime Club were entertained with a bridge party Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Bert Cole, 504 Holmesley.

A green, yellow and rose color scheme was used in the candies, nuts and refreshments. Decorations also carried out the color scheme.

High score went to Mrs. Ray Trammell, a guest. Mrs. Ted Dykes won second, and Mrs. J. Wayne Campbell won bingo.

Refreshments were served to Meses. David Stamper, Larry Logsdon, W. I. Hobbs, Dykes, Trammell, Bert Cole, Campbell and Paul Cole.

Irish season. Harry the Horse's signal-calling and performances at guard played a big part in Notre Dame's success following a shaky start. The versatile Long Island lad called plays as a blocking quarterback in 1941.

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By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority
Mrs. Olga J. Hilliard, one of the newly crowned national women's team-of-four champions, is a well-known figure in tournament bridge. Back in 1931, when the national contract mixed pair championship was inaugurated, Mrs. Hilliard donated the trophy which is awarded annually for this event. She retired from tournament bridge for several years, but started to play again

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Double	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♣	Pass	Pass	Double

Opening—♦ A.

a little over a year ago and won several important championships since. Now she has topped it off with the national title.

It is often said that when Mrs. Hilliard doubles, you stay doubled as she demonstrates in the hand shown today. After taking the ace of diamonds, Mrs. Hilliard (East) shifted to a heart. Her partner won with the king and led the queen of diamonds. North ruffed with the deuce of clubs. A second heart put West back in to cash the jack of diamonds. Then a fourth diamond was led and the king of clubs was bound to make. The declarer was set four tricks.

Soldiers Become Congo Experts In Puerto Rico

SAN JUAN, P. R.—(AP)—When Uncle Sam's soldiers and sailors on guard in Puerto Rico came back, they'll be ballroom exponents of inter-American friendship, able to pass along the intricacies of rumba, conga, the guacha and the danza.

And the dark-eyed puertorriqueñas back in San Juan will be beating it out eight to a bar and hep to scrub-downs with a boogie beat. In return for weekly lessons in Latin-American steps to the troops and sailors at San Juan's USO center, pretty Puerto Ricans are getting lessons in jitterbugging.

INFORMATION, PLEASE

PORTLAND, ORE.—(AP)—A mother telephoned a Portland draft board.

"My son has artistic ability," she said. "I think he would make an excellent draftsman. Can you tell me how I should get him enrolled for training?"

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Chain Letters Help Sell U. S. War Bonds

LARAMIE, WYO.—(AP)—The chain letter fad has been revived in Laramie to sell war bonds. A joint committee of Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions club members originated the idea during a drive to sell sufficient bonds to buy a bomber.

The letter urged the receiver to purchase immediately sufficient stamps to fill any books he might have on hand and then turn in the books on war bonds.

One Man Totals 20 Tons Of Scrap Iron

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A farmer of Liverpool, N. Y., who has been hoarding his stock of obsolete and discarded farm machines for the past 40 years, has warmed up to the scrap drive. He has donated two heavy tractors, four passenger cars, two threshing machines, mowing machines, hay loaders, plows, and other odds and ends totaling more than 20 tons of scrap, according to WPB salvage officials.

The present division of the world into five climatic zones was established in 640 B.C.

Come To Dinner But You Bring Coffee

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Coffee is becoming so precious that it has barter value in some parts of the country, according to the Office of War Information. In Louisiana recently a pound of it was offered as first prize for the largest first-

day catch in the opening of the annual muskrat trapping season. In Oklahoma City formal invitations to a society dinner asks guests to bring a tablespoon of coffee each.

FUNNY BUSINESS



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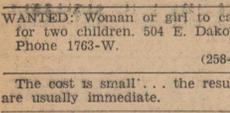
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Brazil May Be New
Source For Rubber

RIO DE JANEIRO—(AP)—Need of
the United States for rubber has led
to research in the field of an elas-
tic producing plant growing wild
and hitherto virtually untouched
in Brazil—the mangabeira.

Elastic extracts from this shrub-
by tree do not substitute for rub-
ber in all its qualities, emphasizes
Ladario de Carvalho, chief of the
rubber service in the National
Technological Institute, but its
properties make the mangabeira
product useful in manufacture of
many articles where rubber or
rubber substitutes now are used.

The mangabeira, a plant ranging
from six to 12 feet in height, grows
wild and in abundance in the states
of Piaui, Goiaz, Bahai, Minas Ger-
ais and Sao Paulo. Its location is
far more strategic than real Bra-
zilian rubber, from a standpoint of
harvest and shipment, for the man-
gabeira grows within easy distances
of railroads or ports while the rub-
ber is far in the depths of the Ama-
zon Valley.

Real Brazilian rubber shows high
resistance to traction, while the
mangabeira extract is more elastic
but less resistant, according to Car-
valho. Tests showed an average of
12 per cent resin and 14 per cent
loss in washing, which is regarded
as favorable.

Whole exploitation of mangabeira
is now being studied.

Oil Of Gas And
Oil Companies Up

BATON ROUGE, LA.—(AP)—Prop-
erty owned by gas and oil pipelne
companies in Louisiana increased
\$5,193,663 in value in 1942 over the
preceding year, said a report issued
by the State Tax Commission.

Approximately \$5,000,000 of this
total represented new construction.
The remainder was due to increas-
ed assessment or other factors.

One of the largest projects was
the 100 mile line of 14 inch pipe
from Monroe to Logansport, com-
pleted the latter part of 1941 and
entered on the tax rolls in 1942. It
was assessed at about \$1,500,000.

Economy At Home
Will Win War

CHICAGO—(AP)—Clarence Hav-
erty, President of the National Ret-
ail Furniture Association, citing
certain wartime conditions which
he said produce "an irresistible in-
flationary tendency," Wednesday
declared that to attain victory the
nation's economy at home must be
regulated.

In his prepared inaugural speech
as 1943 association President Hav-
erty said that "unquestionably there
should be price controls, and
rationing of essentials," but asserted
that "the success of this war

The Gremlins



GREMLINS DON'T USUALLY
STRAY FAR FROM
FLYING FIELDS



I THINK I'LL
FOLLOW THIS
BIRD AND SEE
WHERE HE'S
GOING

BUT THERE'S
ALWAYS ONE GUY
WHO IS NOSIER
— THAN THE REST —
— SO ONE DAY.....

O'Daniel Still Wants
Prohibition For Army

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Senator
O'Daniel (D-Texas) announced
Wednesday his intention to lay be-
fore Congress a proposal to banish
beer and stronger alcoholic drinks
from Army camps, Naval Stations
and surrounding territory.

He told reporters he would intro-
duce in the new Congress a bill
similar to that which died with the
old session after the Senate dem-
onstrated opposition to such partial
prohibition.

His bill, he said, would prohibit
the sale of alcoholic beverages in
the camps and within a radius of
them to be determined by the com-
manding officers. A measure along
the same lines was introduced by
the late Senator Shapard of Tex-
as early in 1941, was reported by
the military affairs committee in
May of that year without recom-
mendation and lay on the calendar
throughout the session.

The Senate did, however, reject
a similar measure offered by for-
mer Senator Josh Lee (D-Okla.) as
an amendment to the Teen-Age
Draft Bill. Opponents contended it
would have been the opening wedge
for a return of prohibition on a
wider scale as in the First World
War. The War and Navy Depart-
ments opposed it, with statements
that they had the situation under
control.

U. S. Navy Doesn't
Trust Jap Compasses

NEW YORK—(AP)—Lt. Cedric
Worth of the Third Naval District
was offered a compass by a civilian
for use in the Navy. Arrangements
were going along until he asked
who made the compass.

The civilian looked closely, looked
shocked, then muttered:
"Good Lord, it's marked 'Made
in Japan.'"
The civilian still has his com-
pass.

Marsh Hares' Will
Go To Eastern States

NEW ORLEANS—(AP)—Louisiana
muskrats, dressed up for the table
as "Marsh Hares," are being con-
centrated here in large quantities
for shipment to Eastern and Mid-
western states as a delicacy to sup-
plant depleted meat stocks.

State Conservation Commissioner
Joseph L. McHugh said one buyer
who uses the pelts for furs, had
17,000 carcasses dressed for market
and frozen in a storage plant ready
for sale and others, too, were buy-
ing from the trappers.

McHugh revealed that a repre-
sentative of a national food dis-
tribution concern with headquar-
ters in New York arrived this week
to negotiate purchases for Eastern
and Midwestern markets.

Louisiana's muskrat catch is
about 6,000,000 annually, which fig-
ured at a pound a carcass, would
provide the equivalent of about
6,000 beaves.

Odd Names Crop Up
In Georgia Records

ATLANTA, GA.—(AP)—The State
Health Department here can pro-
vide unusual names for anybody
who wants to write a novel. Its
vital statistics division reports these
names as listed in its records:
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SERIAL STORY

'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

THE STORY: This is the story
of the "perfect crime"—the mur-
der of Col. Wesley Hope Merri-
wether in the library of his Long
Island estate—and of the events
leading up to it. We have met
the wealthy Colonel's attractive
daughter Cynthia. We know that
Henry Prentiss' injured hand will
keep him out of the day's polo
game, and that another player,
Fred West, is being urged to
marry Cynthia and replenish the
family finances.

REVERIES AND POLO

CHAPTER III
THE only report that came to
Mrs. Porter West of her son's
proposal to Cynthia Merriwether
was in a chance remark that Fred
delivered as he drank coffee with
her after dinner one night.

"By the way," he said, "Cynthia
told me to go climb a tree. But,"
and he smiled a little wryly, "she
said it could be a tree in her own
back yard."

On the whole, this was not too
disturbing to Mrs. Porter West.
She had learned, with men and
with horses, the inestimable art
of patience—and persistence she
did not have to learn because it
was born with her.

"Keep your head," she replied
quietly, "and don't do anything
young or foolish."

Which seemed fertile advice ex-
cept for one element which grew
steadily into the situation. That
element was Henry Prentiss.

Now it should be said at once
that Col. Wesley Hope Merri-
wether and his daughter Cynthia
were not old school. They were
not even, in the strict sense, Long
Island. Six or seven years ago
they had appeared at Gull Point,
and the colonel had bought, for
certain holy quantities of cash
money, the old and altogether
magnificent Stone estate. And
horses once more had filled the
barns. And a preternaturally shy
Cynthia had taken confidence into
herself and had grown slowly
beautiful.

Whence had they come? Well,
no advices were offered from
Stone House, and the times had
changed to affect, permanently no
doubt, the asking of direct ques-
tions upon such a matter. The
essential fact was, alas, that
Colonel Merriwether was a very
rich man. At least he behaved
like one. Not nouveau riche, not
devoted to crude, extravagant dis-
play. Oh, no. But solid, assured,
and in his particularly calm man-
ner altogether opulent.

Did the Hunt (a trifle embar-
rased for funds) wish the hounds
walked for a month? Colonel
Merriwether would undertake the
burden: daily food for the 26
dogs and keep for their hand-
lers. Not too readily. Not too
eagerly.

He would hear the secretary of
the Hunt and the master of fox
hounds explain the situation—
listening most gravely—and then,
after some moments of considera-
tion and in the quietest of tones,
he would say, "I think it would
be a pleasure, gentlemen. I am
always glad to be of such assist-
ance as I may manage."

Did the beagling crowd look
about a little wistfully for some-
body to serve breakfast after the
Sunday morning coursing? Stone
House was gracious in its hospi-
tality, ample with its food, and
positively distinguished with its
Fish House punch, within whose
aromatic bowls the bouquet of
Cliequot '29 was never missing.

WHEN Cynthia grew of an age
to undertake the duties of host-
ess (no Mrs. Merriwether had ever
been seen or even mentioned) the
entertainments within those broad
and enviable rooms, upon the ter-
race, at the pool and the tennis
courts, became more lavish. Evi-
dently, who was anybody felt at
home there, despite the magnifi-
cence, and in a confused and
troubled world Stone House was
a haven of quiet merriment and
all of its atmosphere was of in-
effable security.

There was only one curious
note. The guests at Stone House
were, without exception, the peo-
ple of Gull Point (and their own
week-end or summer guests).
Nobody ever appeared from the
outside world, nobody from that
existence which the Merriwethers
must, perforce, have lived before
their arrival in the community.

It would not be a precise state-
ment to say that Mrs. Porter West
enjoyed the hospitality of Stone
House. Naturally, she was on the
guest list prepared and kept care-
fully to date by Mitchell Grace,
the Colonel's secretary. She even
forewent her native antipathy to
invitations-by-telephone, and in-
variably accepted them. But the
verb "to enjoy" has connotations
peculiar to itself. Mrs. Porter
West was too shrewd a woman to
spend her opportunities in the
vain pleasures of the feeling hour.

And she found out, early indeed,
enough to convince her that here,
despite certain unsatisfactory de-
tails, was the Main Chance—for
her Frederick, and not incidentally
by any means, for herself.

Then the insufferable Henry
Prentiss appeared. Four years
ago, wasn't it? Yes, about four
years. He, too, seemed to come
out of nowhere. Oh, one or two
of the boys remembered playing
polo with him on the coast, at
Midwick and the Uplifters. But
what was that? Hollywood! And
before Hollywood? Who could

know? Probably born in Flat-
bush!

She had addressed her son upon
the subject within a month of
Henry Prentiss' arrival. "By the
way, Frederick—" (duttering of
the newspaper and sudden interest
in some obscure item).

"You were saying something."

"Dear me—what could it have
been—Oh! I was just wondering,
who is your friend Henry Prentiss?
Seems a rough and tumble
sort of chap."

"Hank!" Fred laughed. "Salt
of the earth, Mother. Don't bother.
He'll not contaminate your pre-
cious Gull Point. The man's posi-
tively moral. By-Jee, Mother, the
most moral citizen I ever knew!"

"I don't care for your language,
I asked you a simple question.
Very simple."

"To wit: Who is my friend
Henry Prentiss?—Let us reply,
then. He is a guy from California
who had a six-goal rating there,
good for a three-goal rating in
our own high-class backyard. He
plays a nice game and he's got
top ponies to do it with. He lives
in the Brewer cottage, which he
rented, and as far as I know he
pays his rent—along with his other
bills."

"I never saw him rumble the
check at 21 or the Stork Club or
the St. Regis. He doesn't gossip
and never boasts. He's good com-
pany, and personally, I like him.
But, wait a minute! His necktie!
I knew something was wrong with
the guy. He wears lousy, noisy,
viciously expensive neckties.
Guess I'll have to drop him after
all!"

CYNTHIA gave a shrill cry, jump-
ing to her feet and clapping her
hands. And Mrs. Porter West
swam out of her bitter reveries
and lifted her eyes to the soothing
green carpet of the playing field.
—to the little clump of horsemen
pulling up their mounts at the
mouth of the north goal.

Her son had just scored beauti-
fully from a wide angle, and the
scoreboard told that his Whirl-
winds were leading the Clevers,
5 to 3. Henry Prentiss was enjoy-
ing Cynthia's excitement to the
utmost. He looked with delight at
her pink cheeks, her eyes glowing
with all of her grand vitality, her
small fists beating against each
other—and he laughed aloud,
slapping his thigh.

Mrs. Porter West murmured to
herself, "Gauche individual!" and
kicked the bench in front of her
with her elegant toe, in a manner
of such vigor that it would cer-
tainly have been frowned upon
by any stout-hearted member of
the old school.

(To Be Continued)

Dogs To Guard Army
School At Lubbock

LUBBOCK—(AP)—Man's best
friend will be the enemy's most
vicious enemy at South Plains
Army Flying School.

DOGS are to serve as guards at
SPAFS, "home of the Winged Com-
mandos" where Uncle Sam is
training men in large troop-carry-
ing gliders.

This possibly makes the first such
use of these highly trained animals
in this entire area, which includes
several Southwest and Midwest
states.

Lieut. Nimitz Gets
Award From Father

PEARL HARBOR, T. H.—(AP)—
Lieut. Chester W. Nimitz, Jr., 27, a
submarine officer with the Pacific
Fleet, Wednesday wore a silver star
presented to him by Admiral Ches-
ter W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief
in the Pacific.

The presentation, made Tuesday,
marked the first meeting of father
and son in 3 1/2 years. The admiral
"looks better than when I last saw
him," the younger Nimitz remarked.

During the last of the intervening
years the lieutenant's submarine
has been on the prowl in Japanese-
dominated waters, "sinking or
greatly damaging much enemy
shipping" in the words of the cita-
tion accompanying the medal.

Smith Says "Greedy
Scoundrels" Strike

COLLEGE STATION—(AP)—Lieut.
Gov. John Lee Smith declared
Tuesday night in a talk before the
annual Texas State Grange ban-
quet that "thousands of greedy
scoundrels" go on strike while
American soldiers sacrifice their
lives on the battlefield.

Urging the government to "rat-
ion time and we will have no more
strikes," Smith said:

"Yes, thousands of greedy scoun-
drels walk away from their lathes
and machines for the selfish motive
of more wages, while x x fighting
men put up better defense or es-
cape."

One degree of longitude on the
earth's surface as the equator
measures 69.16 miles.

U. S. SENATOR

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1 Pictured U. S. Senator.

10 Dined.

11 Marked with lines.

12 Male offspring paid (abbr.).

15 Acts of cheating.

18 On account (abbr.).

20 House pet.

22 Era.

23 Royal "Red" Cross (abbr.).

24 Iniquity.

25 Ireland.

27 Finest.

28 Support.

30 Natives of Denmark.

31 Disorder.

32 Age.

33 Relative.

35 Maxim.

38 Petitions.

40 Pattern.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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measures. 3 Funeral.

42 Chief (Sp.). 4 Chief (Sp.).

44 Obtain. 4 Cereal grass.

47 Regret. 5 Powerful.

48 Rubidium explosive.

49 He is an (abbr.). 44 Final aim.

52 Half an em. 5 Inheritor.

53 Courtesy title. 8 Donkey.

55 Cosmetic. 9 Therefore.

56 Boat paddle. 10 Separately.

58 Holland. 13 Clamor.

1 And (Latin). 14 Frozen.

2 Sheltered side 16 Dessert.

17 North Carolina (abbr.).

19 Emmets.

21 Fencing position (pl.).

24 He is U. S. from Oklahoma.

26 Catches.

27 Title of nobility.

29 Female deer.

30 Democrat (abbr.).

33 One who uses 34 Deadens.

36 More exact.

37 Sign.

39 Steal.

42 Check (abbr.).

43 Defy.

44 Final aim.

45 Girl's name.

46 Symbol for tantalum.

49 Mineral rock.

50 She.

Hub McQuillan Is Confident

FORT WORTH—(AP)—It's not new but it's refreshing—the way Hub McQuillan goes about this game of basketball.

Hub came to Texas Christian University as Coach last year. The Horned Frogs were the soft touches of Southwest Conference courts. In three seasons they had won only one game out of 36.

McQuillan took a short cut. He brought in a flock of junior college boys who didn't have to wait a year to become eligible for the varsity. They won six out of twelve conference games.

This year Hub not only has the Frogs in the favorite's spot because of a victory in the Oklahoma City all-college tournament over mighty Arkansas but he violates the well-established precedent of his profession with this statement:

"We'll win it. Yes sir, we'll lose some game but we're gonna win that conference championship."

Why, the guy is even cocky. He admits it.

"The boys are a swell bunch—and how they can pass that ball. Baylor'll probably beat us in the first conference game here Wednesday night—we're too cocky."

Grid Stars Attend Washington's Show

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Sight-seers at the Capitol for the opening of the 78th Congress Wednesday included three young athletes cited by the Washington Touchdown Club as the outstanding non-professional footballers of 1942.

Frank Sinkwich, Bob Dove and Bruce Smith, recipients of the club's highest awards, decided to wind up their Washington stay by taking a look at the nation's lawmakers in action.

All three made a hit with some 700 football enthusiasts at the Touchdown Club's seventh annual banquet Tuesday night. They gave all credit for their successes to their gridiron colleagues and their coaches.

You Won't Feel Very Blue If You See Red

DENVER—(AP)—For a restful room, to get away from war strain, paint your home surroundings red, says Clinton T. Rock of New York, color technician.

"Scientific research has shown that red and warm colors give tired minds and eyes a lift and that bluish tones contribute to mental depression," Rock said at the annual conference of the Rocky Mountain Council of Painting and Decorating Contractors.

In some war plants, he said, entire production rooms, including the machines, have been painted in these "war colors" and this has reduced accidents and boosted production.

Paul Dean Goes To The St. Louis Browns

ST. LOUIS—(AP)—Paul Dean, younger brother of Dizzy Dean, was obtained by the St. Louis Browns Wednesday in a deal that sent Elden Auker, veteran star pitcher, to the Washington Senators.

The Browns obtained some cash as part of the transaction. Auker, only underhand pitcher in baseball, had been the mainstay of their staff for three years. He was with Detroit from 1933 to 1938, with Boston in 1939 and came to the Browns in 1940.

Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press
Wichita U. 42, Emporia State 35
Nebraska 41, Kansas State 32
Texas A&M 68, Sam Houston State 38.

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Calling Dr. Gillespie

Playtime At Malta



Ruins of a Nazi dive bomber make a handy plaything for children of Malta—world's most-bombed spot. Here they cluster around the wing and motor of the plane that only a short time before had been spreading death and destruction on the British island in the Mediterranean.

Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton Jr.
NEW YORK—(AP)—Counselman Billy Rogell's baseball school will operate in Detroit again this summer and that's good news for everyone interested in the future of baseball.

The former Tiger shortstop, who founded and who directs the program, reports it had about 300 teams and 6,000 players last year and that he expects to have about 650 teams in 1943.

"That doesn't mean, of course, that many stars will be turned out, but those kids who get expert instruction in fundamentals will have a lot better chance than sandlotters who have to pick it up by themselves."

No matter what happens to organized baseball during the war, these 14-16 year olds will form a reservoir of major and minor league talent when the game makes a comeback, as it surely will.

Detroit's program will cost \$8,500 this year and a lot of other cities could find worse ways of spending that much dough.

As Rogell says, "It's a swell way to keep the boys out of trouble and at the same time give them a chance to learn something about the best game in the world."

Help Wanted

Wanted: Dermott, Oklahoma football scout who says he rode everything but a horse to get to games on time last fall, says the toughest trip was to the Kansas State-Texas clash.

After hours of riding through the darkness, the bus rolled to a stop. The driver, armed with a frustrated look on his face and asked: "Does anybody here know the way to Austin?"

Cup Chaser

You've heard of golfers who used to go around to all the minor tournaments collecting silverware, but Gerard Bingham, superintendent of the Ocean View Course at Norfolk, Va., is looking for another kind of cup collector.

Over the holidays the metal cups disappeared from nine putting greens. Bingham hasn't been able to locate any one yet, so he's using tomato cans for the holes.

Today's Guest Star

Bob Stedler, Buffalo Evening News: "What does a baseball scout scout these days? Maybe he's studying the old-age pension lists."

Boy Scout Breakfast In Blue Room Of Hotel

Committee chairman of the Midland district of Boy Scouts will be inducted at a breakfast at 7:30 a. m. Thursday in the Blue Room of Hotel Schearbauer.

Scoutmasters, district committeemen, scouters, scout pack leaders, troop committees and others interested in scouting, are invited.

Midland - Odessa BUS LINE SCHEDULE

Leave Midland - Odessa	Leave Airport
5:25 A.M.	6:00 A.M.
5:55 A.M.	6:30 A.M.
6:25 A.M.	7:00 A.M.
6:55 A.M.	7:30 A.M.
7:25 A.M.	8:00 A.M.
7:55 A.M.	8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
9:30 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M.	11:30 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:30 P.M.
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Party Leaders Urge Shelving Of Politics

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Cessation of politics on legislative matters for the duration was the keynote sounded for the 78th Congress convening Wednesday.

In pre-convening statements, Representative Martin of Massachusetts, Republican leader, and Representative McCormack of Massachusetts, Democratic chief, called for "no partisan politics" in the war effort.

The unity pleas of the two leaders were concurred in by members of both parties after caucuses Tuesday but there was sharp disagreement on what matters pertained to the war effort.

The Democrats will seek continuance of the President's lend-lease and reciprocal trade authority, but the Republicans say these are not direct measures and will be opposed.

The Republican leader pledged his party to "help win the war and to buttress the faith of the American people in their government and to restore the prerogatives of Congress."

Whence The Eggs And Butter In First Place

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Eggs are scarce here—and valuable.

Frank Lorenzi, exalted ruler of the Los Angeles Elks Lodge, sold \$20,000 worth of War Bonds last month at club meetings by auctioning off eggs and giving a War Bond to high bidders. He will use butter next.

Where he gets the butter and eggs is Lorenzi's secret.

Midland		G	P	P
Geiger, lf	1	1	3
Behan, rf	1	1	3
Sayer, rf	4	1	9
Norton, c	6	3	15
Morgan, rg	3	0	6
Day, lg	4	1	9
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Hondo		G	P	P
Mahony, lf	5	2	12
Daton, rf	0	0	0
Carter, rf	9	2	20
Maness, rf	0	0	0
Work, c	3	1	7
Harper, c	1	0	2
Smith, rg	1	1	3
Tintman, rg	0	0	0
Jones, lf	0	0	0
Tandell, lg	2	0	4
Grain, lg	0	0	0
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100 Billion Dollar Book Goes To Press

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The most expensively worded book in history—the United States budget which will call for cash spending of more than \$100,000,000,000 in the next fiscal year—went to press Wednesday.

Because it is also on of the biggest and most complicated books published each year, it will not be ready for public reading until Monday, when clerks will read the introduction to both houses of Congress.

Containing about 1,000 pages of fine type, the annual financial blueprint of the federal government will be primarily a bill, tendered by the gods of war, as part of the price of victory.

The direct costs for the Army, Navy, Maritime Commission, lend-lease and similar activities, alone, are about \$100,000,000,000.

Blame Explosion For Death Of Eight Men

DUCKTOWN, TENN.—(AP)—A sudden explosion which stopped an air fan was blamed for the death of eight men in the Tennessee Copper Company's mine here Tuesday.

Mine Superintendent L. N. R. Weaver said a flash explosion of dust and sulphur fumes, apparently caused by a routine detonation of dynamite, stopped the air fan delivering life-sustaining oxygen to the tenth level for almost an hour.

Thomason Heads Texas Delegation

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Representative Ewing Thomason Wednesday assumed the chairmanship of Texas House members for the 78th Congress.

He was chosen by the members all Democrats, to succeed Representative Wright Patman of Texas for the two-year period at a meeting Tuesday. Representative Liberty Beckworth of Gilmer was elected delegation secretary succeeding Representative Gene Worley of Shamrock.

The delegation endorsed Representative Sam Russell of Stephenville for assignment to the important judiciary committee, and Beckworth was recommended for assignment to the influential interstate and foreign commerce committee.

Southland Royalty Bids \$1,106,000 On Dunning Oil Lands

FORT WORTH—High bid of \$1,106,000 was submitted Tuesday afternoon by the Southland Royalty Company of Fort Worth, for the West and East Texas oil properties of the William H. Dunning Jr. Estate after the probate court earlier in the day had rejected an offer of the Buffalo Oil Company, Dallas.

The \$1,106,000 offer of Southland, which also carried a one-sixteenth override on same wildcat holdings south of Seagraves in Gaines County, was submitted by Mrs. Floye Dunning Arnold, administratrix of the estate, late Tuesday as a sale, subject to the approval of the probate court. The case must stand for five days before the court can act.

Largest holdings of the estate are in West Texas, including 25 producers on 1,040 acres in the Goldsmith pool of Ector County. The estate also holds a one-half interest in four wells on 80 acres in the same area.

Included among the producing properties are one well on 40 acres in the Keystone pool of Winkler County, and a one-eighth override on 120 acres in the same area, which has been farmed to the Parker Drilling Company.

In addition to the producing properties, there is scattered wildcat acreage in Gaines, Reagan, Sterling and Terry counties. The Gaines acreage consists of 3,460 acres.

Joe Di Maggio May Enter War Service

SAN FRANCISCO—(AP)—Joe Di Maggio, home from a Reno visit with his estranged wife Dorothy, countered question with question when asked if he was making any plans for the forthcoming baseball season, and in so doing hinted he soon may enter war service.

"How can you make any plans when you are about to be reclassified I-A in the draft?" the New York Yankee baseball star wanted to know.

"Anyhow, the Yankees won't mail out the 1943 baseball contracts until later this month," he said Tuesday night.

Texas Should Give Money For Largest Battleship In Navy

HOUSTON—(AP)—Texas, which has been accused of trying to win the war singlehanded, was told Wednesday it was fitting that the largest state in the union should put up the money to build the largest battleship in the U. S. Navy.

Texas were urged to contribute to build a new battleship Texas to take the place of the ship now bearing that name.

Back of the move is H. Dee Simpson, banker and president of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, who declared Texas should "have the biggest battleship in the fleet named after it."

Junior High P-T.A. Meets New Principal

Miss Tommie Smith's room won the attendance prize at the meeting of the Junior High School PTA Tuesday afternoon.

Sam P. Spears, new principal of the school, was introduced by Mrs. Dana Secor, PTA president.

Sixth grade students, under direction of Miss Jane Ferguson, sang several selections. A social hour followed the business meeting. Twenty-six members of the organization attended the meeting.

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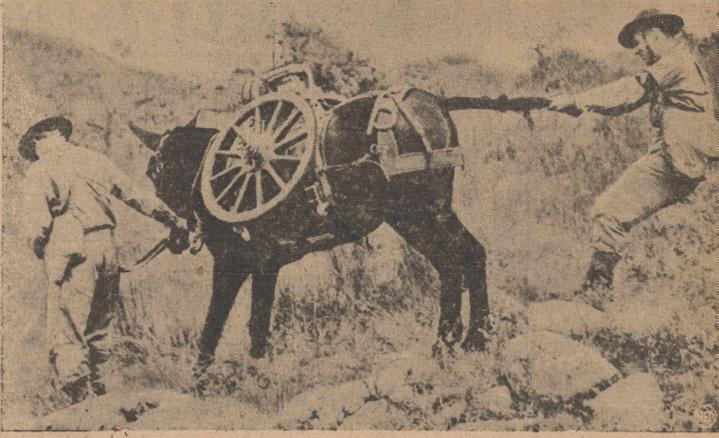
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TCU And Arkansas Are Favorites As Cage Season Opens

By The Associated Press
The Southwest Conference basketball loop formally opens Wednesday with Texas Christian and Arkansas installed as top favorites, but the other teams are strong and could upset the dog.

TCU and Baylor tangle at Fort Worth and Texas takes on Rice at Austin Wednesday night in the initial conference contests.

Dallas will be the scene Friday and Saturday nights of a series between Southern Methodist and Arkansas. Texas Christian plays Texas A. and M. at College Station Saturday night and Texas will go up against Baylor.

Rice tackles the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station at Houston in a non-conference game Saturday night.

Even Baseball Will Stay At Home

CHICAGO—(AP)—Even baseball will stay at home this spring to aid the war effort.

Complying with a recent request by Joseph Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation, to reduce train travel to a minimum, major league clubs decided Tuesday to train in their own backyards or within an area north of the Potomac and east of the Mississippi. The two St. Louis clubs were given the option of a Missouri site.

Eastman is pleased. This action, which Eastman said was "most gratifying" and an "example x x x which I hope and believe there will be many who will follow," was the result of an emergency meeting of club owners called by Commissioner K. M. Landis.

The club owners Tuesday also decided to:

Open the season April 21 instead of April 13 and to close it Oct. 3 instead of Sept. 26.

Retain their 154 game schedule.

Further cooperate with the government and railroads by "selecting the least congested mode of travel during the regular season."

Armstrong Decisions Jimmy McDaniels

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Henry Armstrong, the little negro with the big shoulders, has disposed of California Jimmy McDaniels and immediately started preparations for his next bout, which will be with a surgeon at catchweights.

Armstrong decided McDaniels in a savage 10-rounder at Olympic Auditorium Tuesday night. He had intended to depart almost at once for a Philadelphia scrap with Al Tribiani and a New York date with Beau Jack, but decided to leave his ailing tonsils behind him before braving the frigid clime of the Eastern Seaboard. The time for the operation hasn't been set, but George Moore, Armstrong's manager, indicated it would be soon.

Armstrong, in hammering McDaniels into defeat but not submitting Tuesday night, scored the fourteenth victory in 15 starts in his amazing comeback.

The decision of the referee and two judges was unanimous, and ringsiders figured Armstrong won eight rounds to two for Jimmy.

Another Zivic Family Record Will Be Set

PITTSBURGH—(AP)—Fritzie Zivic, that fightingest of the four fighting Zivic brothers, begins his twelfth year in professional boxing next Tuesday night, cracking another Zivic record, and he confidently expects to have the most active, and lucrative year of them all.

The former welterweight champ, tackles Maylon Ladio, Philadelphia, in the 16th bout of his career.

"And why shouldn't I have a big year?" demands the youngest of the Zivics. "I'm fighting better than I ever did anytime."

"I must have several other bouts lined up and I intend to keep cashing in as many chips as I can while the cashing is good."

Fritzie, who is nearly 29, has three children and plenty of use for any and all ready cash.

The Zivics, with 531 ring struggles, hold the record for any boxing family.

Midland Bulldogs To Meet Lamesa In Game Friday

Midland's Bulldogs will meet the Lamesa High basketball team at the Midland High gymnasium Friday evening for a practice game. Two contests are on the program, assuring basketball fans plenty of action.

B teams of the two schools will clash at 7 p. m., and the A teams will meet at 8 p. m. The games are practice affairs, as plans for the district's basketball program have not been perfected.

The Midland cagers will journey to Lamesa January 15 to play the Golden Tornadoes in their gymnasium.

Coach Gene McColium also announced Wednesday that the Bulldogs have booked a game here January 22 with the Big Spring High cagers and that the Bulldogs will play in Big Spring Jan. 23.

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