



RAF RAIDS BOMBS ON COLOGNE

Knox Reports Major Naval Battle Looms In Solomon Islands Area

Action Now Only 'Feeler'

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A major sea battle involving what may be the largest United States naval force yet to fight the Japanese in the Pacific was indicated Wednesday in a report from Secretary Knox of preliminary skirmishes with an enemy fleet off the Solomon Islands.

The Japanese fleet steamed toward the southeast Solomons last week apparently in a new effort to regain those important South Pacific Islands.

Thus far, the Secretary of the Navy told a press conference, the fighting has been a "process of feeling out on both sides."

Knox described as incorrect any assumption in a Navy communique Tuesday night that a major engagement already is underway. In that communique the Navy reported, "the increased activity on the part of the Japanese indicated a major effort to regain control of the entire Solomons area."

The communique, Knox said, might better have told of the increased activity and added "this could be an indication" of an enemy effort to regain the area.

Japs Seeking Facts
"It is not true," Knox said, "that a great big fight is going on. There are a lot of preliminary dispositions and preliminary moves. But there is no really pitched battle as yet."

He asserted that the Japanese, in making reports of a sea battle in the Solomons area, were "on a fishing expedition," and, replying to inquiries about the extent of the fighting, cited the communique and declared, "You'll have to be satisfied with that."

Knox added that in the Solomons area generally, "there is a long, tough, hard fight ahead of us."

Of Guadalcanal itself, with its all-important Henderson air field, Knox said that "we're in complete possession and control; we completely dominate the Guadalcanal area."

Replying to comments in Australia that he might have been too optimistic, the Secretary said he felt that after personally viewing conditions he was in a better position to judge the situation than "anonymous spokesmen" in Australia.

He told of visiting Guadalcanal and going about a command post in the jungle with General Alexander Patch, commanding Army troops there. From that outpost, Knox said, he saw Japanese defiles in the mountains in which Japanese troops



Diana Alfieri, 56, Italian ambassador to Germany, has been horsewhipped by a wounded German officer who returned from the African front and found his wife in the envoy's arms, a secret German outland radio station reported. —(NEA Telephoto).

Solons Score Draft Ruling

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A War Manpower Commission announcement that family heads employed in non-essential jobs will be drafted into the armed forces unless they shift to essential work gave impetus Wednesday to a congressional move to enact new safeguards for men with children.

The WMC issued lists Tuesday of what it called "non-essential occupations" and served notice on men working in them that they would face immediate induction shortly after April 1 unless they had shifted to essential work, regardless of how many dependents they have.

The "non-deferrable" occupations apply to owners, employers and employees in the jobs and lines of work listed.

Speedy Action Seen
Members of the House Military Committee predicted speedy action on legislation, introduced by Representative Kilday (D-Texas), to prevent the induction of married men with children so long as there are physically fit single men or childless married men in the same state.

Briefly, it would extend the system of filling draft quotas from a local board basis to a statewide basis.

It would also set up deferment priority based on a man's family status, the effect being that all single men in a state would be drafted first, followed by married men without children, married men with one child, and so on.

"This would prevent such inequities as the drafting of a father by one local board while an adjoining board has more than enough eligible single men or married men without children," Kilday said.

Airlines Have Gremlins

NEW YORK — (AP) — Pardon, Madame, but isn't that a Gremlin in your nervous system? It most certainly is, says Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., whose research workers announce that the little fussybuggers who gum up the works for military airmen have come to the civilian aviation industry, aloft and earthbound.

TWA has issued a pamphlet to its thousands of employees on the theory that if you recognize a Gremlin he (or she) can't hurt you.

The researchers have come up with grasping wriggling specimens of Gremlins.

There is, for instance, the Globb, a type of Gremlin that encourage persons to be untidy. A Jerp talks only about himself. A Gabblitt gives false information. A Twarp breathes wisecracks that never come off.

Gremlins (female Gremlins) include the Glammie-Pie, who looks beautiful but thinks beauty covers everything; Buchesses, who are a combination of lofty lady and mud-gutter speech; and Bijits, long-eared and snouted, who poke into other people's business.

Here are a few more: Bloogie—never smiles. Grimglum—sharpens tempers. Gomlette—overdoes everything.

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By Frank Gardner
Oil Editor
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Pinched down to a one-quarter inch choke on tubing, the well flowed 15 barrels of oil on 24-hour potential test, with gas-oil ratio of 1.025-1. It is producing through 260 gun-perforations in 5 1-2-inch casing from 6,200-65 feet. Total depth is 6,300 feet, with cement inside casing drilled out to 6,280. Tubb pay line was acidized with 1,000 gallons.

Phillips No. 28 University-Andrews, one-half mile west of the farthest north producer in the Embar-Tubb pool, is drilling at 6,900 feet in lime and will test the pay horizon of the Embar-Ellenburger pool. It failed in the Tubb horizon, recovering only 45 feet of drilling mud cut with oil and gas when a one-hour drillstem test was run from 6,157 to 6,282 feet. Location is the C SW SE section 19, block 10.

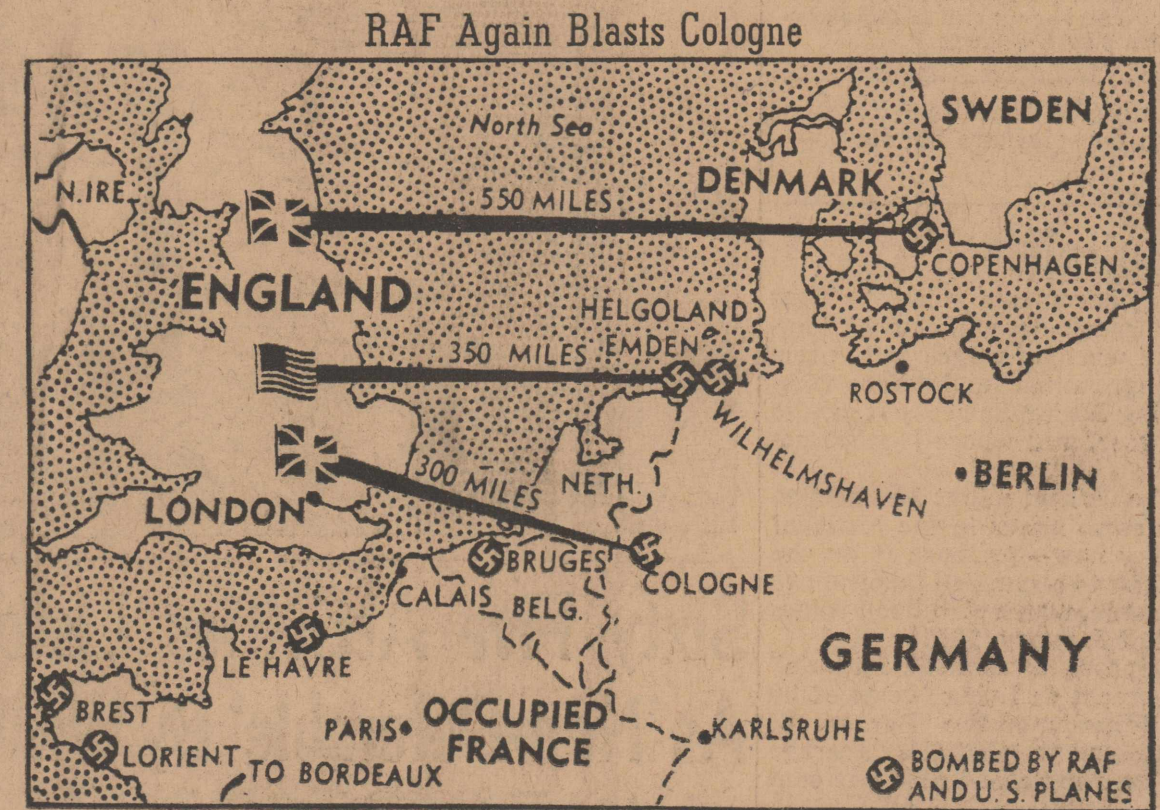
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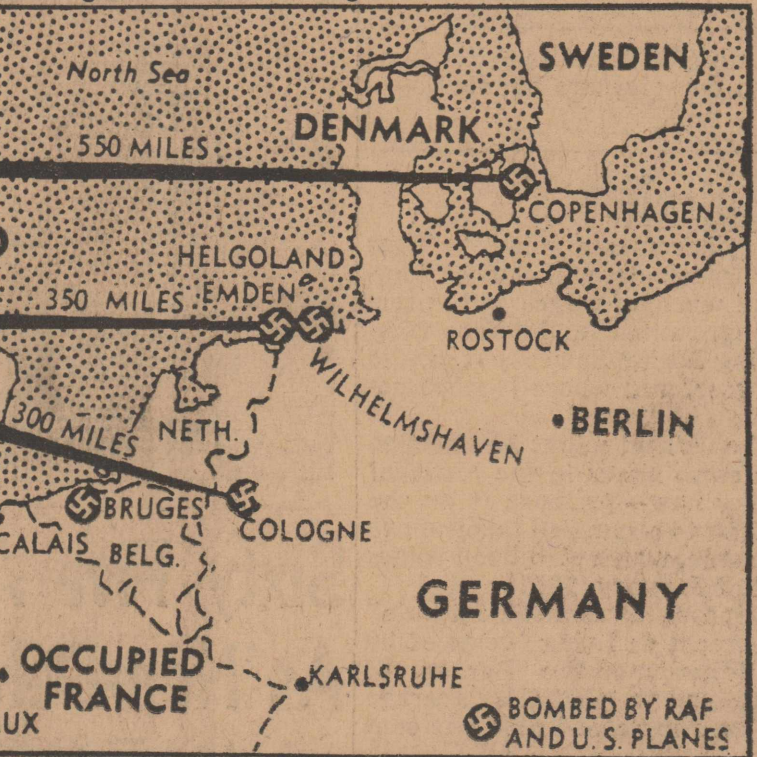
WAR BULLETINS
LONDON — (AP) — Four German Focke-Wulf bombers, flying so low that one scraped a rooftop, raided an inland town in southeast England in daylight Wednesday, flattening many buildings and causing numerous casualties, including some killed.

NEW DELHI, INDIA — (AP) — RAF Blenheim bombers bombed Japanese positions at Rathedaung and three other villages in western Burma Tuesday, a British communique announced Wednesday.

LONDON — (AP) — The destruction of the German Sixth Army in the epic battle for Stalingrad was admitted definitely Wednesday by Hitler's high command in a special communique which said the fight was over and the Sixth Army "has succumbed."

LONDON — (AP) — Red Army troops smashing toward Rostov from the south have dislodged the Germans from three towns after a ferocious engagement, the Russian noon communique as recorded by the Soviet radio monitor here said Wednesday.

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Americans Hold New Positions Near Sened

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA — (AP) — American combat forces were reported Wednesday holding newly-captured positions in the Sened area west of Maknassy where their wedge, if developed, might seriously harass the Tunisian coastal junction of Axis forces.

An Allied spokesman indicated that what appeared at first to have been an American raid on Sened may actually have developed into occupation of advance posts there, perhaps controlling the village itself.

It is along the Gafsa-Mahares rail line 20 miles west of Maknassy, which is only 33 miles from the coastal road which the Axis must hold if Marshal Rommel is to join General Von Arnim in a solid Axis stand.

Capture of Sened was announced in a communique Tuesday, but a spokesman said then that the operation was only a raid and that the Americans withdrew after accomplishing their mission.

Prisoners Taken
A spokesman said Wednesday, however, that the announcement (apparently of the withdrawal) was premature and was based on plans originally to fall back a short distance along the rail line.

He said the Americans captured a number of German prisoners and tanks at Sened.

Wednesday's communique made no further reference to Sened that would modify the earlier announcement of its capture.

The war bulletin reported, however, that two days of attack on strong enemy positions at Faid Pass, north of Maknassy, had been unsuccessful.

British Take Zelten
A spokesman said the action had been broken off temporarily after American armored forces failed to recapture the pass in a fierce attack.

He said the Germans were strongly entrenched on heights dominating the westward approach to the pass, which they captured over the week end in a thrust through French defenses.

Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's Eighth Army column moving along the coastal road of Tripolitania has captured Zelten, some 20 miles from the Tunisian border, and is in contact with Rommel's rear guard in the vicinity of Faida, a hamlet only 12 miles from the frontier, a Cairo communique announced Wednesday.

Stax Is Bombed
The main British column thus is on the verge of pushing into Tunisia for an attack on the southern end of the Axis line in coordination with the strategy of the Allied forces on the other side of the Axis troops in Tunisia.

Allied bombers started large fires and destroyed parked aircraft Tuesday in an attack on airbases at Stax, the Allied headquarters communique said.

In addition it reported 12 enemy aircraft destroyed during daylight operations Tuesday besides two bombers the night before.

"Thirteen of our aircraft are missing," the war bulletin announced.

In the attack on the Stax airbases B-25 Mitchells and B-26 Marauders, escorted by P-38 Lightnings, blew up a munitions dump and lit fires which could be seen for 30 miles.

WEATHER
WEST TEXAS: Slightly cooler.

Nazi City Hard Hit

LONDON — (AP) — A heavy force of RAF Bombers Tuesday night attacked Cologne, Rhineland industrial center, dropping 100 two-ton block-buster bombs on an average of one every 12 seconds or less and scattering thousands of incendiaries in the exploding ruins.

It was the 12th raid on the city which last May was the first German center to feel the weight of a 1,000-plane raid in a single night. The principal targets include the factories which turn out Diesel engines and batteries for submarines, the Humboldt-Deutz Motor Works, and the Mauser arms plants.

The foray was the first against Cologne since last Oct. 15 and the entire load of explosives was dropped in less than 20 minutes.

Five Planes Lost
Five bombers were missing after the raid, an authoritative British announcement said, indicating that a flight of 100 of the RAF's biggest planes made the foray.

"Since the 1000-bomber raid on May 30-31 last year, in which 250 factories were more or less seriously damaged, great efforts have been made to repair as many of these as possible," the statement said.

"The progress of the repairs was interrupted by the raid of October 15-16 and last night's attack should have valuable results in this direction."

Dr. J. M. Devereux Named Army Captain
Dr. J. M. Devereux, Midland physician, has been notified that he has been commissioned a captain in the U. S. Army Medical Corps, and has been ordered to active duty February 22.

He will report to Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Army medical school, for a six weeks' training period, after which he will be assigned to Camp Barkeley.

Dr. Devereux came to Midland in January, 1938, and then moved away for about a year and a half, returning in July, 1941.

Six Men Killed In Army Bomber Crash
CASPER, WYO. — (AP) — A four-motored bomber from the Casper Air base crashed in Northwest Kansas late Tuesday, killing the entire crew of six men aboard, Lieut. Carl A. Swenson, public relations officer, announced Wednesday.

Rationing Of Canned Foods To Be Inaugurated March 1
WASHINGTON — (AP) — The can opener will yield to the cook book after midnight February 20.

From that time until March 1, when rationing starts, there will be no canned fruits or vegetables sold.

Frozen fruits and vegetables, dried fruits (not dried vegetables), and canned soups and canned baby foods also are included in the order, issued yesterday by the Office of Price Administration.

With the armed forces and lend-lease taking, in some categories, half of the can goods put up, the government has ordered rationing to assure everyone a fair share.

Fresh fruits and vegetables will not be rationed, and one of the goals of the program will be to compel people to do more real cooking and less can-opening. Home canning also will be encouraged because such goods will not be counted against ration coupons.

Use Point System
Rationing will be by points, 48 points per person in the month of March, regardless of age or occupation. Because there still will be so many unrationed foods—especially fresh fruits and vegetables—there will be no distinction, as there is in Europe, between persons who do light work and heavy work. Since canned baby foods are also on the list, babies will get the same ration points as their elders. If persons requiring special diets will be able to get them on medical certificates.

Restaurants and other public eating places will be limited on canned goods but under present plans, will not collect ration coupons from their customers—leaving all ration points to be spent for home cooking.

To housewives, one big problem will be that of planning a month ahead. For instance, at 48 points per person, a family of three will have 144 points to spend in March.

Inventories Necessary
Each can, bottle or package on the new ration list will have a "point value"—perhaps 10 points for a medium size can of peas, 7 points for a can of spinach, 8 points for a half-pound package of raisins, etc. These figures are only exam-

ples. The real list of values won't be made public until Feb. 20, to prevent anyone from hoarding the items which will be most expensive in point values.

The first task of all householders will be to inventories their pantries as of midnight February 20.

OPA advised this procedure: empty the cupboards onto a table. Put away the unrationed foods, such as macaroni, olives, canned milk, chili, homecanned goods, etc.

Meat Rationing Next
Then put away the rationed cans or packages which contain less than 8 ounces each. These are mostly small cans of baby food. Then put away five cans or packages for every member of the family, paying no attention to the size or contents of the food. The number of cans or packages left on the table must be reported to the clerk who will issue the ration books during the six days beginning February 22.

The clerk will tear out one 8-point stamp for each one left on the table.

The books will contain both red and blue stamps. The blue ones are for canned goods, the red ones will be used about a month later for meat rationing.

Each stamp will bear both a letter and a number. The letter will indicate when the stamp can be used—A, B and C will be for March. The figures represent point values, and will be in denominations of 1, 2, 5 and 8.

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
AFRICA — American troops hold one Tunisian position wrested from Germans, but fail to oust Nazis at Faid Pass.

RUSSIA — Flushed by Stalingrad victory, Russians plunging ahead on all fronts.

WASHINGTON — Knox tells newsmen reported naval battle in Solomon Islands is not yet on major scale.

Death Claims Judge Davidson Wednesday

BEAUMONT — (AP) — Judge W. H. Davidson, who served on the Fifty-Eighth District Court bench for ten years and who was a candidate for the State Supreme Court four years ago, died early Wednesday.

Judge Davidson lost to Judge Richard Critz in the run-off for the supreme court bench.

Texans Predict Oil Price Raise

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A petroleum industry war council recommendation for a 25-cent-a-barrel increase in the price of crude oil was predicted by two members of the Texas Railroad Commission after a conference with that body Tuesday.

The petroleum council probably will recommend the increase within a few days, Chairman Beauford Jester of the Texas Commission and E. O. Thompson, another Commission member, said.

They pointed out, however, that a price raise would have to be approved by the Office of Price Administration.

Ration Headquarters To Be Closed Thursday

The Midland County Ration Board's headquarters will be closed all day Thursday so all employees can attend the meeting of ration board members from 12 counties in this area in the county courtroom here at 10 a. m. and also attend a meeting of wholesalers and retailers in the district courtroom at 1:30 p. m.

Howard R. Gholson of Lubbock, OPA district director, will attend the sessions, to explain OPA rules and regulations.

The new point rationing system will be explained to members of the ration boards.

All wholesalers and retailers are invited to attend the afternoon session.

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The Stabilization Spiral

"First it's a circle, then it becomes a spiral." Thus Georgia's Representative Ramspeck describes what happens when the lid is taken off wartime wages and price ceilings. And the Georgia congressman might have completed the picture by borrowing Major Bowes' old radio chant: "Round and round it goes, and where it stops nobody knows."

Because it looks as if the wheel might be getting ready to spin—as very likely some heads in the National War Labor Board are spinning now—pressure is on the board to grant increases in wages to organized labor above the so-called "Little Steel" formula, which stabilized wages at 15 per cent above the level of January, 1941.

One labor spokesman proposes a "realistic formula" which would recognize an increase in living costs of 30 per cent since Jan. 1, 1941. Whereupon the Bureau of Statistics counters with the statement that the average earnings of factory workers have increased 52.4 per cent since that date.

Everyone, not excepting the members of Congress, seems to admit that once wage stabilization is gone, price stabilization must go along with it. No one approaches the inflation issue with his eyes closed. On the contrary, many congressmen and the groups they represent seem committed to the policy of "we don't care what happens as long as we are taken care of."

Nor should it be assumed that all responsibility for this devil-may-care attitude belongs to the labor and farm blocs. WLB Chairman Davis has said that 75 per cent of requests for wage and salary raises made to the board are from employers, not unions.

Right now the impending blow-off seems to be confined to a mustering of forces and a good deal of talk, on and off the record. And it's precisely the time for some fast action before the wheel starts spinning out of control. Director of Economic Stabilization Byrnes, whose special job it is to avoid inflation, hasn't played a very prominent role in the brewing drama thus far. Armed with power that the WLB doesn't have, he is the logical person to apply the brakes.

Perhaps the "Little Steel" formula is unsatisfactory and unfair. But if it is, it should be replaced with something more stable and final than the aimless alternate rise of wages and prices which seems to be in the offing. There ought to be a more definite anti-inflationary plan than the bland assumption, by such a conservative as Senator Taft, that a rise of wages and prices would not be alarming if they "were not allowed to get out of hand."

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Some Strange Angles

This Victory garden campaign has some strange angles.

The big idea is to get six million farm gardens and 12 million city and suburban gardens under cultivation. As there are approximately 38 million families in the United States, this means that one family out of every three is supposed to spade up and start planting.

The six million farm gardens figure will fool you. Offhand you might think that every farm had a garden, but it doesn't work that way. It used to be that nearly every farm had a vegetable patch and raised most of what it ate, but in this modern age of automobiles and specialization, many farms have given up raising vegetables altogether and in some areas the farmers are the largest consumers of store foods, consuming more canned goods than city folks. So, the Department of Agriculture's campaign to get a garden dug on every farm is what you might call revolutionary.

Some farmers do now produce as much as three-fourths of all the meats, eggs, milk, vegetables and other groceries consumed on the place. Therefore, the experts figure if they can raise the national farm garden fielding average to the point where farms produce three-fourths of all the food farm families consume, that will be relieving the tightness of the national food situation considerably.

As for the 12 million town and city gardeners—roughly three out of every eight urban dwellers will be expected to raise a bean, a tomato, a radish and several callouses—there aren't any definite goals for quantity. Anything is supposed to be a help. The average adult puts away about a ton of groceries a year. That's a little over five pounds a day, which seems high but is a statistic nevertheless.

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Canada Shows The Way

Canada, which last September adopted a pay-as-you-go plan for personal income tax payment, will develop the plan further this year, "thus carrying to its logical conclusion the approach made . . . to the collection of taxes on a current basis."

That was the statement of Canada's governor general at the opening of a new session of Parliament. And it is a statement worth considering by our Congress.

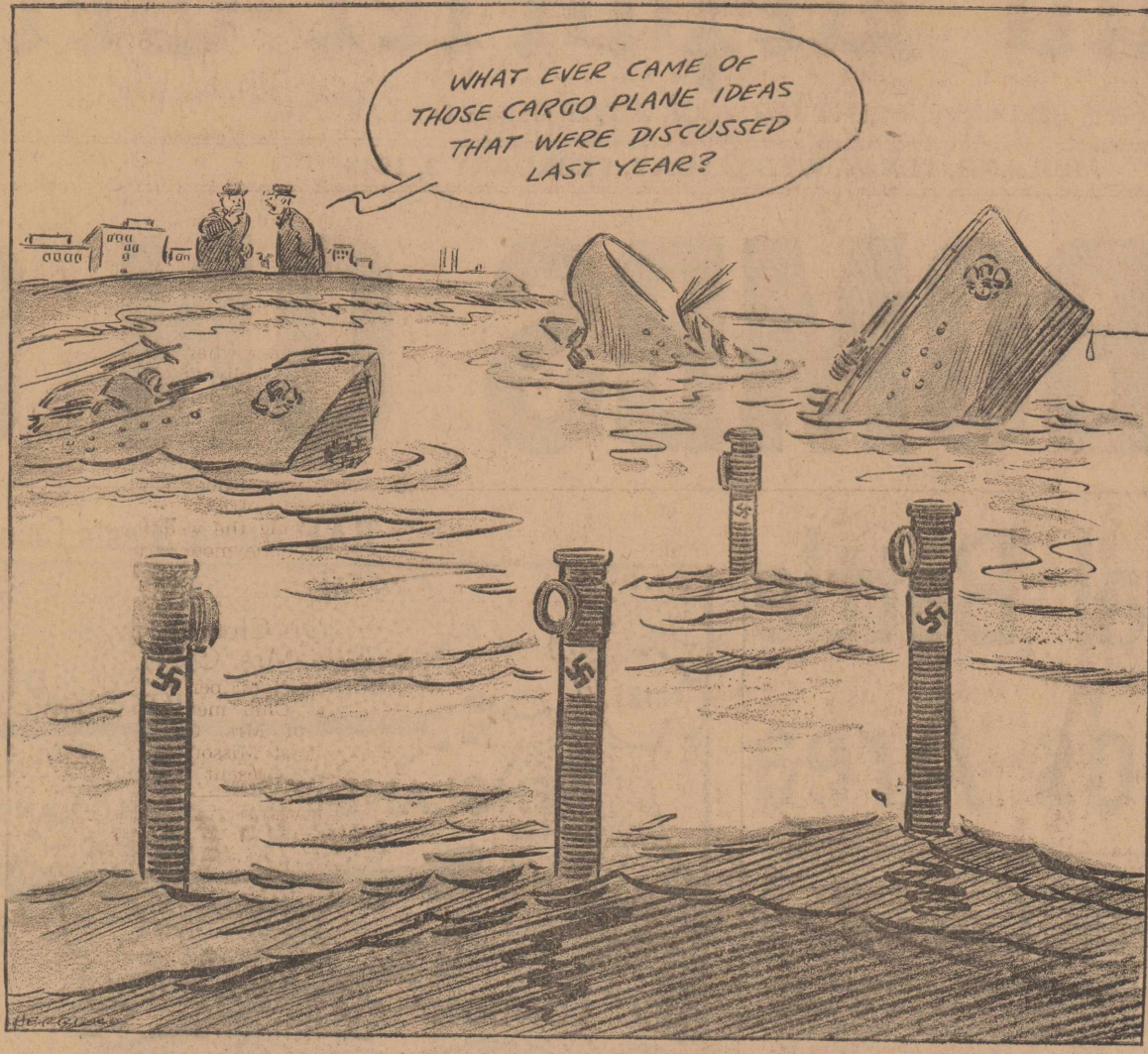
Canada has shown the way in rationing and conservation, and in price, wage and manpower control. She has made all of them work. And her workable pay-as-you-go tax plan deserves looking into.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Confusing Conflict

While Navy Secretary Knox was telling reporters flatly that there is no Japanese naval concentration at Rabaul, General MacArthur's headquarters was announcing the sinking of 50,000 tons of Jap shipping there by our heavy bombers. In about a week, we have sunk perhaps 100,000 tons of Nippine craft at Rabaul.

By The Way—



Sixty-Five Activities Listed As 'Non-Deferable' By WMC

The War Manpower Commission, abandoning its efforts to solve a growing labor shortage in war industries by voluntary measures, issued through its Selective Service Bureau a list of 65 activities and job occupations which are to be "non-deferable" after April 1, regardless of whether the jobholder has children or other dependents.

The list follows:
Manufacturing—Curtains, draperies, and bedspreads; pleating, stitching, tucking, and embroidering; trimmings, stamped art goods, and art needlework; cut, beveled, and etched glass; cutware; glass novelties; Mosaic glass; stained, leaded, ornamented, and decorated glass; jewelers; fixings and materials; jewelry, lapidary work, ornamental gold and silver leaf and foil (non-industrial); silverware and plated ware non-industrial; costume jewelry and novelties; decorative feathers, plumes, and artificial flowers; frames, mirror and picture; greeting cards and picture postcards; jewelry cases; and signs and advertising displays.

Wholesale and retail trade—Antiques; beer, wines, and liquors; custom tailors and furriers; candy, confectionery and nuts; florists, jewelry, novelties, and tobacco. Service—Automobile rental service; dance, music, theatrical and art studios and schools; gambling, interior decorating, night clubs.

Livestock

FORT WORTH — (AP) — Feeder calves are 25 to 50 cents higher for the week. Medium to choice steers and yearlings \$12.50 to \$14.25, with some holding higher. Common steers and yearlings \$9.00 to \$12.00; good beef cows \$10.50 to \$11.50; butcher grades mostly \$9.00 to \$10.00; bulls \$8.50 to \$12.75; butcher grade calves \$9.50 to \$12.50; most good and choice stocker calves \$13.00 to \$14.00; stocker and feeder steers and yearlings \$9.00 to \$13.50.

Butcher hogs were 10 to 15 cents lower, with good to choice 190 to 300-pound offerings topping at \$14.50 and selling down to \$14.75. Good to choice 160 to 185-pound off \$14.10 to \$14.70.

Sheep and lambs were steady with fat lambs from \$14 to \$14.75; few \$15. Fat yearlings \$13.50 down, aged wethers \$8 down, slaughter ewes \$6 to \$8 and feeder lambs \$12 to \$13.50.

Estimated receipts: Cattle 1,500; calves 500; hogs 2,000; sheep 3,200.

The largest ears of corn are grown in the Jalla Valley of Mexico.

Church Of Nazarene Membership Increases

Membership in the Church of the Nazarene increased four per cent in 1942, with total enrollment, including 326 congregations in 12 foreign countries, exceeding 200,000, the Rev. E. M. Hocker, local pastor, said Wednesday. During the year 105 new congregations were formed, he said.

The per capita giving of the 177,000 members of the Church of the Nazarene in the United States increased from \$35.97 in 1941 to \$42.29 in 1942. A total of \$7,554,562 was paid last year by 2,923 congregations, including 122 in Canada and the British Isles, Mr. Hocker said.

Sunday Bible school enrollment during the year totaled 340,440, and

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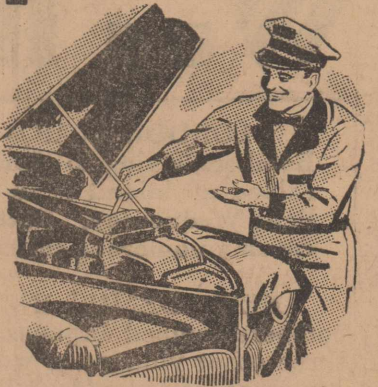
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57,330 members in the Women's Missionary Society and 65,125 members of the Young People's Society were reported. The church now is making plans to send 20 more missionaries to South America, Mr. Hocker said.

REPORTS AT CHILDRESS
CHILDRESS—Private First Class Erchel W. E. Wasson, son of Shelby L. Wasson of Midland, is one of a select group of enlisted men to report at the new AAF Bombardier School near Childress, Texas.

ACE SPY-CHASER DIES
WASHINGTON — (AP) — Frank Burke, 73, retired Secret Service agent and ace spy-chaser on the first World War, died Tuesday night, Burke, 43 years in the service, was police chief of Tampa, Fla., during the Spanish-American War.

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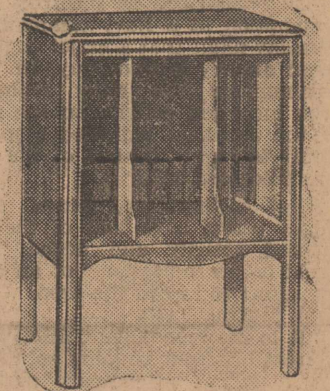
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SOCIETY

FBI Agent James Kennedy Speaks To DAR At First Methodist Church

James Kennedy, Federal Bureau of Investigation agent, spoke on "War Time Functions of the FBI and its relation to National Defense" at the regular monthly meeting of the L. L. William Brewer Chapter of DAR at the First Methodist Church Tuesday.

Kennedy said that regardless of how petty the suspicion may seem people should report it.

Following his address he answered questions from the audience on FBI work.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was given, and Ernest Sidwell led the audience in singing "The Star-Spangled Banner," accompanied by Mrs. George Glass at the piano.

Mrs. Jack Wilkinson, Mrs. L. W. Leggett and Mrs. Glass received guests at the door where each was given a small flag.

At the tea hour Mrs. Wilkinson, and Mrs. Ben Black poured. The table was covered with a cutwork cloth and centered with red, white and blue flowers. Silver service was used.

About 50 guests attended.

Mrs. Tom Nance Entertains With Valentine Party

Members of the Edelweiss Club were entertained at their regular meeting Tuesday with a Valentine party at the home of Mrs. Tom Nance, 202 South G.

Mrs. Ellis Cowden won high score and Mrs. Roy Parks won second high.

House decorations carried out the Valentine motif.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. J. N. Allison, Ellis Cowden, Clyde Cowden, Bob Martin, Hayden Miles, Hal Peck, Roy Parks, J. M. Speed, Mayne Stokes, and the hostess, and two guests, Mrs. Hugh Corrigan and Mrs. W. P. Knight.

Mrs. Cecil Waldrep Reviews Book At Beta Sigma Phi Meeting

Mrs. Cecil Waldrep reviewed the book, "So Your Husband Has Gone To War," by Ethel Gorham at the Beta Sigma Phi sorority meeting Tuesday evening in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer.

Members attending included Mmes. T. H. Stringer, J. H. Fine, Ralph Guyer, S. R. McKinney, Jr., M. D. Johnson, Frances Stallworth, Riley Parr, Buford Bain, A. L. Hallman, Jr., and Cecil Waldrep.

Misses Maedelee Roberts, Ruth Smith, Dorothy Hamilton, Dorothy Newberry, Lee Johnson, Wilma Ruth Holman, Nita Gothard, Faye Powers, and Eleanor Wood.

Episcopalians Open Preaching Mission

The Rev. John A. Winslow of Lubbock Tuesday evening opened the preaching mission at Trinity Episcopal Church. He discussed "Covenant," and the period of instruction concerned baptism. Services will be held at 8 p. m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights in the church.

Mr. Winslow's subject Wednesday night will be "Creed and Code." He is rector of St. Paul's Church, Lubbock. Assisting in the preaching mission is the Rev. Robert J. Snell, rector of Trinity Church.

Abolition Of Parity Urged By O'Daniel

STUTTGART, ARK. (AP)—The abolition of parity as a basis in fixing farm prices was advocated Tuesday night by Senator W. Lee O'Daniel of Texas because he said it was "too confusing."

The Texas Senator, principal speaker at the annual rice farmers banquet for Stuttgart business and professional men, urged the removal of parity prices so that the farmer "may go his own way."

The Chinese utilize wood-carving lavishly in their home architecture.

Wesley Bible Class Has Social, Business Meeting Tuesday

Mrs. M. J. Allen brought the devotional from Matthew and Mrs. Margaret Parr reviewed the book of Exodus at the social and business meeting of the Wesley Bible Class Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mary Lou Shodgrass, 215 1/2 West Tennessee.

Following the program refreshments were served to Mmes. H. M. Reagle, Allen, W. A. Black, Parr, T. A. Fannin, L. C. Stephenson, H. S. Merrell, J. M. Hughs, L. M. Hedges, Velma Stewart, S. H. Gwyn, M. L. Wyatt, Mollie McCormick and the hostess.

'Dear Margaret' Is Reviewed At Session

Thelma Jo Brown gave a review of the first part of the mission book, "Dear Margaret," by Gloria Young and Mrs. H. R. Naseley at the regular meeting of Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary Tuesday at the First Baptist Church.

Thelma Jo also called the meeting to order and Dorothy Shelburne read the minutes of the last session.

Those present included Dorothy Shelburne, Faye Shelburne, Thelma Jo Brown, Barbara Brown and Dorothy Rose Otha.

Woodbine is a name applied in England to the honeysuckle and in America to the Virginia creeper.

Kindergarten Cap-and-Gowners



Six-year-old Sisto Delicate, voted "most likely to succeed" by his kindergarten class in New York City, delivers valedictory address to his fellow graduates.

Coming Events

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

The Delta Dek Club will meet with Mrs. Eric Bucher, 705 West Kansas, at 2:30 p. m.

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

The Stitch and Chatter Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Bessie Boyett at the home of her daughter at 809 North Weatherford.

The Palette Club will meet at 1:30 p. m. at the club studio, 604 North Colorado.

Mrs. Lena Osborn will be the foreign mission study leader at the Presbyterian Auxiliary meeting at 10 a. m. at the church. Prayer service will be in charge of Mrs. M. B. Bell.

The Needlecraft Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. John Dunagan, 1904 West Wall.

Mrs. A. P. Loscamp and Mrs. Fred Wilcox will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

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

Belmont Bible Class will meet at 3:30 p. m. at the educational building of the First Baptist Church. Mrs. J. M. White will review the book of Ruth.

The Glenn Walker Royal Ambassadors of the First Baptist Church will meet at 4 p. m. at the church.

Mrs. A. G. Boman will entertain members of the Friday Needle Club with an all day meeting at her ranch home.

The Children's Service League will meet at 2 p. m. with Mrs. John M. Hills, 904 West Missouri.

Mrs. W. H. Collyns will be in charge of the foreign mission study at the Presbyterian Auxiliary meeting at 10 a. m. at the church. Mrs. W. P. Knight will lead the prayer service.

Mrs. Harvey Conger and Mrs. R. W. Patterson will be hostess at the Soldiers Service Club.

The Althean Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church will have a luncheon at 12:30 p. m. at the church. Mrs. Ralph Barron and Mrs. Elliott Barron will be hostesses.

SATURDAY
A bingo party will be held at 9 p. m. at the Officer's Club at the Midland AAF Bombardier School for officers and wives.

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

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

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

Mrs. H. C. Wheeler and Mrs. Robert Muldrow will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

The American Association of University Women will have luncheon and business session at 1 p. m. at the First Methodist Church.

Police Radio Station Gets Distant Points
Midland's police radio station, KRLE, has contacted a number of distant stations, despite the fact that it is only a 50 watt installation. Radio Operator Don Morris recently talked with police in Idaho Falls, Idaho, and also Rockford, Ill., on police work.

The Wombat is an Australian rodentlike animal all of whose teeth are of continuous growth.

Orders will be taken for RYTEX personal stationery, February 3, 6, 8 and 9, only for delivery this month. The book stall. (AP)

Robert S. Dewey Home Is Scene Of Dessert-Bridge

Using spring flowers in the guest room decorations, Mrs. Robert S. Dewey entertained members of the Tuesday Bridge Club with a dessert-bridge at her home, 1210 West College.

High score was won by Mrs. Charles Canfield and Mrs. Roy Downey, a guest, won second high. Cut prize went to Mrs. M. F. Turner.

Individual Valentines were used at score pads.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. R. L. Blunden, Clifford Cool, O. R. Champion, Dewey, Tom Parker, Turner, Canfield and the guest.

The club will meet February 13 with Mrs. Parker.

'They Need Not Go Away' Is Reviewed

Mrs. W. L. Simmons reviewed the book, "They Need Not Go Away," at the business meeting of all circles of the First Baptist WMU at the church Monday.

Following the business meeting a covered dish luncheon was served. Table decorations carried out the Valentine motif.

At the mission program after the lunch, Mrs. R. O. Collins led the devotional. The Lottie Moon Circle was in charge of the program on "The Christian Witness Across Barriers of Race."

Several vocal numbers were presented by members of the colored Baptist church here. Mrs. S. L. Alexander introduced the Rev. Woodard, pastor of the colored Baptist Church, who presented problems of the negro church in Midland.

Mrs. Tom Carr was in charge of a series of race questions. Mrs. Ernest Neill discussed "Racial Superiority," and Mrs. Alexander, "White and Colored Races." The Jewish race was discussed by Mrs. J. S. Price. Mrs. Ray Blackburn spoke on "Building for the Future."

Rev. Hubert Hopper Addresses P. T. A.

The Rev. Hubert Hopper spoke on "Courage for Crisis" at the Junior High School P. T. A. meeting Tuesday at the school.

Frank Monroe, superintendent of Midland schools, made a brief report on present school problems.

Miss Josephine Harrington was introduced by Sam Spears as a new teacher in Junior High.

Mrs. H. C. Wheeler, chairman, Mrs. J. J. Black and Miss Annie Frank Stout were appointed to the nominating committee for the election of officers.

About 25 persons attended.

Negro Given Donation

James Hawkins, negro, who was burned Monday night, has been given a donation by Midland colored men.

As early as May, 1917, in World War I, there were mutinous outbreaks in the German Navy.

Nation's Output Of War Material Reaches Peak

WASHINGTON (AP)—The nation's production of planes, tanks, guns and other war material hit the highest peak in history during December, climbing 14 per cent above November's mark and five times higher than the output in the month before Pearl Harbor.

WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson, reporting these figures on the basis of dollar value, said the increases included 20 per cent in the production of warplanes and 25 per cent in the output of tanks, artillery and other ground ordnance.

Disclosing actual production figures on planes for the first time since the war began, the War Production Board chief said 5,489 planes were turned over to the armed services and the nation's allies during December, 667 more than in November.

He attributed part of the increase to the year-end drive to "clean up odds and ends in many shops" and predicted that "each increase in monthly production from now on will be harder to obtain."

Farm And Ranch Practices Topic Of USDA Meeting

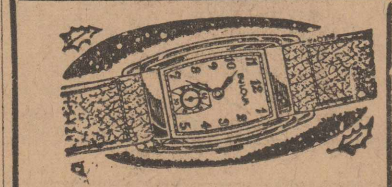
Simple farm and ranch conservation practices to increase yields were discussed and adopted by the Midland County U. S. D. A. War Board at its monthly meeting Tuesday in the courthouse. It recommended application of the practices by farmers and ranchers to aid in increasing food production.

- Practices recommended for ranchers are:
1. Proper rate of stocking.
 2. Deformed grazing.
 3. Rigidly cull and market inferior animals and female stock where they are in excess.
 4. Grass Reserve Needed.
 5. Keeping a grass reserve on the range at all times.
 6. Special care and feeding of cows where turpentine weeds are present.
- Practices recommended for farms are:
1. Contour farming.
 2. Good stubble management (leaving enough crop residues and trash to maintain fertility).
 3. Strip cropping.
 4. Crop rotation.
 5. Terracing where applicable.
- The War Board also studied preliminary instruction concerning RACC loans.

Yachts have been used in Great Britain and Holland since the 17th century.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Talmage, Jr. of Roswell, N. M., announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Vernice Talmage of Midland, to H. L. Wedig of Houston, January 25 in Houston. The single ring ceremony was read at the home of the bridegroom's parents by Justice of Peace Reagan.

The bride has lived in Midland about a year where she is employed with the Skelly Oil Company.

The bridegroom was connected with the Gulf Oil Company in Odessa before entering the Naval Air Forces in March. He now is stationed in Rhode Island as a third class petty officer.

Following the wedding the couple took a honeymoon trip to Galveston.

SoSum Club Meets With Mrs. Chancellor

With eight persons present, the SoSum Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, 1710 West Missouri.

Those present included Mmes.

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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority

This is the third of a series of six articles introducing my 1942 All-American Team.

One of the most popular of the bridge champions of today is Harry J. Fishbein, who is associated with the Mayfair Bridge Club of New York, and whom I have selected for my All-American Team. Fishbein won 184 Master Points during the year. His outstanding achievement was winning the world Masters Individual title. He also won the national mixed pair championship and Eastern States team event. He was second in two national events, the open pair and the team-of-four.

Fishbein is always willing to discuss bridge hands with beginner and expert alike. Here is the hand he gave me as his outstanding hand of 1942. Sitting South, Fishbein won the opening lead and a:

♠ K 10 8 7 5	♥ A 9 4 3
♦ K 10 4	♣ 9 6
♠ 8 7 2	♥ 10 9 4 3
♦ 7 4	♣ 10 6 5 2

Dealer: West

♠ A Q J 6	♥ A 9 4 3
♦ Q J 3	♣ 10 9 4 3
♠ K J 5	♥ 10 6 5 2
♦ 9 8	♣ 10 6 5 2

Duplicate—None vul.

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
2 ♠	Double	Pass	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening—♠ 9. 3

once cashed the ace and king of hearts. Then he ruffed a low spade and started to run the clubs.

West could do no good by ruffing a club, for then he would have to lead a diamond or else set up the king of spades, to which dummy would have a trump entry. Therefore West let all the clubs win. Fishbein discarded all of dummy's diamonds. As West had to bare his spade ace in order to save three diamonds, South now led the six of diamonds, ruffed in dummy, and then ruffed a spade. Now when he led the last trump, West had only the two diamonds left and had to lead into South's tenace.

BARE FEET DIDN'T HELP
PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Arnold College's cagers played the last half of their game with LaSalle Tuesday night without shoes because of a slippery floor. They lost, however, 83 to 48.

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Farmers' Meeting Set For Tuesday

A. H. Jeffries and V. C. Bain of the State Agricultural Adjustment Agency office were principal speakers at a joint meeting of county and community committeemen at the courthouse Tuesday. Plans were made for a meeting of farmers and ranchers next Tuesday, when various phases of the AAA program will be explained.

Jeffries outlined responsibilities of the county and community committeemen in directing efforts of all producers in the county to reach food and fiber production goals. He reviewed Midland County production goals for 1943 and pointed out assistance to be expected from different phases of the AAA program. Bain emphasized the importance

Snappy Remark Gets Driver In Trouble

WILMINGTON, DEL.—(AP)—A motorist who yelled "Get a horse!" to a crowd waiting for a streetcar may have to take his own advice.

One of the group reported the license number to the man's rationing board which ruled he was "cruising" and ordered the surrender of all but one of his current "A" coupons.

CORRESPONDENT WOUNDED
CALCUTTA—(AP)—Walter Briggs, 33, a correspondent for the United Press on the Arakan front in Burma, has been slightly wounded, it was learned Wednesday.

of meeting food production goals and stressed the parts farmers are playing in the war by producing these products.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"Five hundred halves of beef, 600 pounds of pork, 300 pounds of bacon—and a soubone!"

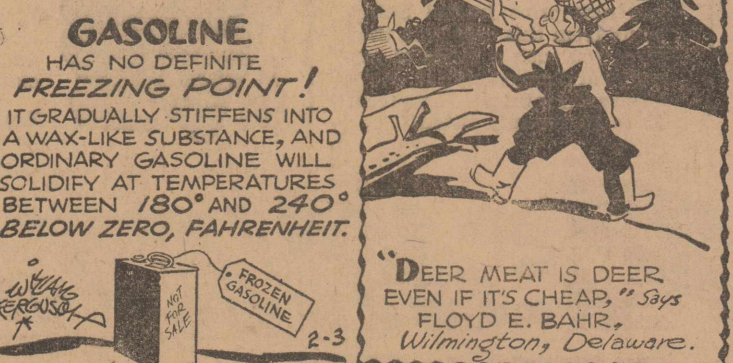
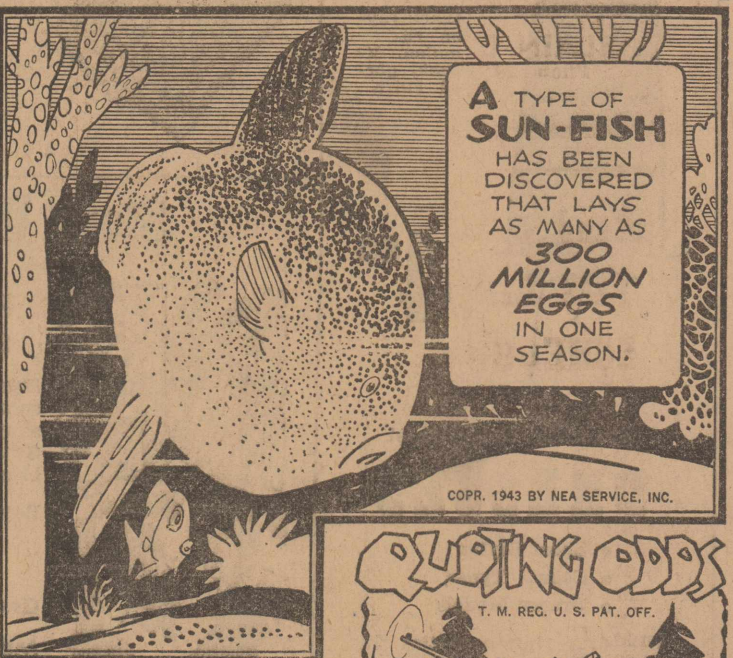
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"Folks in this town didn't take me seriously till I got into the Marines and made a name for myself—the military life sure beats delivering groceries!"

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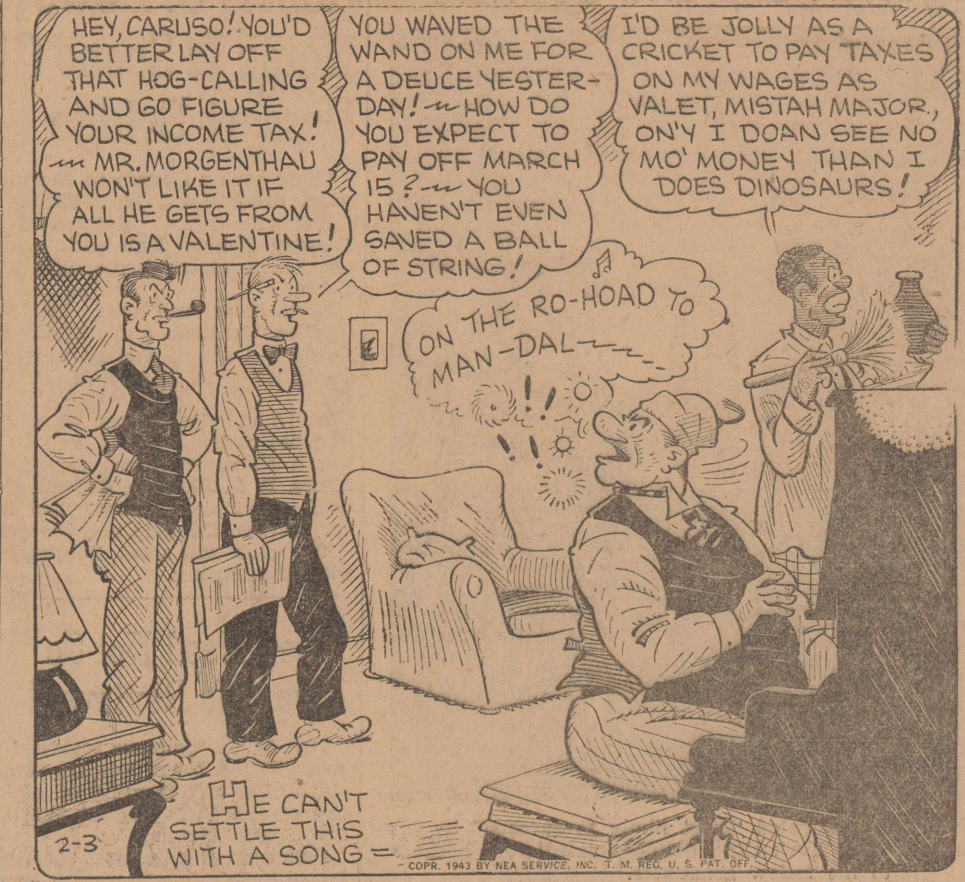
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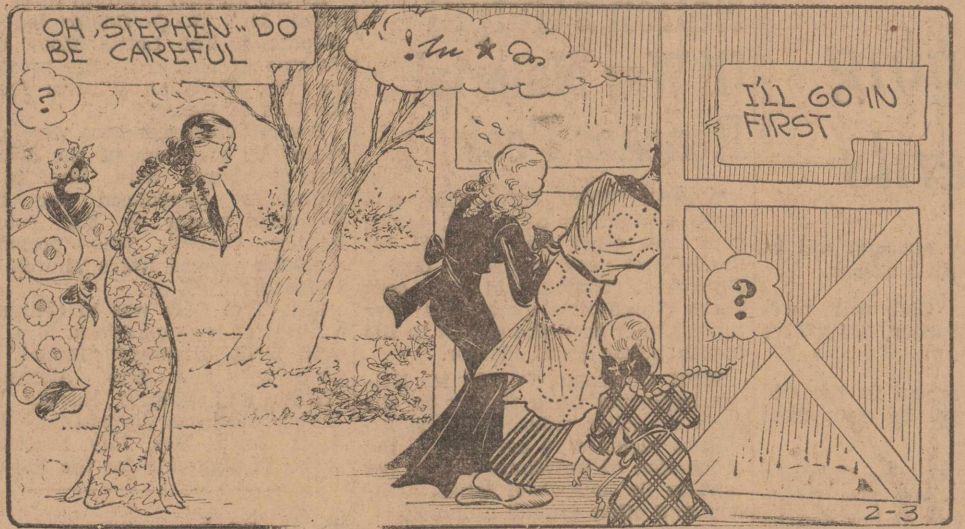
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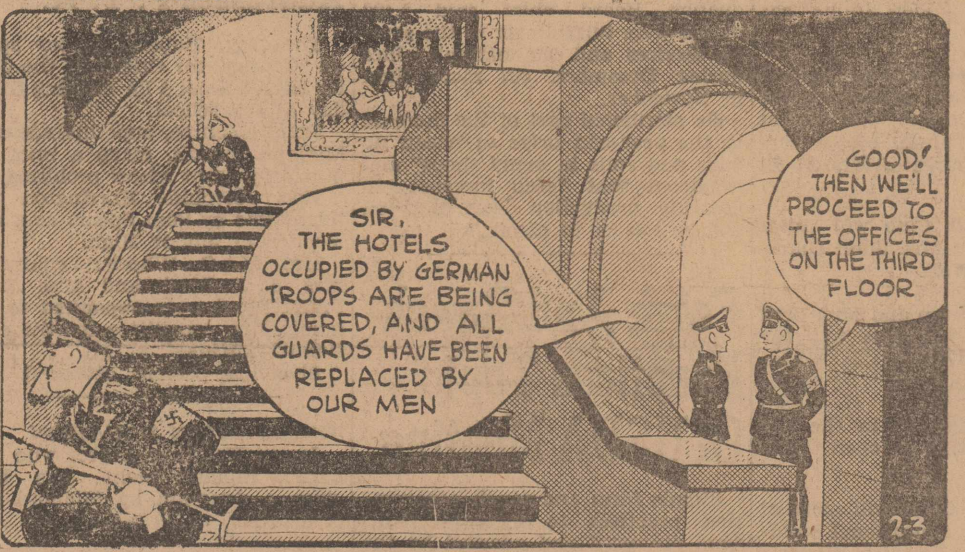
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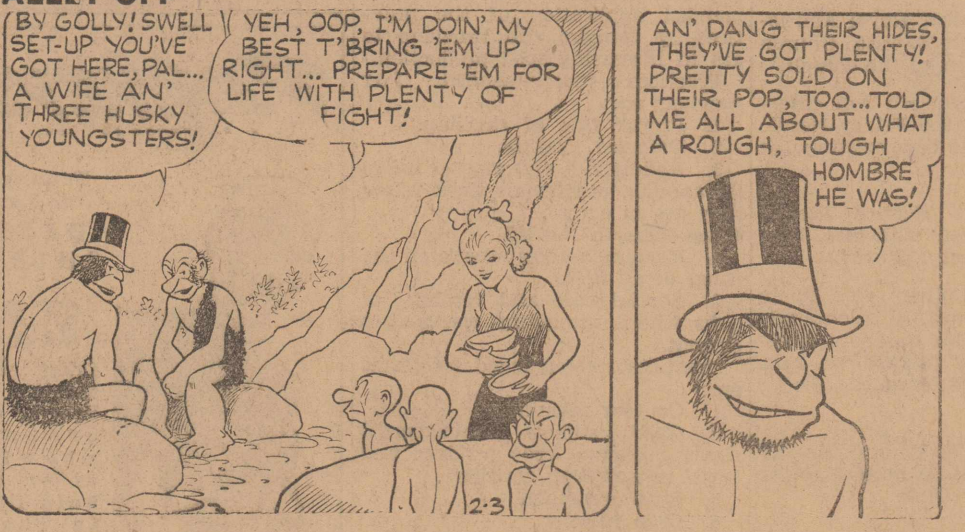
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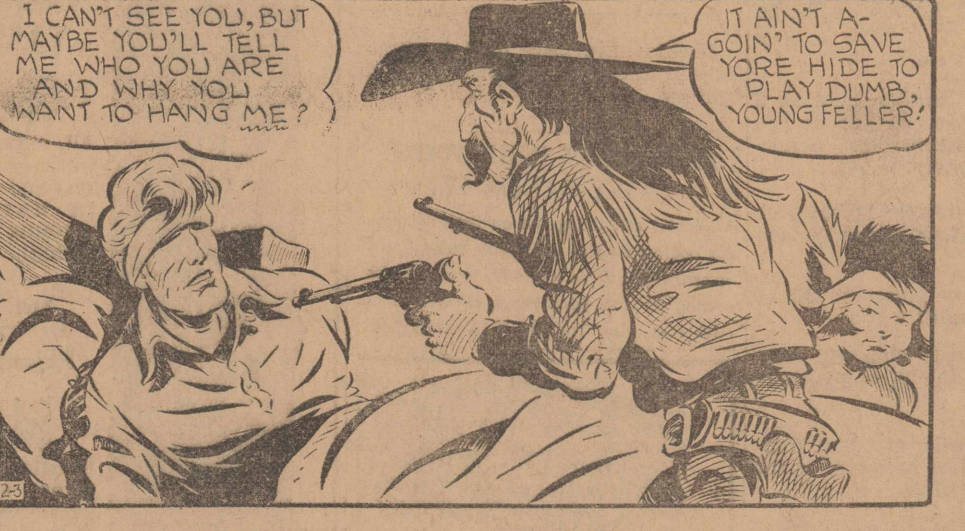
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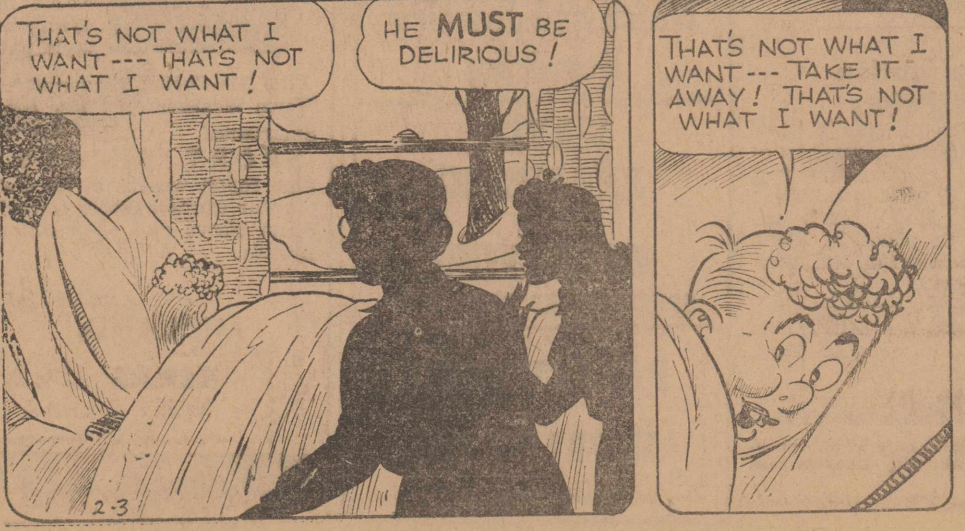
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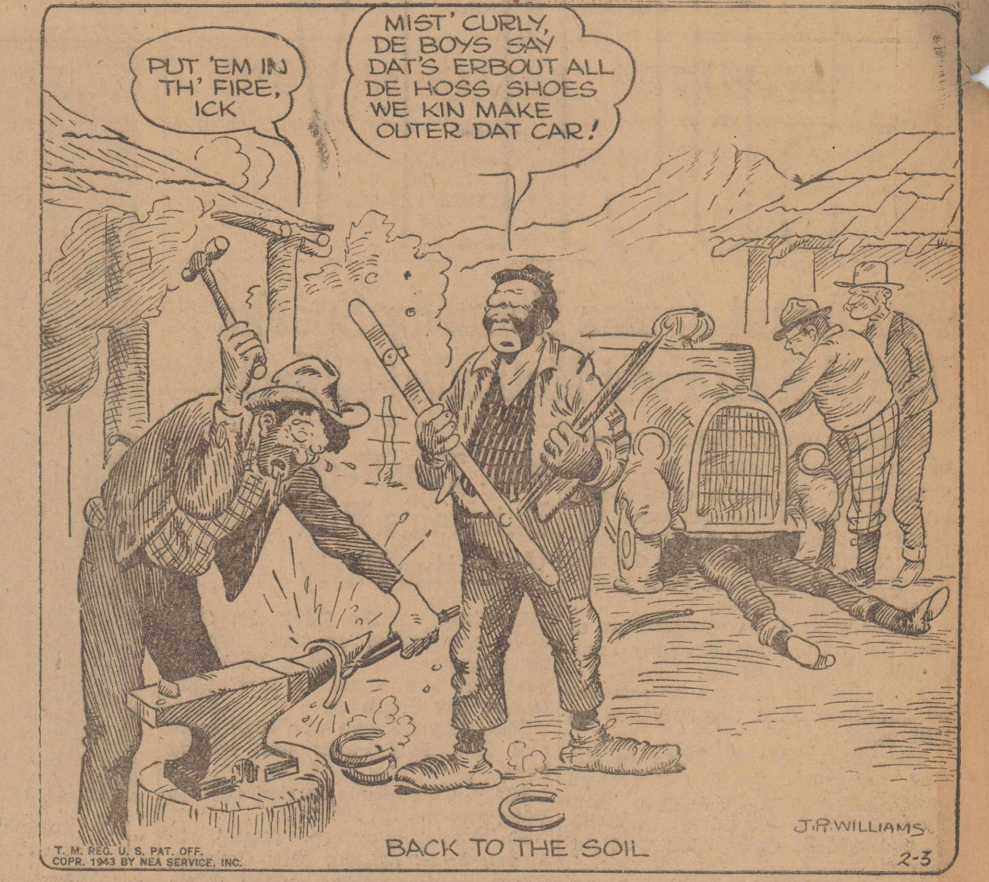
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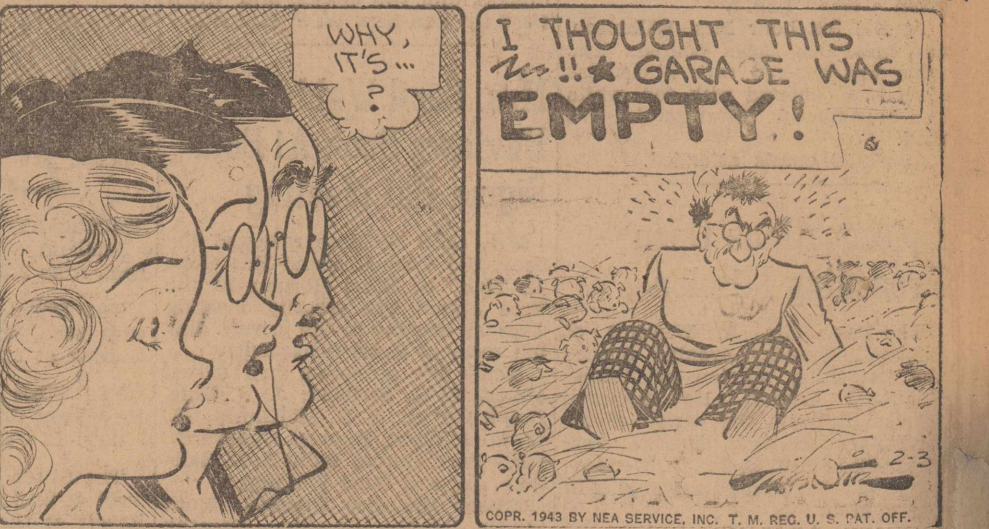
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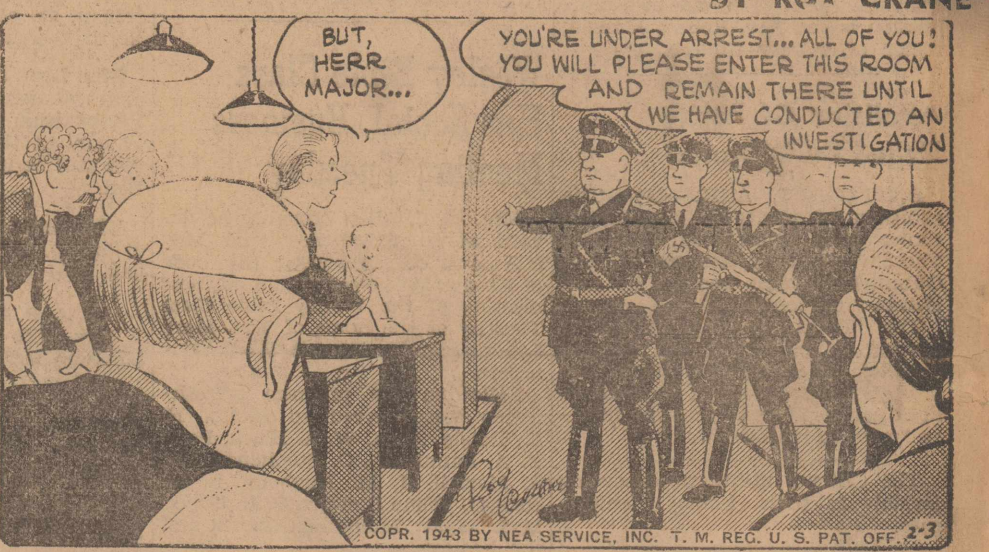
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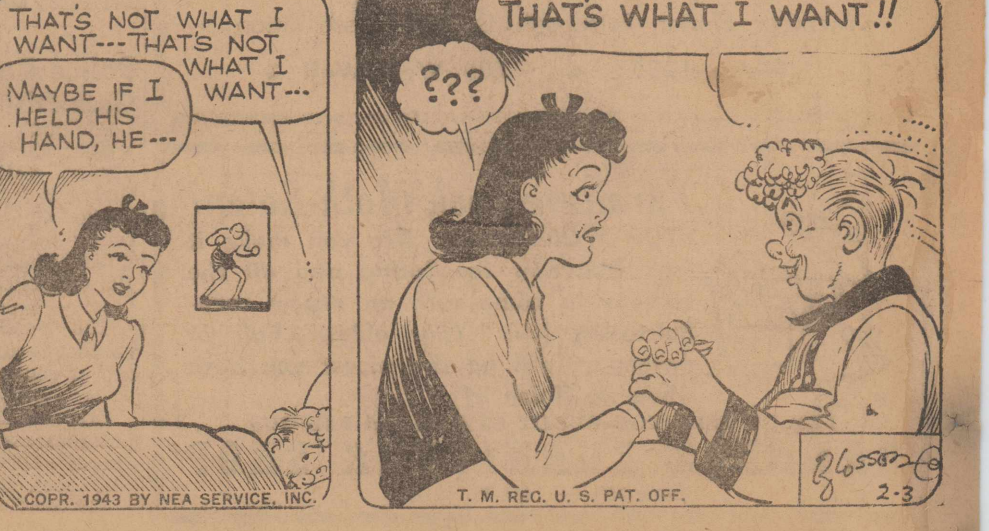
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INCOME TAX
 RETURNS made. Write Box 422, Midland. (282-1f)

JUST received, large shipment of luggage. Firestone Stores, 624 West Wall. (283-6)

Lost and Found 7
LOST: Small leather key case containing 3 keys; leave at Reporter-Telegram (283-3)

Situations Wanted 10
AM NOW in position to keep your books and make your government reports. See me at 507 Thomas Bldg., or Phone 9017, Roy E. Tuggle. (282-6)

WANTED: Housework by day; experienced. Mr. Silc, Hately Hotel. (283-1)

RENTALS
Room and Board 11
ROOMS with 2 meals. Taylor Lodge, 107 S. Pecos, Phone 278. (282-26)

Bedrooms 12
VACANCY for one girl, twin beds, 506 N. Marienfield. Phone 1198-W. (283-3)
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Bedrooms 12
BEDROOM, adjoining bath, garage, 206 W. Louisiana, Phone 1102-W, 8 to 12 a. m. and after 6 p. m. (281-3)
NEAT bedroom; private entrance; innerspring mattress, adjoining bath. 714 W. Storey. (282-1f)

Unfurnished Apartments 15
ONE-room unfurnished apt., bills paid; gas cook stove; \$3.50 per week 708 S. Terrell. (283-1)

Houses 16
5-ROOM unfurnished house, 710 S. Fort Worth, Phone 1102, 8 to 12 a. m. and after 6 p. m. (281-3)
5-ROOM unfurnished house, 1209 W. College. Phone 949 or 767-J. (283-4)

Miscellaneous 23
LARGE 4-door Frigidaire; 75-gal. Dixie water heater; large mangle; 1308 W. Kentucky. Phone 2097-J. (282-6)
SEWING machines; repairs for all makes; guaranteed. Western Furniture Co., 201 S. Main, Phone 451. (280-6)
BARGAIN! Eleven rolls of asphalt roofing; 24 bundles asphalt shingles. Texas Pacific Depot. (281-3)

Wanted To Buy 26
WANTED to buy: An automobile, 1937 to 1941 model; sedan or coach. Box 126. AAFBS. (283-3)

Nurseries, Flowers, Seeds 30
PLEASE see me and order your cotton seed for planting; I prefer Qualla but will sell other kind if you prefer. H. A. Jesse, Midland. (282-3)

Livestock and Poultry 34
FOR SALE: 2 large work mares; one 4 year old; one 3 year old; collars included. Phone 1442. (277-10)
TWO good fresh Jersey milk cows. T. E. Bizzell, Jr., 5 mi. on Garden City Hwy. (281-3)

Used Cars 54
WE will pay cash for late model used cars.
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Vertical 38
 1 Leap.
 2 Mineral rock.
 3 Him.
 4 Ray.
 5 Legal point.
 6 Within.
 7 Kentucky.
 8 Long fish.
 9 Bird.
 10 Fence support.
 13 Harvest.
 14 Greet.

Horizontal 16
 1 Pictured governor of Ohio.
 10 Unmixed.
 11 Even (poet).
 12 12 months.
 14 Residence.
 15 Savor.
 17 Prevaricates.
 19 Snake.
 20 Limb.
 21 Unit.
 23 Fold over.
 24 That thing.
 25 Age.
 26 Negative.
 28 Father.
 29 Army vehicle.
 30 Arid.
 32 Area measure.
 33 From.
 35 Heed.
 38 Obtain.
 40 Laughter sound.
 42 Auricle.
 43 Either.
 44 Bismuth (symbol).

Answer to Previous Puzzle
 15 Snare.
 16 Half an em.
 18 Pair of horse.
 20 Exist.
 22 Finish.
 25 Weird.
 27 Command.
 29 Wedge in.
 31 Still.
 34 He is governor of Ohio.
 36 Capture.
 37 Musical instrument.
 38 Sailor.
 39 Row.
 41 Among.
 42 Vegetable.
 43 Him.
 44 Plural (abbr.).
 48 Deceased.
 49 Mexican.
 50 We.
 51 Beverages.
 53 Observe.
 55 Salt.
 56 Writing tool.
 58 Spain (abbr.).
 60 Parent.

OHIO GOVERNOR
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY:

The Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, will, at the regular February term of said Court to be held at the Court House in the city of Midland, Midland County, Texas, on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1943, same being the second Monday of said month, at 10 A. M., receive proposals from any banking corporation, association, or any individual banker in Midland County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said County, and as the depository for trust funds in the possession of the County and District Clerks of Midland County, Texas, for the ensuing two years, as prescribed by law.

Any such bank, corporation, association or individual banker in said County desiring to bid shall observe the following laws, to-wit: (a) Said bidder, desiring to be selected as the depository of the funds of said County, shall deliver to the County Judge on or before the first day of the said term of Commissioners' Court, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest offered on the funds of the County for the term between the date on such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that, if his bid is accepted, he will enter into the bond hereinafter accepted.

(b) Said bidder, desiring to be selected as the depository of trust funds in the hands of the County and District Clerks, shall file a sealed proposal with the County Clerk on or before 10 o'clock A. M. on the first day of the said term of Commissioners' Court. The proposal submitted shall state the rate of interest offered on average daily deposits of the said trust funds from the term between the date of the bid and the selection of another depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the balances of the amount of the trust funds in the possession of said clerks during the preceding calendar year, which amount shall be determined by the County Clerk on or before 10 days before the bids herein provided for are filed.

Said certified check shall be a guarantee of the good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his or its bid is accepted the bond hereinafter provided for will be entered into. At the said regular term of the Commissioners' Court of Midland County, Texas, to be held on the second Monday in February, 1943, same being the 8th day of February, A. D. 1943, at 10 o'clock A. M., such bids as may be presented will be opened and acted upon by the said Court, as prescribed by law. Given under my hand and official seal of office, at Midland, Texas, this 12th day of January, A. D. 1943.

E. H. BARRON,
 County Judge, Midland County, Texas
 (Seal) 1:13-20-27; 2:3

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the undersigned special commissioners, at the Court House in Midland, Midland County, Texas. Said petitioner's written statement was filed on the 11th day of January, 1943.

The file number of said suit being No. 1523.

The names of the parties in said suit are: the County of Midland, Texas, as petitioner, and S. W. Coulter, as owner and defendant.

The nature of said proceedings being substantially as follows, to-wit:

A hearing by the undersigned special commissioners, appointed by the Judge of the County Court of said County, to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property, to-wit:

A 5 foot strip of land off the West side of Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 21, in the Second Belmont Addition (said Addition being situated South of, and contiguous to, Belmont Addition First, which is in the City of Midland) in Midland County, Texas, described more particularly as follows:

Beginning at the N. W. corner of block 21, which corner is 45 feet East of and at right angles to center line highway chaining station 58 / 20; thence N. 74 deg. 45' E. a distance of 5 feet along the North line of block 21 to a point; thence S. 15 deg. 15' E. a distance of 300 feet to a point on the South line of block 21; thence S. 74 deg. 45' W. a distance of 5 feet to the S. W. corner of block 21, which corner is 45 feet East of and at right angles to center line highway chaining station 61 / 20; thence N. 15 deg. 15' W. a distance of 300 feet along the West line of and to the N. W. corner of block 21, the point of beginning;

For the purpose of widening and improving State Highway No. 137 leading South from Midland, Texas, all of which more fully appears in written statement filed by petitioner; and said undersigned special commissioners having heretofore selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

Issued this 12th day of January, A. D. 1943.

WITNESS OUR HANDS at Midland, Texas, this 12th day of January, A. D. 1943.
 W. R. UPHAM
 R. L. MILLER
 JNO. P. BUTLER
 Special Commissioners.
 1:13-20-27; 2:3

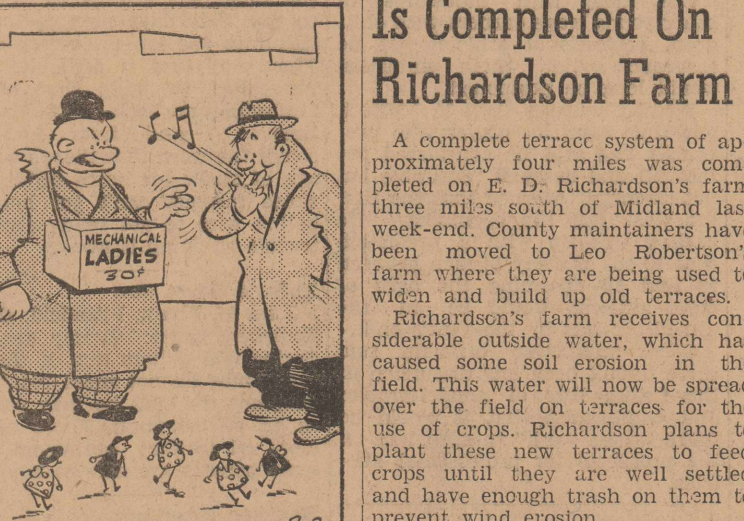
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Skilled Workers Are Needed By District Employment Office

Representatives of the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation of Fort Worth will be at the district offices of the United States Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission in Big Spring next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to interview skilled workers such as sheetmetal workers, welders, and electricians, O. R. Rodden, manager of the office, said during a visit here Tuesday.

The office has calls at all times for skilled workers, Rodden said, and men and women possessing special abilities are urged to write or drop in at the Big Spring office. About 200 competent workers will be needed next month for the Midland Army Air Forces Bombardier School laundry, Rodden said. Employers are invited to contact the office in regard to their labor needs.

An increase in private job placements in 1942 was reported by Rodden, who said 1,554 persons were secured jobs in 1941, while 3,463 were placed in private jobs in 1942. Agricultural placements in 1942 totaled 39,960. A total of 1,555 persons were trained in the district for welding and aircraft sheet metal jobs last year, and of this total 1,421 are definitely known to have been placed in war industries.

The Big Spring district, which is composed of Midland, Dawson, Martin, Andrews, Borden, Glasscock and Reagan counties, is a sub-district of the largest district in the United States, Rodden said.

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SERIAL STORY

'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

HOW IT WAS DONE

CHAPTER XXVII
THE preparations for Vaughan Dunbar's first appearance at Stone House were somewhat complex.

Henry Prentiss had to be injured, and for two reasons. First, to avoid playing in the game. Had I played, people would have wanted to discuss the game with me at Cynthia's party, to chide me for missing a shot or congratulate me for making one. In such a case, several people at least would have had their attention drawn directly to the fact that I was not there. Not playing, if they missed me at all they would probably assume that I was off taking treatment from my doctor.

As it was, only Cynthia could be positive of my absence. And my excuse to her was deliberately an annoying one. She was fond of me. She would not be likely to point out to our friends that I was not there—that I had gone to keep a rendezvous with another woman.

The second reason? An aid to the disguise. Everybody knew that Henry Prentiss had an injured hand—and the bandages which covered that simulated hurt were put on as conspicuously as possible. The very absence of them, in the person of Vaughan Dunbar, would aid to the conviction of his character.

That first night, the grand entrance of Vaughan Dunbar upon the scene, was the real test, of course. But a failure at that time would not have been disastrous. If I had detected the slightest suspicion of my masquerade, the faintest glance of puzzlement in any face, I would simply have dropped the disguise forthwith, and laughed merrily at the premature discovery of my practical joke.

The same escape from the situation was always available, of course—right down to the last, critical instant.

The minor mechanics of the telephone calls, messages and the rest were simple enough to arrange.

I had three bad moments during the whole time of Vaughan Dunbar's existence. The first came on my second visit to Stone House—that time when I had to exert every morsel of my ingenuity to talk about Swedish mines. You will recall that Norman Tinker (or Colonel Merrivether, if you prefer) began the after-dinner conversation with the remark that I reminded him of someone he had known, and asked me whether my kinfolk had ever visited California. Of course he was not remembering California, though he

thought he was. He was remembering Henry Prentiss.

The second anxious moment came during the talk which Cynthia and I had beside the pool. To my immense astonishment I saw that, driven by the vacancy and lack of meaning in her daily life, she was becoming much attracted to one whom she believed a serious man of the world. She was about to fall in love with a creature who did not even exist!

For a brief moment, I was tempted to abandon the whole plan, and to take Henry Prentiss and Vaughan Dunbar forthwith out of Cynthia's life. Then the memory of that day in the wilderness floated back to me, and flooded all my mind, and stilled my instant of weakness.

Again, I was distressed on the day of the climax itself. I felt it necessary to appear at Stone House at lunch time. Among other reasons, I wished to satisfy myself, one last time, that the identity of Vaughan Dunbar was fully accepted.

But, despite the care which I had used in forwarding the telegram to myself, so that I would be able to leave before the meal itself, it was not until I was actually in the library that I realized I had made a mistake.

I had dared, for the first time, to appear as Vaughan Dunbar in full daylight. Certainly, that appearance was in the shadowed library. But outside the library, where my car stood, there was brilliant sunshine. Suddenly, after showing Cynthia and Mitchell Grace the telegram, I realized that they would follow me out to the car if I let them.

The risk was too great. So I simply burst from them without ceremony, and virtually ran to take myself away.

I MAY be forgiven, I believe, a certain measure of excitement on that day of days. And that excitement came very near to ruining the scheme entire. I had to play in the polo game, though certainly I did not want to. Merely to take my mind off the critical hours that lay ahead, I played to the hilt—for those first three chukkers—and hardly heard at all the admonitions of Cynthia.

But while we sat in the station wagon, an utterly terrifying truth came to me through her words. Suppose I should get hurt? Suppose even the most commonplace accident might happen: a wildly swung mallet hitting me in the face and making a cut, or even a noticeable bruise? Suppose my horse should go down, and I might suffer a genuine sprain, or break! The wounds of Henry

Prentiss would not fit well upon the person of Vaughan Dunbar!

I was seized with fright as the realization of my awful mistake came over me. And thereafter, as you have seen, I avoided the slightest chance of a mishap.

It will be obvious that on this day of crisis I had quit the hotel in New York for good.

The background of Vaughan Dunbar there was filled in to the extent which I thought necessary. I knew that his imposture would be discovered sooner or later, and that made no difference to me whatever.

I only needed the delay of two or three days—two or three days in which the hue and cry would be up for Vaughan Dunbar, fugitive, and attention drawn away from Gull Point itself. Two or three days in which it must naturally be assumed that the fleeing man, impostor or not, had ample time to get away and put many miles between himself and the scene of his actions.

The telephone calls I had made to the United Press, the British Embassy and the others were simply to serve this end of delay in tracing Vaughan Dunbar. I had called those places, asked to speak to an unlikely name, and hung up. But the record of the calls at the hotel's switchboard meant that they must be tediously followed up.

The fingerprints were useful to the same purpose. They would have to be checked at many places, the while Vaughan Dunbar was, presumably, running hard. The apparatus I had contrived for making them was a product of my long preparatory labors in California.

In one of my practice roles there—that of an artistic but rather amusing freak—I had taken paraffin casts of the hands of several motion picture actors. For these casts, it had not been difficult to mold their fingerprints in thin, transparent rubber.

Naturally, I did not wear the finger-stalls when I called at Stone House—save for that last time when I left my prints on the pistol. I used them in my hotel room and a noticeable bruise? Suppose my on the car, being careful to leave perfect impressions.

When I did not wear them, I took care to leave no prints where they might be preserved. Cocktail glasses and highball tumblers would not matter. They would be washed clean very quickly after they were used. And, of course, the fingerprints of Henry Prentiss would appear normally about a house which he visited so frequently.

(To Be Continued)

Air Base Cagers Open 1943 Season

The Midland AAF Bombardier School's enlisted men's basketball league opened its 1943 season Monday night with the 814, 486, 493 and 491 bombardier training squadrons winners in the opening quartet of games.

Despite the fact that the majority of players had had but little practice, it was a snappy brand of ball handling which the fans witnessed. Pvt. Ike Dubow, former City College of New York star and a member of the 491st squadron, stole the opening night show with his sensational floor shots. Dubow garnered four successive goals in the final two minutes of play as the 491st edged out the 490th, 35 to 28.

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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.
2:00 P.M.	2:40 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	4:10 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	5:10 P.M.
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7:00 P.M.	7:40 P.M.
7:30 P.M.	8:10 P.M.
8:00 P.M.	8:40 P.M.
9:30 P.M.	10:00 P.M.
10:30 P.M.	11:00 P.M.
11:30 P.M.	12:10 Midnight

Buses Saturday every 30 minutes from 12:30 p.m. until 2 a.m. Sunday. Last bus 2 a.m. Sunday.

Bulldogs Win Over Courtney 34 To 13

Midland's Bulldogs defeated Courtney High School's cagers 34 to 13 at the Courtney gymnasium Tuesday evening, to continue their successful campaign in practice games. Charlie Kelly, smooth-working forward of Midland High, took scoring honors with 13 points. Jim Watson, center, scored 11 points. Lawson, a forward, was high man for Courtney with eight points.

The Courtney squad will journey to Midland for return games, starting at 8 p. m. Friday.

Midland	G	F	TP
Kelly, f	6	1	13
Stickney, f	1	2	4
Watson, c	5	1	11
Richards, g	0	1	1
Davidson, g	2	0	4
Bedford, g	0	1	1
Totals	14	6	34
Courtney	G	F	TP
Graham, f	1	0	2
Lawson, f	4	0	8
Lowder, c	1	1	3
Glaspie, g	0	0	0
Snodgrass, g	0	0	0
Morris, g	0	0	0
Totals	6	1	13

'Religion Not Sissy' Minister Tells Lions

Speaking on the subject, "Courage," and using as his text "But If Not," the Rev. John A. Winslow, pastor of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Lubbock and student pastor of Texas Technological College, addressed the Lions Club at its meeting in Hotel Scharbauer Wednesday noon.

He was introduced by the Rev. Robert J. Snell, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church. The Rev. Hubert Hopper was in charge of the program.

Stressing the fact that religion is not "sissy," Mr. Winslow said "we must put courage, vitality and power in religion."

People facing reality, especially in the war, are finding religion is not "sissy" and they are facing such realities with courage.

"Religion must be a vital and forceful thing if it is to hold after the war. We must stand firm against the forces of evil and must select a course—a course of courage—and stay on that course," the speaker said.

Ira L. Cain was introduced as a transfer member from the Wichita Falls Lions Club.

Guests included the Rev. John E. Pickering, Don Betts and Police Chief Jack Ellington.

Mrs. M. C. Ulmer is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Barron Kidd, in Evansville, Ind.

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House Committee Studies New Game And Fish Rules

AUSTIN—(AP)—A game and fish law designed to fit Texas conservation into the intricate pattern of peculiar local conditions which are constantly changing may stem from the 48th Legislature.

A House sub-committee and experts of the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission went to work Wednesday on the tentative draft of a bill under which the Commission would be given certain emergency powers to act when unpredictable factors such as adverse weather or disease threatened the supply of game or fish in some locality.

General state regulations now are set aside in many counties by special laws. Ostensibly, these local game or fish bills were passed to meet local situations. Actually, they make outdoor life a legal gamble and sportsmen have complained bitterly that the only man who can hunt with an easy mind would qualify as a Supreme Court Justice.

The Game Commission, at a recent meeting, suggested that the needs of conservation might be better met if it were empowered, within limits set by the Legislature, to regulate seasons and bag limits in conformity with the advice of its trained field men.

This proposal met immediate disapproval when tentatively offered at a meeting of the House Committee on game and fisheries. The compromise agreed upon was the appointment of a sub-committee to work out matters relating to game and fish with the Commission.

Rep. Howard Harzog of Port Lavaca, a member of the committee and a sportsman, expressed the opinion that the legislature would not give up their privilege of offering local laws, but that the lawmakers might be more inclined to favor extension of regulatory powers in real emergencies.

Phillips Gauges—

(Continued from page 1)
ner Ordovician pool, is shut down awaiting plugging orders, bottomed at 4,564 feet in schist. A 45-minute drillstem test from 4,400 to total depth recovered 270 feet of drilling mud only. The well logged sand, possibly Cambrian, from 4,500-30 feet, and went into the pre-Cambrian at 4,830 feet. It reportedly missed the Ellenburger, producing horizon of the ApoWarner pool.

Now in broken lime and shale. Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1-29 H. J. Eaton, Northern Pecos Ordovician wildcat six miles southwest of Imperial, is drilling at 5,817 feet. It may be in the Simpson, middle Ordovician.

In Southeastern Pecos, Phillips No. 1 Ada C. Price is drilling below 8,750 in shale and sand. Standard Oil Company of Texas

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Manpower Order Skips Baseball

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Big league baseball and other professional sports, already facing stringent travel and other restrictions, escaped what might have been a final crushing blow when they were omitted from the list of activities considered non-essential for draft purposes.

Although the War Manpower Commission's list skirted the sports field by singling out greengrocers and the boys who make a living gambling on the races, the play-for-pay athletes were not included after April 1, regardless of their dependents.

But, along with thousands of other young wage earners with children, professional athletes got no assurance that their induction would long be postponed.

WMC Chairman Paul V. McNutt, one time sand lot player who previously has said he considered pro football and baseball "desirable but not essential," warned that the first list was "just the beginning." He backed this up with a prediction that 10 out of every 14 men between 18 and 38—spanning the ages of most athletes—would be in the armed services by the year's end.

Other manpower officials said there hadn't been any discussion of the future lists of non-essential activities and emphasized that it would be "sheer guess work" to speculate on the prospects for professional athletes.

No. 1 Douglas Oil Company et al, scheduled Ordovician test on the west side of the shallow Yates field in Pecos, is drilling at 540 feet in lime.

Gulf Oil Corporation No. 1 W. A. Estes, Western Crane County Ordovician wildcat, had drilled to 7,235 feet in an unreported formation.

John I. Moore and P. D. Moore, both of Midland, No. 1 Amerada-J. S. Todd estate et al, Western Crockett County Ordovician wildcat, is drilling at 3,465 feet in black shale. The Moores' No. 1-12 Shannon estate is drilling at 1,635 feet in anhydrite, with an oil showing logged from 1,483-85 feet. Their No. 1-21 Amerada-Shannon is drilling in anhydrite at 1,345 feet. The brothers own a checkerboard block on approximately 8,000 acres in the area.

In Southeastern Sterling County, Ohio Oil Company No. 1 L. T. Clark is drilling at 7,811 feet in chert and lime. Col-Tex Refining Company No. 1 W. N. Reed et al, Northwestern Sterling deep test, is drilling at 6,963 feet in black lime and shale.

Frank Downey, who has been employed with the government in Utah, has returned to Midland to resume his activities as an independent oil operator.

Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.
NEW YORK—(AP)—With folks talking about using horses instead of automobiles to get around, it seems silly to hear that horse racing (of all things) is having more troubles about transportation than just getting the horse players to the tracks... Eastern horsemen are wondering how Jamaica's Wood Memorial, the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness can be run on successive Saturdays next spring and still draw the top three-year-olds.

They may find it difficult, if not impossible, to ship the nags to Louisville and back in such a short time... And from Louisville comes the word that there's a shortage of straw for horse bedding because farmers can't get help and baling wire to get ready and have trouble shipping it away.

Today's Guest Star
John M. Flynn, Pittsfield, (Mass.) Berkshire Eagle: "Jimmy Foxx told Springfield writers that if the Chicago Cubs do not meet his salary demands for 1943 he may continue as an oil salesman. There may be more oil to that statement than some persons are able to buy."

Headline Headliner
Oklahoma City Times: "New baseballs have heart of golf ball and hide of horse."

Service Dept.
The M. P. Detachment at Fort Sheridan, Ill., isn't worrying about prisoners who might escape from Pvt. Alexander Grassi. The first time he ever ran a race, Pvt. Grassi beat two Olympic runners in a track meet at Altoona, Pa., in 1925.

Former baseball stars at the Norfolk Naval Training Station have organized a cage team known as the "Ragamuffins." Members include Phil Rizzuto, Vinnie Smith, and Freddie Hutchinson. Filling the other spots are Hank Peimester, former North Carolina U. and Bi-State League player, and Carl Ray from Wake Forest.

If you think the Coast Guard is a soft spot, the Curtis Bay (Md.) Cutters, setting a fast pace in the Eastern Amateur Hockey League, have scheduled a doubleheader in New York next Sunday, playing afternoon and evening games. One of the coast guard hockeyists is Charlie Plitt, who won 17 games as a Pitcher for Elmira, N. Y., last season.

Chicago Team Wins 72 Straight Games
CHICAGO—(AP)—In case someone has been wondering what happened to the sensational basketball winning streak of Marshall High School's junior division team, it's still intact.

The Juniors, who started their string in December, 1939, won their 72nd in a row Tuesday, 69-30.

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Final Arguments In Actor's Trial Start

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—The defense at Errol Flynn's trial on statutory rape charges Wednesday begins final argument for acquittal of the screen star, whose imprisonment was demanded Tuesday by the state.

Knox Reports--

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have sought refuge. Some of them, he reported, surrendered while he was there.

Both Suffer Losses
A number of the groups, he said, were being "starved into surrender."

The outcome of the sea-air fighting, which may mark the crucial point in a long struggle for control of the South Pacific archipelago, remained in doubt here, but the Navy said both sides have suffered losses.

In a communique late Tuesday the Navy explained details were withheld because their disclosure at this time would affect adversely future operations in the area.

A Navy spokesman asserted, however, that Japanese claims of having sunk two battleships and three cruisers and of having damaged another battleship and cruiser were "grossly exaggerated." At the same time he described as an understatement the Japs' claim of having lost only 10 planes.

Jap Bases Raided
While the limits of the battle zone were not clearly defined, the Navy said that the extent and fury of the Japanese actions indicated that a concerted new effort to regain control of the Southeast Solomons had been undertaken. A Tokyo report broadcast Monday fixed the scene of one action as the vicinity of Rennell Island, about 100 miles south of Guadalcanal, but that was without confirmation.

The Japanese said the Rennel engagement was fought Friday and Saturday, but this too lacked confirmation. Information from American sources being only that a series of air and sea fights had been under way for several days.

Reports from Australia indicated that Gen. Douglas MacArthur's planes were taking part in the battle of raiding enemy bases on New Britain Island.

Seventh Sea Battle
Until the direction of the Japanese moves becomes more definitely known, authorities said, their immediate strategy cannot be determined. Their general purpose undoubtedly is to maneuver defending American forces into such positions that heavy reinforcements can be delivered to their beleaguered troops on Guadalcanal.

The latest battle is the seventh of the Solomons campaign, which began with American invasion of the Guadalcanal-Tulagi area, August 7. Of the previous six, however, only three involved forces proportionate in size to the indicated strength of the fleets now engaged.

The three largest previous battles were one fought considerably eastward of the Solomons Aug. 2-25; the battle of Santa Cruz Islands, Oct. 26; and the battle of Guadalcanal, Nov. 13-15.

Aggies Start Grid Practice Wednesday

COLLEGE STATION—(AP)—Spring football practice opens at Texas A. and M. College Wednesday but there will be little work at the initial session. Issuance of uniforms took up most of the time.

The Aggies are the first to start training in the Southwest Conference.

The speed-up program at Aggie-land has taken many top performers from the 1943 squad including Leo Daniels, triple-threat back and all-conference selection.

Wool

BOSTON—(AP)—(USDA)—Inquiries were received on fine wools as a result of the request for bids on 41,675,000 pairs of 50 per cent wool socks. Sales on carpet wools were reported in good volume. Second clip fleece wools at 36 to 40c were sold on a clean basis price around 30 cents. Saes of India and scoured stained wools were also made for carpet making purposes.

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Star Cage Players Get Lost In Dimout

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—(AP)—Jack Hupp and Jack Hansen, former U. S. C. stars, were absent and their Santa Ana Army Air Base basketball team suffered a 40 to 28 trouncing by the naval training station.

Hupp and Hansen didn't find the gym until after the final whistle, they explained—they were lost in a dimout.

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