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U. S. TROOPS ARE BEATEN BACK

Red Army Drives West Of Kharkov

(By The Associated Press)

MOSCOW—The Red Army captors of Kharkov are delivering powerful blows against desperate German resistance as they push westward from the recaptured industrial metropolis and other Soviet troops are smashing along a wide front on the eastern side of the Donets basin and west of Rostov as the Germans pull away from their long-held lines, the Russians said Wednesday.

Kharkov, in German hands since Oct. 24, 1941, was entered Tuesday after a fierce assault that terminated in bitter street fighting, and the sudden announcement of its fall brought rejoicing through this vast land.

(The German High Command apparently was unready to admit the loss of Kharkov. Its broadcast communique, recorded by The Associated Press, said heavy fighting was continuing in and near the city. Earlier broadcasts, evidently preparing the people for bad news, had said preparations for Kharkov's evacuation were in progress.)

Allies Smash Nearer Mubo

(By The Associated Press)

Allied troops on the offensive in New Guinea were reported Wednesday to have driven the Japanese back to within two and one-half miles of Mubo, only 12 miles below the big enemy base at Salamaua, while United Nations warplanes again blasted the Japanese over a wide expanse of the South Seas.

Details of the new Allied advance reported by the Australian broadcasting commission, were not given.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced, however, that the main enemy forces were continuing their withdrawal toward Salamaua and said Australian patrols killed 17 Japanese troops.

Magve Is Bombed

In the air, Allied fliers pounded Japanese forces at Salamaua and Ale, New Guinea, and reached out across the Timor Sea to attack Japanese-occupied Dili, in Portuguese Timor.

On the Burma front, RAF bombers renewed the assault on the Japanese airbase at Magve, dropping 1,000-pound bombs on the target, and raided enemy-occupied villages on Akya Island on the Bay of Bengal.

No further details were forthcoming on the progress of Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell's British land forces, driving back into Burma from India, which were last reported in the vicinity of Rathedaung, 25 miles north of the enemy base at Akya.

Double Punch At Axis Delivered By U. S. Airmen

AT A U. S. LIBERATOR BOMBER STATION IN ENGLAND—(AP)—This station claimed a record Wednesday for carrying out two highly successful bombing missions on the continent in only 19 hours with the same bombers and the same crews.

This double punch was believed to constitute the speediest pair of raids by the same personnel and equipment yet executed by Americans here.

Results Good

The Liberators streaked across the English channel with RAF Spitfire escorts on Monday to pound Dunkerque and Tuesday they joined with Flying Fortresses in plastering the St. Nazaire submarine base with explosives.

The crews here were jubilant Wednesday, declaring that both photographic evidence as well as their own observations showed that both raids resulted in "the best bombing we've done so far."

They told of savage battles with some 75 German fighters at 20,000 to 25,000 feet altitude while gunners blazed away with fingers numbed and frost-bitten by the cold—it being 40 degrees below zero at their height.

Five Planes Downed

The top-scoring bomber from this station was "Miss Diane," piloted by Capt. Clyde Price of San Antonio, Tex., whose crew claimed to have shot down five.

(No total score was announced but fliers from another station claimed at least five. Six bombers in all were lost.)

Capt. Cliff Pyle of Marshall, Tex., took part in the daylight attack Tuesday on St. Nazaire.

BROWNIGG MISSING

LONDON—(AP)—Admiral Sir John Brownrigg, 61, a hero of the battle of Jutland in World War I and a convoy commodore in current conflict, was reported missing Wednesday. No details were given.

Nazi Remnants Pursued

The Russian midday communique as recorded by the London Soviet radio monitor said Wednesday that Red Army troops were pursuing remnants of routed German forces west of recaptured Kharkov.

The offensives aimed into the Donets Basin continued successfully southwest of Voroshilovgrad and in the Krasnoarmisk area, against attempts by the Germans to stem the advance, and six tanks were destroyed and 1,400 of the enemy killed in a sector of the latter area, it was stated.

Garrison Destroyed

North of Kursk, where Russian spearheads are pointed toward the Axis stronghold of Orel, an encircled German garrison was destroyed when it refused to surrender and several towns were captured, the announcement said.

The fall of Russia's fourth-largest city increased the immediate threat to the rich Dnieperpetrovsk-Poltava districts, Poltava is 80 miles west of Kharkov and Dnieperpetrovsk is about 125 miles southwest.

(In London observers said that the city's capture had set the stage for the destruction of big German forces between Kharkov and the Sea of Azov.)

Americanism Is Kelly's Topic

"Twentieth Century Americanism" was the subject of an address by Boyd Kelly at the Lions Club meeting in the Roosevelt Room of the Cactus Cafe Wednesday noon.

The program was in line with the observance of Americanism Week and was arranged by the Midland Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Delbert Downing introduced the speaker.

Kelly defined Americanism as the history and tradition of America since 1776, and said the greatest evidence of Americanism today is on the battlefields of the world. He discussed Americanism and its relationship to World War II. The part the average American should play in furthering Americanism was outlined.

NANKING BUILDINGS BURN

LONDON—(AP)—A DNB broadcast from Berlin Wednesday said a large fire at Nanking, capital of the Japanese puppet regime in China, had destroyed 188 buildings.

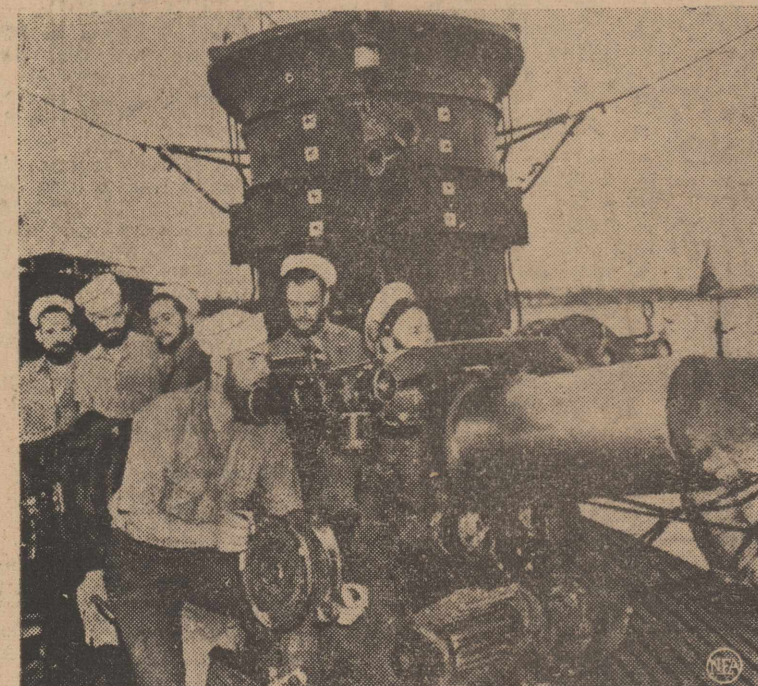
WAR BULLETINS

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Two bombing raids on Japanese positions in the Shortland Islands area of the Solomons were reported Wednesday by the Navy in a communique which said two American planes failed to return.

LONDON—(AP)—A Berlin broadcast recorded by Reuters News Agency said Wednesday that the "United States troopship John Ericsson of more than 20,000 tons has been torpedoed off the Moroccan coast." There was no confirmation of the report from any Allied source.

CAIRO—(AP)—The British Eighth Army continued to push westward in Tunisia toward Medenine while fighter-bombers attacked targets west of Ben Gardane Tuesday, a British communique announced Wednesday. Medenine is 45 miles northwest of Ben Gardane whose capture was announced Tuesday.

Back From the Pacific Wars



(Official U. S. Navy Photo from NEA) Bewildered crew of a U. S. submarine just back from South Pacific sweep find their deck gun slightly rusty, but A-1 mechanically. Flag symbols on conning tower denote enemy vessels sunk.

Midland Man Killed In Crash Of Bomber

Staff Sergeant M. D. Johnson, 30, of Midland, was killed in the crash of a four-motored bomber in the snow-covered hills near Walla Walla, Wash., last Thursday, Lt. J. C. Beesley, public relations officer at the Walla Walla Air Field, informed Mrs. Johnson by telephone late Tuesday. Nine other aviators, members of the crew, also were killed in the crash.

The bomber took off from the air field last Thursday on a routine flight and was missing until Sunday, when it was sighted in the mountains 17 miles from Walla Walla by other pilots. A ski patrol was sent to the wreckage Sunday afternoon and returned about 8 o'clock Tuesday night.

Wildcat In Ward To Be Drilled By Belfort Company

BY FRANK GARDNER
Editor

New Ward County wildcat one and one-quarter miles south by southeast of the Magnolia-Sealy (South) pool and slightly farther southeast of the Pyote pool has been staked by Belfort Oil Company of Dallas as its No. 1-W University.

It is 660 feet out of the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of section 14, block 16, University survey. The well will be drilled to 3,500 feet unless production is encountered at a lesser depth. F. W. (Red) Dillard of Dallas has been awarded contract to drill the test with rotary. Operations are scheduled to start immediately.

No. 1-W University is on a farm-out from The Texas Company of the northeast quarter of section 14, with a 1/16th override obtaining. The deal was negotiated by James A. Mascho, president of the Mascho Oil Company of Midland. Skelly Oil Company, Cities Service Oil Company, Atlantic Refining Company and Stanolind Oil & Gas Company are supporting the test.

A quarter-mile west outpost to the Monahans-Tubb deep Permian pool in Northeastern Ward, Shell Oil Company, Inc., No. 3 Sealy—(Continued on page 6)

WALLA WALLA, Wash.—(AP)—The 10 crewmen of a heavy Army bomber which crashed last Thursday in mountains 17 miles east of here were found dead, the Army public relations office announced.

The bodies found Tuesday included those of Sgt. Milton D. Johnson of Midland, Tex., and Sgt. Joseph F. Perkins of Fort Worth.

Presumably the ship crashed head-on into the side of a ridge at an elevation of 5,000 feet. Cause of the crash was not indicated.

after them immediately. Lt. Beesley told Mrs. Johnson at 8:30 Tuesday night. All of the crew members apparently were killed instantly, he said.

The body of Sgt. Johnson will be forwarded to Midland and funeral services will be held here, friends said Wednesday.

Johnson had lived in Midland all his life and was a graduate of the Midland High School in 1931. He attended Texas Tech at Lubbock for a short time, and was married in 1932 to Miss Lucille McMullen of Midland. He was employed by University Lands here before entering the Air Corps May 9, 1942 at El Paso.

TOOK RADIO COURSE

After being stationed at Shepard Field a short time he was sent to Scott Field where he took radio training. He received training at Boise, Idaho; Wendover, Utah; Sioux City, Iowa, and Walla Walla, Washington, where he was stationed at the time of the accident.

Survivors in addition to his wife include his mother, Mrs. M. D. Johnson, Sr.; four sisters, Mrs. Steev Allen, Mrs. Harvey Powledge, and Mrs. J. A. Sewell of Midland and Mrs. J. N. Caldwell, Jr., of El Paso; and one brother, Alvin Johnson, of Boerne.

CIVILIANS URGED TO AVOID BLACK MARKETS

CHICAGO—(AP)—Civilian boycott of illegal markets in meat is urged by Thomas E. Wilson, one of the packing industry's leaders, who says that black markets in meat are growing into an "extremely serious matter" for the entire industry and public and threatening adequate supplies for the nation's armed forces and allies.

German Tank Forces Rip 18 Miles Through American Lines In Tunisia

Jury Sets Five Bills

Five indictments were returned by the Midland County Grand Jury, which reported to District Judge Cecil C. Collins at 3:45 Tuesday afternoon and was dismissed until March 10, when it will resume its deliberations.

Two murder cases, two charges of forgery, and a burglary case were included in the indictments.

Four Murder Cases

Shirley Gowans was billed on a murder charge in connection with the death on November 8 of J. A. Whitington of Midland.

Katherine Thomas, negro, was charged with the murder of Louise Smith, negro, on October 29, 1942.

Iellie White, negro, was charged in two indictments with passing forged instruments, and Irving Boyd was indicted on charges of burglary of the Texas Cafe in October, 1942.

Four murder cases will be tried during this term of court, since two cases were carried over from the last term of the court. Estelero Costillon will be tried for the slaying of Seferino Costillon on July 12, 1942, and Folly Burnley is charged with the killing of Sammie Griffin.

Civil Cases Heard

No formal report other than the indictments was made by the grand jury. Members of the body are William Simpson, foreman; R. C. Tucker, W. R. Upham, Allen Watts, Leonard C. Thomas, P. A. Nelson, Delbert D. Downing, H. H. Watson, Dana M. Secor, William O. Alkire, Fred Wright and O. F. Hedrick.

Judge Collins is hearing non-jury civil cases this week. Petit jury cases will be heard next week, with the criminal docket slated for the week beginning March 8.

Bombed Again



Lorient, Nazi U-boat base on the coast of occupied France which has been devastated by repeated raids by the RAF and U. S. Flying Fortresses, was blasted again Tuesday.

While the bombers were unloading more tons of bombs on the much battered submarine home, planes of the Fighter Command ranged over the continent as far as northwest Germany to attack communications.

The raid on Lorient followed up a double-barreled assault by the RAF Saturday night when the dock area was blasted into a mass of flames.

Nazis Make Raids

Another important U-boat base, at St. Nazaire on the French coast, was pounded by American Liberator and Flying Fortress bombers Tuesday as the Allies continued efforts to wipe out the submarine menace at the source.

German planes during the night raided the coast of South Wales for the first time this year, inflicting damage and causing some casualties, including a number of persons killed, a communique and the Air and Home Security ministries said Wednesday.

Other German planes raided a number of other points in Britain, but the casualties were light and damage slight, it was announced.

British Fighter Command pilots prowling over the continent shot up at least 11 freight trains and locomotives, and bombed railway lines, bridges and barges, it was reported.

FOUR STUDENTS KILLED IN ARKANSAS ACCIDENT

DARDANELLE, Ark.—(AP)—Four school children died and nearly a score were injured, seven seriously, late Tuesday when a loaded school bus and a state highway department asphalt truck collided at a narrow bridge one mile west of here.

SHORTAGE OF PROTEIN FEEDS IS CRITICAL IN WEST TEXAS AREA

In the Garden City area, many herdsman had already started feeding sheep before the shortage became serious and now their sheep are starving, Sturkie said.

Hog Business Hit

The hog business also is affected by the shortage. In the past year, hog raisers in this area have started feeding proteins on a big scale in stepping up production.

Livestock raisers attribute the shortage of protein feeds to three reasons. Feeders are using more cottonseed meal and proteins than ever before, since prices on livestock have increased and the producers can afford to feed their stock better.

It is the belief of many that mills are holding back their production of cottonseed meal until they are given price raises, since their little profit in processing it.

Many persons think that one reason for the shortage is because many mills have big contracts with large feed companies and are filling these, rather than producing for the "little fellows."

Meanwhile, the Commodity Credit Corporation, a federal agency, is being pressed by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to release not less than 50,000 tons of outside cake to West Texas ranchmen, for (Continued on page six)

Nazis In Outskirts Of Sbeitla As Push Threatens To Cut Allied Front

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—Marshal Erwin Rommel's veteran tank forces have smashed to the outskirts of Sbeitla, 25 miles northwest of Sidi Bouzid, and advanced toward Feriana in a renewal of his powerful offensive in southern Tunisia, it was announced Wednesday.

The American counterattack which had shoved Rommel's armor back six miles on Monday faded Tuesday after heavy losses of men and armed vehicles.

The combined forces of the German 21st and 10th armored divisions, using a number of the Germans' huge new Mark VI tanks as well as old models salvaged from Libya, punched through the American lines for a gain of nearly 18 miles in furious battles which raged from dawn to dusk.

The German-controlled Paris radio, heard by Reuters in London, reported, however, that the British Eighth Army of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery was pushing strongly in the south and was attempting to infiltrate through the German-Italian rift flank in the Mareth line.

No Progress Made

(The Paris radio said the Americans to the south of the Sidi Bouzid sector were continuing to retreat from the Gafsa area and were withdrawing in the direction of Tozeur on the north bank of the Chott Djerid.)

A number of American contingents were cut off and isolated by the German advance, particularly in the area around Sidi Bouzid, but there was strong hope at Allied headquarters that they would be able to rejoin the main American force, whose casualties were heavy.

The latest German thrust seriously jeopardized British positions about 15 miles north of Faid Pass on the ridge of the east side of the Ousselta Valley. The British flank had been opened by the German maneuver.

British May Help

Meanwhile, a competent officer at Allied Headquarters observed that the British Eighth Army was progressing at such a rate from the Tunisian border that it would soon bring heavy pressure to bear on Rommel and might begin to restore the situation.

From Sbeitla, the Germans were only about 31 miles northeast of Feriana, just east of the Algerian frontier and about mid-way of the Tunisian front.

The Americans are now using medium General Sherman tanks in defensive action," a headquarters source said. "Even experienced troops can be overrun by a sudden heavy tank attack and it is not surprising that the Americans had to withdraw because they held a long line with only light tanks."

Tanks Are Heavy

The new German Mark VI tanks thrown into Rommel's offensive have especially heavy armor, reported to be up to seven and a half inches thick, and high velocity guns which made them difficult for American anti-tank artillery to stop.

Estimates of their size range from 50 to 62 tons, but Allied forces have been unable to retrieve any of them sufficiently whole to get exact information. Two were knocked out by Allied artillery a few weeks ago.

Announcement that fighting was continuing on the outskirts of Sbeitla indicated the Americans had made no progress in that particular sector in their efforts to throw the Germans back to Faid Pass in an area about 125 miles southwest of Tunis.

Sbeitla is about 25 miles northwest of Sidi Bouzid, itself west of Faid Pass.

Tuesday it was reported that the Americans, who had lost 20 miles in the first rush of Marshal Erwin Rommel's offensive on Sunday, had gained back six miles.

Bombers Are Active

The communique did not make clear whether the Germans attacking on the outskirts of Sbeitla were those previously engaged in the vicinity of Sidi Bouzid, or whether they had attacked from a different sector, perhaps the northeast.

The communique said roads behind the enemy's lines were heavily bombed the last two nights, and that light bombers attacked many ground targets at the front Tuesday on Tuesday on page 6

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

AFRICA—Nazi drive smashes 18 miles through American lines.

RUSSIA—Kharkov's captors pursue fleeing Germans westward.

NEW GUINEA—Allied troops push Japs toward Mubo.

Six Axis Ships Sunk By British

LONDON—(AP)—Three British submarines, roving the central Mediterranean, have destroyed six and probably seven Axis supply ships and damaged one other, the Admiralty announced Wednesday.

Four of the ships were sunk and two others were damaged so badly they had to be beached, it was announced.

The actions ranged from the eastern shore of Tunisia to the coasts of Sicily and Italy.

One submarine, in a daring operation, shelled a train in a railway station on the northern coast of Sicily and scored many hits, the announcement said.

58 Casualties In Navy Forces Reported

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Navy Department has released the announcement of 58 casualties in the Navy forces, including 8 dead, 38 wounded and 12 missing.

This brings to 23,340 the total of Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard casualties reported to next of kin since December 7, 1941. The grand total includes 6,612 dead, 4,386 wounded and 12,342 missing.

WEATHER

WEST TEXAS: Little temperature change. Moderately cooler in the Panhandle.

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Stiffen your spine with an infilling of God's strength and health: Have mercy upon me O Lord for I am weak. O Lord heal me.—Psalm 6:2; Psalm 61:2.

Getting In Wrong

Throughout the northeast in particular, families are shivering in their homes and still have not managed to save enough fuel oil to protect them against acute suffering.

The only relief in sight, slight as it may be—unless the weatherman performs miracles—will come from whatever conversions can be made to coal.

So what happens? First there is a strike over increased dues to John L. Lewis' union. It is settled by Presidential intervention. Meanwhile there has been a loss of approximately one-third, temporarily, in the mines' potential output.

Harold Ickes, New Dealer and surely no enemy of organized labor, pointed out the effect in a press release after operations had taken an upturn: "Even with increased production . . . and emergency distribution measures instituted, the east coast fuel situation remains acute."

Donald Nelson, trying to clarify the issues in another dispute, said five military needs are receiving prime priorities. They are shipbuilding, aircraft, synthetic rubber, anti-submarine escort vessels and high-octane gasoline.

So what happens? Petty strikes here and there in each industry—particularly in view of its size and urgent importance, in the synthetic rubber preparations.

Now John L. Lewis is demanding a pay rise for coal miners. This is on top of the fact that, by holding onto the 5-day, 35-hour week, as a pay basis, when national emergency demands 6-day work, his constituents are getting time-and-a-half for hours for which most war workers have to be satisfied with straight time rates.

The time-and-a-half over 35 hours provision has forced the OPA to authorize a price increase. The wage rise, if bulled through, will shove up the cost of coal again.

These are merely hit-and-miss, passing commentaries upon reasons why there is an increasing criticism of organized labor by persons who hitherto have not indulged. It may be significant that these blasts often come from men who have recently seen at first-hand what the \$50-a-month men in uniform are suffering while fellow-Americans demand their pounds of flesh at home.

Smart labor leaders will begin looking ahead to that day, whenever it may be, that a few millions of men are mustered out of uniform and get back where they can go to the polls on election day.

—Buy War Bonds and Saving Stamps Today

There'll Be More Surprises

Just because shoe rationing was sprung on the unsuspecting public like a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor—in the middle of an otherwise quiet Sunday afternoon—it doesn't necessarily follow that this will be the tactic in announcing other rationing programs.

This "Surprise! Surprise!" method of rationing is now considered the preferred technique. It prevents hoarding, prevents runs and scare buying, and insures the build-up of maximum reserve stocks before rationing begins. Furthermore, it is fairer when done that way for it gives every purchaser an equal chance at getting his share of what stock there is.

But there are some commodities that simply can't be put under rationing by a quick order. Take canned goods. A lot of preparations had to be made before processed foods could be rationed, thus giving people advance warning of what was coming and making provisions for the housewife to take an inventory of allowable reserves on the shelf. The national distribution system through normal trade channels had to be entirely resurveyed and in some instances supplies had to be allocated so that every area would have its fair share.

Doing a job of that kind takes time. Consequently for the future you find that on some of the new rationing programs you will be given plenty of advance warning. Others will be sprung at you suddenly, like the shoe job.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Sink The Army

During World War I Secretary Daniels sought to dry up the Navy by an anti-imbibing order. Its overall effect was not notable, but it did let sailors and their officers in for some merciless kidding from the Army.

Now the tables are turned. The last oases in Army camps, the officers' clubs, have been ordered dry by Chief of Staff Marshall. Naval officers are taking a sadistic delight in inviting Army officers to their clubs and messes for a drink of something stronger than 3.2 beer.

Times do change, and he who laughs last has a sweet laugh.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Secretary Knox urges Pacific aerial and naval bases after the war. Don't want Uncle Sam to get caught off base again.

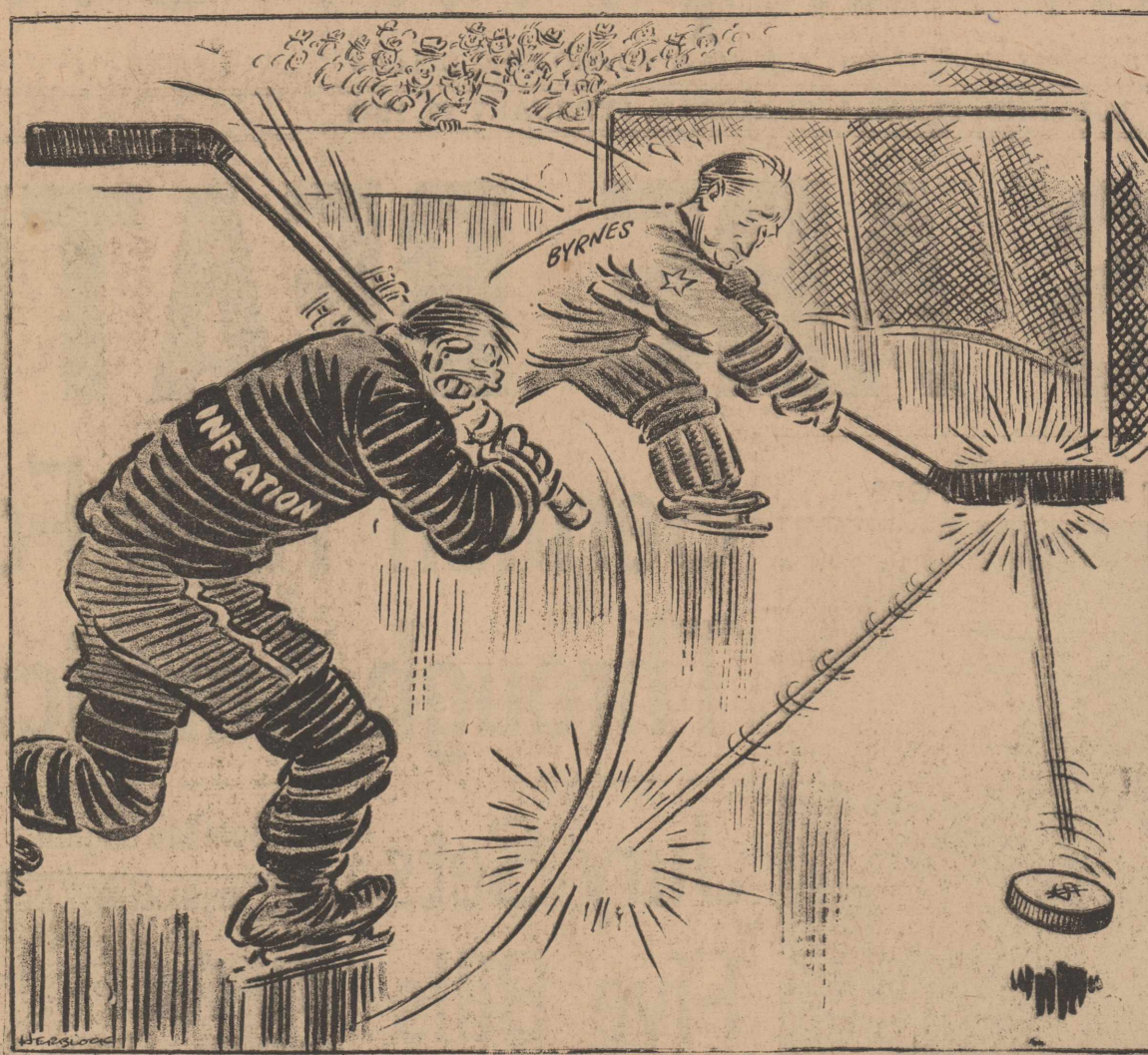
More people than ever are finding out that success has a habit of coming around while you're busy.

The Nazi party thought it was too big to ever feel small—but we'll take care of that.

Rationing is going to make it much harder for a youth to step into father's shoes.

Small packing house in Indiana had a fire—smelling just like a hundred brides cooking a meal.

Nice Save!



Healthful Foods Should Be Grown In Victory Plots

WASHINGTON—The U. S. Department of Agriculture reports that the national Victory Garden program is intended to encourage home gardeners not only to provide more food, but also, to grow the foods that contain health giving minerals and vitamins in the greatest abundance. The fullest measure of these protective foods is obtained from well-grown, freshly-gathered vegetables, the Department pointed out.

Garden specialists of the Department said. Nearly all commonly grown vegetables contain one or more health protecting minerals as well as vitamins. Some, of course, are better sources than others. However, it is only when the vegetables are well grown, harvested in their prime, and promptly and carefully prepared that it is possible to secure the highest values from them. Incidentally, only when they give flavors that distinguish them from most commercially produced products.

System Needed
The home gardener should not only work out a plan to get the best use of his plot of land, but also, to insure a plentiful supply of the most important sources of minerals and vitamins throughout the season. It is not enough to make single plantings in the spring of spinach, lettuce, beans, tomatoes, etc., additional plantings should be made as the season progresses so that the harvest may continue as long as the weather permits.

Round Trip
SALT LAKE CITY—Archie Bixby told police a traveling bag had been stolen from his hotel room. A day later he found a paw ticket in his room. It produced the stolen bag.

We Moderns
ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—Among other contributions to the victory book drive: "Girls of Today" (1909).

Conference
DENVER—Soldiers Gordon Roth and Gordon Roth, unrelated, were receiving letters regularly—each from his sister Ruth Roth. And return addresses often were blotted out.

Tourney Contributes \$5,000 to Charities
FORT WORTH—The Texas Golden Gloves tournament will contribute an estimated \$5,000 to established charities and service organizations for the furtherance of amateur sports.

Romance Added To Ration Board Woes

PARKERSBURG, W. Va.—(AP)—Add to the woes of the rationing board: A Parkersburg woman complained that the rationers should revoke her former husband's book because he was "pleasure driving with a new girl friend."

The board tabled the complaint for lack of evidence.

Finance Committee For Livestock Show Will Meet Thursday

Members of a Chamber of Commerce committee appointed to raise funds for the Midland Livestock Show March 16 and 17 will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce.

Flashes Of Life

By The Associated Press
Going Out Of Business
NEW YORK—Hyman Sarter pleaded guilty in traffic court to making a U - turn with his cab, then offered to sell it to Magistrate Charles E. Ramsgate.

Ex-Rome Drama Critic Says Italy Will Quit
CAMP LEE, VA.—(AP)—Mario F. Hutton, a private at Camp Lee, who was born and reared in Italy and court-martialed at the request of Mussolini, believes that "if Allied troops ever land in Italy, the Italian people will quit the Axis powers in one day."

Two Midland Men Are Advanced To Primary Flight School Work
Aviation Cadets Robert L. Dunagan and George F. Watford of Midland were among 276 cadets from Texas who were advanced from preflight training at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center to primary training units this week.

Virginia Convict Is Arrested In Midland
Harold Arehart, escaped convict, was turned over to officials from the Virginia penitentiary here Tuesday and was returned to that state to continue serving a 33-year sentence. He was arrested here recently by Constable E. C. Moreland and members of the sheriff's department after he ran away from the constable who sought to question him about his arait registration card.

March Production Quota Increased For Texas Fields

AUSTIN—(AP)—The certified Texas liquid petroleum production for March is 1,502,000 barrels daily, an increase of 50,000 barrels from February.

Certification was received by the Railroad Commission in a telegram from Ralph K. Davies, deputy Federal Petroleum Administrator.

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Production Tool Serves In 5 Wars
WASHINGTON—(AP)—A Green Bay, Wis., firm has the "grand-daddy" of arms producing tools—a chain-drive plunger which has produced war materials for the United States in five wars, and is still producing. The Office of War Information says it is believed to be about 100 years old.

Midland Theatres Sponsor 'March Of Dimes' Drive

Midland County citizens are urged by J. Howard Hodge, local "March of Dimes" theatre chairman, to join with patrons of some 15,000 other theatres throughout the nation in contributing to the movie industry's 1943 infantile paralysis fund drive. In 1942 the movie industry turned in \$1,450,000 out of the total \$4,000,000 collected for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, and it hopes to exceed that record in the campaign starting Thursday and running through February 24.

Special receptacles will be provided in the inner lobbies of the Yucca and Ritz Theatres in Midland to receive voluntary cash contributions to the "March of Dimes." No collections will be taken up in the theatres, Hodge said. "The motion picture fans of America—a genuine cross-section of the nation—have proven their generosity in many drives," Hodge said. "In the USO drive, the movies led all other industries; also the \$2,200,000 raised for Army and Navy Relief set a record; and again in the United Nations Week, and I expect them to make another grand showing in the 1943 "March of Dimes" and in the coming Red Cross drive in April."

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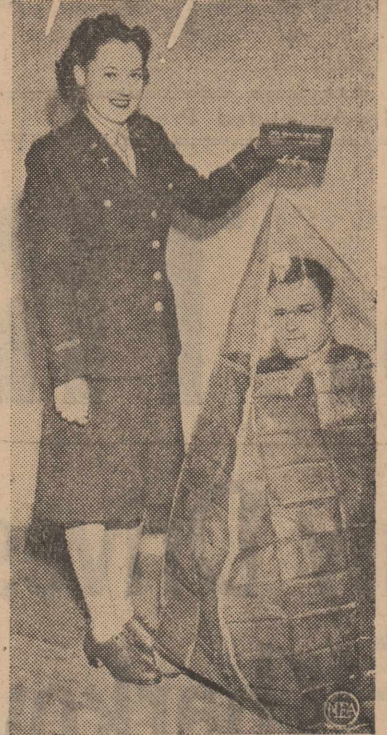
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Anti-Gas Chamber



This soldier isn't bagged by the Army nurse, but is demonstrating a new protective against liquid gas. The covering may be packed into the little box held in the nurse's hand.

Speeders May Lose Gas Ration Cards

Drivers were warned Wednesday by officials of the Midland County War Price and Rationing Board that anyone caught speeding may have his gasoline rationing card taken away from him. State Highway Patrolmen and other officers are required to turn over to the ration board the names of those persons exceeding the 35-miles-per-hour speed limit.

An increase in speeding has been noted recently, and officials of the board said that a strict attitude will be taken toward persons who are reported to them.

The Canal Zone was granted to the United States by a treaty with Panama on February 26, 1904.

District F. F. A. Banquet Planned For February 26

J. B. Rutland, state advisor, is scheduled to be the principal speaker at the district Future Farmers of America annual father-son banquet Friday night, February 26, at the Cactus Cafe in Midland. About 75 F. F. A. members, fathers and additional guests from Midland, Stanton, Garden City, Garmer and Grandfalls are expected to attend.

The banquet will be an observance of National F. F. A. week, and the boy with the highest scholarship record in the district will be given recognition. W. E. Williams, area supervisor, and Mr. Barron, assistant state supervisor, are expected to attend.

Kelly Lowellen, district president, will be toastmaster. Arrangements for the banquet are being worked out by the F. F. A. "sweethearts," Misses Thelma Jo Bryan and Frances Palmer. Harlan Howell, vocational agriculture teacher at the Midland High School, is supervising the program.

An F. F. A. motion picture, "The Green Hand," will be shown.

National Leader To Address Scouters At Breakfast Thursday

Harry K. Eby of the national headquarters staff of the Boy Scouts of America will address scout leaders of the Midland district at a breakfast at Hotel Scharbauer at 7:30 a. m. Thursday, J. C. Cunningham, district chairman, announced Wednesday.

He urged all Scouters and other interested persons to attend the meeting which will be devoted to Scout training.

S. P. Gaskin, executive of the Buffalo Trail Council, and Don Betts, field executive, will attend the session.

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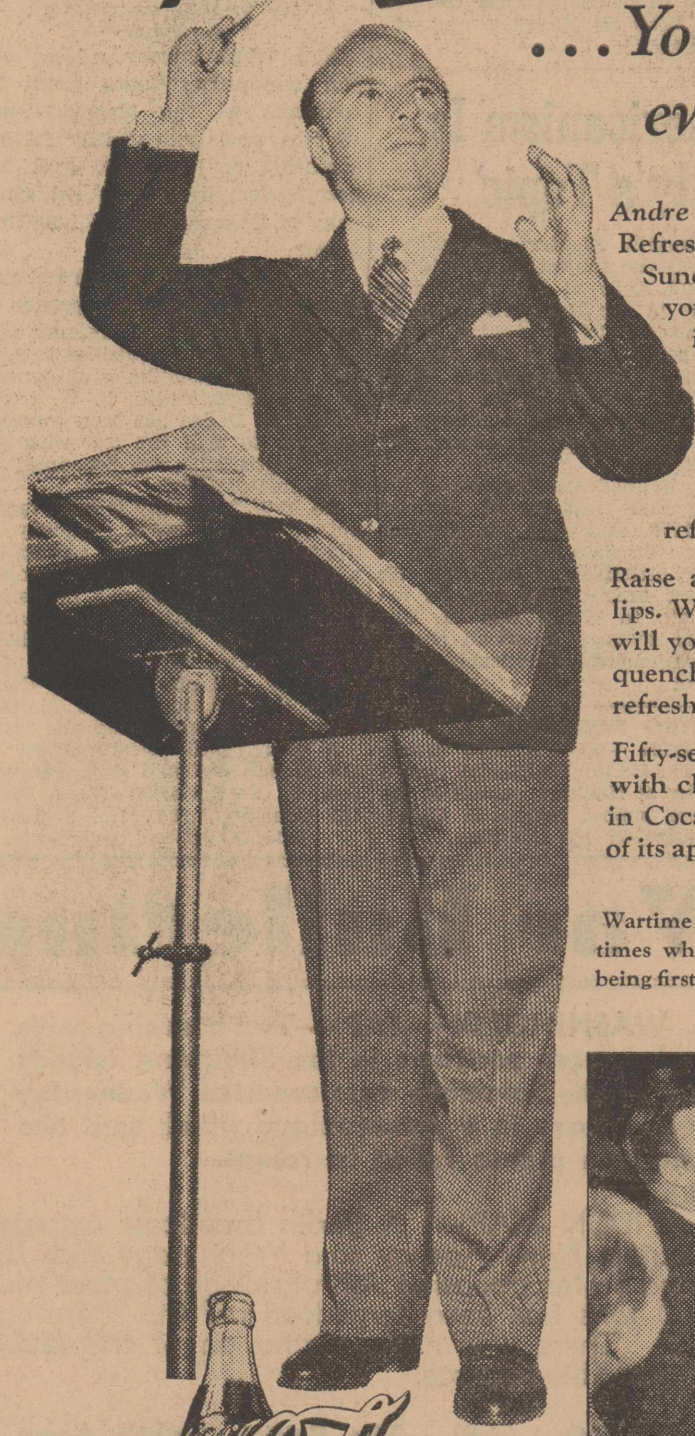


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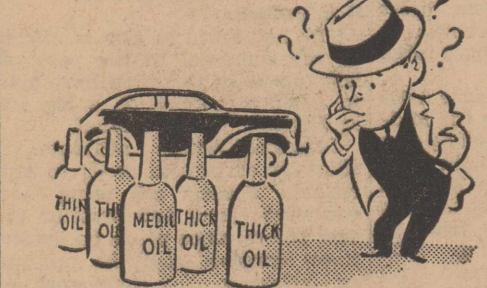
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Sadie Hawkins Dance And 'Tacky' Party Honors Dorothy Fay Holt

Honoring her daughter, Dorothy Fay Holt, on her twelfth birthday, Mrs. O. B. Holt entertained with a Sadie Hawkins Day dance and "tacky" party Tuesday evening at the Midland Country Club.

All guests were dressed in "tacky" clothes and Elizabeth Ann Cowden won the prize for the tackiest-dressed girl. Prize for the boys went to Tom Kumbrough.

A ranch style supper was served. Guest list:

The guest list included the honoree and Elizabeth Ann Cowden, Alma Fay Cowden, Barbara Rowell, Florence Larch, Becky Bird, Helen Crabb, Carolyn Schaefer, Eddie Juan Farnell, Dorothy Barron, Dorothy Turner, Patsy Lou Arrington, Pat Flannigan, Betty McCain, Mary Martha Swalls, Dorothy Jean King, Mary Lee Cowden, Emma Sue Cowden, Evangeline Theis, Frances Puetz, Carol Casselman, Monta Jo Glass, Norma Jean Hubbard, Evelyn Wemple, Lucille Wemple, Billie Jo Pardo, Bobbie Lee Lassiter, and Joyce McKiff.

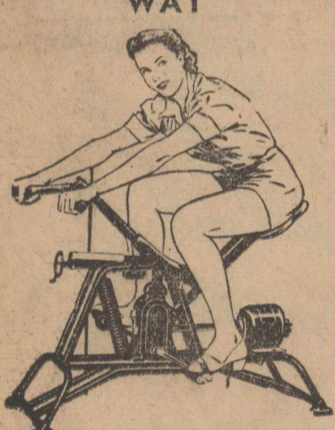
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Personals

Ensign Frank Anderson, formerly a geologist in Midland with University Lands, visited friends in Midland Tuesday enroute to Tucson, Arizona.

Miss Virginia Ford of Dayton, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace M. Ford, is visiting her father of Midland. Miss Ford formerly lived in Midland where she graduated from high school in 1940. Miss Betty Lee, also of Dayton, accompanied her. They will visit here about two weeks.

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Warfield Club Elects Officers

Mary Louise Baze was elected president of the Warfield Club Monday at its meeting at the Warfield School.

Other officers elected included Mary Lynn Manning, vice president; Nadine Manning, secretary-treasurer; Janie Frances Manning, reporter; Joyce Brown, recreation chairman; Pauline Norwood, expansion chairman; Dorothy Madison, program and social chairman; Lela Norwood, exhibit; and Dorothy Madison and Mary Louise Baze, yearbook chairman.

The girls worked on a dress, which they cut out at the last meeting, for Miss Alpha Lynn. Each club girl will make a work garment for herself.

Those attending included Mary Louise Baze, Joyce Brown, Pauline and Lela Norwood, Janie Manning, Dorothy Matteson, Wanda Pearl Early, Ruth Hall and Helen Calhoun.

Trio Discusses Beauty At Sorority Meeting

Mrs. Ralph Guyger, Mrs. J. H. Fine and Miss Dorothy Hamilton led the discussions on beauty at the Beta Sigma Phi sorority meeting Tuesday evening in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer.

The sorority voted to buy books for the new hospital at the Midland AAF Bombardier School. In attendance were Misses Maudelle Roberts, Dorothy Hamilton, Eleanor Wood, Janice Watts, Nita Gothard and Roselle Girard, and Misses J. H. Fine, Ralph Guyger, Frances Stallworth, G. B. Hallman, Riley Parr, T. H. Stringer, J. Z. Bain, S. R. McKinney Jr. and Cecil Waldrep.

Baptist School Of Missions Continues

Fifty-two persons attended the school of missions at the First Baptist Church Tuesday evening. Mrs. Aaron Hancock, Indian princess and missionary, sang a song and led the inspirational message on "The Power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

The school, which is being sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Union, begins at 7:30 o'clock each evening, and WMU officials extend special invitations to all persons from the five year old group to the adult class. Experienced teachers are provided for each class.

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Coming Events

THURSDAY

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

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

The Stitch and Chatter Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Charles Anderson, 504 North Fort Worth.

Mrs. Paul Kasper will be hostess to the Needlecraft Club at 2:30 o'clock at her home, 2007 West Brunson.

Mrs. Richard Peters and Mrs. Roy Poole will be hostesses at the Soldiers' Service Club.

The Midland Garden Club will meet from 9:30 until 10:30 a. m. on the third floor of the court house.

FRIDAY

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

The Belmont Bible Class will meet at the educational building of the First Baptist Church at 3:30 p. m.

The Glenn Wayker Royal Ambassadors of the First Baptist Church will meet at 4 p. m. at the educational building.

The nutrition class will meet from 9:30 until 11:30 a. m. in the Assembly Room of the courthouse.

Mrs. Phil Scharbauer and Mrs. W. L. Holmsley will be hostesses at the Soldiers' Service Club.

The Children's Service League will meet at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Ralph Pittman, Jr., 605 West Cuthbert.

SATURDAY

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

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

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

Estrelito Orchestra Presents Its Second Musical Program At School

Members of the Estrelito Orchestra of the Watson School of Music appeared in a program Tuesday morning at the North Ward School by request. This was the orchestra's

Shower Honors Mrs. W. I. Hobbs

Mrs. W. I. Hobbs was honored with a pink and blue shower when Mrs. J. Wayne Campbell entertained members of the PasTime Club Monday at her home, 610 North San Angelo.

The pink and blue theme was carried out in all party decorations. Two tables of bridge were played with Mrs. Verble Mitchell winning high score. Second high went to Mrs. Paul Cole and Mrs. David Stamper won bingo prize.

Refreshments were served to the honoree and to Mmes. Mitchell, Cole, Stamper, T. D. Dykes, Odie Morris, N. W. Bigham, and the hostess, and two guests, Mrs. Ella Ragsdale and Mrs. L. B. Height.

Committee Chairmen Named At Community H-D Club Meeting

Committee chairmen for the year were nominated at the Community Home Demonstration Club meeting at the Valley View school Tuesday. They include Mrs. Bennie Bizzell, education and recreation; Mrs. Sherwood O'Neal, exhibit; Mrs. B. L. Mason, finance; Mrs. I. J. Howard, 4-H sponsor; Mrs. D. W. MacDonald, Red Cross and nutrition; Mrs. Louis Stewart, marketing; and Mrs. Phelan Porter and Mrs. J. D. Bartlett, expansion.

Luncheon served. Mrs. Howard was elected delegate to represent the club for nomination to the district meeting.

A covered dish luncheon was served, and the afternoon was spent in planning a balanced diet with foods to produce and can for a year's supply.

Plans were made for serving pop corn and coffee, and for playing bingo and featuring a fishing pond at the next meeting.

Those present included Mmes. Howard, Bennie Bizzell, Nancy Tisdale, D. A. Ray, and B. L. Mason, and Miss Alpha Lynn.

Mrs. Tom Parker Hostess To Club

Bouquets of roses and acacia decorated the home of Mrs. Tom Parker, 1508 West Texas, where the Tuesday Bridge Club met for dessert bridge.

Mrs. O. R. Champion won high score and Mrs. Charles Canfield, second. Mrs. M. F. Turner won cue prize.

Mrs. C. S. Noland and Mrs. G. C. Roberts were guests. The following members attended: Mmes. R. L. Blunden, Champion, R. S. Dewey, Tom Parker, Turner, and Canfield.

Charles W. Post Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Post of Midland, has been inducted into the army at the Fort Bliss reception center.

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SoSum Club Meets With Mrs. Hitchcock

Mrs. E. C. Hitchcock was hostess to the SoSum Club Tuesday at her home, 104 North Pecos. The usual Red Cross work was done.

The following members and guests attended: Mmes. Herold Changmussen, N. B. Larsh, C. W. Anacellon, Percy Mims, W. L. Pratt, W. M. Schrock, Rea Sindorf, and the hostess.

High School Students Hear Captain Taggart

Captain W. C. Taggart, a chaplain with the 19th Bombardment Group at Pyote, spoke to students of Midland High School in assembly Tuesday. He was introduced by G. B. Rush, high school principal.

Captain Taggart related several of his experiences while in Java, and told of the conditions in the Pacific war zone.

Girls' Auxiliary Makes Party Plans

Plans were made for a party for the Shitsuko Saito Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary at its meeting Tuesday.

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day at the First Baptist Church. Frances Palmer, social chairman, will be in charge.

Mrs. Aaron Hancock, Indian princess and missionary to the Indians, in Oklahoma, was a guest speaker.

Billie Jean Jones, and Eileen Eiland were visitors. Members attending included Thelma Jo Brown, Barbara Brown, Faye Shelburne, Dorothy Shelburne, Frances Palmer, and Dorothy Rose Otho.

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SERIAL STORY

THE TERRIBLE EYE

BY EDWIN RUTT

IN THE BAG CHAPTER XI

"FORTY thou..." Mr. Channing was choking. "Have you lost your mind, Clarissa? In the French Revolution they guillotined women like you."

"I happen to know," said Mrs. Channing, a gold mine of statistics, "that you paid \$42,500 for that nasty horse of yours, that Black Moonlight. But you sit here depriving your own wife of a mere..."

"Oh, Lord!" Mr. Channing banged the desk. "All right, Clarissa. Get the damned thing."

"Thank you, lovey," said Mrs. Channing, with a little sigh. "I'll phone Brown, Moon & Snow's right away and have them send it out. So I can wear it at your party Saturday night. You're a lamb, lovey. And now you can get back to your old sales curves and things."

"Gee!" said Mr. Channing. The door closed upon Mrs. Channing, and \$40,000.

With tranquility reigning once more, Mr. Channing attempted to resume work. But his train of thought had been interrupted and it was no go. Mr. Channing, however, not one to waste time, improved the moment by being audibly sorry for himself.

"Meath," he said, leaning back in his chair, "I am a much-harassed man. Confidentially, Meath, in spite of these—ah—apprehensions—he swept a hand to indicate Wildover—"I lead a dog's life."

"Yes, sir," said Meath promptly. In addition to being a superb secretary, Meath was also a competent yes-woman.

"It's a fact," Mr. Channing said broodingly. "My existence is a sorry one. Consider, Meath! I have a wife who thinks of nothing but frittering away my hard-earned money. I have a wayward and insolent daughter. I am also afflicted with a brother-in-law who lies awake nights thinking out schemes by which to cheat me."

"You poor man," said Meath. "There are times, Meath," Mr. Channing was thoroughly enjoying himself, "when for me life becomes nothing but a vista of blackness and frustration."

Meath cogitated a moment. "Mr. Channing," she said at last, "may I say something—er—personal?"

"Certainly," said Mr. Channing affably.

"Well, then," Meath said, "it is my opinion that this horse race is preying on your mind."

outside the window, Meath had been wondering how to bring up the subject of the race. The reason for her interest was financial. When the contest had first been projected, Meath had strung along with her employer. And, rashly, she had entered into a transaction with one Corby, the Channing butler. Such was her conviction that she had placed Corby, a man not averse to a sporting flutter, on the good end of four to one odds. But as time wore on, the feet of Miss Meath had grown cold. And her vague doubts were not dispersed by leering hints made by Corby to the effect that a great upset might be in the making. Corby was conducting a war of nerves.

Mr. Channing was regarding Meath in surprise. "That," he said, "is ridiculous. The race is the only thing that isn't worrying me. Why, Black Moonlight could read 'Gone With the Wind' around the track and still beat that farm horse of Calvin's."

"Very likely. But anything can happen, you know," Gently Meath planted the seed of doubt.

"Preposterous!" said Mr. Channing. "Black Moonlight will leave that nag at the post."

"But if he doesn't, Mr. Channing?" Meath said slowly.

"In that remote event there would be nothing to do but pay up."

Ever so carefully Meath slipped him the needle. "Mr. Channing," she said, "that is merely your conscious speaking. It is your subconscious that really worries you."

"So! What do you know about my sub-conscious?"

"I may know more than you think, sir," said Meath glibly. "One of my hobbies is psychology. And my—my experience tells me that while your conscious does not consider the possibility of defeat and its aftermath, your subconscious does. Particularly the aftermath."

"Is that so? Well, what about this hypothetical aftermath?"

"You mentioned a moment ago," went on Meath, "that you led a dog's life. Well, your sub-conscious is trying to remind you that if, through any unforeseen occurrence, your horse should lose, Mr. Calvin Meggs would make your life a hell on earth."

Mr. Channing drummed thoughtfully on the desk. "Meath," he said, "you seem to have thought this thing through very well. But I don't see how we can remove the outside chance that Calvin's supernaturally billygoat might come through."

It was the opening for which Meath had been sparring.

"May I speak freely, Mr. Channing?"

"Go as far as you like," said Mr. Channing, as one who hands over the keys to the city.

Meath went. She went to town. By the time she had finished her employer was gazing at her in open-mouthed admiration.

"Meath," he said, in an awed voice, "this is superb. Remind me to raise your salary."

"Yes, sir," said Meath modestly.

"Your masterly—ah—campaign," continued Mr. Channing, "would seem to place my wager with Calvin in the category of a sure thing."

"Exactly," said Meath. And added, under her breath: "And my bet with Corby."

"Well then," cried Mr. Channing, a doer not a dreamer, "why don't we start the ball rolling?"

"Why not, indeed, sir?" Meath said.

"No time like the present, eh, Meath?"

"No, sir," said Meath, who was a yes-woman and no-woman combined.

Mr. Channing arose. For a moment he paced his den, chin upon chest. But presently he halted beside Meath's chair and patted her shoulder.

"I've considered the scheme from every angle," he said. "And it's sound. It puts it in the bag, as the fella says, doesn't it, Meath?"

"In the bag, sir," echoed Meath, discreetly dropping her eyes.

An hour later Miss Meath left Wildover, on foot. She proceeded along the improved road that ran past the estate for about a mile. At that point a dirt road, hardly more than a wagon track, ran off to the right. Meath turned into the dirt road.

A short distance up this bypath was a dilapidated house. Time and the elements had colored it a dingy gray. The front porch sagged in a discouraged manner and the windows were shattered. Obviously the place was abandoned. But Meath turned into the unkept grounds without hesitation. She went around to the rear noting, in passing, an automobile of the genus jalopy parked well out of sight from the dirt road. Then she mounted the tumbling-down back stoop and rapped smartly three times on the kitchen door.

Instantly the door opened a crack. A rheumy eye appeared at the crack.

"Hiya, Gottie," said a voice like a file scraping over corrugated iron. "Welcome to me country er-state." The door opened wide.

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Olive Peterson, a past-president of the Women's National Committee of the American Contract Bridge League. Mrs. Peterson turned out a record entry for the women's pair event in the recent Pennsylvania State Tournament, and it was won by Mrs. Richard T. Thompson and Mrs. Walker DeMaris, both of Philadelphia.

Here is an interesting hand taken from that event. Mrs. Peterson (South) won the first trick with the ace of hearts. Next she took two rounds of trumps, then four rounds of clubs, discarding the losing heart from her own hand.

She then led the jack of hearts from dummy, discarding her small diamond and allowing West to win the trick. West was now helpless. A diamond return would be leading into the ace-queen, and any other return would be trumped in dummy and the diamond queen discarded.

'Copper, Brass And Bronze' Matinee To Be Held At Yucca

A "copper, brass and bronze" matinee will be held at the Yucca Theatre from 2 to 5 p. m. Thursday. Clint Dunagan, chairman of the Midland County Salvage Committee, said Wednesday.

The matinee is sponsored by the

salvage committee in cooperation with the theatre management. Children bringing one or more pieces of scrap copper, brass or bronze will be admitted free of charge to the show. The salvage material will be forwarded to the proper government agency for use in the war effort. The picture, "China Girl," will feature the matinee program.

The human brain weighs nearly five times as much as the heart.

Thief Shoulda Stayed And Learnt To Speak

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A man entered a classroom in a swank private oratory school.

"Dis is a stickup lady," he told the teacher. "Keep yourself sat."

He rifled a desk, took \$137, and asked:

"Okay sister, where's da rest 'f d' dough-at?"

Told there wasn't any more, he muttered "aw neris," and fled.

MOONSHINE DECREASES

SPARTANBURG, S. C. — (AP) — Maybe it's the sugar shortage of the war... For the first time in years, the federal grand jury adjourned without returning a single indictment in the Spartanburg division for making or selling moonshine whisky.

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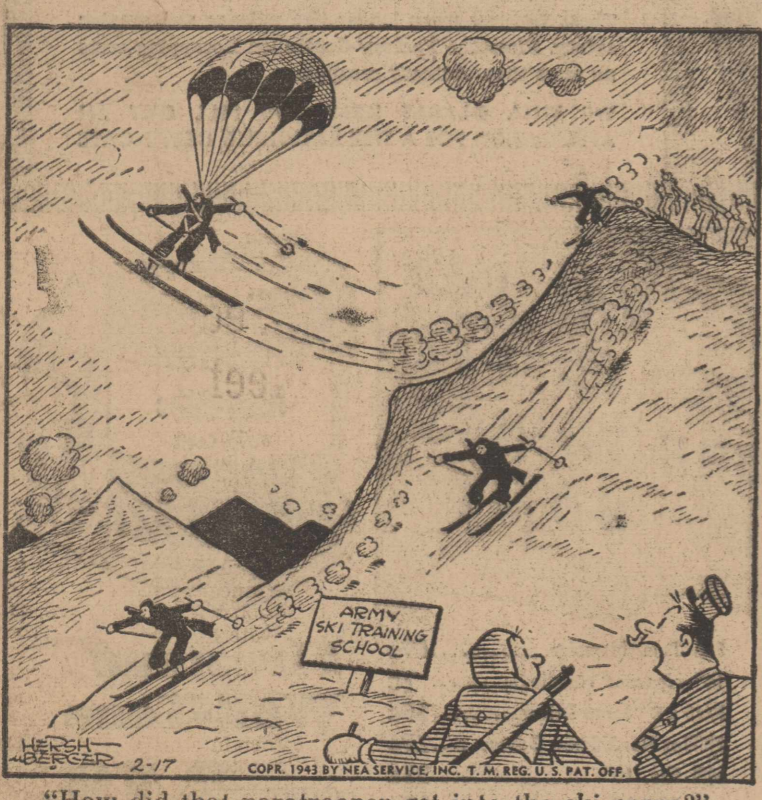


OUT OUR WAY



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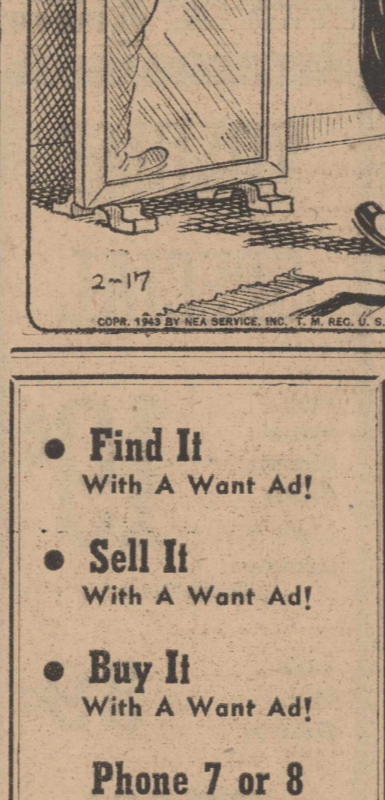
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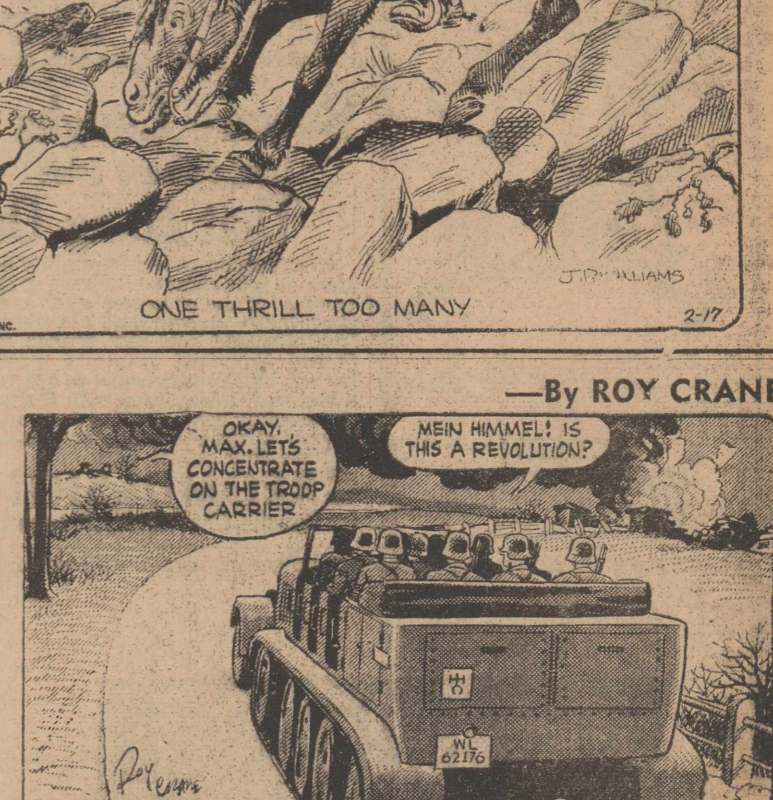
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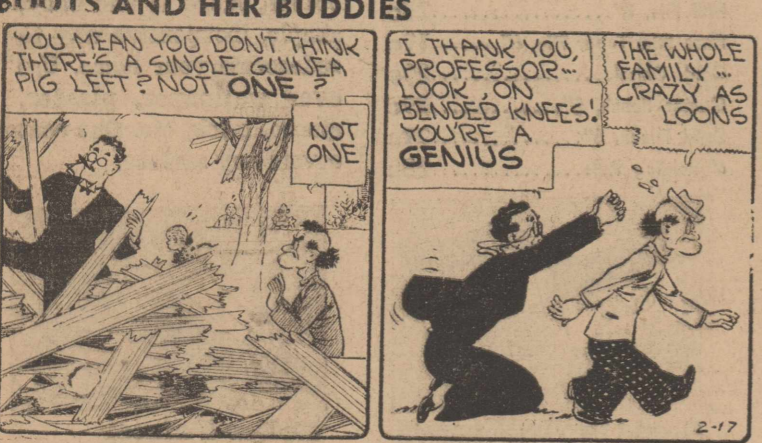
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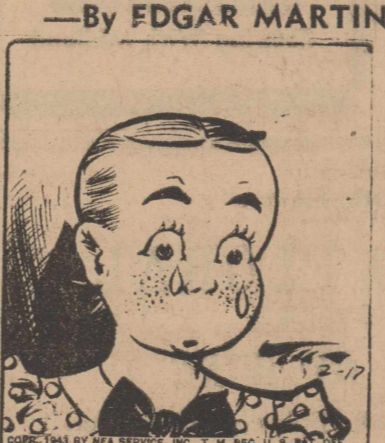
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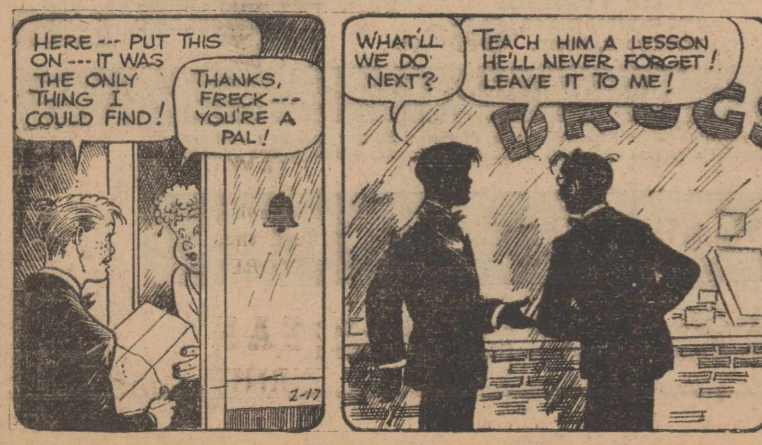
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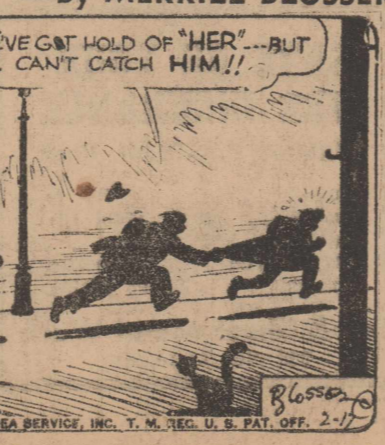
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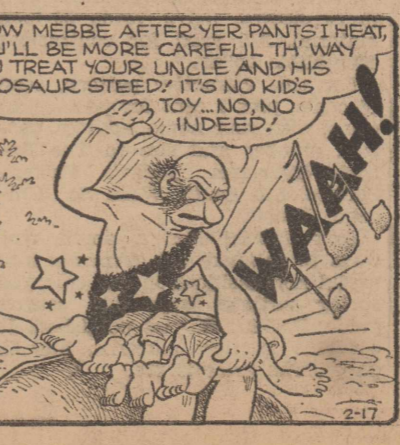
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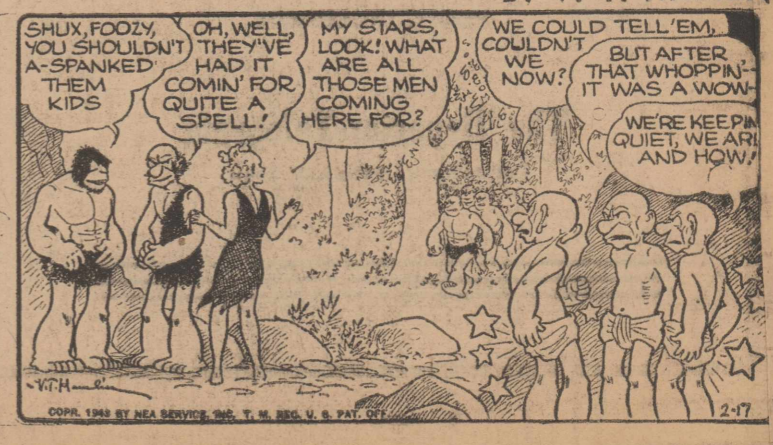
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Girls, There's Plenty On Hand For Glorifying

How To Fill Out Consumer Form To Speed Up Registration For Ration Book No. 2

NOTES AND INFORMATION

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3c word a day.
4c word two days.
5c word three days.
TIME charges:
1 day 25c.
2 days 50c.
3 days 75c.
4 days 1.00.
5 days 1.25.
6 days 1.50.
7 days 1.75.
8 days 2.00.
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47 days 11.75.
48 days 12.00.
49 days 12.25.
50 days 12.50.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



DOVES
ARE SYMBOLS OF PEACE...
BUT DURING THE MATING SEASON, FIERCE AND BLOODY BATTLES ARE FOUGHT BY RIVAL MALES OF THIS SEEMINGLY GENTLE BIRD TRIBE.

GOING ODD

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A PERMANENT IS ONLY TEMPORARY, says ELAINE MARRIS, Springfield, Missouri.

THE LEANING TOWER OF PISA, ITALY, HAS BEEN FAMOUS FOR CENTURIES BECAUSE IT DEVIATES FROM THE PERPENDICULAR MORE THAN SIXTEEN FEET! MANY OTHER CITIES OF ITALY NOW POSSESS LEANING BUILDINGS.

NEXT: How the bottom of the Pacific differs from that of other oceans.

Houses For Sale

LARGE attractive modern frame house, 5 well arranged rooms, garage room and bath, north corner lot facing two streets, Owner leaving town. Call 2048 W. (294-3)

Quilters Needed At Sewing Room

Quilters are needed at the Red Cross sewing room in the Old Heidelberg Inn as workers now are making quilts. Experienced and unexperienced workers are urged to work.

Midland Teachers To Become WAACS

Miss Cora Lee Morrow and Miss Helen Fortenberry of the Midland High School faculty have enrolled in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Both enrolled at the U. S. Army Recruiting Office in Lubbock.

By Ann France Wilson

WASHINGTON—Approximately \$800,000,000 are spent annually for beauty preparations in the United States—around \$16 per gal per annum. Now that the girls have a lot more dough to spend on glorifying themselves it's expected that more money will go into cosmetics than ever before—and judging by production figures, a shortage of glamorizers isn't even around the corner.

Lipsticks
Metal cases for lipsticks are out—so hang on to the old ones you have and use them for refills. However, new metal-substitutes are keep popping up, and each one is better than the last.

Your Hair-Do
Though machinery for beauty parlors may no longer be manufactured, you're not going to have to do entirely without the morale-building effects of a new permanent or a new hair style. Some repair parts will be available in order to keep beauty parlors operating.

Face Powder
Some types of talc have been cut out of non-essentials, yet face powders seem to be bearing up well. So far no shortage is anticipated.

Deodorants
These are musts for American women—according to surveys—and seem to be in good shape. They use no materials required for war—and no production curtailment is expected.

Victory Concert Is Scheduled Thursday
The fifth Victory concert will be held at the Midland High School auditorium at 8 o'clock Thursday night.

Personal
Billie Joe Clark underwent a tonsillectomy in the hospital here Wednesday.

Edelweiss Club Meets With Mrs. Hal Peck
The Edelweiss Club met Tuesday with Mrs. Hal C. Peck, 1200 West Missouri.

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Personal

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LISTEN in on Radio Station KRLH from 1 to 1:15 P.M. each Saturday—your best cattle market is on the air. LUBBOCK AUCTION & COMMISSION CO. (78-1f)
KIDNIE KOOP: 15c per hour; meetings and afternoons. Luches, 103 Ridglea. Phone 88-J. (269-26)
MAIE your appointment early; Ms. Johnnie Robinson, experienced operator of Big Springs, will be working at the Glamour Beauty Shop, 306 W. Texas Ave., Phone 139. (282-14)

Lot and Found

LOST—Ladies pin on watch somewhere in 300 block N. Baird. Reward. Phone 563 J. (294-3)
FOUND—Bundle of laundry belonging to a soldier. Identify and pay for ad. Reporter-Telegram. (295-3)
LOST—Zipper type jacket and man's hat. Reward. Call 9505 or 304 W. Tennessee. (295-1)

Help Wanted

LADY who is well acquainted in Midland, for temporary work. Good pay, pleasant work. No experience necessary. Phone 1587. (293-6)
WILL PAY good salary for silk or wool pressers. If interested call Collect. Cornelius-Cleaners, Big Springs, Texas. (293-9)
NEAT, EXPERIENCED waitress wanted. Crawford Coffee Shop. (295-3)

Situations Wanted

EXPERIENCED stenographer, ass't bookkeeper or general office girl wants temporary or part time employment. Call 453 M. (294-2)

RENTALS

ROOM and board 11 ROOMS with 2 meals. Taylor Lodge, 107 S. Pecos. Phone 278. (282-36)

Bedrooms

BEDROOM for one gentleman private entrance, join bath. Beauty Rest mattress. 1004 W. Tenn. (291-5)
NICE front bedroom, 210 W. Louisiana. Phone 651. (293-3)
BEDROOM adjoining bath. Beauty-rest mattress. One or two gentlemen. 507 N. Colorado. (295-1f)

Houses

TWO unimproved houses with 10 acres land, also 2 room unfurnished modern house, 1-2 mile North of Country Club. N. L. Heidelberg. (291-6)

Furnished Houses

4 ROOM HOUSE, two 2-room furnished apartments. 802 S. Connell. (293-3)

Wanted To Rent

WANT ROOM for mother and children where children can be left while mother works. One child in school. Call Jerry Bryant, at 989. (295-1)

Household Goods

FOR SALE: Practically new four-burner new Perfection oil range, \$45.00. 207 E. New York. (292-3)

Household Goods

COOLERATOR and other household goods. 206 W. New York. (293-3)
MISCELLANEOUS 23
LARGE 4-door Frigidaire, 75-gal. Dixie water heater, large mangle; part cash, part trade. 1308 W. Kentucky. Phone 2097-J. (289-6)

Wanted To Buy

WANTED TO BUY—A piano and typewriter. First Baptist Church. Phone 673. Box 115. (292-6)

Wanted To Buy

WANTED TO BUY—Electric refrigerator in good condition. —M. D. Williams. Phone 1436-R. (292-6)

Wanted To Buy

WANTED good shoes, shirts, pants and full suits. All kinds of furniture. Tom Nik, 205 E. Wall. (294-1)

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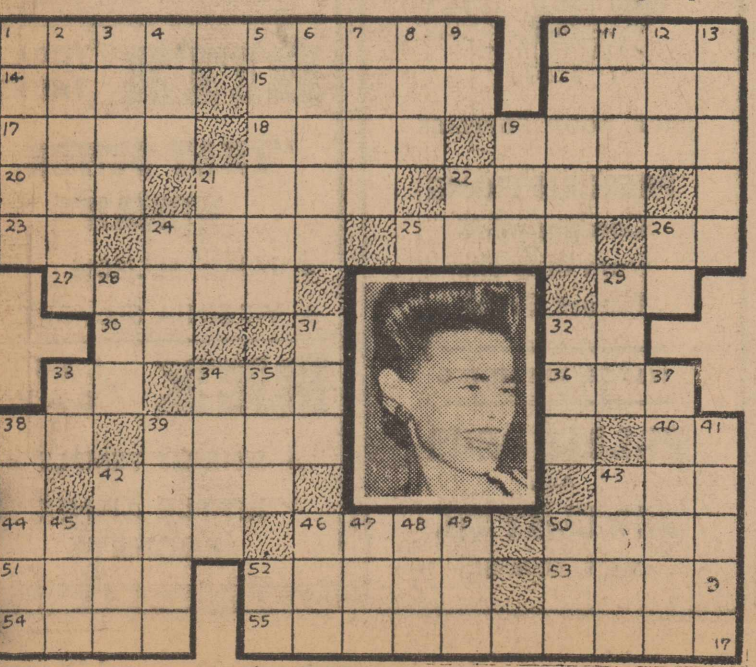
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HORIZONTAL
1 Pictured famous heiress. 2 Gloria. 3 Works with needle and thread. 4 On the ocean. 5 More aged. 6 Unluck. 7 Statuary (abbr.). 8 Bound. 9 Vanity. 10 Ever (poet.). 11 Sicilian mountain. 12 Accomplishes. 13 Senior (abbr.). 14 Long grass. 15 War god. 16 Erbium (symbol). 17 Berate. 18 Paid notice. 19 Heart (Egypt). 20 Measure of area. 21 Written form of Mister. 22 Beverage. 23 Fondle.

Answer to Previous Puzzle
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13 Jeer. 19 Famous writer. 21 Long fish. 22 Doctor (abbr.). 24 Steel. 26 Editor (abbr.). 28 Vehicle. 29 Exist. 31 Tablet. 32 Mimic. 33 Volume. 34 Golf pegs. 35 Abstract being. 37 Coils. 38 Grow dusky (Scott.). 39 Marsh bird. 41 Belief. 42 Employer. 43 Charter. 45 Arab outer garment. 46 Honey producer. 47 Girl's name. 48 Telegraph (abbr.). 49 Skull. 50 Federal Bureau of Investigation (abbr.). 51 Roof finials. 52 Compass point.



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As a special service to its readers, The Reporter-Telegram prints above the form which must be filled out for every man, woman and child making an application for War Ration Book No. 2. This form may be completed at home and taken to local rationing board registration places during the week of Feb. 22-27. When registering, Ration Book No. 1—now used for sugar and coffee—must be taken to the registration place with the form above. Filling in this form at home will save time and avoid standing in line during registration.

City Federation To Meet Thursday

Mrs. Roy Parks, president of the Fine Arts Club, will show moving pictures of the present war, beginning with "News Parades of 1941 and 1942," and continuing with the meeting of Churchill and Roosevelt in the Atlantic, at the City-City Federation meeting Thursday.

Baptist Circle Has Covered-Dish Luncheon

The Rebekah Circle of the First Baptist Church met Monday with Mrs. A. B. Clement for a covered dish luncheon and program.

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