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## RANGER TO TRY THIRD TIME WITHIN A MONTH TO NAME COMMISSIONER

The voters of Ranger will go back to the polls again Tuesday, April 29, in the third attempt to elect a street commissioner because of the 316-to-316 deadlock in the runoff election between Calvin Brown and V. V. Cooper, Jr.

The Ranger City Commission, in a special meeting Saturday morning, canvassed the returns of the election held Friday, and declared that the race between the two candidates had ended in a dead heat and that another election would have to be held to determine the winner.

The city charter of Ranger provides that where a candidate does not have a clear majority over all opponents a runoff must be held not less than 10 days nor more than 20 days after the election.

In the regular election, held Tuesday, April 1, Cooper received 298 votes, Brown polled 204 and C. J. Moore, present street commissioner, received 134 votes, throwing Cooper and Brown into the runoff.

At the meeting Saturday morning the commission voted that another runoff must be held, and Tuesday, April 29 was set as the earliest possible date.

Other oddities in the election occurred, other than the tie.

R. C. Stidham voted in the first election on April 1 at 12 noon, and cast vote No. 200. Friday he voted at exactly 12 noon and again cast ballot No. 200.

With less than one minute to go, and all votes counted, one voter cast ballot No. 632, which was the deciding vote in making the election a tie. At the time the vote stood 315 to 316, though election officials did not specify which candidate was leading.

At no time during the day, election officials revealed, was the count more than seven in favor of either candidate, with the lead switching from one to the other many times during the day.

This is the second election year in the history of Ranger that a runoff election has been necessary in a city campaign, and the first time a second runoff has been necessary.

When the result was announced at 7 o'clock Friday night, several suggestions were made by bystanders, who were discussing what the legal procedure would be since the election had ended in a dead heat. These suggestions included matching for the office, drawing straws and other games of chance to determine the winner, and even drew the suggestion that one serve the first and third weeks of each month and the other candidate serve during the second and fourth weeks.

Both Cooper and Brown were quoted Saturday as expressing a desire to hold a second runoff election.

## U. S. And Mexico Troops To Parade Together On Mar. 5

EL PASO, Texas, April 19.—U. S. and Mexican troops may march together in a joint parade of "hemispheric solidarity" on May 5, Mexico's Cinco de Mayo, anniversary of the Mexican defeat of French soldiers of Emperor Maximilian.

War departments of the two countries today were asked to grant permission to their armed forces here and in Juarez, Mexico, to march together through principal downtown streets of El Paso, across the International Bridge and along the main Juarez thoroughfares.

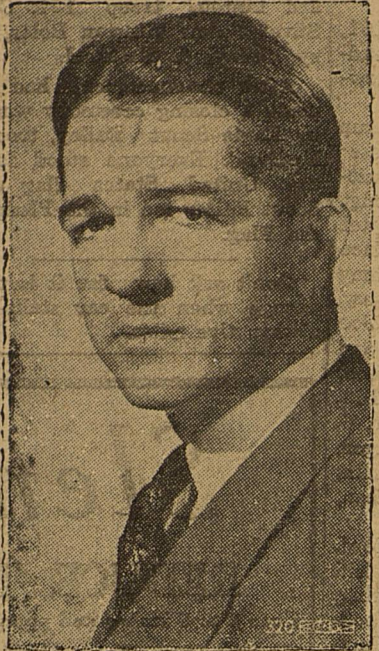
The parade was suggested by Gen. J. Jaime Quinones, commander of the military garrison in Juarez. He said that the Battle of Cinco de Mayo, when Mexico defeated French troops in Mexico, was of particular significance to both Americans and Mexicans.

"It was the first evidence of hemispheric solidarity against aggression by a European power," General Quinones said.

"It would mean something to peoples of both nations to see armed soldiers of the two countries marching together."

Maj.-Gen. Innis P. Swift, commander of Fort Bliss and of the First Cavalry Division, offered to provide a crack unit of American soldiers if he could get permission from the U. S. War Department.

## U. S. Senate Candidate



Gerald Mann, Texas Attorney General, will formally open his candidacy for the United States Senate Saturday at Sulphur Springs, his home town. He seeks the place made vacant by the death of Morris Sheppard.

## "Hitler's Grave" To Be Started Monday Gen. Brant States

FORT WORTH, Texas, April 19.—Heavy road-graders Monday will start to "dig Hitler's grave."

That was the way Gen. G. C. Brant, commander of the Gulf Coast Training Center, described the digging that signaled start of construction of the \$10,000,000 consolidated aircraft bomber assembly plant here.

Gen. Brant attended groundbreaking ceremonies for the factory here yesterday. As he took up his scoop of dirt, he said: "We are digging Hitler's grave here today."

That was the keynote of the ceremonies.

Workmen already have started to clear the 1400-acre site near Lake Worth. Monday tractor-drawn graders will start leveling the ground.

City Manager S. H. Bothwell, meanwhile, planned a trip to Washington to work out a final settlement with U. S. Corps heads on the costs of the revised \$1,600,000 project for building the adjoining airport.

Col. Lawrence Westbrock, assistant WPA commissioner, promised that the Federal Agency will do its full share of the work at the project. Other speakers included Lieut. Col. Stanley L. Scott, Dallas; Col. George E. Lovell, Fort Sam Houston; Capt. Alva D. Barnhard, commander at the naval station, Corpus Christi; Amon Carter, Fort Worth.

A delegation for Tulsa, where another consolidated plant will start next month, also attended the ceremonies.

## State Deficit In General Fund Is Three Million More

AUSTIN, Texas, April 19.—A \$3,513,657 increase in the State general fund deficit was reported today by State Treasurer Charley Lockhart. The total is \$28,694,973.94, compared with \$24,981,326.73 on April 5.

The sudden jump in the deficit was attributed to declining ad valorem tax revenues, which slump during spring and summer months and revive again in the fall.

A \$506,674.85 deficit in the confederate pension fund was reported, and Lockhart said that all warrants on the fund which have not been discounted are being purchased for the state highway investment fund.

Because of the dwindling number of confederate pensioners and their widows, this deficit is expected to disappear by next November. At one time, the deficit amounted to almost \$5,000,000.

## SHORT DEFENSE LINE MIGHT NOT HOLD GERMANS

By J. W. T. MASON  
(United Press War Expert)

German reports that the swastika has been planted on Mount Olympus must be read in connection with today's British communications that the Allied line has been shortened and has not been penetrated at any point. The German mass attacks against the Greek center apparently forced a Greek retirement threatening encirclement of the British flank resting on Mount Olympus and a general straightening of the line to new positions southward presumably has resulted.

The shortened Allied line will permit the Greeks and British to concentrate more power at crucial sectors. Nevertheless, as long as Hitler continues to authorize relentless sacrifice of his troops in gaining objectives, the diminishing munitions of the Allies and paucity of reserves must cause the British and Greek high commands to prepare for an increasingly difficult situation.

Hitler's arrival at the German army's Balkan headquarters on his 52nd birthday anniversary undoubtedly has been arranged to coincide with the maximum Nazi pressure along the Greek front.

The Allied line now is about 150 miles north of Athens. The mountain defenses are more sparse in the intervening terrain than they have been in the previous fighting areas.

That means the German advance is approaching better conditions for the employment of mechanized power and especially tanks. The Germans have a considerable superiority in mechanical implements which must place the Allies at increasing disadvantage if they are compelled to retire still farther into the Southern Plains.

Yet as long as the Allied front remains unbroken, it always is possible that the heavy casualties being inflicted on the Germans may compel a moderation in the intensity of the Nazi offensive. That would seem, at present, to be the only way the German forward push can be held and the line stabilized. Any counter-offensive by the Allies to drive the Germans back appears remote because of inferior man power.

The mysterious death of Premier Korizis of Greece under circumstances kept secret at Athens is disconcerting for the Allies, especially since it is coupled with reports from Athens of defeatist movements. Reports quickly circulated today from Axis sources that the premier was murdered or committed suicide must be in the minds of Allied troops fighting at the front and may have some effect on Greek morale.

King George's assumption of the premiership is an advantageous move, however, for unifying public sentiment. The fact that such unification seems necessary is not strange, for the terrific power of the German drive must be mentally disorganizing, coming so suddenly after the Greek victories over the Italians.

The appointment of Costas Kordijas, as vice-premier, may cause the Germans to believe the Greeks are preparing for eventual negotiations with Herr Hitler. Kordijas has been a friend of the fuhrer and has been received by him in Germany.

The vice-premier, however, was one of the Greek leaders who urged the policy of resisting Germany in battle. To what extent he will continue to counsel continuation of the struggle must remain a problem for the present.

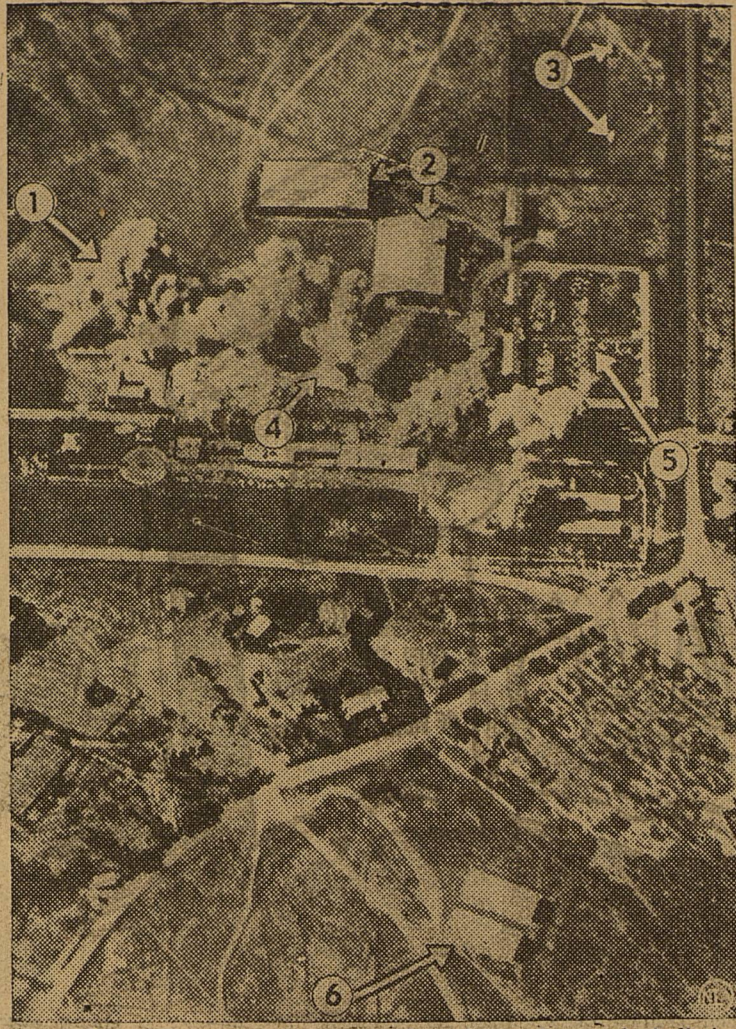
King George declares in a public announcement that the war will be carried out to the end. But, it is not known what it meant by "the end." Whether it means fighting to the gates of Athens or carrying the conflict further south into Peloponnesus or moving the Greek government to North Africa is as yet undivided.

## State Assembly Has Gone In For Travel

RALEIGH, N. C.—The 1941 North Carolina general assembly was the "travelingest" in the state's history.

The lawmakers took one-day trips to hold meetings at Chapel Hill and Elizabeth City, and they spent part of another day at Fayetteville and nearby Fort Bragg. Also, both houses went to Garysburg, N. C., to attend funeral services for State Sen. T. W. M. Long of Roanoke Rapids, who died during the session.

## Bombs for Italy From Britain



Almost all pictures taken from attacking planes show only indistinct blurs for what is claimed to be bomb damage. This photo, just released by the British Air Ministry, is therefore unusual because it clearly shows what is happening to a military objective purported to be the great Caproni workshops at Mai Edaga, Italy. 1—bombs bursting on field and buildings. 2—hangars. 3—parts of damaged planes. 4—direct hits on Caproni workshops. 5—demolished stores buildings. 6—ammunition dumps damaged in previous attacks.

## German Prisoners Are Sought After A Canadian Break

OTTAWA, Ont., April 19.—About 30 German prisoners tunneled their way out of an internment camp in the wilds of Northern Ontario today in what authorities said was the greatest mass escape since the start of the war.

Hundreds of searchers—police, camp guards, railroad workers, civilian volunteers—were mobilized for the manhunt, which centered in a wild woodland region on the shore of Lake Superior, near the Canadian Pacific Railway's division point at Schreiber.

A general alarm was sounded as soon as the break was detected, and a roll call disclosed that about 30 prisoners were missing. The exact number was not known.

News of the escape was broadcast by Northern Ontario radio stations, and police, mounted and provincial, converged on the area to join others in the search.

No main roads traverse the region. To reach the nearest point in the United States the fugitives would have to steal boats and maneuver them through 150 miles of wild and often choppy water. The coldness often chilled them in eisewhere.

The break was the largest since Canada became an internment base for thousands of captured Germans more than a year ago. About a score have escaped singly or in pairs since the isolated camps were established. However, all but three, who captured the United States, were recaught and returned.

In most instances the procedure was the same as that employed in the most recent one—secret tunnels. Authorities did not disclose how the prisoners managed to dig the tunnel unnoticed or how long it had taken them. The fugitives' names and ranks were withheld.

## Defense Savings Bonds Are Sent All Post Offices

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Thousands of new defense savings stamps and bonds were shipped to the nation's 16,000 post offices today in preparation for sale of the new securities beginning May 1.

The treasury would not disclose how many stamps and bonds had been prepared for sale, but said the government printing office was working on an order of 30,000,000 pocket albums in which purchasers will paste the stamps.

Purpose of the savings campaign will be to give "the little man" a chance to help meet the rising costs of national defense.

The stamps and bonds carried likenesses of the "minute man," revolutionary war hero portrayed in Daniel Chester French's statue.

## BRITISH SAY ENEMY MORALE RUNNING LOW

By Henry T. Gorrell  
United Press Staff Correspondent

ATHENS, April 19.—British and Greek troops fought off powerful new Nazi thrusts at their shortened defense line, the British command reported in a communique today, inflicting such heavy casualties that military sources said the famous Adolf Hitler division had been knocked out of the Battle of Greece.

With King George at the head of a new "national victory" government, the battle continued at a blazing pace along the new "solid" British-Greek front with the Germans officially reported unable to make any progress.

(The new front apparently was south of Mt. Olympus and the important rail junction of Larisa on the basis of a German high command communique saying that both of those objectives had been taken).

British sources said that such a heavy toll of German troops had been taken that the Adolf Hitler division—former crack storm troopers wearing a "flash of lightning" insignia—had been mutilated and was no longer in the fighting.

"Despite all efforts, our front powder has been penetrated," the British command said. "Our flanks nowhere have been turned."

"Heroic Greek cooperation on our left is playing a valuable part. (Apparently in the center of the main defense line, defending the Austrian head at Kalabka.)

"Austrian prisoners show especially low morale and complain of the violence of our air attacks on convoys and troops on the march.

"The imperial forces are in contact along the whole front."

A company of Australian and New Zealand troops which had been surrounded by a German battalion, was said to have fought its way out after killing 300 of the enemy and capturing 150. The prisoners were mostly Viennese, the British said, and their morale was allegedly low.

There appeared, however, to be no lessening of the German assault on the defense lines, where British and Greek sources had said that huge casualties were inflicted on the cream of the Nazi army.

## Old Age Bends a Dallas Viaduct

By United Press

DALLAS, Tex.—This city's aging Houston street viaduct, "longest viaduct of its kind in the world" when it was built 29 years ago, has a bad case of falling arches.

All concerned agree that the mile-long four-lane concrete motorway, first of five to span the narrow Trinity river and its wide bottomlands, needs repairing. But the city of Dallas, the county of Dallas and the state of Texas through its highway department are squabbling as to which should do the job. Cost would be \$30,000.

"The state highway department has profited by more than \$700,000 in gasoline taxes on fuel used by vehicles in traversing this structure," said County Commissioner Buck Frank. "And still they balk at spending \$30,000 to repair it."

One span of the many-arched viaduct has partly given way at the new channel of the Trinity. Cars and trucks still cross at a 15,000-a-day rate, there being little possibility of a complete structure failure, but the repair work needed is urgent.

The viaduct, a show-place of the city when built in 1909, made possible all year travel between Dallas proper and its suburb of Oak Cliff. An old road which crossed the flatlands between the two sections of the city was passable in dry weather but was inundated during spring rains. In 1908 came major flood on the Trinity, disrupting transportation between the inhabited sections for weeks and a campaign for a permanent cross-river structure ended with erection of the viaduct at a cost of \$750,000. Dallas county still owes \$203,000 on the original viaduct bonds issued in 1909.

The motorway, one end completed to a point near a giant cottonwood tree at which the ferry Nellie Maurine anchored during the 1908 flood, has accumulated approximately 160,000,000 vehicles in its 29 years.

## BRITISH AND GREEKS STUBBORNLY RESIST A NAZI 'SUICIDE' ATTACK

Honor Student



Leo Wolf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wolf, 314 North Connellee Street, Eastland, has a remarkable scholastic record in Texas A. & M. College. According to reports issued by that institution he registered 89 grade points in all subjects. This record places him among the high 25 per cent in a school of some 6,000 students.

## Interest Gains In Play That Is Coming Up Soon

Eastland boosters visiting Moran, Albany, Breckenridge and other towns Friday afternoon for the purpose of advertising the local Junior Chamber of Commerce's annual minstrel, were greatly pleased with the splendid receptions given them at each of the places visited.

Rehearsals on the play, which is to be an All Man Blackface Minstrel, are being held almost daily and interest in the event is growing, according to the committees in charge.

## Eastland People To Attend An Opera

DALLAS, Tex., April 19.—The South's "Little Diamond Horseshoe" will glitter once again when stars of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Co., open their third annual engagement at Fair Park Auditorium Thursday evening, April 24, with Verdi's "Il Trovatore," to be followed by three other operas.

This, the company's only engagement west of the Mississippi River, will attract visitors from 130 Texas towns, ten other states and one foreign country. An analysis of the patronage, which is the heaviest of any of the three seasons to date, shows music lovers attending from 30 towns in Oklahoma, seven in Arkansas, three towns each in New Mexico and Louisiana, two towns each in Kansas and Tennessee, one town each in California, Colorado, Mississippi and Nebraska, and two localities in the foreign country, Mexico.

The mark set by Lily Pons in "Lakme" last season, when all North Texas box office records were broken, is being duplicated twice this season. Both "Daughter of the Regiment" Saturday afternoon and "Rigoletto" that evening will play to capacity audiences, with extra chairs installed to accommodate the overflow. Seats are still available for the other two operas, at \$4, \$5 and \$6 for "Il Trovatore," and \$5 and \$6 for "The Marriage of Figaro."

The following have made reservations for the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company engagements in Dallas:

Maurice A. Harkins, 2 for Figaro, 1 for Rigoletto.  
Grady G. Morton, 2 for Rigoletto.  
Mrs. Clyde Grissom, 1011 S. Seaman, 2 for Regiment.

## Anti-Dust Machine To Clean the Air

SEATTLE, Wash.—A dust-snatching device that leaves the air almost microscopically free of particles is the invention of F. K. Kirsten, member of the University of Washington aeronautical engineering faculty.

Working on the same principle as a cream separator, the "dust-control" machine looks like a small electric motor set on top of a box.

THE WEATHER  
WEST TEXAS—Fair Sunday.

By JOE ALEX MORRIS  
U. P. Foreign News Editor

Adolf Hitler's Balkan blitz army pushed southward into Greece past Mount Olympus to the rail junction of Larisa, the Nazi high command reported today, but Athens dispatches said that a new Allied line of defense was holding solidly against powerful German assaults.

Although London newspapers prepared Britons for a possible defeat in the battle of Greece, heavy fighting continued all along the front.

British sources reported that the Nazis had suffered such tremendous casualties that even the crack Adolf Hitler division had been knocked out of the battle. The fuhrer was directing the fighting from field headquarters on the eve of his 52nd birthday anniversary.

The meager details and positions given out officially in Athens and Berlin were not necessarily in conflict. The Nazi high command did not claim to have broken through the British-Greek defense line, stating only that German forces had beaten the British at Mount Olympus, planted their flag on the heights of that legendary home of the Greek gods and pushed on to the plains of Thessaly and Larisa. That apparently meant that the Germans had been unable to pursue their unusual blitzkrieg tactics of piercing the enemy line and encircling and cutting up the trapped foe.

The British and Greeks, however, were forced to fall back to a third defense line and, despite today's statements that they were turning back every attack with huge losses, their position was viewed as gray in London. Some competent observers in London took the position that the British and Greeks actually were fighting what amounted to a rearguard action, which was in agreement with the view expressed by Nazi military sources in Berlin.

London emphasized, however, that the fight would go on relentlessly and that most recent reports indicated a stiffening of the defense line. If the Greeks are forced to surrender, it was suggested that King George—now heading the new emergency government at Athens—and the cabinet might transfer their headquarters to the Middle East.

At the same time, London said that drastic measures had been taken to block Nazi plans for stirring up trouble in the Near East in an apparent effort to gain control of the Iraq oil fields. The British said that "strong" imperial forces had arrived in Iraq.

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## Officer Delays An Arrest To Act As Good Samaritan

By United Press

COCHRANE, Ont.—The strong arm of the law proved gentle when an overseer setting out to arrest an Indian, returned to seek medical care for the family.

Armed with a warrant for the arrest of Jimmy Rock, Indian trapper, on charges of illegal trading, Overseer L. A. Dent of the provincial game and fisheries department set out on the 100-mile trek northward to James Bay.

Arriving at the Indian's home, the overseer found the family ill and starving. Rock's motherless daughter was in an especially serious condition.

Instead of serving the warrant, the overseer returned and arranged for medical care. He said he had never seen a case of such abject poverty.

Food and medicine was dispatched immediately on the 100-mile trip by dog-sled and snowshoe.

The area is said to be one of the richest trapping grounds in the world. Rock said he had been treated unfairly by Ontario fur-dealers, and, consequently, began taking his pelts across the provincial boundary. The charges of illegal sale followed.

SUITS FILED  
D. B. Mollie Ledford vs. C. C. Ledford, divorce, alimony and restraining order.

Inez Peacock vs. Owen Peacock, divorce.  
Ada Jones vs. Ned Jones, divorce.

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When Napoleon landed at Cannes, after escape from his island exile on Elba, one hundred days stretched before him during which the whole future fate of Europe trembled in the balance.

From March 20 to June 29 of the year 1815, from Charleroi to Waterloo and its aftermath, one hundred days passed. In the autumn, a lonely figure paced the deck of His Majesty's Ship Bellerophon, outward bound for bleak St. Helena.

Such a summer may lie before Europe this year. John D. Biggers, production chief of the Office of Production Management, was very much in earnest when he told the House Military Affairs Committee that for the United States, too, the next hundred days are vitally important.

Eventually, we shall have plenty of shells, plenty of tanks, plenty of planes. But it is now, during the next hundred days, that they are needed. It is now that the certain assurance that they will be produced on schedule is needed no less urgently.

During these coming hundred days, the United States, by the united will of its people, democratically determined, wants exactly what Biggers called for: "Work, sacrifice, unselfishness, genuine national unity."

American workmen and American employers are intelligent, free men. Surely it must be plain to both that their future is bound up completely with the proposition that the American republic can, must, and will carry out the task it has set itself—the task of turning out as fast as is humanly possible the tools of war for the defense of those who are now bravely grappling with aggression.

That common sense view will, we are sure, at length govern employers who may have "hoarded" defense materials beyond need, who may have resisted social trends, who may have undertaken tardily their defense assignments.

The coming hundred days will tell whether the United States can still do the job. We have the uttermost faith that she can, and will.

U. S. auto toll for first two months of 1941 was 5370—reminding us that the only way to make safety last is to always use safety first.

"Just You Raise Your Head!"



'Plain Stupid' Says Plain Bill



With fist slamming, OPM Director William S. Knudsen calls jurisdictional labor strikes "just plain stupid" at hearing before House Military Affairs Committee.

British and—

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where an allegedly pro-Nazi government seized power.

The British and Greeks, fighting for every ridge as they fell back to a shorter line, presumably withdrew from Mount Olympus, the legendary home of the Greek Gods, on Friday as the German mechanized armies advanced over mountain roads strewn with dead.

The exact points at which the Allied forces took up a "new and shorter" defense line to present what Athens termed a solid wall against the enemy were not specified but according to the Berlin dispatches must have been somewhere below Larisa.

The Miltaes-Karditza railroad line, south of Larisa and about 120 miles from Athens, might offer a defense line but it is on level country better suited to Nazi motorized units. Previous reports had suggested that any new line would be stretched across the narrow mountain area from Arta, on the Ionian Sea, to the Lamia sector, on the Aegean, with the historic battle field of Thermopylae on the eastern flank.

A defense line from Arta to Lamia, would be only 100 miles long and it would be only 100 miles from Athens at the west end.

Although the British forces continued to fight strongly beside their Greek allies, the London press—obviously under official guidance—began warning the people of the possibility of a defeat in Greece and a withdrawal to North Africa in preparation for a great battle for the Suez Canal and the oil wells of the Near East.

Nazi spokesmen in Berlin already had declared that there

would be "no intermission" in the war for control of the Mediterranean when and if the Germans drove the British from Greece and established Hitler as virtually unchallenged master of the European continent.

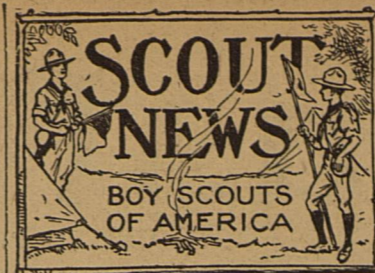
The United States consular officials warned Americans in Turkey that it was advisable not to travel by Iraq and Franz Von Papen, Nazi ambassador at Ankara, flew to Berlin to report on developments in the Near East, where the Turks were believed likely to adopt an attitude of strict neutrality despite their pact to fight with the British against any menace in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Nazis emphasized that the battle of Greece was a hard one and that the fight for control of the Mediterranean would be long and difficult. Hitler, appealing for Germans to aid the Red Cross, said that the Nazi soldier was the best in the world but warned that the nation faces a "hard battle year."

In Albania, the Italian high command reported that its troops were advancing steadily into positions evacuated by the Greeks and that a flying column had struck into Yugoslavia, capturing six Yugoslav generals and one army commander's entire staff in connection with the occupation of Cetinje and Cattaro.

The war in the air was less intense Friday night over Britain and Germany, but at sea the Nazis reported they had destroyed 19,000 tons of shipping around the British coast and damaged other vessels.

The British capital reported that the R. A. F. coastal command had carried out large-scale operations over the North Sea, sinking



Scouts and Scouters of Eastland County gathered in the High School library at Cisco, Tuesday night for a Court of Honor for Scouts of Ranger, Eastland, Carbon, Gorman, Cisco and Olden.

Mr. O. L. Stamey, chairman of the Court, had the following men on his committee—John Kindle, district chairman; R. S. Railey, Advancement Committee; Rev. Garey L. Smith, Organization Chairman of Council; Scoutmasters, Hittson, Baker, Ledford, Jessop, Ass't. Scoutmaster of 103, Eastland, G. N. Quirl, Scout Executive.

Scout Harrison, troop 101, Cisco, opened the court by leading Scouts and Scouters in renewing their Scout Oath.

The following Scouts came up for advancement—Second class: Norman Richardson 103, Eastland, Bob Davis, Karl Armstrong, 101, Cisco, Lewis Croom, Paul Burton, Lonnie Ussery, Mace Oyler, Charles Osteen, Jimmy Kelley, 12, Ranger, Robert Shaw, Jack Surlis, Homer Taylor, Joe Tom Poe, Homer Lee Hensley and Windell Robinson, 49, Cisco. First class: Max Harvey, 103, Eastland 6, Eugene Stiffler, 6, Eastland, Pete Dawn, 12, Ranger, Charles Cotton, Burkett Beskin, O. W. Ford, and Billie Brecheen, 49, Cisco.

Merit Badges—Wid Crawford, 103, Eastland; Farm Home; Bill Mickle, 103, Eastland, Pioneering, Bookbinding, Woodcarving, Woodwork, Handicraft. Troop 6, Eastland—Franklin Swindell—Farm Home, Personal Health, Farm Layout, Cooking, Handicraft; Joe Bob Davenport—Physician Development Troop 101, Cisco—Bill Blackstock—First Aid, Cooking; Bill Collins—Cycling Howard Linton—Athletics, Public Health; Bill Philpott—Bookbinding; L. J. Donohoe—Scholarship, Handicraft, First Aid, Athletics; Lloyd Harrison, First Aid, Poultry Keeping, Personal Health.

Troop 9, Olden—Byrd James, Electricity; Charles Burkett, Pathfinding; John Mac Edwards, Pathfinding.

Troop 12, Ranger—Richard Cox—Handicraft, Pathfinding, Reading; Personal Health, Public Health, Civics, Public Speaking.

First Aid; Jack Pearsall, Swimming; Frank Johnson—Swimming; Pete Dawn—Horsemanship, Farm Industry, Athletics, Physical Development, Public Health, First Aid, Dairying, Music, Dog Care, Athletics, David Lee Jameson—Cooking, Reading, Bookbinding, Handicraft, Leathercraft, Mobile Robertson—Printing, Bookbinding, Handicraft; James Croom—Reading, Athletics; Joe Tucker—Bookbinding, Metal Work, Woodcraft, Handicraft. Troop 49, Cisco—Harry Watkins—Animal Industry, Pigeon Raising, Poultry Keeping, Aviation; Hugh D. Ledford—Architecture, Animal Industry, Bookbinding, First Aid to Animals, Farm Home; Burkett Beskin—Horsemanship, Sheep raising; Rudolph Kleiner—Poultry Raising.

Star: Lloyd Harrison, Jno. Ed Davis, Bill Philpott, Bill Blackstock, troop 101, Cisco; Richard Cox, James Croom, troop 12, Ranger; Life: L. J. Donohoe, Howard Linton, troop 101, Cisco; Silver Palm: Winston Boles, Jerry Railey, 6, Eastland.

After announcements had been made a closing ceremony was led by Eagle Scout Railey, troop 6, Eastland. Everyone stood facing the United States flag while Scout Railey led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Don't ask how far it is to a garage when the car stalls—it's always five miles.

Hawk Using Stuka Tactics Routs Birds

HARTFORD, Conn.—Using the German technique, a "dive-bombing" hawk conducted a "war of nerves" on the hundreds of starlings that roost on the sills of the Travelers Tower, New England's second tallest building.

The starlings presented an ever troublesome problem to owners of downtown buildings, and many ingenious devices were used in futile attempts to drive the bothersome birds away. Apparently the squawking hawk found the only solution. Since it commenced daily raids, the starlings have practically disappeared from the downtown scene.

Young Couple Gets Reward for Kindness

LAKEVILLE, Conn.—Several weeks of kindness toward a sick neighbor brought a rich reward to Harry Flint, a 22-year-old WPA worker.

Flint and his wife moved into the home of Neil William Pray to care for him when he became ill. Pray lived only a few weeks. When his will was read it was disclosed he had left his entire estate, approximately \$35,000, to the Flints.

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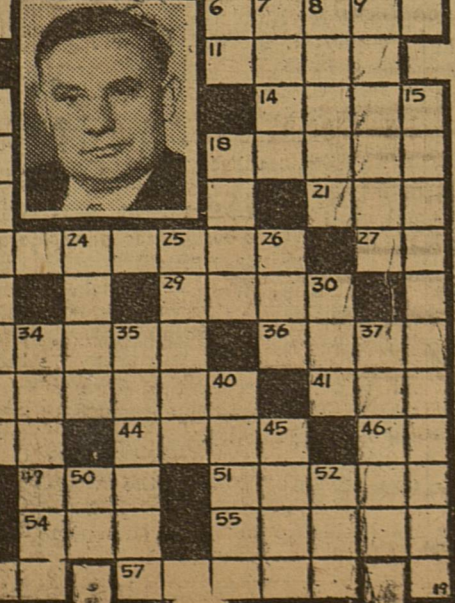
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TOLERANCE and RELIGION

BY REV. S. E. BYRNE, Pastor St. Rita's Church, Pastor St. Francis Church

Most of the time sin is worse than error. It is more personal and hurtful, hence more offensive. Thousands of people in our community or neighborhood are mistaken every day about things and persons, but they comment and act in good faith. They mean no harm, because, through no fault of theirs, they do not know any better.

Can we blame them for being deceived, when nobody in particular is doing very much to inform them correctly and set them right? They mean well, although they are in error, to a certain degree, they must be forgiven. However, we cannot always say the same of thousands of people around us who daily commit sin.

For the same reason, we should be tolerant with people who, according to our own conception and judgment, follow a false religion, because, in most cases, they offend against truth innocently. Not having had the opportunity and the grace to find it, they know not the truth.

Notwithstanding the fact that personal sin is worse than error, we read in the New Testament that the Lord, whose hatred for sin is as great as His patience with honest error, was tolerant even with positive sinners.

Look at Mary Magdalen, the harlot and public sinner, crouched at His feet. Did he shun her, reprove her? No; not an unkind or irritable word did He utter.

How did He act toward the adulteress? Not an expression of reproach or a word to hurt. Speaking to her accusers, He challenged them in her defense: "He that is without sin amongst you let him first cast a stone at her."

Even when Judas betrayed Him with a kiss, He looked him in the eyes with tender compassion, gently addressing him as "friend." The classic story of the "Prodigal Son" in the New Testament was designed by God to give us an idea of His tolerance, forbearance and forgiveness. How then can people who pretend to love God be so harsh, unapproachable and critical of others who are wrong in their belief, though in good faith?

It seems to be so incongruous, so absurd and inexplicable, that people who believe in the same God, the same Christ, should be intolerant of each other! We have to wonder and query in disgust: What did Our Lord mean anyhow when He said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (John 13:35—King James Version).

There are 1,960,000,000 people in the world today, and only 682,400,000 profess faith in Jesus Christ; of the two-billion popula-

FDR, Fan



It's our first fan at the ball park and he's pretty calm about it all, just sitting there pulling through that famous cigarette holder . . . But the batter ties into one and FDR is just another open-mouthed baseball bug, forgetting such trivia as world crises.

tion, barely a third, or seven hundred million, are Christians. It is perhaps not the inimical, antagonistic attitude, and the uncharitable, strained relations that exist between the different Christian denominations, which have frustrated the spread of Christ's Kingdom?

Why should non-Christians, and even so many Christians, be impressed with the truth of the Christian religion, when its supposedly ardent followers do not observe or preserve the identification mark given by Christ, that of love and forbearance?

How can it possibly be an offense against truth to appreciate each other's good qualities? Where is the wrong in associating and working with each other in endeavors for the good and uplift of the community? Where is the wrong even in attending meetings for the purpose of fostering justice, amity and understanding among people of different beliefs, in an effort to kill bigotry, which has done so much harm and created so much unhappiness throughout the centuries?

Error, however, should never be condoned or encouraged; at all times it should be corrected, but with tenderness and solicitous care. Anyone who, through indifference or neglect, leaves a friend in religious error does him a great harm and thereby commits a serious sin. "In its influence on the soul, error has been compared to a magnet concealed near the ship's compass. As in

SERIAL STORY

BY OREN ARNOLD

LOVE POWER

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YESTERDAY, Spud Delaney, driver of the truck carrying Hale's precious cargo, stops for a beer. Then, curious to know more about his unusual load, he opens the box as a saloonkeeper watches. A bit of hot cigar ash falls. Carolyn, at home, suddenly hears a terrifying roar.

X-999 ON A RAMPAGE

CHAPTER VI FEAR seized Carolyn, held her motionless.

"Carolyn," her mother called again. "Did you hear that?" "Yes, mother!" It was a raspy sort of assent.

Her mother came in, clad in nightgown. Together they went to a window, but even after snapping off their light they could see nothing. This city was large, and, while exceedingly loud, the explosion might have been far away.

"I've got to go see what happened!" Carolyn breathed, tense.

Her mother turned to her. "Where, dear? What is it?"

Where, indeed? She didn't answer. She just stared into the night. She could almost hear her own heart now, she suddenly realized. Where could she go?

She was thinking back frantically, trying to remember some phrase through the fatigue of the past day and night's work at the laboratory that might help. If Robert had only been more sure! Or even if she were sure the explosion was due to what she feared!

She ran to their living room and lighted it, then opened the telephone directory. H—Ha—Ha—Hale—Hale—Hale—it offered three inches of Hale including R. J., Robert W., and plain Robert. The addresses didn't help. She had no idea where her employer resided, or even if he had a home telephone. But he signed all his letters plain Robert Hale, so maybe—

She called the Robert Hale number and almost at once hung up again. Dr. Hale wouldn't be there! Of course he wouldn't, she reminded herself; he had left her to go to the farmhouse and receive the shipment of X-999. And of course she must not talk about it at all to his servants or even his family.

She was suddenly frantic again with indecision and inaction.

"Did you learn anything, honey?"

"No. No, mother. Please go on to bed. I'm sure it's nothing—nothing so important." Her voice lacked conviction and she knew it. "I'm going out again. Just to see. You go to bed."

"But Carolyn, it's dreadfully late!"

"Just a little past midnight. Bob said—"

"Bob who?"

"Dr. Hale. My boss. I—well, frankly, mother, I am anxious to learn what happened, I am sure—I mean I hope he isn't—Look, I'll telephone you the moment I know anything! You go to bed now, there's a dear."

CAROLYN talked jerkily as she literally snatched off pajamas and dressed again, gently commanding her mother as if she herself were the older of the two. She paused only to telephone for a taxi and was on the sidewalk when it came.

"The explosion—to the Schoenfeld Laboratory, driver. Please rush! I am so—"

"That's east, miss. The explosion was southwest. You know what it was? Gee, it knocked me outa my—!"

"Was it? Oh! Oh dear! . . . I—look, driver, do you know a farmhouse out 30 miles? A— deserted—a place with land around—"

She stopped, realizing how inadequate that was, how silly really. Distress in her voice made him stare at her.

"Then let's go there!" she suddenly ordered. "Southwest, I mean. Until we learn—"

"Okay!" murmured the driver, roaring off.

Two minutes later the taxicab was positively crawling; but no one glanced over at the speedometer—merely crawling, at 48. The streets weren't crowded. The man screeched and skidded his tires on sudden turns.

"Thisaway, I'm positive!" he shouted back to her. Then because he was highly interested himself, he added, "Don't you worry about the fare, miss."

She hadn't even thought of that, but she felt a flash of gratitude. He was a gentlemanly driver, and skilled.

They passed several other taxicabs going southwest, and then a police car with siren shrilling over them. They had to pull over to let her trucks go by. They knew now they had the right direction. If fire trucks were coming from this distance, and this long after the explosion, it must

draw a second or even general alarm fire somewhere, the driver said. But no blaze was visible. Ambulances streaked by them twice.

"Oh-h-h!" That was involuntary, from Carolyn.

"What was it, miss? What busted?"

"I—I don't know!" He let it go at that. And 20 minutes later they had the answer before them.

They had left the main business district, passed miles of outlying groceries, small firms and dwellings and were in the suburban industrial area when the matter became more plain.

"Gee!" murmured the driver, appalled. He slowed down because he had to, now. In a moment the traffic stopped him entirely. "Come on, miss! On foot, eh?" He was excited.

Efficiently he escorted her up a railroad embankment. He asked questions of everybody. He climbed part way up a power pole ladder the better to see, then boosted Carolyn up.

"I learned what they wanted to know. It's all the big furniture factory, a florist's greenhouse covering two acres, an old warehouse four stories high, a half mile of railroad track—!" Thus the awed driver summarized what they had learned from looking and listening.

"Spies, hah? You think spies, miss? They oughta—"

"Oh-o-h!" Carolyn was inarticulate now. Devastation before them was overwhelming. From her point six feet up the power pole she could see limitless wreckage. Twisted flames. Smoke. Every kind of debris.

It was as if the whole area had been run through a grinder, so small were the pieces. She wasn't familiar with this section of town and so couldn't tell what structures had actually gone down, but the whole lurid landscape here was a scene from Europe's hell.

She looked around to sides and rear. She couldn't even pick out her taxi now in the sea of cars that had crowded up behind Honkings and shoutings, police whistles, whirring sirens, all added to the general hysteria.

She felt more and more impelled to do something. But what? Her city before had ever struck her like this. People and vehicles were packed around by the thousands and doubtless were still coming. Whatever could she do?

"I've got to!" she whispered desperately to herself. "I've got to find him!"

(To Be Continued)

Graceful Gophers Swing It



Fullback Bill Daley puts on airs of chorus gal coming through arch formed by Bob Bjorklund, left, co-captain and center, and Helge Pukema, guard, as Minnesota football players show they have rhythm in gym class, too. Dances replace weight lifting, bar exercises, handstands, etc.

Scotch Accent Is Boon for Sales By A Girl At Lubbock

LUBBOCK, Tex.—The police said: "You would think that no one in the Texas Panhandle ever saw a Scotch woman."

Rueful Lubbock housewives looked at their dearly-bought table cloths, napkins and luncheon sets and said it must be true. They met a lassie with a thick "burr," buying linens house-to-house.

She and the accent disappeared, police said, when a woman customer called her hand on the origin of her wares. The detective bureau came into the picture a little later, when another customer alleged that a "salesgirl with a Scotch accent" had stolen two signed checks from her living room table.

The large check, for \$45, was cashed in a downtown store. She was a bonnie lassie, housewives said, about 20 years old and much concerned about her "aunt grandmother, who made the linens by hand in Scotland." She said she had just arrived in this country and came to Lubbock "because I have relatives here."

Impressively, she quoted her prices in pounds sterling.

At least one housewife conversed with her about the perils of crossing the Atlantic in war time, but said she "seemed evasive."

At the home of a woman connoisseur of linens, the lassie's Lubbock career ended.

"These cloths you have," the housewife said, "they may have been made by your 'aunt grandmother,' but if they were, then your 'aunt grandmother,' was a Chinaman."

The housewife then brought out some linens of Chinese extraction, purchased in the Philippines, for a comparison.

She said the lassie "quickly lost her accent and good humor and got away from here."

Lots of people move when the landlord raises the rent, because they can't.

Desdemona Girl Eats In French T.S.C.W. Dining Hall

DENTON, April 19.—Learning French by speaking it, Miss Mary Alice Brown of Desdemona eats daily in the special dining room at Texas State College for Women where only French is spoken.

French speaking exchange students from foreign countries at the college are in charge of the dining room, and all conversation is in that language. Miss Brown is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brown and is a sophomore student majoring in journalism.

Morton Valley 4-H Club Has Meeting

The Morton Valley 4-H Club held a meeting recently at which Miss Ruth Ramey introduced the new assistant county agent, Miss Wheatly.

Miss Wheatly discussed the right kinds of food for one to eat. She made a small carrot salad with the ingredients she had previously prepared.

Each member of the club was served a portion of the salad with crackers. Most of the club members were present.

Honor Roll For Frankell School Is Now Announced

R. M. Wood, principal of the Frankell school has released the honor roll for this six weeks.

1st grade: Vernon Arnold Stuard, Willie De McCollum, Betty the latter case, the more favorable the winds, and the greater the diligence and skill in working the ship, the more rapidly will it be speeded on its wrong course; so in the former, the greater the struggle for safety, the more speedy the progress to ruin," Tyson Edwards.

And let us always keep in mind, especially in religious matters, this truth: "Whatever is false, almost true is quite false, and among the most dangerous of errors, because being so near truth, it is more likely to lead astray. Precise knowledge is the only true knowledge, and he who does not teach exactly, does not teach at all."—Henry Ward Beecher.

LaNell Stuard, Margaret Jo Langford, Edwina Stuard.

2nd grade: Wanda Jean Pock-Ainsworth, Marlene Langford, J. P. Jones, Charlene Seagbins, Billie Dale Yoes, Eddie June Jackson, Howard White.

3rd grade: Martha Deaver, Keith Munnerlyn, Roy McCollum.

4th grade: Lonnie Ainsworth, Jettie Dean McCollum, Rayburn Wood, Nolan Knight, Mary Katherine McCollum, Klieta Faye Stuard, Walter Dean Harrison, Jimmy Williams, Hilliard McGowen.

5th grade: Frances McCollum, Nona Lennon, Tina Maria Joyce, Frankie McCollum, Cecil White, Garland Ray Polan.

7th grade: Mary Lee McGowen, Raymond Stuard.

Ranger, Comanche Boxers All Win In Bouts at Florence

Ranger and Comanche boxers, who fought at Florence Friday night, all won their matches by knockouts, by decisions or earned

draws. Several of the Ranger boxers were unable to attend and substitutes were selected from Comanche to take their places.

Billie Merle Wilhelm, 90 pounds, won a draw with Rooster Brooks, 114 from Florence; J. C. Wilhelm, 157, a district Golden Gloves winner from Ranger, won by a knockout over Billy Brown, 178, CCC champion; Lewis M-Farland, 170, Ranger, won a decision over Otis McDavis, 190, Liberty Hill and Roy Wilhelm, 155, Comanche, won a decision over Odean Davis, 152, of Liberty Hill.

Aubrey Davis, 135, of Comanche and J. W. Vinson, 140, of Ranger were pitted against each other when opponents were not obtained for them and Davis won a decision.

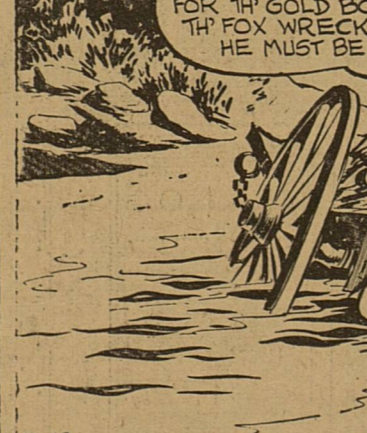
Linden A. Williams and Bobby Cox of Ranger were disappointed because boxers in their divisions were not obtained and they did not get to appear on the card.

It's hard to grasp opportunity with both hands in your pockets.

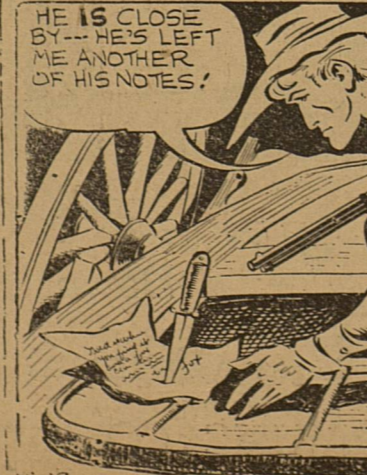
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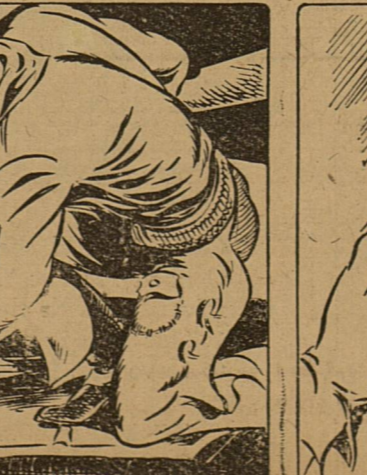
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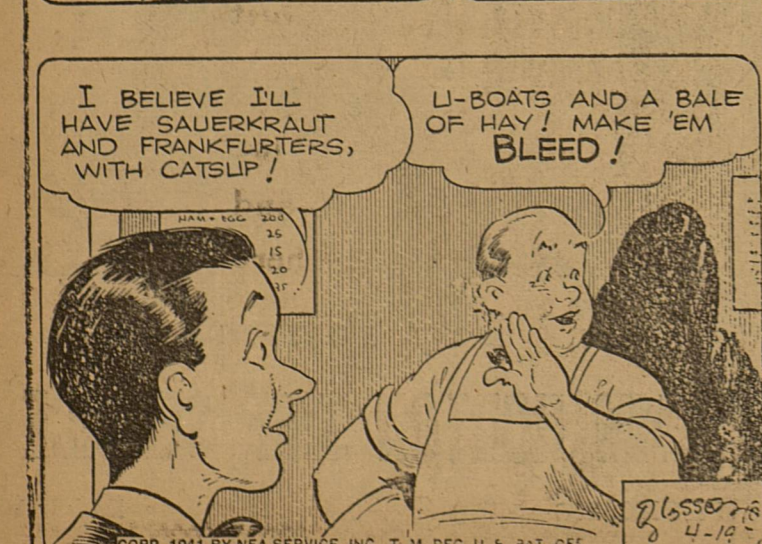
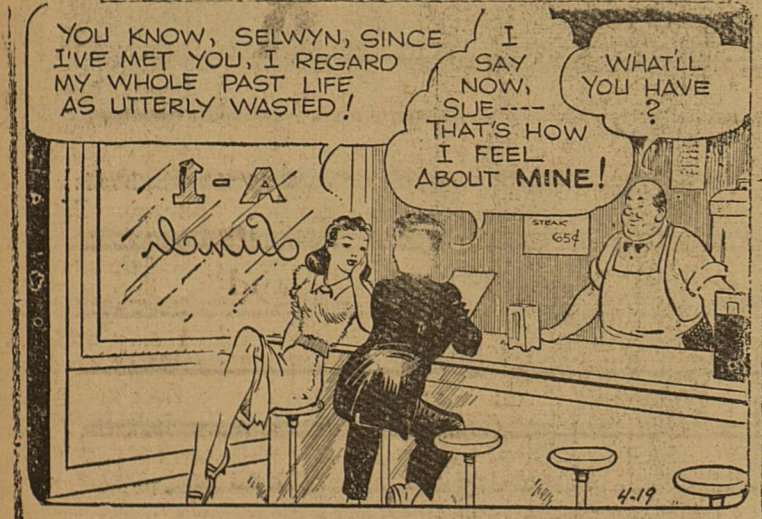
HE IS CLOSE BY--HE'S LEFT ME ANOTHER OF HIS NOTES!



Old is where you find it, and a fox can swim under water.



FRECKELS AND HIS FRIENDS

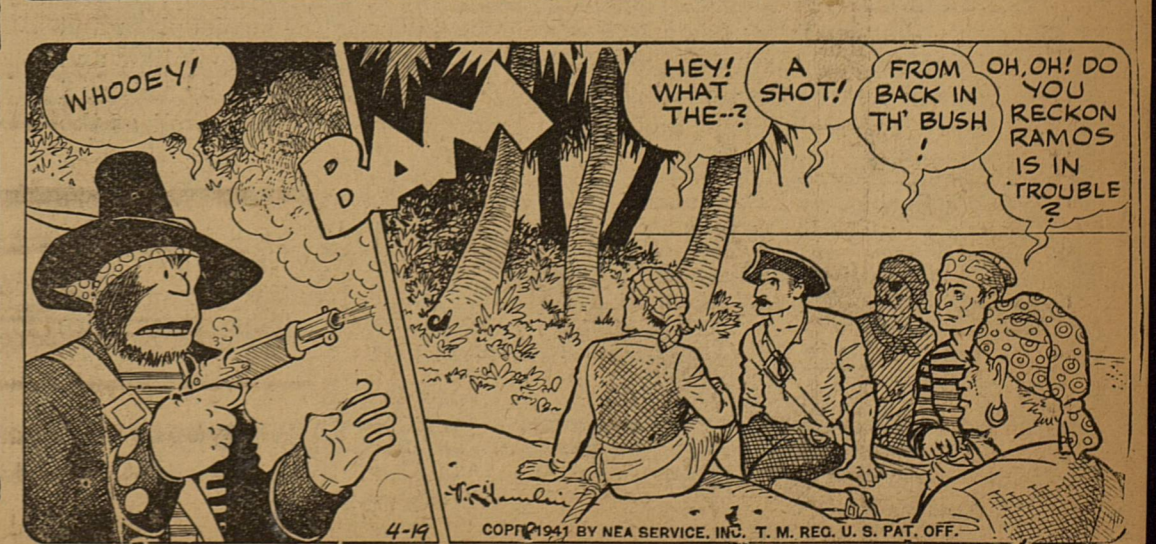
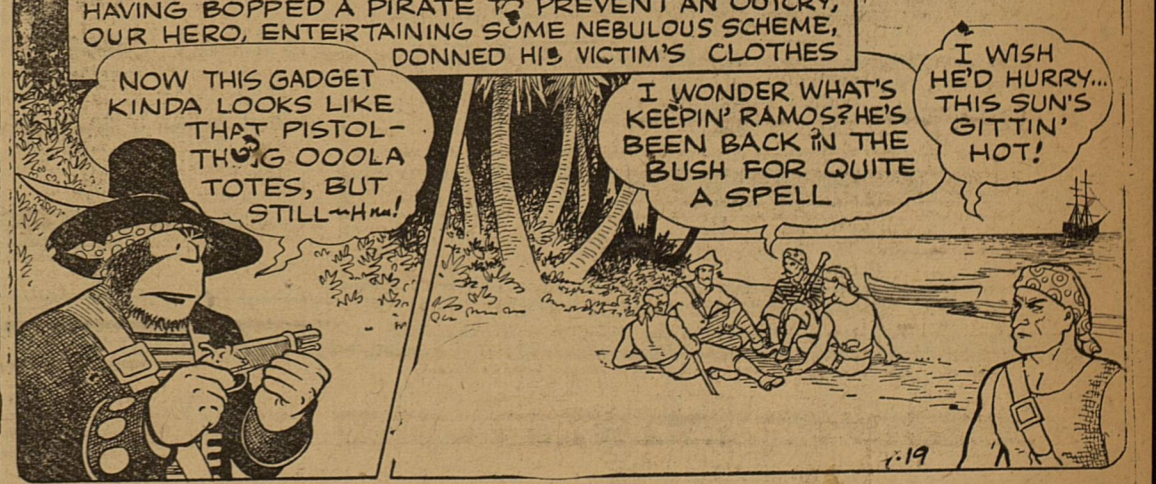


OUT OUR WAY BY WILLIAMS



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON J.R. WILLIAMS

ALLEY OOP BY HARMAN



# Society Club and Church Notes

## ATTEND KAY KYSER SHOW

Saturday afternoon a number of Eastland people left for Fort Worth to attend the Kay Kyser and His College of Musical Knowledge show and dance at the Casino Saturday night.

Among those attending were Miss Nanett Tanner, Miss Frances Crowell, Bill Slatton and Daron Moore, and Miss Elaine Crossley, Miss Doniece Parker, Donald Tow and Billy Jack Parrish.

## CLUB HAS PROGRAM ON PAN-AMERICAN DAY

Mrs. F. M. Kenny was leader for the program "Pan-American Day" for the Thursday Afternoon Study Club this week which met at the Woman's Clubhouse.

"Bolivar, the Liberator," was told by Mrs. W. A. Martin on the program theme.

Mrs. E. R. Townsend, county chairman of War Relief Production, Red Cross, spoke on the Red Cross Stations on Texas Highways. She presented Mr. Blackman, Texas Highway Patrolman, who gave a very interesting and instructive talk on Safety and the Red Cross Stations.

Mrs. Grady Pipkin sang two selections, "Redbuds" by Marsh,

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It's Spring, and now would be a good time to buy the home. More homes are bought in the Spring than any other season of the year. Those who are renting are missing much of that "sweetness and light" in life that the poet speaks of by denying themselves the joys and comforts of a home. We have no rent houses to rent but do have many nice rent houses to sell. There is no advance in price, and we offer the easiest terms in town.

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## Opens Opera Season



Bruna Castagna, leading contract of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will open Dallas' third annual Met season Thursday night, April 24, in Verdi's "Il Trovatore." Following the performance, the opera artists will be guests of honor at an elaborate supper-dance to be given by the Dallas Grand Opera Association in the Baker Hotel crystal ballroom.

and "Daisies" by Hawley. She was accompanied by Mrs. D. L. Kinnaird.

During the business session, reports of the Sixth District convention, Texas Federation Women's Clubs, held in Ballinger recently, were given by Mrs. Victor Ginn, delegate, and Mrs. James Horton and Mrs. W. A. Wiegand, who attended from Eastland.

Those present: Mmes. Turner Collier, Elmo Cook, Victor Ginn, B. Maddrey, James Horton, F. M. Kenny, Julius Krause, R. A. Larner, W. A. Martin, W. P. Leslie, B. W. Patterson, Grady Pipkin, W. B. Pickens, W. S. Poe, Ben Scott, E. R. Townsend, W. A. Wiegand.

## VISITED SON

Mrs. Claude Strickland was a visitor in Galveston Tuesday of this week as a guest of her son, Mr. W. C. Dresser, and Mrs. Dresser.

## MARTHA DORCAS CLASS ANNOUNCEMENT

All members of the Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist Church School are cordially invited to attend Sunday morning session at 10:00.

The class party will be held Wednesday, April 30, it was announced this week.

## JR. LAS LEALAS CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY

A meeting has been scheduled for the Junior Las Lealás Club for Tuesday evening, April 22, at 7:30, it was announced at the meeting held this week. A report of the Sixth District convention held in Ballinger will be given by Miss Faye Warren at that time, and all members are urged to be present.

Mrs. Andy Taylor, president, had charge of the meeting this week which was an informal discussion session.

Attending were Mrs. Howard Miller, Mrs. James Horton, sponsor, Mrs. James R. Gilkey, Mrs. Taylor and Misses Louise Mercer, Frances Harris, Faye Warren, Ruthella Meek, Mary Lou Harbin, Lorena Davidson.

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## MISSIONARY SPEAKER HERE ON WEEK'S PROGRAM

Miss May Bell Taylor, Baptist Missionary to Brazil, left Friday for Haskell after a stay in Eastland as a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Taylor. She is a niece of Mr. Taylor.

Miss Taylor was heard on a number of programs during her stay. She spoke at the Baptist Association meeting held in Olden last week; at the Sunday morning session of the Men's Bible Class, and last Friday she was a speaker in the home of Mrs. Pat Crawford, who entertained with a reception for Miss Taylor. She also gave a talk on the Civic League and Garden Club program last Wednesday and last Monday spoke at the Baptist Church in Ranger.

A tea honoring Miss Taylor was given by Mrs. A. F. Taylor Saturday with teachers who formerly taught with her as guests. Miss Taylor taught in West Ward school here several years ago.

Miss Taylor plans to return to Brazil in August. She is head of a girls' school at Recife, Brazil, and has been there for two and one-half years. Before leaving here she will speak at the Baptist Association meeting in Breckenridge next Wednesday, and in May will attend the National Convention of Baptist Churches in Alabama.

## P. T. A. INSTALLS OFFICERS AT MEET TUESDAY, APRIL 22

The Parent-Teachers Association of South Ward school will hold installation of new officers at the meeting Tuesday, April 22, at 4 o'clock, it was announced today.

All members are urged to be present.

## WOMAN'S DAY LUNCHEON HELD WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Lance Webb will be presented in a religious drama Wednesday at the monthly feature, Woman's Day Luncheon, to be held at the Woman's Clubhouse with the Civic League and Garden Club entertaining.

The program will be conducted by Mrs. W. P. Leslie, with Mrs. Robert Ferrell in charge of arrangements.

Reservations should be made to Mrs. Frank Castleberry or Mrs. Don Parker.

## JR. LAS LEALAS CLUB ENTERTAINED WITH A TEA

The Las Lealás Club entertained Thursday with a "Spring Evening" program honoring the members of the Junior Las Lealás Club. Miss Mary Carter, chairman of the hostess committee, presided over the program which was held at the Woman's Clubhouse.

A book review was given by Miss Charlton Marx who reviewed "Hold Autumn in Your Hands." Mrs. Victor Ginn sang two selections accompanied by Mrs. D. L. Kinnaird.

Following the program a tea hour was held with Mrs. James Horton presiding at the lace covered table. A centerpiece of cut spring flowers was used throughout the clubroom.

Guests listed: Mmes. G. A. Plummer, Switzer, Jack Ammer, Ray Larner, Hubert Jones, R. L. Perkins, Jr., Victor Ginn, D. L. Kinnaird, E. O. Everett, Herbert, John Ernst, H. H. Durham, and Misses Roberta Kinnaird, Ruth Ramey, Faye Warren, Louise Mercer, Lorena Davidson, Frances Harris, Ruthella Meek, Rama Barber, Sybil Holder, Mrs. Andy Taylor and Mrs. Howard Miller, and club members, Mmes. Hollis Bennett, K. K. McElroy, C. W. Gene, H. B. Sone, J. C. Whately, W. Q. Verner, Fred Maxey, Eaton, James Horton, and Misses Mary Carter, Viola LaMunyon, Maifred Hale, Louise Karkalits, Florence Perkins, Dorothy Perkins, Marguerite Quinn, Jessie Lee Ligon, and Charlton Marx.

## Eastland Personals—

Milton Perry of San Saba was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Taylor Thursday and Friday.

Take a tip from the clock—it passes the time by keeping its hands busy.

## Missionaries To Speak at Cisco District Meeting

Miss Laura Edwards, Missionary from Korea and Miss Sue Stanford, Missionary from China will speak on the program of the annual meeting of Cisco District, Woman's Society of Christian Service which convenes at De Leon, April 24-25.

Mrs. Gid J. Bryan, President Central Texas Conference, Woman's Society of Christian Service and several other Conference officers will also speak.

The conference officers and missionaries are attending the district conferences of Central Texas Conference. Also they are on the program of district meetings of other conferences.

A large attendance is expected. The following program has been arranged by the program committee.

### Program Cisco District Woman's Society of Christian Service

De Leon April 24-25  
Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, Ranger, District Secretary W.C.S.  
Theme: "Forward With God"  
9:30—Quiet Music — DeLeon Pianist.

9:45—Hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal."  
Prayer, Mrs. Willshire.

Welcome—Mrs. W. R. Greenwood, President DeLeon Society, Christian Service.

Response, Mrs. John Shertzer, Cisco.

Devotional—Mrs. Slaton, Putnam Society of Christian Service. Organization.

Recognition of guests. Offering.

10:45—Solo, Mrs. I. N. Griffin, President Ranger Society of Christian Service.

Meditation—Life's Purpose—Leader, Mrs. Bert McGlamery, District spiritual Life Secretary.

Inspirational Address—Mrs. Edward Snead, Conference Spiritual Life Secretary.

Special Music—Music, Mrs. J. W. Hall, Dublin.

12:15—Adjournment—Lunch. 1:30—Assembly Singing.

1:45—Devotional—Mrs. R. C. Edwards, Ranger.

2:00—Roll Call and Pledge Service.

2:15—Children's Work—Finances—Specials—Mrs. E. B. Wedemayer, Conference Cor. Sec. and Jurisdictional Sec. of Children's work.

3:15—Wesleyan Service Guild—Mrs. R. S. Hubbs, Waco, Conf. Sec. Wesleyan Service Guild.

3:45—Missions Message—Miss Laura Edwards—Waco.

4:15—Adjournment. 5:00-6:30—Fellowship Tea—Pastor's Home.

Evening Session

7:15—Music—DeLeon Pianist. Duet—"Holy Hour"—Breckenridge Society of Christian Service.

Scripture and Prayer, Rev. Roy A. Langston, District Supt.

7:30—Antimate Glimpses of Chinese Life—Miss Sue Stanford, Waco.

8:00—Dragoo Ensemble, Eastland.

8:45—Dramatic Reading—"Peter, the Rock"—Mrs. Lance Webb, Eastland.

9:30—Adjournment.

Friday Morning

9:00—Assembly Singing. Solo: "I Come To Thee," Mrs. R. N. Cluck, Cisco. Cisco Society of Christian Service.

Devotional—Mrs. L. H. Flew-ellen.

9:15—Business Session.

Meeting our obligations—financially. Discussion led by Mrs. R. D. Tindal for larger societies. (Breckenridge Society, Mrs. W. A. Clopper, Caddo, for smaller societies.

Other obligations—General discussion.

10:00—Church Institute—Conducted by Mrs. Bryan. Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

Tyler Training School—Mrs. Baird, Conf. Sec. Christian Social Relations.

World Outlook and Methodist Women—Mrs. Wade Thomas, Eastland with general discussion.

Mission Study—Mrs. C. E. May, Ranger, North Zone Leader. Scarritt Membership—Mrs. A. J. Ratliff, Ranger, Dist. Chairman.

How to conduct a Spiritual Life Meeting—Mrs. Edward Snead and Mrs. Burt McGlamery. Student Work—Miss Errol Smith, Fort Worth Conf. Sec. Student Work.

Spiritual Life Retreat. School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah.

Pastor's Schools. 11:15—DeLeon Choral Club. 11:30—Cisco District. Looking to the Past—Mrs. Edward Snead.

Looking to the Future—Mrs. M. H. Hagaman.

12:00—Inspirational Address—Highlights of Woman's Work. Mrs. Gid J. Bryan—President Central Texas Conf. Woman's Society of Christian Service. 12:45—"God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Benediction—Rev. Willshire, DeLeon.

## PARADOXICAL SUPERSTITIONS



The superstitious angler who would rather stick his trout in his back pocket or shirt front than court poor luck by carrying a creel, would probably stop his fish and reach for his rabbit foot if he came across this figure—a Indian guide of Quebec—who courts double bad luck by carrying a frying pan. Just before the trout season opens in Quebec the Indian guides go to their favorite streams of lakes and fry bacon which is supposed to bring them good luck throughout the season. In one place it's bad luck to anticipate your catch and in another it's the best of luck which is what makes busy men play truant from their business and leave their families without qualm of conscience.

## Eastland Bands Are Heard In A Concert Friday

The Eastland Maverick Band, and the Junior Band, under the direction of Moreland Baldwin, were heard in the annual spring concert Friday night at the High School auditorium. A large appreciative audience was present for the presentation which was sponsored by the Band Booster Club. The concert opened with three numbers played by the Junior Band which were well given. The school song, Alma Mater by Yoder, was the first number played by the Maverick Band and splendidly given. Solos were played by Pete Andrews, baritone; Pete Pegues, trombone; Miss Gloria Reed, harp; Jerry Rayley, cornet, and Charles Ellis, clarinet. These solos were smoothly rendered and were well received.

## New Treatment of Burns Is Hailed

By United Press  
SHILLINGTON, Del.—Discovery of a new treatment for severe burns has been announced by authorities at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. The treatment uses a combination of sulfadiazine in spray form. Reports from the hospital show that it has produced remarkable results in its early test cases. In one instance, a 5-year-old girl's life undoubtedly was saved by an emergency application of the new preparation. Eighty per cent of the child's body was covered with second and third degree burns. Credit for the discovery of the spray goes to Dr. Kenneth Pickrell of Shillington, Del.

## Learning Is Found Not To Break Up Old Superstition

STATE COLLEGE, Pa.—Public school education has failed to root out superstitious beliefs among students, it was indicated in results of a study made at Pennsylvania State College. The study, made by Ray A. Kurtz, under supervision of Dr. C. C. Peters, director of educational research, compared the knowledge of 52 adult farmers with that of 56 future farmers enrolled in agricultural schools. "In 22 questions based on superstition, agricultural students' answers were wrong just as often as those of the farmers," Kurtz said. "Of all the questions in the test, nine of the 15 most frequently missed were based on superstition." A common superstition which two-thirds of both groups said they adhere to was fish and ice cream should not be eaten together. Another fallacy still believed by the students was that strong drink makes a person warm. Farmers were more skeptical on that point, however.

## A Bloodshot Eye Proves To Be Glass

By United Press  
ARKON, O.—Officer Gale Hench was testifying on a police court charge of intoxication. "The defendant was intoxicated," he said, "I smelled alcohol on his breath and his eyes were bloodshot." Removing his glass eye, the prisoner asked the judge: "Do you think this eye was bloodshot?" The court placed the defendant on probation, deferring sentence for one year.

## Travelogue Will Promote Big Bend Park This Summer

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Showings in ten Texas cities during June of Jack Lamb's travelogue pictures of the Big Bend area of the state will launch another phase of a drive to promote establishment of a national park along the Rio Grande.

Plans for the "premieres" were announced in a letter mailed to organizations affiliated with the Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., by Mrs. Will F. Lake of Fort Worth, president of the association.

Cities in which the showings will be held are Amarillo, Lubbock, El Paso, San Angelo, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Austin, Houston, Fort Worth and Dallas.

Mrs. Lake called the escarpments and crags of the Big Bend area the "last wilderness of the last frontier," and asked garden clubs of the state to aid in its preservation so that "future generations may be able to see the type of wilderness from which was wrought the greatest domicile for the greatest nation on earth."

"Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., has a particular interest in the movement of the Big Bend Park Association to give the state its first national park as a tourist magnet," she said. "Conservation of the native life of Texas is of first importance to our garden clubs. Setting aside the vast Big Bend area of nearly 800,000 acres as a national park is the first step in the conservation program."

Congress has passed a bill providing for establishment of a national park in the area when the state secures title to the land. The Texas Legislature has passed bills providing for transfer of the land to the federal government and creation of the park awaits purchase of the land from funds contributed by individuals or secured by the Texas Big Bend Park Association.

Showing of Lamb's pictures, which he made on an expedition in the rugged hills of the area, is a phase of that money-raising drive.

## LEGISLATURE NAMES BABY

AUGUSTA, Me.—Baby Charles Forbes Flagg 2d, son of a state representative, received his name by legislative decree. Informed of his birth, the House adopted an order stipulating that he be named for his father. Rep. Flagg obeyed.

## Senator Is Doing a Double-Duty Shift

By United Press  
AUSTIN, Tex.—Sen. W. C. Graves is doing double duty in the Texas Senate at this session. Because his seat adjoins that of Sen. J. Franklin Spears of San Antonio and Spears is absent as a captain at Camp Bowie, Graves is handling most of the San Antonio bills as well as those for Dallas.

It started when both were interested in police and firemen's pension bills that affected the two cities. Graves carried the ball when Spears was at camp and has since acted for Spears on other bills.

## WOMAN WANTS CYCLE

By United Press  
PLEASANT GROVE, Utah.—There'll be no rocking chair or spring-filled mattress for 79-year-old Mrs. Mary B. Fage, Pleasant Grove pioneer, when she celebrates her 80th birthday anniversary—she wants a bicycle. Her philosophy is based on the premise that old age cannot catch people who refuse to sit still.

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