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## Emergency Fuel Situation Hits Texas

### Well... I Dunno, But...

We're not in jail but apparently three young men Tuesday afternoon thought we were headed that way.

A couple of kind policemen were giving us and the society editor a lift from our office to our homes. The policemen were in the frontseat and us gals in the back. As we rounded a corner the three boys' eyes popped out on stems with a "wonder what for" look that really put us in stitches.

Once again that unpredictable something, the weather, is stealing the headlines and making a bid to equal the far famed Stranded-in-Ranger weather of last year.

Judging from what we see about town, that is "one little way we manage to slip and slide around, there could be another Stranded-in-Ranger Club organized.

Large and we decided this that we'd just see how dates were represented in of strangers that were Paramount Coffee Shop o'clock.

ere's the result; Julius d Steve Kuchrek, both of Michigan; Eddie Johnson Worth; Mrs. Cramer of Lake Orion, Michigan; Harris of California and sange; Earl Rollins of North Carolina; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McCord of Chattam, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kennedy of Taylorville, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Byers of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Lee Randall, Ill.; Mrs. J. J. ...; Mr. and Mrs. R. d son, Richard, of ...; N.Y.; Lonnie Ritte, City; Bob Morgan and for Allen of Columbus,

them liked the idea of r Stranded-in-Ranger Club, ularly Mr. Kennedy.

course the above is not the hete list of the people that been stranded in Ranger this ek. The Gholson is full and running over and nearly got around to the coats-in-the-hall stage last night.

J. Lee Houck of Todd, North Carolina, who receives the Ranger Times through the courtesy of his kinsman, Ray Todd of Ranger, writes, to ask Mr. Todd to keep the paper coming. He says he really likes it.

Thanks, stranger.

It was announced this morning that because of the weather, the dance scheduled for tonight for the benefit of the March of Dimes has been postponed until next Wednesday night, February 4.

The dance is being sponsored by the American Legion for the benefit of the drive and those in charge stated today that tickets sold for the dance tonight will be good for the dance next Wednesday night.

M. H. Alexander called this afternoon to tell us that Lake Hagan is frozen over. He said that it is not solid but is frozen all over.

In other words we guess he meant you couldn't skate on it.

### FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

Cattle 350, active, strong, spots unevenly higher. Few common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings 18-25. Load steers 26.50. Add head good cows 20-22. Common and medium 17-19. Canners and cutters 12-16.50.

Calves 200. Active, strong, spots higher. Few good and choice slaughter calves 24-27. Common and medium 18-22. Culls 15-17.

Hogs 200. Steady with Tuesday average on all weights. Top 27-28.5. Good and choice 26-29. 1b butchers. Sows 23-24. Stocker pigs 14-18.

### TOKYO

Between 173 and 287 passengers of the wooden Japanese ferry Joo Maru were reported killed or drowned early today when the vessel struck a mine in the Inland Sea and sank in one minute.

The Japanese merchant marine set the death toll at 173, but allied headquarters said it may have reached 287.

### Say Arabs Moving Into Palestine

BEIRUT — Reliable sources reported today that some 3,000 Arabs, armed and ready to fight, had filtered across the border into Palestine.

At the same time there was reported to be an outburst of violence of women and children from parts of Palestine which informants said might soon be "war zones."

By all signs, Arab forces both within and outside Palestine were preparing for bloodier battles than those past.

### School To Reopen

Dr. G. C. Boswell stated today that with the prospect of the weather moderating some tomorrow that school will reopen.

Classes will begin at the regular hour.

### Treason Is Charged



Martin J. Monti, 27, of St. Louis, Missouri leans on the desk of U. S. Commissioner in New York City, listening pensively as a complaint, sworn out by the F.B.I., is read during his arraignment. He was arrested on a charge of treason by the F.B.I., which said he had stolen a plane during the war, flown into German-held territory and then made propaganda broadcasts for the enemy. (NEA Telephoto).

### DELICATE OPERATION ON CHEST SAVES CHILD

SALT LAKE CITY (UP) — When five-year-old Jimmy McCammon underwent a chest operation in a Salt Lake City hospital, surgeons feared his chances of survival were slim.

Never in medical history, they said, had a patient survived an operation on what they call the thoracic duct. That is the duct which carries a milky fluid known as chyle from the small intestine to the lymphatic system of the blood stream.

Sixty such operations had been performed, the records said, and in all cases the patient had died.

But not Jimmy. He's alive and well today, playing around his farm home at Georgetown, Idaho.

Jimmy started his journey to a page in medical history when he was running across his back yard last July chasing a hat that had blown off in the wind.

Jimmy was carrying an open pocket knife. He stumbled. The blade plunged into his chest, just above the inner end of the left collarbone.

Jimmy's mother bandaged the wound and it stopped bleeding. A few days later, the boy collapsed. Physicians found his chest cavity was filled with fluid—chyle from the severed thoracic duct.

They brought Jimmy to a Salt Lake City hospital and drained the fluid from the cavity with a

long, hollow needle. That brought only temporary relief.

The boy was losing weight rapidly in his waning fight.

Surgeons said the delicate operation was the child's only hope of survival and that hope was placed in Jimmy's windpipe and he was given a new, synthetic called cyclopropane gas.

A skilled surgeon made an opening near the collarbone. He found the thoracic duct and the place it had been severed by the pocket knife.

### Many Die As Ferry Hits Mine

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### Legion Meeting Thursday Night

The regular meeting of the Carl Barnes Post of the American Legion will be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

R. H. Hansford, commander of the post, stated today that important matters are to come before the group and urges that all members be present.

### Prayer Meeting Service Canceled

It was announced today that prayer meeting services which are held each Wednesday night by the Church of Christ at the high school auditorium have been postponed because of the weather.

Regular services will be held Sunday.

### Accuse GOP Of Endangering U. S. Economy

WASHINGTON — Democrats on the House ways and means committee today accused the Republicans of endangering the nation's economy and jeopardizing national security by proposing an income tax cut of about \$8,000,000,000.

The Democratic views on the tax legislation were contained in a minority report on the bill sponsored by Rep. Harold Knutson, R. Minn. The bill was approved yesterday by a straight party line vote. In the committee of 15 Republicans for and nine Democrats against.

The Republican majority defended the bill on the grounds that it is "essential to the long-run improvement in the American standard of living."

"These (wartime) rates . . . constitute a serious obstacle to the increase in production needed to relieve current inflationary pressure," the Republican said.

The GOP report contended that the tax cut could be made and sufficient funds left over to provide a debt reduction from \$10,000,000,000 to \$11,000,000,000 in the 1948 and 1949 fiscal years.

### La Follette Attacks Policy Used In Germany

WASHINGTON — Former Sen. Robert M. La Follette, Jr., said today the Army had bungled its administration in Germany and its "ill conceived" policies threatened success of the European recovery program.

La Follette, the former Wisconsin progressive, said the Army failed in its job in Germany by not launching currency reforms to block inflation.

These reforms, he told the Senate foreign relations committee, had been postponed in an effort to placate Russia.

La Follette once served on the foreign relations committee. He is one of the authors of the Harrison committee's study of the recovery program.

He endorsed European recovery program (ERP) as the alternative to Communism in Europe. He said failure to approve it would result in a strong threat to "our own effective independence."

### Payment Deferred

BALDWIN, Ga. (UP)—It was a long time to wait, but depositors at the Baldwin State Bank—which closed 16 years ago—have received another dividend. The eight per cent pay-off amounted to about \$6,000.

### Arabs Kidnap Jewish Baby



An Armed Arab holds a Jewish baby which was kidnaped by Arab raiders during an attack on the "Hatiqva" quarters on the outskirts of Tel Aviv. The baby was later returned by the Arabs. (NEA Telephoto).

### TEN DEGREES REGISTERED DURING NIGHT

Ranger weather continued to keep pace with that over the state today and temperatures during the night hit the season low of 10 degrees above zero.

Highest temperature for the 24 hour period ending at 8 a.m. today was 20 degrees and at 8 o'clock this morning it was 11 degrees. At 11 o'clock the thermometer stood on 13 degrees.

Clear skies late Tuesday afternoon held promise of some relief but before nightfall the skies were again overcast with clouds and during the night another snowfall started. Both snow and sleet fell throughout the morning.

Busse still were not running on schedule. At the Paramount Hotel it was reported that one bus had been through headed west but the object of the run was to check the highway.

Some tourists stated this morning that they were going to attempt to continue their trip west on the strength of information received from the state police that the highway west was negotiable.

### Hockey Teams Out of Olympics

ST. MORITZ — The International Olympic committee today barred both warring United States hockey teams from the winter Olympic, thus assuring the participation of the other American teams in the games opening here Friday.

The decision was a victory for Avery Brundage, chairman of the United States Olympic Committee, who had been empowered to withdraw all American athletes from the games had the Amateur Hockey Association team been permitted to compete as the U. S. representative.

### Car-Truck Smash-Up Reported Just West Of Cisco Last Nite

The Eastland County sheriff's office was advised this morning of a truck-car accident on Highway 80 just west of Cisco last night but had no details, other than three people injured in the wreck had been taken to a Cisco hospital.

Highway Patrolmen, stationed at Eastland, were in Cisco this morning investigating the accident.

### Cold Fun



Snow isn't unusual down South this winter, but after freezing on the ground with added sleet and freezing temperatures, many a southern town saw their teenagers making temporary sleds and having a gay time sliding down slippery streets. Out for a test run in Fort Worth were Anita Hay, Mary Owens, and Patsy Stanford. (NEA Telephoto)

### U. S., BRITAIN STILL CONFER ON JOINT WAR STRATEGY

By William F. McMenamin United Press Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON (UP) — The British-American combined chiefs of staff set up during World War II to co-ordinate the armed forces of the two countries still are functioning today in a quiet corner of the Pentagon Building.

Defense Secretary James Forrestal's staff reports they will continue to function "as long as necessary."

The combined chiefs were established in February, 1942, to co-ordinate "all the factors of military intelligence, transportation, munitions, staff planning, meteorology and communications" of the two nations.

With every element of global combat at their fingertips, the combined chiefs were the nerve center of the Allied war effort.

That co-ordination of the war effort never has been dropped. A special section of the Pentagon is roped off against the curious with wartime secrecy still set aside for the combined chiefs.

Their function as a unit directly under the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

### Too-Generous Thief Ends Up In Jail Cell

ST. LOUIS (UP) — Things would have been all right for Albert White, 42 year old Negro arrested for burglarizing a poultry store, if he hadn't been so generous.

A passerby, Charles Burton, said he thought nothing of it when he saw White picking up the ducks that were quacking all over the rear yard.

But, Burton said, he called police when White told him to "help yourself."

### 600 Eyes Donated To Mercy Bank

NEW YORK (UP) — The Eye-Bank for Sight Restoration, Inc., reporting on its second year, announced that 150 hospitals in the United States now are affiliated with it, that contributions had increased 50 per cent and that in two years it had accepted 600 eyes from the public.

Ninety per cent of the eyes accepted were used for transplantation, and the balance, which could not be certified as suitable for the operation, were used in research work.

### GAS COMPANIES CUTTING OFF NON-ESSENTIAL FUEL USERS

A creeping paralysis hit Texas industry, schools and business today as a frigid cold wave which dropped the mercury to below the zero mark in the Panhandle entered its seventh day and created an emergency fuel situation in many sections.

Lone Star Gas Company, which serves 332 cities and towns in Texas and Oklahoma, ordered general curtailment of service to all industrial users, schools and most commercial establishments in an effort to keep pressure up for domestic users.

Similar conditions existed in the South Plains area where the West Texas Gas Company, Lubbock, called for an emergency ration to its heavy users in 44 West Texas cities and predicted a possible complete lack of fuel. Every business establishment and industry not absolutely essential to public welfare was asked to stop using gas, a Lone Star spokesman said.

The curtailment in natural gas supply came on the heels of a general shortage of liquid gases which caused hardship in many rural areas.

The cold wave, which extended freezing temperatures to the Rio Grande Valley and threatened truck crops there, forced closing of hundreds of schools, brought livestock, property and crop losses and disrupted normal life of Texans from Texasiana to El Paso and Dalhart to Brownsville.

The U. S. Weather Bureau said little relief was in sight for most of the state before Friday.

Every spot in Texas reported freezing or subfreezing temperatures, ranging from six below zero at Dalhart to 32 degrees in the southern tip of the state.

A resort hotel at Elsa in the Rio Grande Valley was swept by fire early today, forcing 75 guests to flee in night clothing into freezing weather. Damage to the Delta Lake Hotel was estimated at \$75,000. No one was injured.

The highway department reported at daybreak that all highways in the state were open, but that some sections of West Texas and in the Austin-San Antonio area were extremely hazardous for motoring.

A fresh snowfall over Northwest, North Central and Far West Texas added to the dangers. A disastrous ice storm gripped East Texas.

Several towns were virtually isolated. Many REA lines were out of order after power was cut off because it was feared that ice might cause death taking breaks.

### Poll Tax Payment Exemptions Listed

County Tax Assessor - Collector Neil Day stated today that Article No. 2960 in the State Comptroller's office listed the following exemptions on poll tax payments:

- (a) Those who reached the age of 60 on or after January 1, 1947, and those who reached their 21st birthday on or after January 1947.
- (b) Indians
- (c) Insane
- (d) Blind
- (e) Deaf or dumb
- (f) Loss of hand
- (g) Loss of foot
- (h) Permanently disabled.
- (i) Forty percent disabled.

### The Weather

Partly cloudy to cloudy and continued cold.

Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today  
Maximum . . . . . 15 1/2  
Minimum . . . . . 10  
Hour's Reading . . . . . 14  
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a. m. today  
Maximum . . . . . 20  
Minimum . . . . . 10



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## WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON  
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—Kenneth Frye, who has been in charge of the State Department's International Broadcasting Division since the end of the war, is quitting his job in a few days to go back to private radio business. His announced reason is that he has to make more money than the government can pay. Actually, he's leaving the job because of a feeling of frustration.

The Voice of America isn't accomplishing desired results over the international air waves. Congressional restraints and government methods of doing business being what they are, there isn't anything he can do to change it. So he's getting out. He says he leaves without bitterness—he liked the work and wouldn't trade his five years in war and postwar government broadcasting for anything. But, in leaving it, and in telling what he thinks is wrong, he speaks as an expert witness, qualified to tell how to improve the Voice.

As the Senate now takes up the House-passed Mundt Bill, which would make a legitimate child out of the squalling infant Voice of America, this advice may be worth listening to.

WHAT the Voice needs most, says Frye, is a government policy and a plan that decides who does what. At the present time, the whole program is just drifting. It is torn between private radio ambitions and real government needs, while both have waited over a year for Congress to make up its mind whether to go ahead or get out.

The fact that there has not been an Assistant Secretary of State in active charge of the program since William Benton resigned last summer has not helped.

The radio program has also been fouled up in a fight between the government and the publishing industry over how much information U. S. officials overseas should be allowed to feed the foreign press. Failure to settle this side issue has handicapped the Voice.

The radio industry—the broadcasting part of it—wants the government to subsidize the Voice program, then turn it over to the networks and the short-wave station operators to handle. A sizable number of congressmen support this idea, believing that private industry can do anything better than government broadcasters.

Of late, however, the broadcasters have been shying away from any idea that they handle broadcasts to any of the trouble spots, like Russia, Greece, Turkey or China. They're afraid of getting mugged up in international incidents. So the tough jobs are now left to government, and the easy programs are turned over to private broadcasters to handle on contract.

At the peak of the war effort, U. S. information broadcasting services employed 2600 people. They prepared and broadcast some 200 to 300 hours of programs every day, broadcasting around the clock in 40 foreign languages. At the end of the war, this was cut to 400 employees, broadcasting 56 hours of programs in 24 languages. The economy-minded Congress last year cut this to 210 employees, running 22 hours of programs in 22 languages.

Frye says there is no way to go back to wartime schedules, but today's program should at least be doubled to be effective. Congressional appropriations for the current fiscal year were cut to approximately six million dollars.

Congress is now being asked for an additional six million to continue present operations until June 30. For next year, Congress is being asked for \$15 million for the Voice, plus an additional \$5 million for cultural relations work.

What the Voice needs, says Frye, are more foreign relay stations like those now operated at Munich, Manila and Honolulu. Also, the Voice should go in for more broadcasts from foreign-owned stations transmitting on the standard band frequencies.

Coming from a director who learned the radio business in private industry before the war, and is now going back to it, these opinions must be given respectful consideration.

## SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Commissioner Chandler fines a baseball club \$500 for signing a high school boy before his class is graduated.

But the troubles of those youngsters are nothing compared to the problems of 18-year-old Harry Agannis of Lynn, Mass., Classical High. Young Harry, a handsome, modest chap of Grecian lineage and with a fine personality, is being hounded on two fronts as no other prep athlete has been rushed before.

The reason for this is that, in addition to being one of the slickest T-formation quarterbacks and passer, he is superlative at first base and with a baseball bat in his hands.

AGANNIS has been approached by no fewer than 60 colleges, starting with Notre Dame, and stretching all the way to California. The bids include one from a professional club.

It is the belief of the football men that no decision will be made until Agannis is graduated in June, when his final proposition can be weighed by the youngster, his mother and high school coach. His mother, Mrs. Georgia Agannis, is a widow who is in business in Lynn.

In baseball, the Red Sox would seem to have the inside track, inasmuch as Agannis' high school coach is Bill Joyce, who is now president of the Sox' Lynn branch in the New England League.

But Agannis, who stands 5 feet 11 and weighs 185 pounds, definitely has a future in football, according to all school judges who have seen him.

"He is the finest high school prospect of his type I have ever seen," says Buff Donelli, currently coaching Boston University.

Agannis is a left-handed passer who threads a needle with a feathery ball that makes all receivers look good. In all-star games he has demonstrated that he can complete passes to almost anybody.

Agannis is a good runner and punter and kicks off to the goal line, but his principal assets are passing and his remarkable knowledge of the modern T with man-in-motion.

Donelli can't recall another youngster so well-rounded in the T at such an early age.

"He impressed me a lot by cornering me every time I visited Lynn and talking football," testifies the playmaker who formerly drilled at Duquesne and Columbia and who built the winning professional Rams in Cleveland. "He is a superb caller of plays, understands how to develop a passing offense. I'd give anything to have him."

If Harry Agannis takes Buff Donelli's advice, he will stick to football, where everybody agrees he can't miss.

He would be taking some chance in baseball, and it long since has been demonstrated that the games are incompatible.

Meanwhile the line forms on the left.

## Plenty Of Trees

### Lumbermen Report

WASHINGTON (UP)—The National Lumber Manufacturers Association reports that "we are close to the point where the United States will be growing more trees each year than are removed" from the forests.

In a pamphlet called "O u r

Abundant Forests," the association took issue with claims that the nation is running out of wood. It said that as the result of better forest management and lumbering methods, "America is entering a new phase of forest economy where we are growing nearly as many trees as are removed each year by cutting fire and natural loss."

"Sh-h-h-h-h-h!"



NEWS FROM STAFF ROUTE NO. 2  
Mrs. M. O. Hazard, Cor.

STAFF, Jan. 26 — CH Mau Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White, of Winter visited with us again—his time bringing with him some new which will be beneficial to the wheat crops.

Cecil Nelson was a business visitor in Eastland, Tuesday. J. L. Little visited in Eastland last Wednesday.

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD



## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Radio Singer  
HORIZONTAL  
1, 5 Pictured radio songstress  
11 Recur  
13 Journeys  
15 Employed  
16 Arabian  
18 Jacob's brother (Bib.)  
19 Steamer (ab.)  
20 College cheers  
21 Sancta Mater  
22 Trials  
23 Insects  
27 Stagger  
28 Prevaricates  
29 Jumbled type  
30 Article  
31 Fall in drops  
33 Encounter  
36 Requires  
37 Slaves  
39 East (Fr.)  
40 Small branch  
44 Three times (comb. form)  
45 Petty quarrel  
47 Scottish island  
48 Hammer head  
49 She is a radio  
51 Begins  
53 Pestered  
54 Gaelic  
VERTICAL  
1 Joker  
2 Unfavorable

## MURDER AT MY HOUSE

By Rene Ryerson Mart Copyright by NEA SERVICE, INC.

THE STORY: I take Lis' incriminating blither down to Leiph's office, and Bob Leiph shows me the actual letter that started "Heated Axis." It was an innocent note from Lis telling Axis about the party at my house that night. This would seem to clear Lis. Leiph says he's not going to arrest me yet, although there is plenty of circumstantial evidence against me. He brings out the packet of poison which his men found in my house. It is the same type of poison that killed Axis and Art.

LEIPHAN was still looking at me, and there was a look in his eyes that I couldn't quite fathom. His voice was level and impersonal. "There are, however, a couple of things that don't quite jibe with this other evidence. There is the fact that your original statement to the police was one of the things which made us suspect murder in the first place. You were so vehement in your assertion that Art Cleves was not drunk when he left your place. You didn't know that, did you?"

"I shook my head numbly. "Now this is the way I see it," Leiph went on. "If you were the one who gave poison to Axis Vaughn and Art Cleves the best break you could have had was having it take effect when it did, and having their car plunge into the canyon. All you had to do was keep still and it would have been another accident due to drunken driving. That's the one thing that doesn't square . . . and you can thank your lucky stars for it!"

His eyes were suddenly rueful: "That and one other thing—call it a hunch, if you like. Or say that I'm just a sucker for a certain type of face." His own colored beautifully. "It's the way you were sleeping that day when I first saw you. I thought it was a woman who had just gotten away with murder could sleep as sound-

ly and look as innocent as you did curled up in that deck chair." He stood up bringing the interview to an end and waited while I got out of my chair and tried to wrap a little dignity around my battered ego along with my coat. Suddenly he grinned at me. "You have pretty tough luck with your men, don't you?"

AND there was between us for a moment one of those quick warm flashes of perfect understanding. I knew he was thinking of what I had told him about Oscar, and how Jeff Haverson had sold me down the river by blabbing to the police all that about me having been put in a sanitarium to keep me from taking my own life. Just to get the police off his own trail.

It didn't make sense, but then nothing was making sense by that time. I mean the feeling I had that I was walking on air when I went out of Bob Leiph's office. I didn't feel at all like a woman who has just been granted a brief reprieve from arrest for murder.

I drove back to the studio and went to my office and looked for my lipstick and couldn't find it. Someone must have seen it on the floor and picked it up and carried it away. Well, I'd have to get another one.

Somehow, I got through the day. I spent two hours instead of my usual half at the commissary, dawdling over lunch. And then I went over to the library and did a little research reading.

At last it was 4:30 and I sprang up and went to my car without going back to my own office. I stopped at Ravella's Hollywood Boulevard shop on my way home and explained to the girl who waited on me: "I've lost the lipstick I bought here the other day—Ravella made it special for me. I thought maybe she'd made a

refill or two at the same time. Just in case I'd want it again."

THE girl asked my name and said she'd check and see if there were any refills. She went through the door in the back of the shop that led, I supposed, into the laboratory. I rather suspected that Ravella had dozens of lipsticks in the identical color she had sold me and that all that hocus-pocus about individual formulas was just a smart sales device to make the customer feel fine about paying four or five times what the lipstick was really worth. So I wasn't surprised when the girl came back with one all wrapped up for me and said she hoped that I wouldn't lose this one.

Marie had dinner ready when I arrived at the house, but she was weaving around like a sailor on the first night after the fleet comes in. I got the idea that she had been snorting my new liquor stock a little too freely. After she just missed spilling the soup down my neck, I suggested that she go and lie down and I'd serve myself. And that was the last I saw of her until hours later—and after a great deal had happened. For it was that night that someone took a shot at me in the dark.

I finished eating, went up to the living room and made a pretense of reading a new book. But it wasn't any good. Other things, personal things, kept getting between me and the printed page. The phone rang and I picked it up quickly, glad of the interruption, and then was sorry I had. It was Jeff Haverson. He said he'd like to see me. I cut him off short saying that I didn't feel like seeing anyone. The warm, confidential tones of his voice outraged me—knowing what he had told the police.

Maybe my sense of loyalty is perverted, but I knew I would never have told the police anything that would have made Jeff look suspect. I hadn't told Leiphan yet about Jeff sitting outside in his car the very night Axis was killed, sitting there wishing that she were dead.

(To Be Continued)

## '48 Fire Forecast Is Lots Of Them

BOSTON (UP)—Fire, starting at the rate of one every 20 seconds, will break out in 50,000 American dwellings in 1948.

That, the "reluctant" prediction of Percy Bugbee, general manager of the National Fire Protection Association, is characterizing the fires as needless.

Bugbee says that motor vehicles will run second in the smoke and flame derby with 58,000 fires in 1948, followed by shops and stores with 50,000 fires.

Other '48 fire totals, he says, will be: factories, 28,500; hotels and boarding houses, 8,000; theaters and amusement places, 4,000 and schools and churches, 2,000.

He thinks the lighted cigarette will continue to be the nation's No. 1 fire threat.

According to Aztec beliefs, if a red-skinned dog was burned with a corpse the dog of the human would be transferred to the canine.

## OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



## BY FRED HARMON

BY FRED HARMON



## RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



## ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



## RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



## BY FRED HARMON

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# MURDER AT MY HOUSE

By Rene Ryerson Mart

TO be honest, though, I didn't think it would make much difference whether the police knew or not about Jeff's sitting alone in his car that night wishing Avis were dead. I was quite sure by then that Leiph had investigated thoroughly the possibility of Jeff being a murderer. And I didn't in my own heart think that Jeff had killed Avis and Art.

For one thing, I knew that he wasn't madly enough in love with me to do a thing like that.

Oh yes, Jeff liked me. He might even be happy to marry me now that he was free to marry again and once he was sure that I wasn't a murderess. But my eyes were open now. I was no longer deliberately trying to fool myself where Jeff Haverson was concerned and I knew he was too cautious and too selfish to ever do anything violent that would upset his own comfortable life.

So that was that. Jeff was out of it. Except as a heartache.

Of course, thinking of cur mystery brought me straight to what I'd been doing to think about all evening—and making a faint pretense not to. About Bob Leiph. And about the things he had said to me and the things he had left unsaid; about his gray eyes warming now when they met mine, not at all hard and cynical as I first remembered them; about his hand touching mine, briefly but reassuringly.

If it was just like me to be romantic about a man—practically a stranger at that—when my very life hung in jeopardy.

In utter disgust at myself, I jumped up and went into my room and changed into a short wool skirt and a heavy pull-over sweater, put on a pair of walking oxfords and took a green suede windbreaker out of my closet. Sometimes when everything else fails, a good walk helps.

I WALKED for hours, walked until I was ready to drop from fatigue. I was so tired when I turned homeward that I stumbled a couple of times coming up the hill.

The house was dark when I returned. Marie was evidently sleeping off her jag. I had a latch key to the front door so I climbed the steps from the drive to the upper terrace and let myself into the small front foyer. Without turning on any lights I went back along the upper hall toward my bedroom.

I've explained before about the two shallow circular steps just inside the door of my room that lead down from the hall to the level of the room. I think it was because I was so tired that somehow I missed the top step and fell and just as I fell there was a flash of light in my face and an explosion as if the whole world had suddenly cracked wide open. There was another explosion as my face hit the soft fur rug at the base of the steps.

The next thing I remember was a woman screaming hysterically. The lights flashed on overhead in the room and I groaned and tried to move and sensed rather than saw Marie Maloney kneeling beside me.

Consciousness came back slowly in waves. I became aware of something cold under my right hand where it was flung out on the rug. I raised my head and looked. It was a gun that lay under my hand—a short, ugly-looking revolver. Automatically I picked it up. I struggled to a sitting position and looked at the gun in my hand and as my senses cleared I put it down very carefully on the rug again and stood up and backed away from it.

Marie was looking at me. She was shaking with fright and she kept mumbling through her white

and shaking lips: "You tried to kill yourself, Miss Denn. Oh, Miss Denn."

"Shut up," I said suddenly. "Shut up. I didn't try to kill myself. I came in in the dark and fell down the steps here and just as I fell somebody shot at me."

THE two French doors that open onto the upper terrace that runs along the entire side of the upper floor of the house were closed. I walked over and tried one of them. It opened. It was unlocked.

And through that unlocked door someone had come into this room. Someone had come into this room and waited in the dark—waited to kill me.

"Marie, I want you to call the police. Call Bob Leiph of the homicide squad. Ask him to come here right away."

She started for the telephone by my bed.

I took another look at the French doors. They were locked now, but a bullet might come crashing through them.

"Wait a minute, Marie," I cried. "Wait a minute. Not in here. Let's go into the living room. You can telephone from there."

We went into the hall together, headed for the living room and Marie screamed again. A throaty rasping scream this time as if the top of her voice was worn out. A large mirror over the console table had been shattered by the bullets that had missed me. The bright shining pieces of the mirror lay all over the floor; the frame with about one-half of the mirror remaining in it still clung crookedly to the wall.

I walked over to the mirror to examine it and there was the reflection of my shoulders and the green suede jacket in the part of the mirror that remained and only a gaping hole where my face should have been; and it came over me that that was the way I would have looked if I hadn't slipped and fallen—a dead body without a face.

I gave a funny little gasping sound and caught at Marie's arm and felt myself sliding to the floor. (To Be Continued)

## Forecasts For U. S. Population For 1945-1975 Be Ready Soon

"Forecasts of the Population of the United States, 1945-1975," soon to be published by the Bureau of the Census, can now be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., for delivery as soon as published. This basic study, of essential interest to anyone who has to work with future trends, can be obtained for 45 cents a copy.

The projections of America's population included in this report were prepared by the Scripps Foundation for Research in Population Problems and are generally regarded as the standard statistical series on this vital subject. The series was begun under the sponsorship of the National Resources Planning Board and has now been revised with the collaboration of the Bureau of the Census.

There has been an extensive public demand for revisions that would reflect the unanticipated demographic effect of the war. The revisions presented here were prepared about two years ago, but the report contains a full statement of the assumptions and methods used to enable technicians to make whatever adjustments are required by current developments.

Sets of forecasts are presented according to a wide variety of assumptions of 1975, with some sets being carried as far as the year 2000. The figures are not limited to the total size of the population but include much detail on color and nativity, sex, and age. Charts and graphs aid the reader to get a summary view of the important trends.

The present edition, prepared by P. K. Whelpton, Associate Director of the Scripps Foundation, assisted by Hope Tisdale Eldridge and Jacob S. Siegel of the Bureau of the Census, contains a greatly expanded chapter on "Implications of the expected trends in population growth and composition." Anyone who has to plan programs and policies at the national level will be interested in these implications. Public administration, private utilities, manufacturing, marketing, employment, education, housing, conservation of natural resources, public health and social security are among the fields affected.

## Beating the Season



These three St. Louis Cardinals don't wait for spring training to get in shape for the baseball season. Working out in a St. Louis gym, from left to right, catcher Del Wilbur, outfielder Dick Sisk and catcher Joe Garagiola.

## Mexican Town Informed It's To Be Underwater

GUERRERO, Mexico (UP)—This little Mexican town, across the Rio Grande from Zapata, Texas, is going under water.

Mayor Fabio de la Garza has posted notices telling the residents that the town will be inundated with the construction of the Falcon Dam, being built across the Rio Grande to provide irrigation water.

The mayor asked residents to

## Haven for Drunks

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Drunkards seem to have the inside track on jobs with the State Highway Department, Chief Engineer Warren Neel complained. Neel said the maintenance staff of 1,800 employees is such a political dumping ground that "often we can't fire some uninterested worker who stays drunk half the time."

bring their deeds to his office for filing claims for settlement with the government for property that will be submerged.

## OLDEN PHONE 28

Mrs. W. E. Matlock, Cor.

OLDEN, Jan. 28 — Mrs. Clyde and daughter, Joylene, Abilene last week for the of Mrs. Garrett's brother.

Rae Fox has been confined to her home the past two weeks with chicken pox.

Brother Stephens, Church of Christ minister, was a dinner guest in the home of Mrs. Claud Martin.

school has been closed two days because of the

cold weather.

Mr. Jim Fox visited his family here over the week-end. Mr. Fox has been employed in San Antonio for the past year.

Tom Cunningham of Ranger, was a Sunday visitor in the home of friends, Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Curry.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Riley, was their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ruby and children of Ft. Worth.

The WMU meeting that was to have been in the home of Mrs. Marvin Hutto was postponed and set for a date to be announced later. They will meet Monday at 2 o'clock at the church for their regular monthly mission study.

Shirley Jane Matlock is ill with the flu.

Dorman Anderson has been out of school because of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Talley were in Dennison Sunday attending the funeral of Mr. Talley's sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Vermillion have been ill with the flu.

Mrs. Joe Gray was a patient in

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Two daughters, 17 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren helped her celebrate her latest birthday. The centenarian cut her own birthday cake.

the West Texas Clinic last week where she went for a tonsil operation.

Mrs. Claud Martin and Brother Stephens were visiting in the home of Mrs. Ada Burns, recently.

Frances, daughter of Mrs. Jewell Smithers, was a recent visitor in Olden.

Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hutto is on the sick list this week.

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## College Veterans Build Loan Fund

MARIETTA, O. (UP)—Veterans at Marietta College have organized a loan fund which will be used to help fellow veterans when they need money to meet emergencies.

A five-member veterans' planning committee produced an original comedy, "The Great Hero," as their first project.

The loan fund program has the approval of the college administration, which has agreed to administer it.

Host by Owen Petard

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At the scene they saw the lower half of a man's body wriggling beneath the car. The legs flexed and strove. The feet waggled. Muffled groans resounded. The two patrolmen hurriedly began to jack up the car.

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## CAGE HONORS SPLIT BETWEEN UTAH AND HOLY CROSS TEAMS

By JOHN GRIFFIN  
United Press Sports Writer  
NEW YORK (UP)—Collegiate basketball found itself with national co-champions in 1947—Utah's tricky Blitz Kids and the canny Crusaders of Holy Cross.

Utah staked out a claim to the crown by winning the Madison Square Garden National Invitational Tournament, and Holy Cross was the surprise winner of the National Collegiate A.A. tournament. Victory by these two hustling teams, neither of which possessed a skyscraping center was a marked change from the "power tower" technique that dominated basketball for the five previous seasons.

Utah, runner-up to Wyoming in the Big Seven Conference, stunned the nation's fans when it won the National Invitational in the same style that marked its upset win in the NCCAA in 1944. After beating Duquesne, 45-44, and West Virginia, 64-62, in early round, the Utes came up with the greatest upset of the season when the beat mighty Kentucky, 49 to 45, in the final round.

Holy Cross won 27 games and lost three, winning the last 23 in succession. In taking the NCAA diadem, the Crusaders beat Navy, 55-47, City College of New York, 60-45, and Oklahoma, 58-47, with center George Katfan highlighting the tourney with 30 points against C.C.N.Y.

Oklahoma, the Big Six champion, led by Gerry Tucker, won the Western NCAA crown by beating Texas, Southwest Conference king, 55-54.

Duquesne and Navy had the most impressive regular season records among the Eastern independents. Duquesne won the first 20 games before losing the last game on the schedule to Georgetown. Navy, enjoying its best season in history, won 16 games and lost only to George Washington.

Bernie Carneval, coach of Navy and who tutored North Carolina to the eastern NCAA title in 1946, was the popular choice as "coach of the year."

Wisconsin was the winner of the Big Nine championship. The Badgers had an overall regular season record of 15 wins and five defeats, including nine victories in 12 Conference clashes. Notre Dame topped the Midwestern independents with 20 wins and four defeats.

Columbia won the Eastern League championship, taking 11 of its 12 loop games. North Carolina State won the Southern Conference Championship, winning 25 out of 29 games in the regular season, and also won the conference tournament by beating defending champion North Carolina, 50-48 in the final round.

Oregon State, Northern Division king, won the Pacific Coast Conference title, beating Southern champion, U.C.L.A., 63-46, in the playoff. Texas was tops in the Southwestern Conference, Oklahoma in the Big Six, and St. Louis U. in the Missouri Valley Conference.

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

**Real Estate Transfers, Marriages, Suits Filed, Court Judgements, Orders, Etc.**

**INSTRUMENTS FILED**

The following instruments were filed for record in the County Clerk's office last week:

Addie Adams to John Earl Hutton, release of vendor's lien.

W. L. Agnew to Craman Agnew, MD.

American National Insurance Company to Edward Lee, warranty deed.

Sam Lee Jernall to J. E. Henson, quit claim deed.

Mrs. O. B. Eurns to Melvin Taylor, warranty deed.

Jas. Lynn Lewis to Sadie Davidson, warranty deed.

T. J. Lester Company to Southern Life & Health Insurance Company, transfer of deed of trust.

Nota Cross to Z. B. Morgan, deed of trust.

J. N. Childers to J. F. Robertson, warranty deed.

C. L. Caldwell to F. R. King, correction warranty deed.

George Campbell to A. W. Brada, quit claim deed.

E. F. Crawford to Sutton Croft, release of vendor's lien.

T. Wayne Cason to R. L. Perkins, MME.

J. E. Collins to T. L. Barton, warranty deed.

C. F. Chastain to Sam M. Russell, power of attorney.

W. L. Durr to E. F. Thomas, warranty deed.

W. L. Durr to R. P. Adams, bill of sale.

J. W. Dennison to L. H. McCrea, MD.

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H. S. Drumwright, Sr. to Elire Fulmar, warranty deed.

T. L. Ellis to R. J. Seal's, warranty deed.

First National Bank, Gorman to T. F. Cunningham, release of lien.

First State Bank, Rising Star to J. E. Byner, writ of attachment.

George F. Fee to Woodley Petroleum Company, oil and gas lease.

Federal Land Bank of Houston to Estate of E. L. Flippin, release.

First National Bank, Circo to McElroy Ranch Company, sub. agreement.

J. W. Gressett to E. E. Gressett, bill of sale.

W. F. L. Hittson to Cities Service Oil Company, royalty deed.

Ben E. Hamner to W. H. Upchurch, release of vendor's lien.

J. B. House to Bruce Erwin, release of vendor's lien.

O. C. Holcomb to J. L. Thornton, warranty deed.

R. V. Hall to B. M. Campbell, warranty deed.

Fannie Lee Hall to R. V. Hall, quit claim deed.

Albert R. Hansen to R. R. Owen MD.

A. A. Hyatt to C. A. Hyatt, warranty deed.

Mrs. Callie Lee High to C. B. O'Brien, warranty deed.

Mark E. Huff to W. P. Watkins, warranty deed.

Mark E. Huff to W. P. Watkins, quit claim deed.

A. A. Henson to Floyd H. Miller, MD.

E. M. Howard to W. B. Smith, release of oil and gas lease.

James Guy Hendrick to Mrs. Ruby Lucille Hendrick, power of attorney.

C. B. Harvey to W. S. Rone, warranty deed.

C. L. Jackson to Calvin W. Harris, warranty deed.

Beulah Ladd Johnson to Verna Fay Johnson, MD.

C. L. Jackson to W. P. Watkins, warranty deed.

Marie Johnson to Wm. Cranfill, warranty deed.

Marie Johnson to Wm. Cranfill, quit claim deed.

W. M. Kinney to Ted Bond, warranty deed.

Knox Lachar & Sons, Company to The Public, assumed name.

W. M. Kinney to Edward E. Hageman, warranty deed.

W. Kinney to The Public, power of attorney.

D. L. Ladd to C. A. Waters, warranty deed.

W. H. Ladd to George H. Lark, warranty deed.

Ace Lucas to H. H. Tompkins, warranty deed.

John L. Lusk to L. Moody, deed of trust.

Dan McCarty to Charles E. Can. J. Lusk, assignment.

Florence Mae Nesly v. Stella May Shaw, ce judgment.

B. J. Osborn to Ray S. Kinard, warranty deed.

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C. S. Surles to J. W. Brawley, deed.

Guy Sleen to Gene Griffith, royalty contract.

State of Texas to Moses S. Williams, patent.

John D. Soble to Great Southern Life Insurance Company, transfer assignment.

Cordelia Shipman to W. G. Kirk, deed of trust.

W. W. Smith to Doss Alexander, warranty deed.

Mrs. Ruth Smith to Doss Alexander, warranty deed.

E. M. Smith to The Public, proof of heirship.

A. O. Tindal to H. E. Hickman, warranty deed.



Greek Snipers Captured

Three rebel Greek snipers, left and center, are guarded by government troops, right, as they are taken to headquarters for questioning. Renewed fighting was reported in the Salonika area, in addition to combat along the northern frontier, where the three men were captured. (NEA Telephoto).

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Jerry DeVore, Miss Jean Lee Moore Are Wed

Friends in Ranger have received word of the recent marriage of Jerry Thomas DeVore, son of Mrs. Nevada D. Vore of San Angelo, formerly of Ranger, to Miss Jean Lee Moore of Colorado City. She is the daughter of Mrs. Emmie Moore and the late Udell Moore.

The ceremony was performed in the Church of Christ parsonage in Snyder with vows read by Rev. Austin Vanner, minister of the church.

The bride wore a green wool suit fashioned with a cut away front and fitted back. She wore green alligator shoes and carried a matching bag. Other accessories were brown. Her flowers were gardenias.

Mrs. DeVore is a 1934 graduate of Colorado H. G. School and a 1947 graduate of Perry's Business School in Albany, Ga. She is at the present time employed at the R.E.A. office in Colorado City.

Mr. DeVore is a 1940 graduate of Ranger High School. He spent one year in the Naval Air Corps and was stationed in China, Burma and India. He is now employed as a telegraph operator for Texas & Pacific Railway Company.

After the ceremony the couple went on a wedding trip to Arizona, Colorado and Albuquerque, New Mexico. They are now at home in Colorado City.

A group of members of Ranger Rebekah Lodge No. 244 visited a Post Worth Lodge Friday night. The meeting was held in the City Recreation Hall.

A degree team from Tulsa, Oklahoma initiated three candidates from South Side Rebekah Lodge No. 43 and four from Victory Lodge No. 100.

Team members wore blue evening gowns, the characters were in satin robes of paste shades, and the choir in white gowns. The team, composed of 54 members, won national honors at Winnepeg, Canada.

Lodge members were present from many parts of the state. Those from Ranger were Misses Bettie Craver, Bertie Shipman, Mattie Cox, Lillie Wilson, Thelma Dubbs, Edna Huffman, Callie Black, Anna Mae Robinson, Laura Molson, Eula Blackwell, Mabel

Hands Off!

Quite apparent in the photo above is everything you need to know about the Queen of the Materials Handling Exposition in Cleveland, Ohio, except her hands. It's Jeannie Camborn.

Southern, Ruby Greer, Verdie Williams and Messrs. C. M. Parnell, C. E. Bell, and A. H. Williams.

The meeting of the Lone Star Ladies Club, scheduled for Thursday afternoon, has been cancelled. The club will not meet again until the regularly scheduled meeting in February.

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American Woman Conductor Wins French Symphony Orchestra Over

By Sally Gram Swing United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS (UP)—"We will begin with the letter 'B' of the second movement.

With a vibrant sweep of her short arms, the first woman conductor ever to perform in France drove the orchestra of the Conservatory of Paris into the familiar strains of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.

At first the all-male orchestra thought it was a joke. A woman conductor, they muttered while looking for the called for selection.

Then, Anne Kullmer, 29 year old American woman conductor, shoved up the sleeves of her navy blue sloppy joe sweater, hitched up her tweed skirt and placed her 135 pounds squarely on her black slipper-clad feet.

"Now let's hear you sing!" She shouted. The Frenchmen were baffled.

"We'll go back to the same square," she said in halting French. The whole orchestra understood, and dutifully returned to letter 'B'.

With a meaningful gesture, she began to conduct the Beethoven Fifth. She above all knew that this work would be her acid test. The musicians could play a routine performance with their eyes closed. Would they do their extra special performance for her?

She thumped the conductor's stand. With her black eyes burning and her brown hair falling in unruly curls, the American conductor turned to the first violinist.

"Now look here," she said, in a strong American accent. "I know you can play this piece by heart. But I don't want it that way. I want it to be exciting. To you as well as to the audience."

He was skeptical at first, but later when she showed her knowledge of each part of the symphony he was persuaded.

In the corridors afterwards, the musicians of the Conservatory orchestra, one of the best known of the European continent, were radiant.

"It took us a quarter of an hour to understand her movements," said Alex Hissneau, who plays in the first violin section. "But once we understood, it was miraculous. She has such control over the orchestra. Such personality. There is nothing frail and womanly about Miss Kullmer!"

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Back in Harness

Kansas' Dr. F. C. (Phog) Allen settles down to his 37th year as basketball coach after a one-year absence due to ill health. The dean of college mentors is known as the Tireless Tactician.

Little Rock Picks Flower Little Rock, Ark. (UP)—The "City of Roses," has long last selected a rose as its official flower. The legal bloom, is the "Joe T. Robinson Rose," named after Arkansas' late senator.

Proof of Honesty TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (UP)—Proof that people are fundamentally honest when put on their honor comes from the Florida Council for the Blind. Losses due to thefts from the 40 stands they supervise throughout Florida have been less than one per cent of

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Costly Canine

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