

# Japanese Invade Wake

## President Calls Conference To Plan Anti-Axis Battle

## Invasion Follows Air Attack On Garrison

### Churchill And Staff To Meet With Americans

Secretary Early, Says Meeting Of Officials Might Be 'War Council'

WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt called a conference for 4 P. M. Central Standard Time Tuesday with American Army and Navy officials and British Prime Minister Churchill and his staff. The White House said this war council might be called the "war council."

The American group invited included Secretary of War Stimson, General George C. Marshall, Army chief of staff, Major General Henry H. Arnold, deputy chief of staff for air; Secretary of the Navy Knox; Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations; Admiral Ernest J. King, new commander of the United States fleet, and Harry L. Hopkins, special assistant on Lend-Lease affairs.

With Britain's Prime Minister, who arrived here Monday night, were to be Lord Beaverbrook, supply minister; Admiral Sir Dudley Pound, commander of the British fleet; Air Marshal Sir Charles P. A. Portal, and General Sir John Dill, former chief of the Imperial general staff and new governor of Bombay.

In announcing the conference, Press Secretary Stephen Early told reporters: "That group you might call the war council."

This was to be the first conference between the President and the entire British mission.

From early last evening until 1 a. m. Tuesday morning, the President and the British Prime Minister conferred in the oval study in the White House once used by another war president—Abraham Lincoln—for his office.

For most of the time last night the two were alone. The White House said a staff of approximately 80 persons accompanied the British Prime Minister from England.

Britain's prime minister, wearing the familiar nautical cap and the high-buttoned seaman's jacket, stepped from a plane late Monday at a nearby airport and found President Roosevelt waiting for him. A Presidential limousine whisked them away to the White House.

Full wartime secrecy surrounded the manner in which Churchill made his trip to the North American continent. The only information the White House vouchsafed was that the last leg was made by air. There was a belief, however, that one of his majesty's warships had carried him part of the way.

### King Invited to Sessions

Supply Minister Lord Beaverbrook and a staff of technical experts accompanied him. While the personnel of the staff was not immediately disclosed, the presumption was that it would include an array of key British military, naval and economic officials similar to the one that attended the Churchill-Roosevelt meeting in August, which produced the Atlantic charter.

There were indications almost at once that Churchill's stay might be of some duration. At Ottawa, Canada's Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King said that he had been invited to Washington during the course of the conference, but added that the date for his trip would not be announced until later.

Axis capitals apparently were very much in the dark as to Churchill's whereabouts until he reached here. For several days the Berlin and Tokyo radios have been guessing that the prime minister's disappearance from London meant he had gone to Moscow, to Washington, and to the Middle East. The Middle East was Berlin's last guess, and less than four hours later Churchill was stepping into the White House.

To most Britains, the prime minister's arrival in Washington came as a much bigger surprise than his battleship rendezvous with President Roosevelt—and the average man was inclined to look upon this new meeting as one of considerably greater importance.

### Heavy Explosions Off California Give Rise To U-Boat Speculation

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.—(AP)—A series of heavy explosions were heard off-shore on the Pacific Coast Tuesday.

There was speculation whether it was an enemy submarine attacking an American freighter, or an attack by U. S. forces on an enemy raider.

The blasts, several in number, were heard distinctly at Morro Bay, and at Estero Bay.

The noise appeared to come from a point direct west of Estero Bay. (In San Francisco Navy and Army spokesmen said they had received reports of the explosions, but had no information whatever as to the nature of the blasts. All they knew was that some form of engagement apparently had occurred.)

### Emidio Captain Says Warplanes May Have Sunk Axis Submarine

SAN FRANCISCO—(AP)—Swift striking United States bombing planes may have damaged or sunk the big enemy submarine which torpedoed the American tanker Emidio.

The belief was expressed by Captain Clark A. Farrow upon his arrival Monday at Eureka, Calif., with 30 survivors of his ship.

Captain Farrow said he believed the submarine was a large Japanese undersea craft, one of several Axis submarines operating off the California coast.

He said that two American planes roared swiftly to the attack after the submarine shot at the tanker and then sent a torpedo into its stern. Each plane dropped depth charges. Captain Farrow added:

"There was a big blast and plenty of smoke when the second was dropped," he said in an interview, "that may have hit her, we figure, for we didn't see her again."

He said it was only 10 or 15 minutes after his distress message when the American planes came roaring overhead.

### Aviator Fatality Is First At Cuero Field

CUERO—(AP)—James M. Campbell, 20, Longmont, Colo., flying student at the U. S. Army primary field here, was instantly killed late Monday when his training ship crashed six miles from here.

Campbell came to Cuero five weeks ago from Luke Field, Phoenix, Ariz. The fatality is the first at the Cuero field.

### Midland Singers Plan Christmas Eve Carols

All Midland singers and others have been urged to attend a meeting at the First Presbyterian Church at 9 p. m. Tuesday to plan caroling Christmas Eve.

Mrs. J. R. Brooks will be in charge of the meeting.

Various groups have been practicing carols, and they will be coordinated at the meeting.

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### Second Producer In Barnhart Area Responds To Acid

By Frank Gardner  
Oil Editor

Large oil and gas flow was developed after 5,000-gallon acidization of pay dolomite in Amerada Petroleum Corporation No. 1-RB University, second and larger of two producers in the Barnhart Ordovician area of extreme Southeastern Reagan County. It extends the area three-quarters of a mile south and one-quarter mile west.

Potential gauge was slotted to be started Tuesday morning. Prior to being shut in at 6:30 p. m. Monday the well had flowed 244.54 barrels of oil the last three and one-half hours through 1/2-inch choke on 2-inch tubing. Gas volume of 3,800,000 cubic feet made gas-oil ratio 2,230-1. The discovery well of the area, completed last August, flowed 187 barrels in four hours for a daily potential of 1,122 barrels.

No. 1-RB University topped Ellenburger, lower Ordovician, dolomite at 9,000 feet, drilled to a total depth of 9,200, and cemented 5 1/2-inch pipe at 9,220. Cement plug inside pipe was drilled out to 9,173 feet. The casing was perforated with 70 shots from 9,112-32 feet, then re-perforated with 24 shots from 9,106-12 and with 10 shots from 9,112-22 feet. On swabbing tests following perforating jobs the well yielded 53 barrels of 44.8-gravity oil in 12 hours.

Following the acid treatment it was allowed to flow into pits for two hours, recovering an estimated 250 barrels of oil load and acid water. Turned into tanks, the well flowed 53.7 barrels the first 30 minutes through 48/64-inch choke. Aperture then was reduced to 1/2-inch and the three and one-half hour gauge taken. Breakdown of the gauge shows the well to have made 67.71 barrels the first hour, 70.47 the second, 70.47 the third and 35.89 the last half-hour.

The new Amerada well stamps the Barnhart area an Ordovician pool of major possibilities. It is located 660 feet out of the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of section 8, block 48, University survey, about seven and one-half miles southeast of the town of Big Lake. Amerada holds a block of 16,000 acres of University of Texas land and an additional 10,000 acres to the north leased from different owners.

Amerada No. 1-RB University, one and one-half miles east and one-quarter mile south of the pool, is drilling below 4,698 feet in black shale.

"Wasson 72" Pool Opener Gauged  
Amon G. Carter No. 4-D A. L. Wasson, Northwestern Gaines County well opening the third and deepest pay in the Wasson field, has been completed for 24-hour flow through 1/2-inch choke on tubing of 510.60 barrels of 34-gravity oil, with gas-oil ratio of 800-1. It is classed as the opener of the "Wasson 72" pool, receiving its name from the prolific 7,200-foot producing zone.

Drilled as a "tight" operation, No. 4-D Wasson is a north offset to Carter No. 5-D Wasson, discovery well of the Wasson Deep pool, completed one year ago for flow of 230.46 barrels in seven hours at total depth of 6,881 feet in line of the Clear Fork, lower Permian. Log of the new well has not been released but it is understood to have quit drilling at 11,103 feet in granite 108 feet below the top of the Ellenburger. Five and one-half inch casing was cemented at 10,615 feet, and a series of tests in the lower zones proved fruitless. Hole is now bottomed at plugged-back depth of 7,433 feet and casing has been perforated from 7,055 to 7,375 feet, opposite lower Clear Fork pays. The well has been acidized with a total of 16,000 gallons through perforations. Location is 2,200 feet from the south and east lines of section 50, block AX, public school land, in the southern part of the regular Wasson field, which produces at around the 5,000-foot level.

In the extreme southwestern part of Lubbock County, seven miles south of Wolforth, George P. Livermore, Inc., Lubbock, has staked No. 1 R. D. Moxley as a scheduled 6,500-foot wildcat test. It is 660 feet out of the southwest corner of section 64, block 20, H. E. & W. T. survey.

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### Bag Of Gold At Chase's End



Detectives Wayne Gibson, left, and Lewis Wyatt examine a sack containing an estimated \$30,000 in bar gold and old jewelry which they recovered after chasing the bandit's car for miles at high speed through shopper-filled Kansas City, Mo., streets. The loot had been taken from a gold refining company in a daring daylight raid. A suspect is being held for the robbery. (NEA Photo.)

## Government Finds Judgment Against Major Oil Companies And Pipe Line Firms And Fixes Limit On Returns

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The government announced Tuesday a final judgment against 20 major oil companies, 52 pipe line companies and seven subsidiaries or affiliates which places a 7 per cent limit on returns the oil companies may receive from pipe line investments.

The judgment was filed before Justice David A. Pine in federal district court for the District of Columbia and was based on a complaint alleging violation of the rebate provisions of the interstate commerce and the Elkins acts.

The complaint alleged that the pipe lines had paid rebates and rebates to shipper-owner companies under the guise of "dividends" and that these often had amounted to exorbitant returns upon the pipe line capital stock.

This gave the shipper-owners a discriminatory advantage over other shippers of crude oil and petroleum products, the department charged.

The defendant company denied the charges in the complaint but agreed to a final judgment which provided:

1. No defendant company carrier may pay, directly or indirectly to any shipper-owner in any calendar year beginning January 1, any earnings derived from transportation in excess of its 7 per cent share of the ICC's valuation of the pipe line property if the pipe line has carried any commodities for the shipper-owner during the year.

2. No shipper-owner may receive payments in excess of the 7 per cent. 3. Net earnings of pipelines in excess of the 7 per cent must be put into special surplus account to

be used only for the extension of existing pipe line facilities or the construction or acquisition of such common carrier facilities, for "normal and reasonable" working capital requirements, or for retirement of outstanding debt.

4. Surplus expenditures from the special surplus account may not be included in the valuations upon which their 7 per cent rate will be based.

5. The United States may recover three times the amount received in violation of the agreement.

6. The pipe lines must file annual reports on their operations with the attorney general.

Officials said that about \$500,000,000 of rebates was involved in the act.

The major oil companies who joined in the agreement were:

The Atlantic Refining Co., Philadelphia; Cities Service Co., New York; Consolidated Oil Corporation, New York; Continental Oil Co., Ponca City, Okla.; Gulf Oil Corporation, Pittsburgh; Humble Oil & Refining Co., Houston, Tex.; Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation, Tulsa, Okla.; Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla.; Pure Oil Co., Chicago; The Shell Union Oil Corporation, New York; Skelly Oil Co., Tulsa, Okla.; Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Incorporated, New York; Standard Oil Co. (Indiana), Chicago; Standard Oil Co. (Kentucky), Louisville; Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey), New York; Standard Oil Co. (Ohio), Cleveland; Sun Oil Co., Philadelphia; The Texas Company, New York; The Texas Corporation, New York; Tide Water Associated Oil Co., New York.

### New Reverses Jolt Hitler On Two War Fronts

Europe Watches Nazi Leader As Blitz Thrust Is Expected To Occur

By The Associated Press

Sharp new reverses jarred Adolf Hitler's invasion armies on two fronts Tuesday—in Russia and North Africa—as the world speculated on the possibility of a sudden berserk thrust by the Fuehrer in an attempt to retrieve his tattered military fortunes.

European observers predicted Hitler, in his new role as supreme war lord of the German armies, would soon try to open a new front in regions less hostile to blitzkrieg campaigning than winter-frozen Russia.

Turkey and the Middle East, Spain, Gibraltar, French Africa and the British Isles appeared the likeliest targets of attack.

A Soviet broadcast said that German-dominated Bulgaria was speeding war preparations along the Turkish frontier and that announcement of Bulgarian mobilization was expected shortly.

The broadcast said the Bulgarian port of Varna and the Rumanian port of Constanta on the Black Sea were in complete German control—evidently ready to serve as bases for some new German thrust.

Powerful German forces have repeatedly been reported massing in Bulgaria in recent months.

Berlin and Rome both hinted that important military developments were imminent, with Nazi and Fascist commentators using the word "decisive" while Stockholm observers predicted that Axis operations would be moved "from East to West."

On the North African front, Cairo headquarters said British mobile troops had reached the coastal plain of the Gulf of Sirte, south of Benghazi, in what appeared to be a maneuver to cut off the main Axis armies fleeing southward from Derna and westward from Mekhili toward Bengasi.

British reinforcements were reported steadily increasing the pressure on Bengasi itself.

The whole line of Axis retreat west of Mekhili, as pictured by British Middle East headquarters, was "littered with abandoned material."

On the Russian front, counter-marching Soviet armies were reported to have driven the shivering, ill-clad German invaders from 75 more villages, and fierce Russian Guerrilla bands were now said to be blocking the Nazi retreat, abandoning their hit-and-run tactics for stand-and-fight blows.

Of the 750,000-man army Hitler sent against Moscow, the Russian newspaper Pravda declared more than 117,000 were killed in a five-week period ending Dec. 20.

The heaviest Soviet smashes were said to be falling in the Tula sector, 110 miles south of Moscow; around Maloyaroslavets, 65 miles southwest of Moscow; and in the Tikhvin area, 110 miles east of Leningrad.

### Three Persons Die, 13 Are Injured In Accident

SAN ANTONIO—(AP)—Mrs. Luther Hare of Asherton was fatally injured and two farm laborers were burned to death following a collision between an automobile and truck loaded with 20 farm laborers five miles from Crystal City on the Uvalde highway late Monday. Thirteen other persons were injured in the accident, officers reported.

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—A Japanese force has landed on Wake Island.

In making this announcement Tuesday the Navy said enemy units of unspecified strength landed Tuesday morning on the tiny mid-Pacific Island where Marines have beaten off repeated onslaughts by enemy aircraft and naval units.

The small garrison underwent a strong air attack Monday morning, the communique said, in which several enemy planes were shot down.

This attack was the 13th Japanese attack on Wake Island since the start of hostilities, and like the others apparently was beaten off by the Marine garrison assisted by laborers on the island, but there was no announcement as to whether the detachment of Devil Dogs was still resisting the landing force which set foot on the American possession Tuesday.

### Midland County Farmer Dies At Home Near Here

Charlie A. Bleiker, 50, stock farmer, died at his home six miles west of Midland at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday of a heart ailment following influenza.

Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p. m. Wednesday at the Midland Church of Christ with C. C. Morgan, minister, officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery with Ellis Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his widow, two daughters, Betty and Lela, and one son, Charles Albert, all of the home; his mother, Mrs. John Bleiker, Midland; two sisters, Mrs. O. C. Butler, Mountain View, Okla.; and Mrs. John Williams, Midland; and one brother, Lewis Bleiker, Texline.

Bleiker, a World War I veteran, was born July 3, 1891, in Bunker Hill, Ill.

In the siege of Hongkong, dispatches from Singapore said Hongkong's defenders, far from surrendering, actually had counter-attacked and netted a slight gain from firmly-held lines. Chinese forces on the mainland, attacking at the rear of the Japanese siege armies, were reported to have advanced to within 14 miles of the beleaguered island, while other Chinese troops were reported 27 and 40 miles away.

On the Malayan front, where Japanese invaders are slashing through the jungles in a drive against Singapore, the British reported "no change" in the situation.

Complete Davao Occupation  
British Malayan troops were credited with inflicting heavy damage on the Japanese in a sharp fight 330 miles north of Singapore, with nine Japanese planes reported shot down by the RAF Monday.

Further optimism was reflected in London military quarters, where a spokesman announced the vital Battle of the Atlantic "is going pretty well."

Imperial Tokyo headquarters, silent on the bitter fighting north of Manila, asserted Japanese expedition forces had completely occupied the "Little Japan" city and province of Davao, on Mindanao Island, 600 miles air-line south of Manila.

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### Two Persons Die In Car-Truck Accident

MONAHANS—(AP)—J. J. Mahoney, 34, Loraine, and Belle Phillips, 26, Big Spring, were injured fatally in a car-truck crash 12 miles east of here early Tuesday morning.

Corky Mahoney, brother of the dead man, was critically hurt and Myrtle Burgamy of Big Spring was taken to a hospital here.

They were returning to Big Spring.

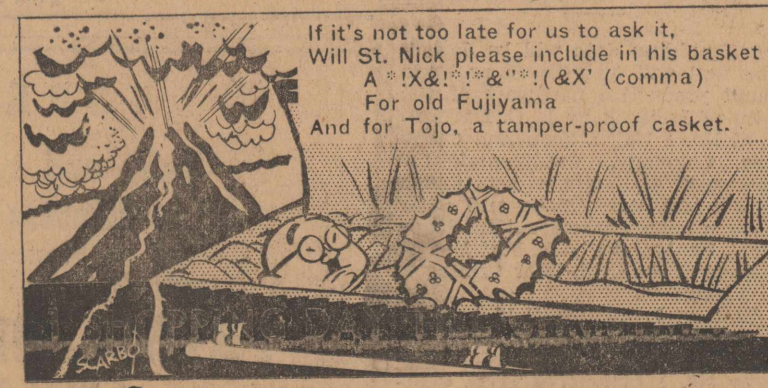
## War Bulletins

LONDON—(AP)—The Moscow radio said Tuesday in a broadcast heard here, that Adolf Hitler recently had consulted "the famous German doctor Schuster" and was told he was suffering severe nervous exhaustion and inflammation of the eyes.

OTTAWA, Ont.—(AP)—Canadian and other British troops are stubbornly holding three positions at Hongkong but the Canadians have suffered heavy casualties and their commander, Brigadier J. K. Lawson, is believed to have been killed, Canadian defense headquarters announced Tuesday.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Labor and management representatives agreed Tuesday to forego strikes and lockouts for the duration of the war and to settle all disputes by peaceful means.

MANILA—(8:30 P.M., 5:30 A.M., C.S.T.)—Heavy casualties resulted Tuesday afternoon when three Japanese planes bombed a center which had been reserved for persons evacuated from Manila and other towns.



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## "The Fuehrer Does Not Wish To See Anyone Today"



## There Are Woods As Well As Trees

Let's not get into the myopic habit of looking so closely at the trees that we can't see the woods. We are in a war. It is not merely a war in which we pick up the Japanese challenge to defend ourselves against attack. It is an all-out, total war against the aggressive powers which have tried to change the face of the world by force, and dominate that changed world. Our task is not merely to defend ourselves against the Japanese attack. It is to lick Japan to a fare-the-well and put an end to all that in the Pacific. But that is not all. Our job is to devote all the rest of our energy, before and after Japan is licked, to licking Germany, Italy and such satellites as continue to adhere to them after the writing is on the wall (it won't be many).

The world is our battlefield, not merely the Philippines or Wake Island. There will be no peace until victory is final, complete and unquestionable. Whether Britain's fight was our fight all the time does not matter now. It is our fight today. Whether China's fight was ours doesn't matter either. It is now. Whether Russia's was our, doesn't matter. At this moment, now, it is ours.

When the Russians hurl the impudent German invaders back out of Moscow and Rostov, that benefits us. When the British fight the Japanese invader at Hongkong or Singapore, that benefits us. When the Chinese fight to relieve Hongkong and equip their armies for a later offensive, that benefits us. When the British drive the Germans out Libya with American tanks, that vindicates the policy which sent those tanks to them, and we reap today the benefit of yesterday's foresight. The free countries of the world let the Fascists have Spain because they were afraid they might not like the color of Spanish government that might emerge. They sacrificed Austria and Czechoslovakia out of sheer reluctance to get involved in a dirty business. We of the United States drew back and temporized and hoped, only to find that after two years we, too, were attacked just as all the others had been. Now we have said goodbye to all that.

What kind of a Russia, what kind of a China, what kind of a British Empire—even what kind of a United States will emerge from this war, we do not know. We only know that any alternative but victory, total and final, is unthinkable and intolerable. It is no time to halt, hesitate, and ask for written guarantees. Wars write no guarantees. We know that whatever world emerges from victory, it is preferable to the world that we know would inevitably emerge from defeat. That, for present purposes, is enough.

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### Rent Control

Washington, the capital, is in the lead in rent control, a problem which has struck almost every city in greater or less degree. First, the problem is more aggravated there because of congestion at the hub of the country, and second, the District of Columbia being directly under control of Congress it is subject to forms of regulation that may be impracticable in most communities.

An act going into effect Jan. 1 in Washington aims to peg rents at their levels as of Jan. 1, 1941. The act remains in force until 1945. Washington tried rent control by law during and after the first World War, with varied degrees of success. Now its experiment will undoubtedly be watched as a laboratory test by other communities in which rent boosts have fallen all too often on the part of the people least able to bear them.

### Wool

BOSTON—(AP)—(USDA) —The Boston wool market was mostly quiet Tuesday. Occasional sales of fine combing Ohio Delaine were made at 45-47 cents in the grease. Good 12-month Texas wools had

some demand at \$1.10-\$1.15, scoured basis. Graded three-eighths bright combing territory wools sold in moderate quantities at 96-98 cents scoured basis, and graded one-quarter blood territory wools at mostly 92-93 cents scoured basis.

## Christmas Season Of Weddings For Young People Of Andrews

ANDREWS—(Special)—Of interest to Andrews people was the wedding of Miss Joy Stoval and Roy Jackson which took place Saturday at the Baptist parsonage. The Rev. Cobb, pastor of the Andrews Baptist Church, officiated. The bride was attended by her sister, Sue, and the groom by Joe Longino. Only the bride's family and Miss Marie Holman witnessed the ceremony.

Mrs. Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Stoval, was an employee of the Andrews Post Office and Mr. Jackson is with an aircraft company in San Diego. The couple left for California soon after the wedding.

Miss Wava Banes, Andrews High School band director, was married to Jack Turner of Lubbock Saturday.

Charlie Burkett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Burkett, was married to Miss Billie Horne of Hobbs, New Mexico, last week. He is now in El Paso, in the Army.

The Senior Mothers Club entertained the seniors and juniors Friday night with a party in the high school gymnasium.

## Calvary Baptist WMU Has Evening Program At Church

The Calvary Baptist WMU presented a Christmas program at the church, Monday evening, with good attendance of husbands and children.

Mrs. Walter Smith was leader. Mrs. Fred McPherson brought the devotional on the song of Zacharias concerning the birth of Jesus.

Parts of the program were taken by Mrs. Roy Frazier, Mrs. Walter Wingo, Mrs. Gene Harwell, Mrs. Rhea Heath, and Mary Lou Smith and Irma Tunnell.

Christmas carols were sung by the congregation.

Members of the different Sunday school departments will meet at the church, Tuesday afternoon, to pack baskets for the Goodfellows. Seven baskets will be given to the needy by the church.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Graf, Jr., Dallas, are here to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Graf, Sr.

Miss Edith Wemple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wemple, is here for the holidays from Hockaday Junior College in Dallas. Before leaving school she attended the annual Christmas vespers service, the wassail party, and the formal Christmas dinner given by Miss Ella Hockaday, president of the school.

About 400,000 banana plants were blown down by recent windstorms in the north-coast plantations of Guatemala, according to the Department of Commerce.

## Warfare--

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"Enemy casualties revealed up to Sunday include 200 killed and 600 made prisoners," the Tokyo communiqué said. Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said the situation in Mindanao was "obscure".

Three transports sunk in Northern Luzon, Army headquarters declared the Japanese invaders had been checked for the last 24 hours, with American forces holding a line north of Damortis, four miles south of Santo Tomas, on the Gulf of Lingayen, where 80 Japanese transports were reported to have begun unloading between 8,000 and 10,000 troops for an all-out drive against Manila.

Unconfirmed reports said three of the Japanese transports had been sunk in the gulf, and American pilots were said to have smashed an attempted landing under the guns of Japanese destroyers.

Other dispatches said two landing attempts had been hurled back into the sea at San Fabian and Damortis, but that a third was at least partially successful at Agoo, nine miles north of Damortis.

The question of Russian cooperation in the Far East was high-lighted by London and Manila reports that Soviet Marshal Klement Voroshilov, who organized the successful defense of Leningrad, had been named commander of Russia's Far East forces, at Japan's back door along the Siberia-Manchukuo frontier.

## J. V. Pliska Family Will Have Reunion

Christmas this year will be a special occasion for Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Pliska, as all their children will be home for the first time in several years.

Those present from out of town will be Miss Lillie Pliska of Omaha, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caruth of Austin, and James Pliska of Brady.

## Capt. and Mrs. Keb Are Hosts To Party

Captain and Mrs. Fred Keb entertained Saturday evening with a Christmas party at their home, 1607 W. Kentucky. Rooms were decorated in holiday theme.

Games of bingo were played. At midnight a buffet supper was served around the gaily-decorated Christmas tree. Present were: Lieut. and Mrs. E. Schaberg, Lieut. and Mrs. C. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dunn, Franklin Keb, and the host and hostess.

## Oil News--

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vey. Spudding date will be Jan. 1. The well will test the Clear Fork, found productive northeast of the town of Lubbock by L. C. Harrison et al No. 1 Nairn, Standolind Oil & Gas Company, Continental Oil Company and others contributed to the test, the wellsite and other acreage being farmed out by Standolind, Benton & Roach, Fort Worth, instigated the deal, later turning it to Livermore.

East of Slaughter field production in Southwestern Hockley County, Tide Water Associated Oil Company No. 1 Commerce Trust Company is drilling past 3,350 feet in anhydrite.

# SOCIETY

## Miss Lois Ficke Becomes Bride Of Royce H. Morse In Quiet Ceremony At The First Methodist Church

Single Ring Service Is Read For The Couple By The Rev. W. Carl Clement In Presence Of Relatives And Friends

Miss Lois Ficke, daughter of Mrs. John Ficke, became the bride of Royce H. Morse, son of Mrs. Allie A. Morse, of Whitsette, Texas, in a quiet ceremony at the First Methodist Church, Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. W. Carl Clement read the single ring ceremony in the presence of relatives and close friends of the couple.

Attendants for the couple were Miss Bessie Mae Ficke of Odessa, sister of the bride, who served as maid of honor, and Sergeant Elmo Reeves, who was best man.

The bride wore blue velvet with white accessories. Her corsage was of red roses.

The maid of honor was dressed in black with white accessories and wore white carnations.

The bridegroom, who is a radio operator at Sloan Field, and Sergeant Reeves were in uniform.

**Wedding Dinner**  
A wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's mother, 602 N. Pecos. The table was lighted by white candles in blue holders and centered with a two-tiered wedding cake in blue and white, topped by wax figures of a bride and groom.

Mrs. Morse is a graduate of Wheeler High School and attended Draughon's Business College at San Antonio. She has lived in Midland about eighteen months and is employed in the offices of the Plymouth Oil Company.

Mr. Morse graduated from high school at Burk Burnett and attended the Fort Monmouth Radio School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He has lived here about four months.

The couple will live here. Out-of-town guests for the wedding included Miss Marguerite Ficke of Wheeler, Texas, and Jim Philpott of Miami, Texas.

## Presbyterians Have Program On Christmas

Mrs. W. G. Whitehouse presided and Mrs. A. P. Shirey offered the opening prayer at the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary at the First Presbyterian Church, Monday afternoon.

The program on Christmas songs and Scriptures was prepared by Mrs. Geo. Kroenlein and presented by Frances Ellen Link as reader and the junior choir accompanied by Mrs. Frank Miller and directed by Mrs. Jack Hawkins.

Mrs. Whitehouse spoke on the purpose of the joy gift and the offering was taken.

Hostesses for the social hour following were Mrs. Andrew Fasken, Mrs. Whitehouse, and Mrs. J. R. Martin.

Thirty-seven persons were present.

## Banner Creamery

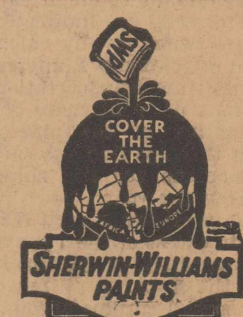
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1. Name the first four U. S. warships attacked, torpedoed or sunk in the Atlantic during World War II. How many lives were lost in these attacks?
2. Germany lost its brand new biggest battleship in 1941, but in return had sunk a British battle cruiser and aircraft carrier before the year was out. What were these vessels' names?
3. What three American flag freighters were sunk in 1941 and where?
4. Leaders of two world powers made history with a meeting on the high seas. Who were they and on what vessels did they confer?
5. Under what flag were several U. S.-owned ships sailing when sunk in the Atlantic (other than the three in question 3)?

Answers on Classified Page

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Even before the outbreak of war we had foreseen that delays inevitably would occur on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Now it appears the volume of calls will be even heavier than we had anticipated.

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LB. **7c**

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**APPLES**  
Sizes 180's, 198's, 216's  
LB. **5c**

**Celery** Crisp California Lb. **7c**  
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**Cranberries** Eatmor Lb. **21c**

**Onions** U. S. No. 1 Yellow Lb. **4c**  
**Potatoes** Idaho Rurals Lb. **2 1/2c**  
**Cocoanuts** Medium Size Lb. **5c**

**Tangerines** Fancy Florida Lb. **7 1/2c**  
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# McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney  
America's Card Authority

Even at the bridge table there is a Santa Claus. If you were in a contract of six spades on today's hand and made your contract, you would have to admit that there really is a Santa Claus.

So far as concerns the top cards, the contract of six spades is justified. There are 12 tricks in the hand. But the opening lead forces out the ace of hearts and bars the heart loser at once. With the ace of trumps against him, de-

## PERSONS SHOULD WATCH FOR COUNTERFEIT \$5 BILLS

SAN ANTONIO—(AP)—All persons who accept money from strangers should watch for counterfeit \$5 bills, 15 of which were discovered in different sections of the city Monday, Secret Service Agent Edward Tyrrell said.

The bills are not easily detected, Tyrrell declared.

The counterfeit bills are marked "Series of 1928C" with the plate face number 309 and the back plate number 988 in the lower right hand corner inside the scroll work. The same bills appear with the plate face numbers F 239 and K 390. Some have the back plate number 1101.

## Texas Crude Output Is Up 27,000 Barrels

TULSA, Okla.—(AP)—Daily crude oil production in the United States increased 198,325 barrels to 4,309,875 for the week ended Dec. 20, the Oil and Gas Journal said Tuesday.

Texas production was up 27,100 to 1,706,000; East Texas, 71,450 to 440,700; Eastern fields, 400 to 111,250, and the Rocky Mountain states 90 to 113,030.

California production was down 13,125 to 652,125; Oklahoma, 2,825 to 413,150; Kansas, 4,350 to 251,600; Illinois, 650 to 383,545, and Michigan, 4,270 to 52,620.

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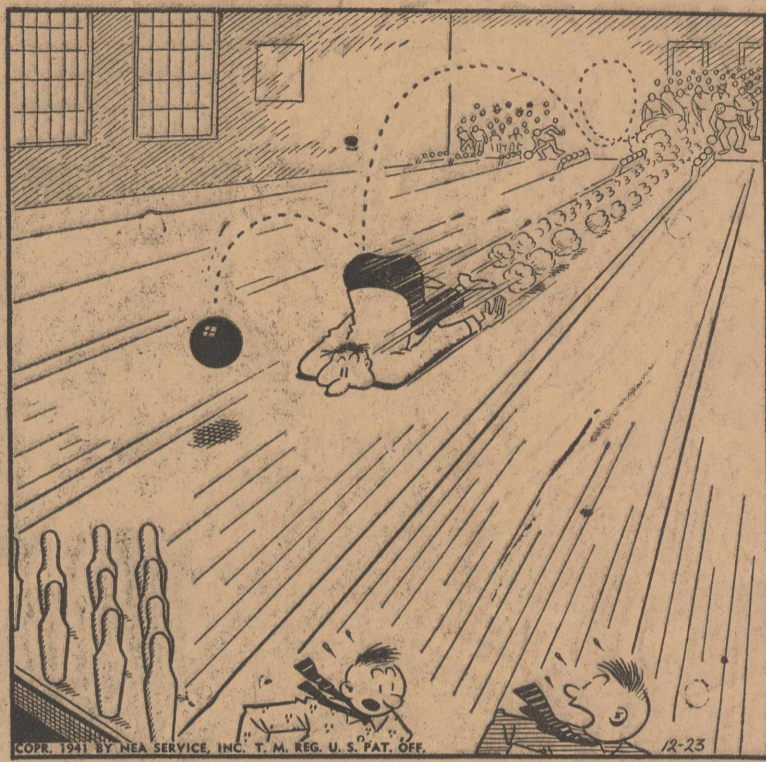
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## OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



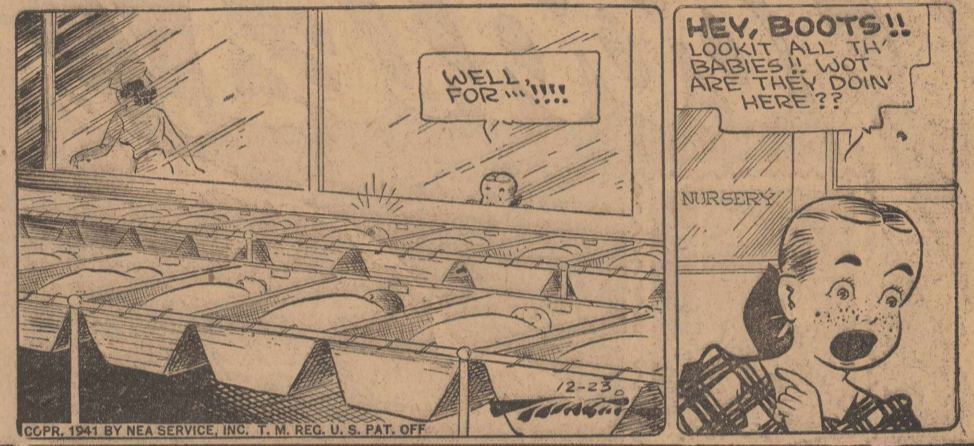
## Funny Business



"Beat it, quick—here comes that egg with his 'follow-through' again!"

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

by EDGAR MARTIN



## Side Glances



"My granddaddy says this is for you, Santa—and Merry Christmas!"

## WASH TUBBS



## CHRISTMAS!



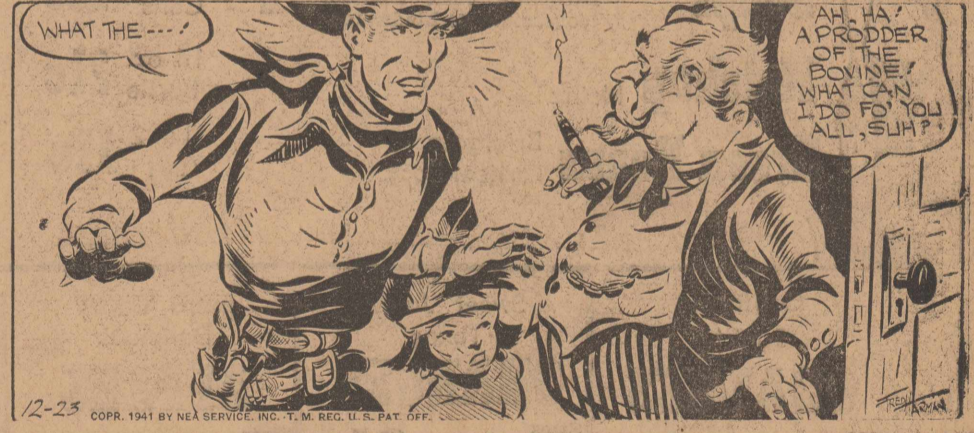
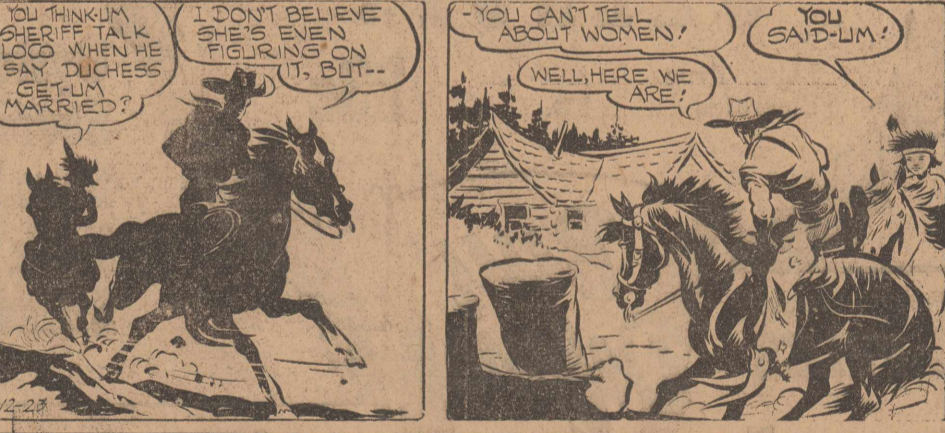
## ALLEY OOP

by V. T. HAMLIN



## RED RYDER

by FRED HARMAN



## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



A TREE CONTAINS ABOUT AS MUCH WATER IN WINTER AS IN SUMMER. BUT IN WINTER THE MOISTURE IS NOT STORED IN THE CELLS, BUT IN SPACES BETWEEN THE CELLS.

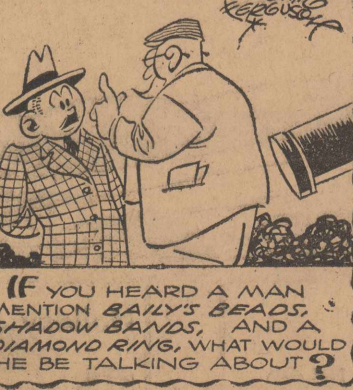
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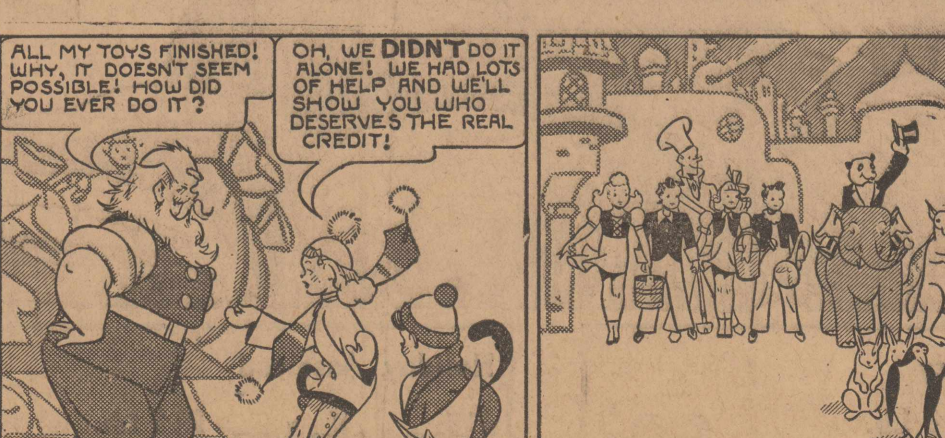
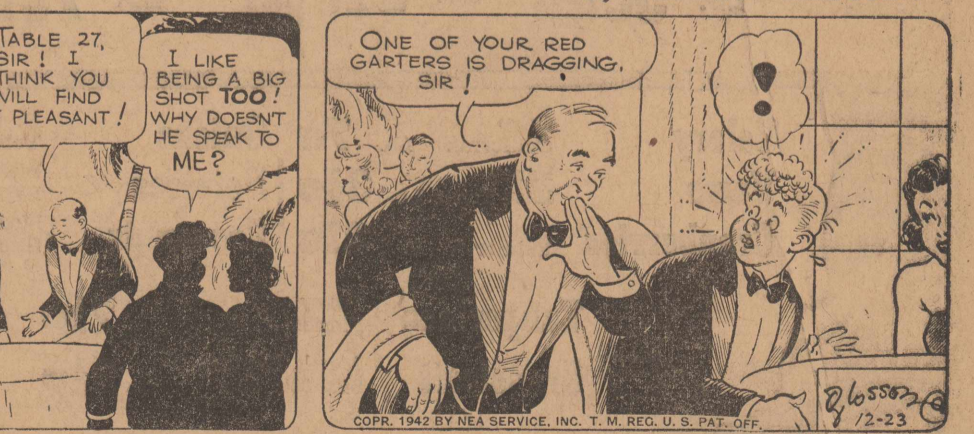
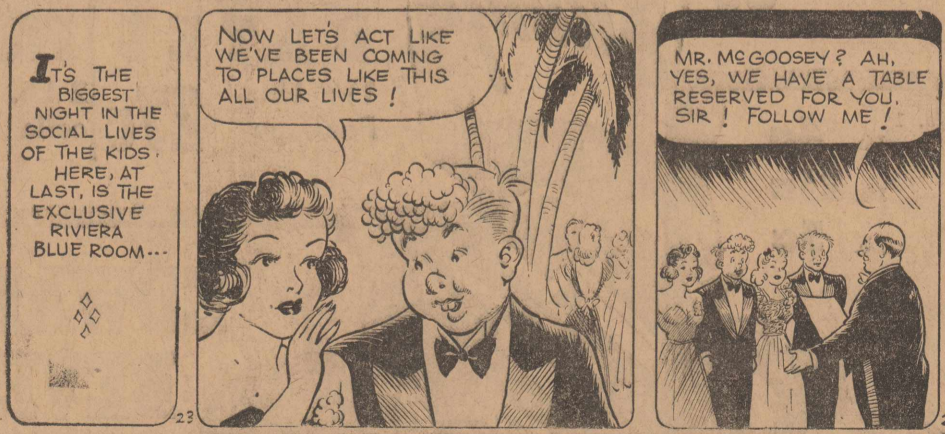
IF YOU HEARD A MAN MENTION BAILY'S BEADS, SHADOW BANDS, AND A DIAMOND RING, WHAT WOULD HE BE TALKING ABOUT?

ANSWER: An eclipse of the sun. Each of these terms describes a phenomenon that occurs at such a time.

NEXT: The vanity of man.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

by MERRILL BLOSSER



♠ K Q J 10 7	♥ A 5	♦ 10 5 3 2	♣ 6
♠ A 4 2	♥ K Q J 10	♦ 9 4	♣ Q J
♠ None	♥ 8 3 2	♦ 9 8 7 6 4	♣ 9 5 4 3 2
♠ 9 8 6 5 3	♥ 7 6	♦ A K	♣ A K J 10
Duplicate—None vul.			
South 1 ♠	West 1 ♥	North 1 ♠	East Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
Opening—♥ 8. 23			

clarer has to run for a heart stuf before touching trumps.

Here is what happened in the actual play. North took his ace of hearts, cashed the queen of clubs, then the king and ace. But West ruffed the third club with the deuce of trumps and North had to over-ruff.

Back he went with the king of diamonds, and when West played the queen declarer saw an additional chance for contract. He cashed the diamond ace, and was happy to see the jack fall.

Then came the fourth club, which West had to ruff with the four of trumps to prevent the heart discard. North over-ruffed. Now only the ace of trumps was at large, so North cashed his lucky ten of diamonds and discarded dummy's heart.

Duffy Stanley has arrived here to visit during the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stanley. He is a student at Texas A&M College.

## Popular Dress



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The little girl you sew for will look cunning, too, in this colorful, quaint costume. The full dirndl skirt which is so becoming for the very young, has straps for a top-crossed in back—and the blouse beneath has the drawing neckline as well as the ric-rac trim borrowed straight from a peasant outfit. Skirt may be wool, silk, velveteen—and the blouse of lawn, sheer linen, organdy or muslin.

Pattern No. 8041 is designed for sizes 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. Size 3 skirt requires 7/8 yard 54-inch material; 1 1/4 yards 35-inch; blouse 1/8 yards 35-inch material, 4 1/4 yards ric-rac, 1 1/2 yards ribbon.

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### Temple And Wichita Falls Face Difficult Hill's In Final Game

By Harold V. Rathoff  
**FORT WORTH**—(AP)—Any way you look at it there's a hill to climb.  
 For Wichita Falls it's Wayland Hill, 167-pound zig-zag or gridiron lightning.  
 For Temple it's Gene Hill, blond, skinny pass-pitching sensation who laughs when the going gets the toughest.  
 These two stars will meet here Saturday in the state schoolboy football final and it should be something worth going miles to see.  
 Wayland Hill is the boy who delivers in the clinches for Temple's unbeaten Wildcats. He's not fast but you think that's only an optical illusion the way he cuts at any angle.  
 And he's the shouting dancing dervish of a youngster who is the little man not there when you grab for him.  
 Gene Hill, a 144-pounder with little meat on his bones but with the stamina of a wild canyone of the plains country, is the mightiest passer schoolboy football has known in a decade.  
 This season Gene has thrown 195 passes, completing 105 for 1,519 yards, which is pitching, brother, in any league.  
 For instance, in Saturday's semifinal which saw the Coyotes blast Sunset (Dallas) from the ranks of the unbeaten teams, Hill threw 19 passes and connected 11 times.  
 Wayland Hill is playing his third and final season for Temple. In fact, it won't be long now because he finishes up at the mid-term which a dozen opponents wish had arrived earlier.

### Ivy for East-West Game



War changes direction as Ivy Leaguers move south for East-West game in New Orleans Sugar Bowl, January 3. Left to right are Bill Geyer of Colgate, All-America Endicott Peabody II of Harvard, John Welsh of Pennsylvania, and Thornley Wood of Columbia. Game was transferred from San Francisco.

### Riddle Receives Pitcher's Award In National Loop

By Judson Bailey  
**NEW YORK**—(AP)—Elmer (The Great) Riddle, still a comparative unknown to many fans despite his sensational hurling for the Cincinnati Reds last season, received Tuesday his accolade as the "pitcher of the year."  
 The National League released its official pitching records showing the stocky 24-year-old Georgia boy had surpassed all other twirlers in the major leagues in both earned-run average and winning percentage, bringing the pitching championship to Cincinnati for their third straight year.  
 Riddle won 19 games and lost four while achieving the low earned-run average 2.24 per nine-inning game for the best mark of effectiveness since Carl Hubbell set the league record for left-handed pitching at 1.66 in 1933.

The young righthander had to win 11 straight to pry the public's attention away from the Public's attention away from the Whitlow Wyatts and Bobby Fellers, and even then his real value scarcely was realized.  
**Intrigues Manager.**  
 Elmer was even a riddle to his own manager till the teams were deep into the schedule. He rode around with the Reds for the entire 1940 season and got to pitch only only 34 innings. He hurled one complete game and appeared in a relief role in 14 contests, 12 of which he finished.  
 For that freshman year, largely a tour of observation, Riddle had the spectacularly low earned-run average of 1.85. This intrigued Manager Bill McKechnie, but not enough for him to give his quiet, almost bashful sophomore a starting chance this year until the Reds were hopelessly out of the race and the Boston Braves were in town on May 20.

Riddle won that game and 10 more before he was defeated by Brooklyn July 23. From the time Elmer started his string till the end of the season the Red were the most consistent club in the senior circuit.  
**White Places Third**  
 The official records Tuesday showed the pennant-winning Dodgers had the finest pitching staff in the senior circuit, led by Whitlow Wyatt and Kirby Higbe. Each of these sturdy righthanders won 22 games, the only hurlers in the league to get into the 20-game bracket. Wyatt was second to Riddle in effectiveness with an earned-run average of 2.34 and Higbe ranked second in winning percentage with his 22 victories and nine defeats.

Ernie White, ace of the St. Louis Cardinals, was third in both departments, winning 17 and losing seven with an earned-run average of 2.40.  
 Bucky Walters, who topped the National League pitchers last year, and his Cincinnati teammate, John Vander Meer, tied for fourth in the earned-run ranking with 2.83 while Curt Davis of Brooklyn completed the cast of pitchers under the 3.00 level with a 2.98 range.

### Congress Honors Southwest States

WACO—(AP)—Oklahoma and Texas were Tuesday honored by the National Semi-Pro Baseball Congress for contributing more to sandlot baseball than any other states.

President Ray Dumont said a review completed by the national organization showed that the leading sandlot teams of the nation came from these two states.

A club from Oklahoma has won the national championship for the last three years and a Texas entry has been runner-up during the same period, the records disclose.

Make a permanent record for posterity by recording historical events coming in on your radio. Home records \$39.95 up—Western Auto Store, Opposite Western Union. (Adv.)

### Gridiron Greats Soar As Fordham Arrives In South

NEW ORLEANS—(AP)—With the arrival of the Fordham squad at Bay St. Louis, Miss., Tuesday, the total gridiron greats in training in this section will soar to more than a hundred, and the beefsteak supply is in for a big cut during the next ten days.

Already on the Gulf Coast at Edgewater Park, Miss., are the Missouri Tigers who have a big jump on the Rams in practice sessions for the New Year's Sugar Bowl clash here.  
 Arriving last week, Coach Don Faurot's boys have had a hard workout and several lighter drills, but Coach Jim Crowley has ordered an intensive training schedule for Fordham so that the Rams may catch up with their rivals.  
 Coach Crowley, en route, said he was confident of his varsity's ability but was a little concerned about the two-week layoff following the New York University game.  
 The Western all-stars who play Jan. 3 in the East-West charity game, transplanted here from California, found themselves in almost the same position as the Rams. They arrived in New Orleans Monday and are several workouts behind their Eastern opponents.  
 The West squad borrowed some Tulane University uniforms and went through a workout before going to Baton Rouge where they set up permanent training headquarters at Louisiana State University.

### Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton Jr., Wide World Sports Columnist.

**NEW YORK**—(Wide World)—The Louisville Colonels have grabbed off the brass ring in this winter's baseball ivory hunt by signing Pete Layden, who is supposed to be better as an outfielder than he was as a Texas U. ball carrier last fall. . . . He was a standout in the National Semi-Pro tournament last summer after hitting .397 for the college season. Trickish moment turned up at Madison Square Garden last Friday when the fans spotted Joe DiMaggio (who seldom misses a scrap) and demanded an introduction. . . . The baseball bosses don't like to have their boys climb through the ropes and only fighters are supposed to be introduced at today's fights. . . . Joe finally stood up and bobbed his head quickly. . . . Frank (N. Y. Sun columnist) Graham, who made his debut recently as a first-class fiction writer, has a biography of Lou Gehrig coming out in February. He also is working on a magazine "profile" of Eddie Brannick.

**Today's Guest Star**  
 Art Cohn, Oakland (Calif.) Tribune: "In an outburst of patriotism, Frank Kovacs just bought a custom-built car—done in red, white and blue. The guy must be punchy; obviously he still thinks he's on an amateur's expense account."

**Postman's Paragraph**  
 Bernard A. Ljung of LaFayette, La., writes: "Since the East-West football game is being played in the South and the teams are coached by a flock of 'damn-Yankees' and it is a charity game to care for crippled American children, I'd suggest that we call it the 'Ameri-Kids Bowl.' . . . Jim Rasumson of the Ironwood (Mich.) Daily Globe figures the transplanted Rose Bowl should be simply called: 'Bowl Durham.' . . . Sid Sloane of Tuscaloosa, Ala., nominates Joe Baker of Alabama U. as all-America football manager, since he chaperoned the tide to the Sugar Bowl (Tulane Stadium) and the Orange Bowl (to play Miami U.) in November and will head the march to the Cotton Bowl game New Year's Day."

**A Catch-All**  
 A deer trap which was placed on Drummond Island, Mich., last fall did a thorough job. Besides catching deer, it trapped one dog, one cat, one snowshoe hare and one curious hunter who wondered if it would work.  
**'Please Santa Claus, Find My Mother For Christmas Present'**  
 LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Bobby McClanahan of suburban Inglewood is putting Santa Claus to the supreme test. For Christmas he wants: His mother.  
 Bobby, who lives with an aunt and uncle, wrote:  
 "Dear Santa Claus:  
 "Will you find my mother for a Christmas present? I have not seen her for four years. She was in Santa Ana, Calif. I have been in the hospital and I am sick to see you, mother dear. I pray every night for you to come to me. I go to church and I want to be good so the Lord will send her here to me. That is all I want."  
 "Please, Santa, if you see her, her name is Catherine McClanahan. Send her to me. I would be so happy."  
 Bobby's letter went to the social service commission, which is helping Santa in the search. The commission did not know Bobby's age.

**Pioneers in Home Recording**  
 Western Auto Associate Store, across from Western Union, Midland. (Adv.)

### Organizes Air Patrol For Civilian Aviation

DALLAS—(AP)—Organization of the Texas branch of the Civil Air Patrol to coordinate civilian aviation resources for National Defense proceeded Tuesday under the direction of D. Harold Byrd, Texas wing commander.  
 Byrd Monday announced the launching of the Texas branch of the national organization created by order of F. H. La Guardia, director of the Office of Civilian Defense.  
 Duties of the membership will be to guard airports where no military activity is located, furnish courier service, patrol back-country areas, insure aerial gunnery targets and patrol under possible evacuation conditions.

### Returns Here After Funeral For Brother

F. W. Kiniken has returned to Midland from Ada, Okla., where he went to attend funeral services for his brother, John Franklin Kiniken, 49.  
 Survivors included the widow, Mrs. Mabel Kiniken, Ada; a mother, Mrs. Sarah Ann Kiniken, Chugwater, Wyo.; four sons, Delva, Johnny, Harry, and Dwain Kiniken, Ada; four daughters, Miss Velma Kiniken, and Miss Leola Kiniken, of Ada; Miss Viola Kiniken, Chugwater, and Mrs. Ted Tiner, of California; four brothers, F. W., Midland, W. J., Brooklyn, Ben, Madison, Kan. and Watson of Wyoming; and two sisters, Mrs. Ted Hancock, Oregon, and Mrs. Carl Good, Chugwater.

### Cities Communicate With Police Department

Testing Midland's two-way police radio system continued Tuesday. Downstate cities, including Austin, Fort Worth, picked up Midland calls.  
 The complete system is being tested. Patrol cars are equipped to send and receive messages to the police station.

### Many Stamp Collectors Want Dedication Letters

Hundreds of letters, which stamp collectors from the nation want mailed from Midland at the dedication of Sloan Field, have been sent by them to the chamber of commerce here.  
 Postmaster Allen Tolbert has ordered a special cancellation marker for the dedication.  
 Midland received nation-wide publicity in an article appearing in a stamp collectors' magazine mentioning the dedication.

# On The JOB

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## Wadley's

### Behind The Headlines

By DeWitt MacKenzie

**Wide World War Analyst**  
 Typically Churchillian is the British prime minister's risky crossing of a war-time Atlantic in the interests of Allied unity, for he always has been a direct actionist and has courted adventure ever since the days when he was graduated from Sandhurst, England's West Point, and started hunting trouble under gun-fire.  
 His devotion to duty has served the cause well, for this demonstration of solidarity and determination in Washington already is having its beneficial effect on the morale of the Allied peoples at a highly critical moment. And let none believe that the Axis is overlooking a historic meeting which so patently means business.

From the military standpoint this conference is vital for the coordination of Allied efforts. Momentous questions must be settled in such manner as will give the greatest efficiency. And since this is a war of resources and production, there must be co-ordination in this field as well.  
**Allied Bases In Danger**  
 The matter of immediate urgency is, of course, the Battle of the Pacific in which the Allies are fighting at a disadvantage because of the nature of the Japanese blow in the dark. Perhaps it is a good omen that as Roosevelt and Churchill get down to cases in Washington the news from the Far East is not unfavorable.

The Yanks and Filipinos are reported to have fought the invading Japs to a standstill. The British are holding their own on the Malayan Peninsula above Singapore. Even gallant Hongkong is hanging on by its teeth in the face of tremendous odds.  
 Still, we cannot blink the fact that the Allied bases are in danger. At any moment the defense may be called upon to decide whether American reserves shall be thrown to the support of the vital base of Singapore with the risk of losing the Philippines temporarily. Then, too, the question of whether Russia shall join the Allies against Japan is likely to become a burning issue. All these issues must be pooled and settled in the interest of the common good, namely the winning of the war as a whole.

### Legion To Discuss Civilian Home Defense

Its part in civilian home defense and the Christmas Goodfellow program were scheduled to be discussed at a meeting of the Woods W. Lynch Post No. 19 of the American Legion, at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday night at the courthouse.

### Yale Looks For New Grid Coach

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(AP)—Yale, which tossed aside its graduate coaching system a year ago by hiring Emerson W. (Spike) Nelson, former University of Iowa star lineman, as head football coach, was in the market for a new gridiron boss Tuesday.

The 36-year-old Nelson, whose Eli eleven won only one out of eight games last fall, resigned Monday "to be free to join the staff of the procurement department of the United States Engineer Corps in Philadelphia."  
 "I leave Yale with regret," said Nelson, "but in these times of national stress I cannot refuse the opportunity to serve which has come to me."

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### Dozier's Shoot High Score As Goodfellow Tourney Nears Close

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dozier bowled a high score of 1359 in mixed doubles in the Midland Bowling Association's Goodfellow Tournament which was scheduled to close Tuesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Dozier's score equals American Bowling Congress top scores for doubles.  
 Benefits of the tourney, above expenses, will be contributed to the Goodfellow fund.  
 Tuesday morning totals showed Mrs. Dozier leading the women's singles with a score of 703. C. C. Keith was ahead of the group in men's singles, 712, with Red Meyers and Harry Hoekendorf, men's doubles leaders, 1281.

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