

## Wyoming All Set for Elk Invasion

By United Press  
JACKSON HOLE, Wyo., Jan. 25.—The first of an estimated 17,000 head of elk are coming down from the Teton Mountains for their annual free lunch, courtesy of the state and federal government.

The elk have nothing to buy, no promises to make, nothing to do but collect their meals and stay alive until next year. Next year, the elk—some 5000 of them at least—will pay with their lives as the prey in the giant Jackson Hole hunting season.

Without the feeding, there would be no season.

Each year Wyoming's game and fish commission joins hands with the federal fish and wildlife service in feeding the huge bands of roving elk in this scenic resort playground of western Wyoming.

### Winters Rugged.

The winters high in the rugged Tetons are considerably more than just bitter. They are real, freezing snow-bound winters. Unless the two services maintained their free lunch program, up to 80 per cent of the 17,000 would probably die of the cold and starvation.

Several years ago, the federal government, at the urging of sportsmen's groups and the state, established the Jackson Hole national elk refuge, 30,000 acres of a winter haven for the huge game animals. The refuge is under the supervision of Almer Nelson, veteran game management officer, for the federal service.

On the refuge, federally employed "farmers" raise vast fields of hay, meant only for elk. The hay, 3000 tons of it, is left standing in fields for the elk to graze through during the winter. In addition, the federal government and the state share the costs of buying another 1700 tons of hay to supplement that grown.

### Come by Instinct.

Between about Christmas time and the last of March, the elk, led by a natural instinct apparently, fly off the mountain peaks by the thousands down to the refuge bordering the Snake River. There they make themselves quite at home, grazing leisurely through the winter.

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MIXTURE OF TRAFFIC—Motorists in Dallas, Tex., are apparently oblivious to an airliner making an approach to Love Field, AH through the Winter months, when the north-south runway is used, planes skim over car tops as they come in to land at the busy Southwestern Terminal.

## Persia Scans Suggest Tagging to Shame Possibility of Voters Into Balloting Liquor Ban

By RUSSELL DALEY  
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TEHRAN, Iran, Jan. 2—A sobering thought has hit the Persian Garden immortalized by Omar Khayyam. Alcohol may be banned legally in Iran.

There is a parliamentary move to clamp prohibition on this ancient land where drinking has been considered a pleasant pastime since man began brewing at history's dawn.

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the government of Premier Mohamed Mossadegh to present in a month a bill prohibiting anything that could lead to intoxication.

### Court Bans Liquor

Most persons predict the bill will never be passed, however.

Parliament's move followed a growing tendency—in public to avoid alcohol. The shah recently decreed, for example, that nothing intoxicating should be served at court. Embassies and consulates abroad were told to follow suit.

Despite public opposition to drinking, Iranians still congregate at the local version of the purchased stores and scatter it for the cocktail hour almost every afternoon. It's held in the back yard, cakes of oil feed supplement to which for every Iranian home give them a varied meal and also worth the name is equipped with to stretch out the expensive—\$32 a miniature pool like the famed pleasure gardens of romance.

In the southern city of Shiraz, for example, it is customary for the local men about town and the local women noted for their charm to congregate with jugs of wine or arrack.

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### Arrack Is Potent

Lutes and Arres also are carted along.

The most potent local drink is a white lightning concoction called arrack. It is powerful enough to make Russian vodka about as strong in comparison as a cup of tea.

Opponents of the bill in parliament say there is no need for passing the bill.

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### Car Ceiling Prices Dip 8 Per Cent

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UPI)—Most used car ceiling prices automatically dropped about eight per cent yesterday, but officials said the reduction will not necessarily mean an actual change in selling prices.

The sole exception was 1951 models which dropped only two per cent.

The Office of Price Stabilization ordered the reductions to reflect normal depreciation. Used automobiles generally are selling below ceiling, however, and the cut in most cases will not close the gap between the going price and the legal limit.

Additional two per cent cuts on all models are scheduled for the first day of each new quarter of the year—April 1, July 1 and Oct. 1.

### Coeds Pick Up Tabs

BOSTON (UPI)—The Boston University News said a poll of students disclosed that most of the co-eds are footing the bills on off-campus "dates."

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## Dust Bowl Farms Put In Production

By United Press  
ELKHART, Ind., Jan. 2—Fifteen years ago, farmers in what was then a wasteland of Morton County sold their land for \$4 an acre and moved from the dust-blown area.

Today 110,000 acres along the Cimarron River in that county is pasture land and this year it will produce about a million extra pounds of beef.

The pasture is owned by the soil conservation service of the government. The service started work to reclaim the land in 1936, buying the land from farmers who went broke in the drought and dustbowl years.

### Soils Poured In

The service poured pasture grass seeds into the depleted, sandy soil. By 1943, a small part of the area was ready for grazing and farmers and ranchers in the region formed the Morton County grazing association.

Any farmer in the county can belong to the organization. It's a co-operative system, with everybody interested benefiting from the government grass.

This last year 60,000 acres were grazed. Another 20,000 acres will be ready next year. Cattlemen figure that more than 6000 head of stock grazed on the 60,000 acres this year and gained a million pounds of beef.

In 1943 there were 475 head of cattle on the pasture that was opened for the first time.

### Cost Is Small

Stockmen pay \$1.75 a month per head for use of the government grass. The government's fee is \$1. The other 75 cents goes to the association to defray its expenses. One-fourth of each dollar paid the government returns to the county in lieu of taxes. That means about \$10,000 for the county treasury this year.

When it's roundup time on the pasture each fall, about 100 cowboys join forces to rope the different brands and separate the calves.

The land worth \$4 an acre 15 years ago now is figured from \$30 to \$100.

### \$100,000 Fire Hits S. Dakota Town

ABERDEEN, S. D., Jan. 2 (UPI)—Fire yesterday destroyed two Main St. business establishments and severely damaged an ice plant on the outskirts of the city.

Destroyed was a Main St. building housing the Parsh Hardware Store, Sportsman's Bar, and several second floor apartments.

Badly damaged was the Culbertson Ice Plant on the southeast edge of town.

The ice plant fire broke out while firemen were fighting the Main St. blaze.

The Main St. fire apparently started in the basement of the building.

When he returned he found the front of his auto pushed in. These days he's parking his car in the repair shop.

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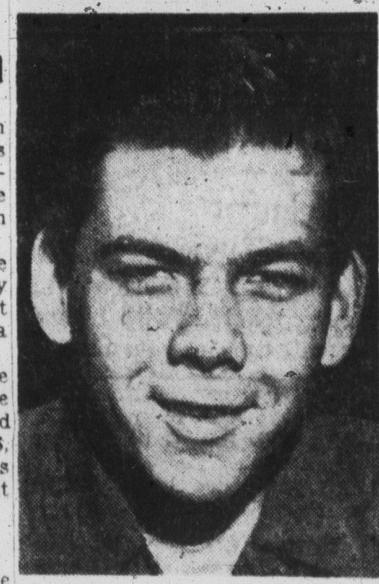
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## Vast New Oil Deposits Found in Middle East

By GEORGE SIBERA  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
PARIS, Jan. 2—Vast oil deposits have been discovered hidden beneath the barren, volcanic Harran Plateau, between Syria and Turkey.

If exploited, they might greatly influence the strategic and economic position of the Middle East.

For years, no one suspected the desolate plateau in high Mesopotamia was anything but useless stone and sand. Oil prospectors used to detour around it on their way to the rich oil country of Saudi Arabia and Iran, farther to the south and east.

Today it seems they were bypassing riches which might set off fresh flows of oil in the two Middle Eastern countries and flows of dollars into their government coffers.

Paul Schuh carries The Times route in Maywood. He is a senior at Ben Davis High School and lives at 2630 Kentucky Ave. His hobbies are photography and music. The money he earns from carrying The Times has been used to pay for flying lessons. Paul is a veteran of 6½ years on his Times route, and has a sister who also carries the paper.

**Close to Sea**

The oil resources, locked in the Harran desert, may run to millions of barrels, informed sources here said.

A great advantage for any future exploitation is its geographical location. The future earth crust, he wrote.

Oil circles here are talking ex-

pecting the oil boom to come. The French press has hailed the mean port, eliminating the need for extensive pipelines.

The discovery was made by Jean Mercier, a noted French thinking about the Middle East.

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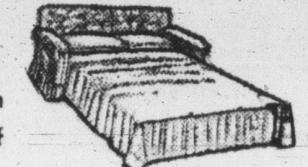
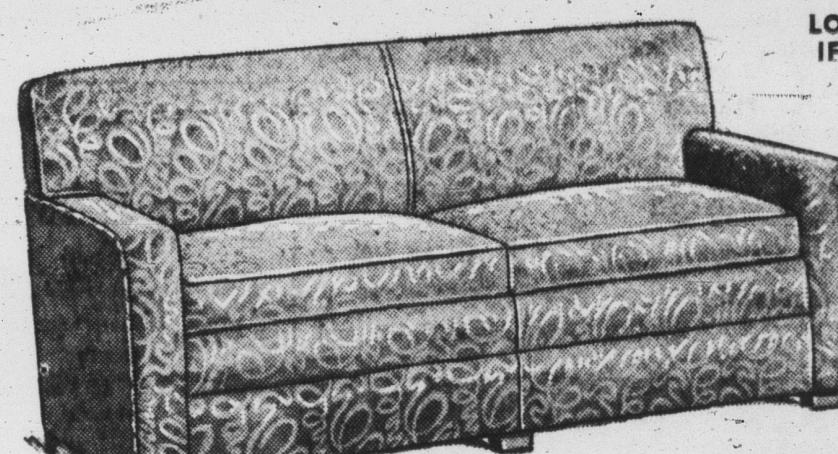
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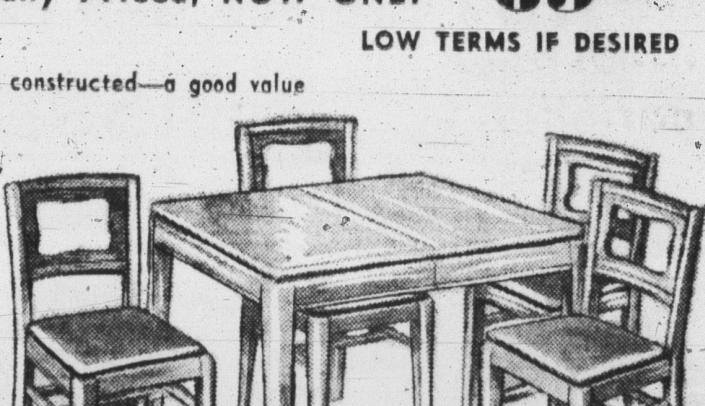
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