

Two Major Fires Hit McLean Area

Spurred by high winds Sunday afternoon, two sections of grassland near McLean were destroyed by fire as volunteer firemen fought fruitlessly to control the raging blaze.

Reported at 1 p. m., the blaze started on the Archie Miller Ranch and moved across acreage owned by both Guy Beasley and Joe Willis.

Firemen finally brought the fire under control when it moved up against a country road. Fire Chief Boyd Meador requested and obtained assistance in quelling the blaze from both the Shamrock and Lefors departments. He described the fire as one of the worst in several years.

The blaze was far out of control when firemen arrived, and they were further hindered by an inadequate supply of water.

Prior to the Sunday afternoon fire, the department members had answered a call to Kellerville on Saturday evening when the Kellerville Store burned. Before firemen arrived the building was a total loss, but the storekeeper's dwelling adjacent to the building was saved, although it was scorched by the intense heat. Additionally, the firemen kept the blaze from spreading to the community's nearby post office north of the store.

A third fire occurring over the week end was reported at

11 a. m. Sunday within the city limits of McLean, but was promptly extinguished by the firemen.

Throughout the week end of plugging fires, there were no personal injuries reported.

PTA Holds Meet On February 10

The McLean Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium. A very interesting film, "A Deck for Billie" was shown.

Mrs. Ponder's first grade won the room-count banner.

A large group of parents and children enjoyed refreshments of cake and coffee served by the sixth grade mothers.

All parents are urged to attend the next meeting on March 10 in the high school auditorium when Jon Jones of Pampa will be the speaker.

Baptist Brotherhood Holds Meeting

The North Fork Baptist Brotherhood met with the Faith Baptist Church of Wellington on Jan. 29. The theme of the program was "Man's Responsibility to His Church."

Those on program were Gene Pike of Kellerville and Gene Grace of Mobeetie. There were 44 in attendance, including five pastors and five brotherhood presidents.

The next meeting will be at Wheeler on Feb. 26. All men are urged to attend.

Saunders' Bull Wins in Stock Show

George P. Saunders of McLean was among the award winners in the judging of the Aberdeen-Angus breeding cattle classes at the 1959 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth.

A junior yearling bull entered by Saunders was first place winner in that class. Saunders also won awards in the summer yearling heifer and senior heifer calf classes at the show.

Tigers, Tigerettes Win In Two Games

McLean's Tigers chalked up two district victories during the past week as they rolled past the Memphis Cyclone, 76-64, and downed the Canadian Wildcats, 51-48.

Against the Cyclone, Murrill Hill took scoring honors with 28 points, hitting for 12 from the field and four from the free throw line. Bennie Woods scored 17 to rank second, and Frank Worsham stood third with 16.

Against Canadian, Jimmy Watson led the Tiger attack, netting 15 points for the night. Hill was close with 12 and Worsham ranked third with 10.

Tomorrow night the Tigers will close out their season with a home game against Lefors.

The Box				
Memphis game:	FG	FT	TP	
Hill	12	4	4	28
Woods	8	1	4	17
Gibson	0	0	2	0
Windom	0	0	1	0
Crockett	7	1	5	15
Smith	0	0	1	0
Worsham	7	2	0	16
Watson	0	0	3	0
Lee	0	0	1	0
Weaver	0	0	1	0
Williamham	0	0	1	0

Canadian game:				
Hill	FG	FT	TP	
Hill	4	4	2	12
Woods	2	1	5	5
Gibson	0	0	1	0
Crockett	3	3	5	9
Worsham	5	0	2	10
Watson	6	1	1	15
Lee	0	0	1	0

CLİETT NAMED SUPERVISOR FOR GCSCD

The film "A Tenderfoot in Europe" was shown Monday night in the high school auditorium under the sponsorship of the McLean Lions Club. More than 100 farmers and ranchers along with their families attended the meeting.

Along with the film, James Cliett was elected supervisor of Subdivision 2 of the Gray County Soil Conservation District. Cliett replaces Dick Everett, who had resigned.

Cliett is well known for his achievements in agriculture, having been awarded in 1952 both a county and regional award as an outstanding farmer.

Following the film, the group also heard a report on the cotton extension program for 1959 from Dr. James Henson, office manager for the Gray County A. S. C.

TIGERETTES DOWN MEMPHIS AND CANADIAN

Coach Jack Riley's Tigerettes added two more to the season's victories this week as they downed Memphis, 64-47, and Canadian, 77-76.

Against Memphis, Geraldine McPherson led the Tigerettes with 31 points, followed by Laura Switzer with 17 points and Sandra Burnett with 5 points.

In the tilt with Canadian, Laura led and ranked as high player for the night with 47 points. She hit 17 field goals and added 13 from the free throw line for the top total. Standing second was Sandra with 20 points and Geraldine was third with 10 points. The narrow win over Canadian came in an over-time period.

Tomorrow night the Tigerettes end their season against Lefors in a home game.

The Box				
Memphis game:	FG	FT	TP	
Laura Switzer	7	3	17	
Sandra Burnett	8	1	5	
Geraldine McPherson	13	5	31	
Adella Vineyard	0	0	0	
Phyllis Flowers	0	0	0	
Janice Page	0	0	0	
Elizabeth Boston	0	0	0	

Canadian game:				
Laura Switzer	FG	FT	TP	
Laura Switzer	17	13	47	
Sandra Burnett	4	2	10	
Geraldine McPherson	8	4	20	
Adella Vineyard	0	0	0	
Phyllis Flowers	0	0	0	
Janice Page	0	0	0	

An omnivorous animal eats both animal and vegetable foods.

A dik-dak is a small African antelope.

JANUARY HIGHWAY FATALITIES LISTED AT 6 IN LOCAL AREA

Six persons were killed and 65 injured during the past month in highway accidents in the Amarillo area alone, according to a report handed in by McLean Patrolman R. C. Parker.

The report indicated that in addition to the killed and injured, a total of \$142,954.00 was done in personal property damage.

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HONORED BY BAND—Pictured above are the 1959 McLean High School Tiger Band's King and Queen. Receiving the honors were Miss Martha Cardwell and Melvin Butrum. The couple was crowned at the annual band banquet held Saturday night in Fellowship Hall of the McLean Methodist Church.

CARDWELL, BUTRUM NAMED TIGER BAND QUEEN, KING

Miss Martha Cardwell was elected Band Queen and Melvin Butrum named Band King Saturday night at the McLean High School Tiger Band banquet, held in Fellowship Hall of the McLean Methodist Church.

Both Miss Cardwell and Butrum are seniors this year, having actively participated in the music program through the past several years. Each was presented a gift following the coronation.

As special guest speaker for the banquet, the group had Ray Robbins, band director of Phillips High School. Special music was brought by a group from West Texas State College in Canyon, consisting of solo and ensemble numbers. Members of the group were Marian Forbau, Dennis Plunk and Mrs. Harry Wheeler.

Area Students In WT Nat'l Fraternity

Canyon—Donald Broome of Kellerville and Eugene Worsham of Alameda are members of the Epsilon Beta social club at West Texas State College which recently affiliated with the Sigma Nu national fraternity.

The four men's social clubs at West Texas have been tapped by national fraternities. The members of Epsilon Beta officially became pledges of Sigma Nu in ceremonies conducted at Lubbock by the Texas Tech chapter of Sigma Nu.

Broome, senior accounting major, is the son of J. J. Broome of Kellerville. He has held an office in Sigma Beta Mu, organization for business majors, and he has been commander of the Sam Houston Rifles Drill Team. He is a 1955 graduate of McLean High School.

Worsham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Worsham of Alameda, is a senior business administration and accounting major. He has been a member of the Sam Houston Rifles Team, secretary and vice president of Epsilon Beta, and a member of the business organization, Sigma Beta Mu. He, too, is a 1955 graduate of McLean High School.

Virgin olive oil is that obtained when the olives are first pressed.

City Election Set April 7

RODEO SET JUNE 4-6 IN McLEAN

Plans for McLean's annual rodeo were begun Tuesday night as the '66 Rodeo Association held a meeting.

The date for the 1959 show was set for June 4, 5 and 6, according to Harvey Taylor, association president.

The big show will again feature a 20-mile horse race between Shamrock and McLean, with four horses running five mile laps.

Other events slated in the festivities include an old settlers reunion, parade, old fiddlers contest, and an approved quarter-horse show.

Further plans will be announced later in The News, Taylor said.

Kenneth Wilson Listed on WT Honor Roll

Canyon—Kenneth Owen Wilson, McLean senior, was recently listed by Dean Walter H. Juniper on the fall semester honor roll at West Texas State College.

The roll is composed of the upper 5% of undergraduate students.

Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Phillips of Colorado Springs, formerly of McLean, is majoring in agriculture.

BASKETBALL KING, QUEEN TO BE CROWNED IN '59 FINALE

McLean's Tigers and Tigerettes will close out the 1959 season to tomorrow night in a home contest as they host the Lefors Pirates at a District 2-A tilt.

In ending the regular season the Tiger Basketball King and Queen will be crowned at half-time of the boys' game.

Coached by Darril Christian, the Tigers will end a successful slate in the 2-A circuit. Both the boys and the Tigerettes, coached by Jack Riley, have remained in the top three in the district throughout the regular play.

SPELLING BEE TO BE HELD TONIGHT

The study of spelling has been popular throughout the year in McLean Elementary School. A number of students have been working with their eyes on Washington, D. C.

Preliminary and semi-final contests have already been held, and Thursday, Feb. 19, at 7 p. m., there will be a Spelling Bee in the high school auditorium to determine the champion from each of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades. These four winners will compete in Pampa March 18, for county honors. The winner there will represent Gray County in Amarillo on April 26, in the regional Spelling Bee.

The winner at Amarillo will be given an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D. C., and the privilege of competing with spellers from all over the U. S. A. for scholarships and other valuable prizes.

Parents and friends of the spellers and of the school are invited to attend this Thursday night contest, beginning at 7 o'clock. Those in charge ask you not to bring children too small to understand the importance of being quiet while the children are spelling.

Jerry Hill will pronounce the words. Judges will be John C. Haynes, J. W. Meacham and Phyllis Flowers. Miss Flowers was last year's county champion and winner of fifth place in the regional bee at Amarillo.

Terms To Expire For Mayor, Two Aldermen

April 7 was set as city election day at a meeting of the McLean city council Tuesday night.

Three posts in city government will be decided. They are the position of mayor and two aldermen spots. The terms of Mayor Ed Lander and Aldermen C. P. Callahan and Boyd Meador expire this spring.

Deadline for filing for office is 30 days prior to the election, or March 8, Mayor Lander said. So far no names have been filed for these positions.

The other three aldermen on the city council are Jess Kemp, Odell Mantooth and Amos Page.

One of the council's most important actions was the recent hiring of a city manager. This step also resolved the old office of city secretary.

Dan Mize of Jacksonville was engaged as city manager and will arrive here around the middle of March.

PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK

SCHOOL DAYS HERE AGAIN FOR McLEAN GROWNUPS

Those nostalgic school bells will ring for grownups and kids alike in McLean March 2-6.

The occasion is Texas Public School Week. According to the grade school principal, Dale Parvin, the public is invited—nay, urged—to drop in on classes and acquaint themselves with the present school system.

Climax of the week will be Friday night when a special open house is scheduled. From 6 to 8 p. m. all buildings will be open and many students and teachers will be on hand to welcome visitors. At 8 p. m. a concert will be held in the high school auditorium, featuring the beginners band, junior high band and high school band.

Public Schools Week was founded in 1950 to stimulate the public's interest in the schools.

JERRY AUSTIN TO PREACH FOR BAPTISTS

Jerry Austin, who recently surrendered to the gospel ministry, will preach at the First Baptist Church next Sunday, Feb. 22, at 7:30 p. m.

Pastor Jesse Leonard extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend the service.

OFFICERS TO OFFER FIRST AID SERVICE

Highway Patrolmen will be equipped in the near future to do extensive first aid work when emergencies arise.

The added first aid service became effective Feb. 3, according to McLean's two officers, Dave Croslin and R. C. Parker.

A special 14-unit first aid kit will be carried in the cars and patrolmen will apply the necessary aid until a doctor arrives.

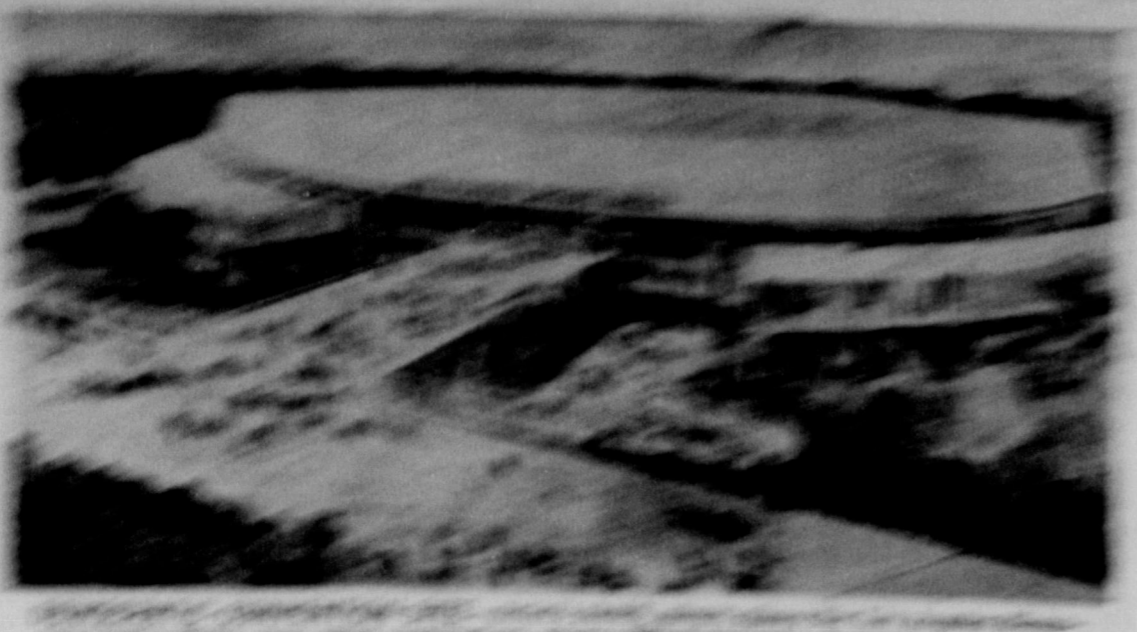
Patrolmen may be summoned to give this aid in any medical emergency, whether or not it happens on the highway.

Although well trained in this work, the patrolmen will be given periodic tests to keep their ability keen and to renew their first aid cards.

First aid stickers will be displayed on the officer's car on the left rear bumper.



FIRST AID SERVICE—McLean's two Highway Patrolmen exhibit the new and extensive first aid kit to be carried in their cars in the future. The officers will be qualified to do advanced first aid work until a doctor arrives. At left is Patrolman Dave Croslin. His partner is R. C. Parker.



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MRS. THOMAS TROUT

Lorraine Hamby And Thomas Trout Wed in Wellington

Miss Lorraine Hamby and Pfc. Rev. and Mrs. Bond of Pampa Thomas Trout were married were Sunday guests in the Frank Thursday, Feb. 12, in Wellington. Scales home.

Raymond Horton, justice of the peace, read the marriage vows at his home.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hamby of McLean, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Susie Trout, also of McLean.

For her wedding, the bride wore a blue dress with white accessories.

Mrs. Hamby, mother of the bride, and Mrs. J. A. Young of Wellington, aunt of the bride, were present for the ceremony.

Pfc. Trout left Wednesday for Brea, Calif., where he will be stationed for six months. Mrs. Trout will remain in McLean and continue work at Marie Foundations, where she has been employed for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins were in Amarillo during the week end with her brother, Jack Reeves, who underwent surgery in Northwest Texas Hospital Saturday.

Glenda Smith And Elie Woerner Wed in McLean

Glenda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith of McLean, became the bride of Elie Woerner, son of Rev. and Mrs. Jean Michel Woerner of LaFere, Aiane, France, on Jan. 31 at the First Baptist Church.

For the double ring ceremony performed by Rev. Jesse Leonard, pastor, the bride wore a white street length dress with blue accessories, and carried a bridal bouquet of white carnations.

Her maid of honor, Rosie Lee Smith, wore a blue dress with white accessories.

Best man was Joe Patterson, Wayland College senior from Los Angeles, Calif.

Nuptial music was provided by Betty Dilbeck, organist.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Woerner were students in Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, at the time of their marriage. They are now working under the Home and State Mission Boards in Louisiana with French people. They plan to go to France in the late summer. A ministerial student, Woerner has been licensed to preach in France, Wales, and the United States. He came to Wayland through the influence of an army chaplain who arranged a scholarship for him. He has received a degree from Bible College of Wales in Swansea and plans to enter Baptist Seminary in Zurich, Switzerland, after he returns to Europe.

His father is one of the leading Baptist preachers of France and has been a pastor for 25 years. He is now pastor of a church of 400 in Fines Les Raches and another church of 150 in La Fere.

A reception for the wedding party was held at the Smith home immediately following the ceremony.

Among guests at the wedding were Wayland students, Beverly Bush of Cuero, Margaret Turner of Tyler, Patsy Walker of Fritch, Ken Bush of Cuero and Dale Harris of Gruver.

Dinner Honors Mrs. Minix for 99th Birthday

Mrs. E. L. Minix celebrated her 99th birthday Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Colebank, with a lovely dinner.

Guests present were Mesdames O. L. Tibbets, Bunia Kunkel, E. L. Price, Luther Petty, Homer Abbott and Callie Haynes; Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terbush and daughter, Bonnie, of Groom.

Mrs. Minix received several nice cards, gifts and flowers.



PAULINE ERWIN

Pauline Erwin And Butch Pierce To Wed in March

Mrs. Minnie Erwin announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Pauline, to Butch Pierce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Pierce of Amarillo.

The wedding will take place March 20 at 6:30 p. m. at the Pentecostal Holiness Church in McLean. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

WMS Here Studies Home Mission Book

All circles of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church met at the church Tuesday afternoon for mission study.

The home mission book, "A Way of Witnessing," was taught by Mrs. Jesse Leonard.

Set a Mantelpiece 'Stage' to Brighten Home



Your mantelpiece can be a focal point of attention, not only at Christmas, but at any time of the year. As shown, small figurines and a container of ivy dress it for spring.

BY EDNA MILES

The house has long since been stripped of its Christmas trimmings. Most homemakers would like something to pick up spirits and decor at same time during late winter and early spring.

The mantel, which looks so bare now, can give a lift to the looks of the whole room when it

becomes a display point for china figurines.

Favored treasures can be grouped to be shown off to advantage. They can, too, be used to carry out a decorating theme.

China and porcelain figurines, small vases, a collection of animals, a grouping of three or four small musicians—are all candidates for this spot.

For Easter, figurines of youngsters with bunnies or baskets on their arms are effective.

These small figurines can also be moved into position as basis for a floral centerpiece on the table when guests come to dinner.

Or, they are charming on bookshelves, small tables or on hanging shelves in a child's room.

Presbyterians Host Memphis Women

The Presbyterian women's organization was hostess to a sharing team from Memphis Tuesday in the church parlor.

New ideas and plans for the work of the women through the church were discussed.

A devotional period of scripture and prayer was also held. A salad luncheon was served at the noon hour.

Guests were Mesdames Wilma Leslie, Ann Ferrall, Virginia

Ponder and Elsie Hoover of Memphis; and Mesdames Laura Milburn and Kay McWhorter of Hereford.

Members present were Mesdames Enice Crisp, Edwin Kerr, J. R. Glass, F. E. Hambricht, Vernon King, Travis Stokes, C. O. Goodman, John B. Rice, Bill Stubbs, J. M. Payne, Claude Powell, Jess Kemp, Don Alexander, Fidelity Stubbs; and Rev. Jerry Hill.

Economy is in itself a source of great revenue.—Seneca.

NOTICE

This ad looks very bare around the edges, and it's the same way your yard will look if you pass up buying some of our Tyler rose bushes. Two plants in a pack for only \$1.19. It's planting time now and we have only a limited supply.

BROWN'S REXALL DRUG

"COUNTRY PLAYERS" LES CARROLL

How often have you said, "The old songs were best; they just don't write that kind anymore?" Recording companies are endeavoring to satisfy your longing for those songs by releasing LPs of old favorites, recorded on modern recording equipment.

"Memories of You" by Roy Smeck has a dozen lovely memory tunes, with the rich tones of the organ blending with the



haunting strains of the Hawaiian guitar. They evoke pleasant, nostalgic mood.

To further envelope you in happy memories, "More of Les" by Les Paul and his Trio is a pleasing collection of old Pop and Hawaiian favorites. And in "A Musical Autobiography of Bing," Bing Crosby sings his biggest hits of the 1934-1941 era (All Decca).

There are albums covering old, familiar waltzes, too. "Favorite Waltzes by Hank Thompson" (Capitol) is beautifully handled and includes such perennial favorites as "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" and "Skater's Waltz." "Waltz With Whoopee" by "Whoopee" John Wilfahrt, has an unbridled gaiety that will set your feet tapping (Decca). With the present popularity of

folk songs, two albums of special note are "Folk Songs—The Gateway Singers in Hi-Fi" (Decca), and the high-rising Kingston Trio's "... from the Hungry 1" (Capitol); both of which feature pleasing, tricky arrangements and infectious rhythms.

On the country side, "This Is Faron Young" is a collection of 12 of his biggest hit numbers. "Country Love Ballads," by the Louvin Bros., features fine harmony on top love ballads, many of which they themselves penned (both Capitol). Another brother team noted for their harmony, the Wilburn Bros., turn in a fine performance on 12 of the most popular songs of the last 30 years in "Side by Side" (Decca). And for a musical journey, "Have Guitar, Will Travel" by Eddy Arnold is a compilation of famous state and city songs (RCA).

LEADING SINGLES are "Have Heart, Will Love" (Jean Shepard, Capitol); "Whispering Pines," "When It's Springtime in Alaska" (Johnny Horton, Columbia); "Yankee, Go Home" (Goldie Hill, Decca); "A Stranger to Me" (Don Gibson, RCA); "That's What It's Like to Be Lonesome" (Ray Price, Columbia); "My Reason for Living" (Ferin Huskey, Capitol); "Mommy for a Day" (Kitty Wells, Decca); "Knoxville Girl" (Louvin Bros., Capitol); "Mama's Boy" (Jo Davis, Columbia); "Forgotten Dreams" (Johnny Six, Decca) and "Tarrytown" (Harry Belafonte, RCA).



KILL OR CURE?

Some folks used to eat tobacco for medicinal purposes. They thought the ingredients of tobacco would kill any poison in the system. We know better now—thanks to medical research. We've learned, too, that it's best to ask your physician's advice before taking any medicines. Be wise in matters of health. When you're ill, let your doctor do the diagnosing and prescribing. Then, if he orders medication, come to us for prescription service.



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CALLAHAN'S
McLean, Texas



BACK IN STYLE—The womanly look is the thing this spring, and mostly missing from Paris showings are the somewhat hysterical garments of seasons past. Pictured, above, is a navy blue wool afternoon dress, with straight skirt, slim, natural waist, widened and rounded shoulder line and knee-covering hemline. White shoes, gloves, and a white pique-banded hat complete the ensemble. Costume is from the Lucy Mangin line.

Editorial

CAUSE FOR PRIDE

Ever since the production of electricity from nuclear energy became a possibility, efforts have been made to put the government into the atoms-for-peace program on a monopoly or a near-monopoly basis. Those efforts have not been successful—but they are continuing.

Barron's recently ran an informative lead article on the matter. It pointed out what private enterprise, working in full co-operation with interested federal agencies, has accomplished. There have been failures, as was inevitable with so new and complex an art—but "failure vastly has been outweighed by success." Private enterprise is speeding the day when efficient nuclear power will be available.

The record thus far written causes Barron's to say at the end of the article: "... in nuclear power, as in any other economic realm, what really counts is competitive prowess. Technically, the government could have launched a massive program of reactor construction years ago; some lawmakers still hope to do so. In the process, however, they would not be serving the national interest; they merely would be building monuments to doctrinaire ideology and partisan politics. . . . U. S. atomic progress thus far, or most certainly should be, a cause for pride, not alarm. Its future, in turn, will be served best by continuing to unleash private talents and energies."

We have, in other words, pursued a nuclear power policy that has worked—and that has produced enormous prospects for the future. This is the kind of policy that should be rigorously maintained.

A NEW AGE

Not long ago an airliner soared off a runway at New York's Idlewild Airport, bound for Europe. There's nothing unusual in international flying these days but this particular event was historic in the fullest sense of the word. For the flight, operated by Pan American World Airways, marked the beginning of the jet age of commercial transport on a world-wide scale.

The jets have manifold advantages over the piston planes—in speed, comfort, carrying capacity. And back of the jet age is a story of risk and enterprise.

The jets are far more costly than the largest and most advanced piston-engined planes. Pan American's initial order, placed in 1955, involves an expenditure of a cool \$300 million and the line has placed additional orders since. According to a Christian Science Monitor account: "The total planned investment by all lines in jets will add up to a whopping \$3 billion." Additional huge sums must be spent for other facilities made necessary by the jets.

It could logically be assumed that these stupifying costs must be offset by heavy increases in fares. But that isn't the case. Fares are being held to their past levels, and the hope is that substantial reductions can be made in the future. This policy is based on the expectation that the number of people traveling the international airways will steadily rise, and that the jets, with their 150-passenger capacities, will operate under full-load conditions. Any such anticipation is in the nature of a gamble—but it's in the American tradition of enterprise to take such gambles.

Finally, there's more to the jet age than just a swifter and more comfortable way of going abroad. As Juan T. Trippe, president of Pan American, sees it, the jets will make a real contribution to world peace, by making possible a better and broader understanding between peoples. There's nothing this tom world needs more.

A SENATOR TALKS SENSE

The percentage depletion allowance for oil and gas producers was authorized by Congress many years ago and has been reaffirmed by Congress after Congress every since. That allowance, which amounts to a 27 1/2% credit on the federal income tax, is certainly not given as a special favor to the oil industry. It is given for certain inescapable reasons. One is that oil wells wear out, become empty and useless and must be replaced. Another is that searching for new oil supplies is an extremely expensive and hazardous business, in that

BUDGETARY SCHIZOPHRENIA



about one out of nine wildcat wells produces nothing but red ink in the books. Men won't take these long-shot risks unless they see a fair chance to profit if Fortune smiles.

Every so often an effort gets under way to reduce or even eliminate this percentage depletion of the tax laws. That will happen again at this session of Congress. So something said by Bob Bartlett, one of the senators from our new state of Alaska, is significant. Senator Bartlett told an inquirer: "I am absolutely opposed to any reduction whatever in the present depletion rate for oil and gas wells. Percentage depletion is essential for continued oil exploration in Alaska and elsewhere."

It was then suggested that the present rate might be continued for oil development in Alaska, but cut for other states. Senator Bartlett termed this scheme "unrealistic," on the grounds that funds now being spent on exploration in Alaska were realized from operations elsewhere.

That tells the story, in simple and understandable terms. If we are to have the oil we vitally need, we must offer incentives. Percentage depletion is one of the most important and most reasonable of these incentives.

Veteran Information

Q—Does my GI home loan have to be paid off in full before I can sell my home?

A—Not necessarily. The buyer may assume your GI loan, if he's willing, if your payments are up to date, and if VA determines he is a satisfactory credit risk.

Q—I have a dental condition which is not service-connected, but my doctor tells me it is making my service-connected disability worse. Would I be eligible for VA dental care even though my tooth trouble is not service-connected? If so, would there be any deadline for receiving treatment?

A—If VA finds that your dental condition is aggravating your service-connected disability, you may be eligible for as many treatments as are needed to alleviate the aggravation. The rate applies at any time.

Q—I receive a VA pension. I also hold a part-time job which does not interfere with my disability. In reporting my 1958 income for VA pension purposes, do I put down my gross salary or my net salary after income tax deductions?

A—You must report your gross income before any deductions have been made.

Q—I am due to get an annual policy dividend soon, as is

World War II GI insurance. If I decide I do not want to have my yearly dividends in cash, can I let them stay with VA, to my credit?

A—Yes, VA offers you two plans. Under one you simply tell VA you would like to have your deposits held for you, on deposit. In the other plan, called the dividend credit plan, VA will automatically withdraw funds to pay GI insurance premiums, to cover you full to send me in. Under both plans, your dividends will draw interest.

Q—The first operational radar to be installed in a U. S. navy ship was placed in the USS New York.

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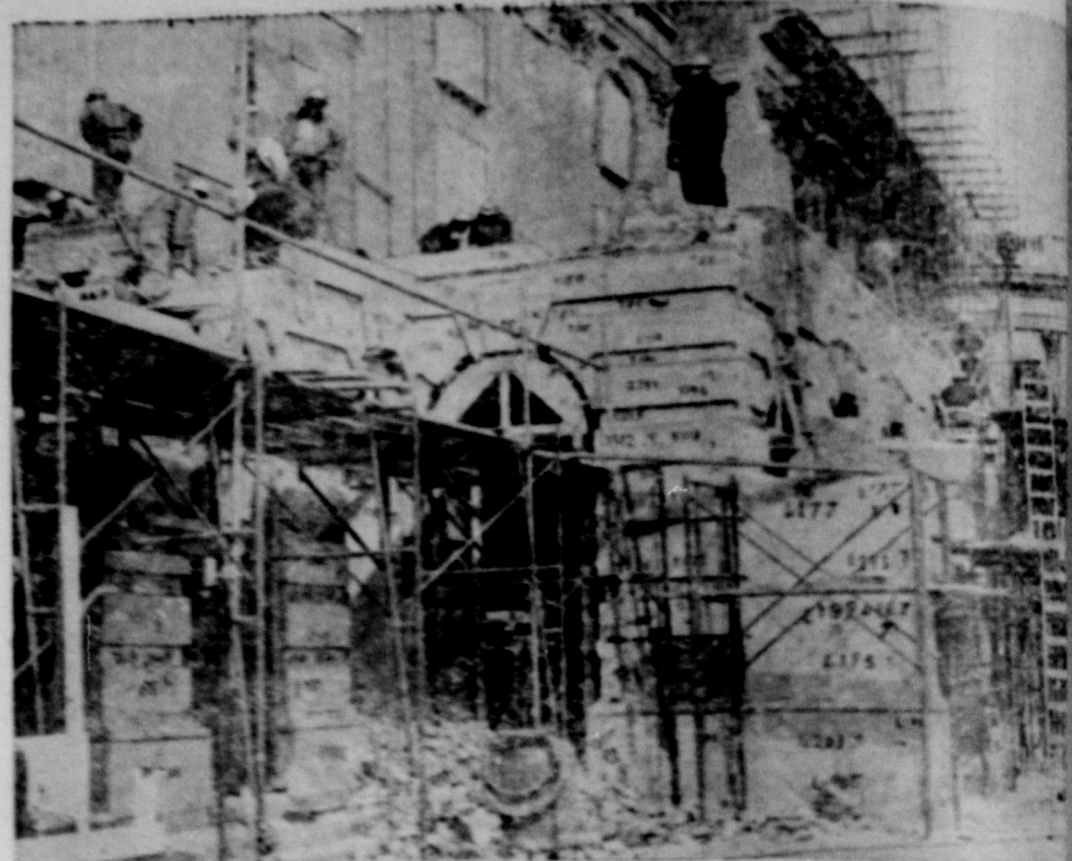
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IT'S THE LAW IN TEXAS

"FINDERS KEEPERS"

Few people realize that a dirt-floored urchin is responsible for the main principles behind our law governing the ownership of lost articles.

Percy Amory was a chimney sweep's helper who lived in London shortly before the birth of our own George Washington. Trudging home one day from his grimy work he found a diamond ring in the public street.

Percy took the ring to a goldsmith's shop to find out what it was. There he placed it in the hands of the goldsmith's apprentice, who, under the pretense of weighing it, stole the diamond from its setting. When he told Percy that the ring was of very little value, Percy demanded the return of the jewel as well as its setting. The goldsmith and the apprentice, thinking that Percy was just a simple-minded boy, refused to give him back his treasure.

But Percy was not the kind to be budged about. He sought the services of a lawyer to sue for recovery of the ring and its jeweled set. The results of this suit have immortalized Percy's name in the common law.

The goldsmith and his apprentice claimed that since Percy had only found the ring, he had no better right to it than they did. The court felt differently about

the matter and ordered the diamond returned "because the finder of a lost article has the right to hold it against the whole world except the true owner." This principle established by Percy's case remains as effective today as it was over two centuries ago.

However, as far as the owner who lost the property is concerned, the finder of lost goods is merely regarded as a depository, holding the goods for the true owner.

The courts draw a distinction between "misaid" and "lost property." Lost property is that which the owner casually and thoughtlessly parts with, like the dropping of a wallet in the hurry to get on a bus. Misaid property, on the other hand, is property which the owner has purposely laid down and then forgotten, leaving it where placed. An example of this would be a handbag placed on a shop counter while a customer examines merchandise. A finder must leave misaid articles with the proprietor of the place where found.

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