



**New Inspector**

Ernest Allen, right, new sanitation inspector for the Big Spring-Howard County Health Unit, is oriented by Lige Fox, sanitarian. Allen came here from Temple where he taught school. He is a graduate of San Marcos State College.

## Don't Visit Crashes, Officers Here Warn

Warnings came from three quarters today concerning mass visits to the scenes of airplane crashes. Such visits were termed dangerous and unnecessary.

Disapproval of spectator crowds was voiced by Webb Air Force Base officials, sheriff's officials, and a property owner on whose land some planes have crashed.

All three sources pointed out that too many people at crash scenes tended to interfere with rescue and salvage operations.

They asked that the people of Big Spring cooperate by staying away from the crash scenes.

One of the main reasons cited is the danger involved. Investigations are also hindered, they said.

Captain Grover McKee, WAFB provost marshal, stated that each jet plane which has crashed so far has been subject to explosion. Yet, he said, people crowded around like there was no danger at all.

Explosion possibilities come from the 37 millimeter charge on the ejection mechanism of each plane's canopy. Also the jet fuel spread about a crash area is subject to flames at the slightest provocation.

"Nothing has happened yet, but someday something will," Capt. McKee said. "We want to guard against any possible accidents."

In the recent jet crash into the unoccupied building, Capt. McKee said the powder charge mechanism was nearly severed. If it had gone off there would have been civilian casualties, he said.

Sheriff's deputies estimated that some 350 people were "visiting" the jet crash on Charlie Creighton's property Wednesday night. They said automobiles had every roadway blocked.

Capt. McKee stated that in two instances cars had to be moved to allow an ambulance to get to the crash scene.

"If that boy had been injured rather than dead, the quick arrival of an ambulance would have been important," he said.

Creighton, who owns all the land on the northside of Highway 80 just in front of the WAFB landing strip, said his fence was either cut or run over in seven places by spectators.

"There were hundreds of cars running around out there Wednesday night," he said. "It looks like an old road bed there now, and there wasn't even a trail before."

Creighton said his top soil was completely ruined, a gate destroyed, and his fence torn up. He said he has asked base co-operation and sheriff support in guarding his land if there are any future crashes.

"That's the second crash on my property," he said. "The one in September was bad, but not near so much damage resulted as did last Wednesday night."

He added that so far as he could see it would be the same thing for him to walk into a man's house and start tearing up the furniture. "It's all private property," he said.

Air Police and sheriff's officials stated that too many people also interfered with investigations. Lt. Jim Neal of the Air Police said that the people might unwittingly destroy evidence.

Using the Wednesday night crash as an example, Lt. Neal stated that part of the investigators had to be used to keep people off

the crash. They should have been free to do their work, he said.

"We didn't have enough police to tell which one it was, and the only way we finally identified the pilot was through his cigarette lighter and some initials in a jacket."

He pointed out that cars could have possibly run over and buried some things that would have been essential to the investigation. The plane should be left as it lands, and the complete area undisturbed, he said.

Capt. McKee pointed out that the purpose of an investigation is to find wrongs and correct them. If an investigation can be conducted properly, the results will keep the number of future crashes down, he said.

It was further pointed out that cars driving around the scene of an accident could possibly run over and kill an injured pilot who had previously parachuted to safety.

Sheriff's officials pointed out that spectators going onto private property and leaving damage such as Wednesday night could be filed upon and arrested. Charges could be either trespass or destruction of private property.

## Maxie Davis Is Award Winner

STANTON, (SC)—Maxie Davis, 17-year-old Stanton High School senior was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship at Texas A&M College during the Houston Fat Stock Show by the Sears Foundation, it has been announced.

The award was presented at the annual banquet held in connection with the show's "calf scramble" program. Davis won one of the scramble calves at the 1952 show. The scholarship was awarded on the basis of the care he has given this calf, his classroom work, an essay he has written and other factors. He is a member of the Stanton Chapter of the Future Farmers of America and made his record under the instruction and supervision of Elbert Steels, teacher of vocational agriculture.

Other West Texans winning awards at the Houston event were Jay Humphries of Colorado City, who won first place for ring showmanship and George Lay Powell, also Colorado City for first in monthly records and the best essay of the year.

Two other winners were R E Post and Joe Humphreys of Colorado City.

**POW Is Murdered**

TOKYO (U)—A North Korean prisoner of war was found dead on Koje Island Saturday, apparently murdered by fellow captives, the U. N. POW Command announced today.

## Oil Production In Past Week Goes Up

TULSA (U)—Helped by a boost in Texas' February allowables, U. S. crude oil and condensate production showed a 17,525-barrel daily average advance during the

week ended Feb. 7, the Oil and Gas Journal reported today.

Texas more than accounted for all the net gain to a total daily average of 6,534,900 barrels, jumping 18,200 barrels to 2,939,950.

The Journal figured cumulative production for 1953 at 247,262,875

barrels against 237,362,305 at this time a year ago.

Next biggest increase was in Louisiana, up 1,400 to 529,800 and New Mexico increased 900 to 179,450.

A two-hundred barrel increase was reported for Arkansas, to 78,

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Last Friday's sale held in connection with the annual Glascock County Junior Livestock Show, where the 32 lambs averaged \$1.12 per pound, was one instance at least where, on the whole, lamb feeding as a 4-H or FFA project proved to be more profitable than calf feeding.

The sale also proved that where buyers are invited to attend personally and show a personal interest in the boys and girls and their animals, bidding is going to be more spirited and the exhibitors are going to receive more money than in those so-called auctions where most of the buyers are not present in person, but have merely made a cash contribution on a previous arrangement whereby one person will do the alleged bidding for three-fourths of them.

Much of the real good that can be done by the 4-H and FFA so far as their auction sales are concerned is lost before the sale starts when the business people take the easy way out and agree to "spend so much" without being personally present. Actually such a practice probably does more harm than good.

The boys and girls who have put such a large amount of their time and effort into growing out their livestock and poultry will receive far more encouragement in the long run from a large attendance of interested persons at the show and sale than from a few dollars unenthusiastically dumped in as a contribution.

Buy their livestock and poultry, but don't send the money out by somebody else. Go out and be there yourself and do your own bidding. Show the kids you are interested beyond just tossing a few dollars into the pot. And attend the sales whether you buy or not. The 4-H and FFA members don't want your charity, or just your money—they want your interest and your co-operation and an expression of your appreciation for the fine work they're doing. They want a chance to share their pride with you.

The boys selling steers at Garden City were Jack Berry, 4-H; Jimmie Smith, FFA, and Ralph Schaefer, 4-H, one steer each.

The boys and girls selling one lamb each were: Jimmy Davey, Gary Mitchell, Tommy Rich, Chris Hines, Gene Boswell, Jimmy McCorquodale, Mario Carter, Lyndia Smith, Bryant Harris, Buddy Newell, Don Phillips, Mary Ruth Ashbill, Susan Bednar, Ralph Schaefer, Marlon O'Bannon, Truett Newell and Sonny Allen.

Also, R. J. McCartney, Butch Cook, Troy Cline, Douglas Allee, Darrell White, Wilburn Bednar, Frank Cline, Theobert Ashbill, Eugene Davey, John J. Phillips, Aubrey Ashbill, Jack Ashbill, Jimmy Smith, Don Pryor and Darrell Northcott.

The steers averaged 53 cents. This coming Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13-14, are the dates of the fifth annual Dawson-Borden County Junior Boys Livestock Show at Lamesa.

All entries must be in place by

**Army Goes Stylish, If Congress Approves And GI Has Money**

WASHINGTON (U)—A U. S. soldier who feels like stepping out of an evening in a sharp sky-blue uniform soon will be able to do so—if Congress approves and if he has the money to buy it. Army approval of this new service clothing item was officially announced yesterday. Unofficially, it was said another item was on its way out—the informal short garment familiar since World War II; yes, the "Eisenhower jacket" itself. Another experiment will be allowed to lapse when present stocks are worn out—a green-gray uniform tested by the 3rd Infantry Regiment in the Washington area.

8 a.m. Saturday and the judging will start two hours later. There is a class for last year's scramble steers.

Other classes are lightweight Angus steers and heavyweight Angus steers, with the milked and drylot being shown together and grand and reserve champions being selected; lightweight milked Hereford steers; heavyweight milked Hereford drylot steers; and grand and reserve Hereford steers.

There are classes for practically all breeds of barrows, light and heavy in each breed, and pens of three barrows.

In the sheep department there are classes for Fine Wool, Crossbred, and Southdown or Southdown-Hampshire cross, and for pens of three and five in all these breeds.

Texas again leads all other states in the number of Polled Herefords registered in 1952 according to D. W. Chittenden, executive secretary of the American Polled Hereford Association.

There were 72,433 Polled Herefords registered with the recording association during the last year, more than at any other time in the history of the organization. The total registrations as of Jan. 1, 1953 numbered 569,202. Of this total registration, 55 per cent or 312,993 entries were made in the 47-year period between 1901 and Jan. 1, 1948.

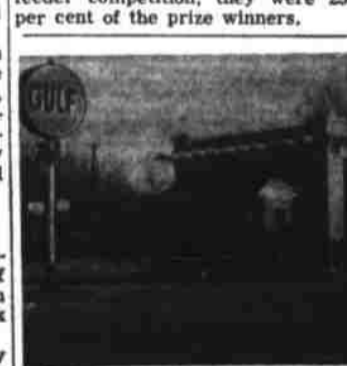
In the last five years, Jan. 1, 1948 to Jan. 1, 1953, 45 per cent, or 256,209 of the total registrations have been made.

The top 10 states in Polled Hereford registrations are: 1. Texas, 7,977; 2. Illinois, 4,880; 3. Kansas, 4,381; 4. Missouri, 3,837; 5. Mississippi, 3,824; 6. Nebraska, 3,555; 7. Oklahoma, 3,120; 8. Georgia, 3,012; 9. Tennessee, 2,869; and 10. Iowa, 2,681.

Range-bred Shorthorns were grand champion feeder cattle at the National Western Stock Show again this year. This was the fourth win for Josef Winkler's blocky steers from Castle Rock, Wyo., in the past five Denver shows.

Shorthorn feeders also outsold the auction average for all show loads of all breeds by \$3.30 per hundredweight.

Shorthorn breeders also point out that while Shorthorns were only 10 per cent of this world's greatest feeder competition, they were 25 per cent of the prize winners.



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A Bible Thought For Today—

But when he came there was no room in the inn. "Thou Bethlehem \* which are little among the thousands of Judah, out of thee shall come \* \* that is to be ruler in Israel." — Micah 5:2.

Tables Are Turned As Full Debate Blossoms On Our Foreign Policies

The first full dress debate in the new Congress came in the Senate Friday, and the subject was foreign policy — specifically, President Eisenhower's order to the 7th Fleet to withdraw from Formosa Strait, and to stop giving protection to the Communist from attacks by Chiang Kai-shek's Formosan forces.

The Democrats used to employ: It would be the height of folly for the U. S. to tip its hand now on Far Eastern moves. The argument is just as valid now, but no more so, as it was many times in the past when the respective party positions were reversed.

Tear-Jerking Songs Coming Back; When Too Sad, They're Ludicrous

The Milwaukee Journal notes the death in Kansas City of Mrs. Frank H. Woodbury, aged 91, "a lady of fame and fortune little known to our generation."

The present generation which is "sent" by such irritating melodies as "Cry."

Today And Tomorrow—Walter Lippman

Satellites Want To Be Shown How They Can Free Themselves

There was news from Belgrade last week which provides a concrete example of what it means to say that the right way to carry on a policy of liberation is not by war, but solely or mainly by propaganda and subversion, but by diplomacy.

alternative—is to use diplomacy, as it can and should be used, to wage the cold war.

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Faint Heart Never Won Fair Lady

Notebook—Hal Boyle

The Fellow Who Shakes Your Hand Is Someone Leading You Into Adventure

NEW YORK (U)—Who says there is no adventure in everyday life? The mere act of shaking hands with a stranger is a pioneering social venture into the dark unknown.

(1) The snob—you aren't aware he has you by the hand at all, for he is measuring you with eyes that say: "Who are you? How much money do you have? Will it help my social standing to know you?"

(2) The mangler—he likes to hear bones snap—other people's bones. Fortunately, this type is now almost extinct except in bar-rooms.

This Day In Texas

Incorporated on this day in 1852 was the historic town of Washington, in the county of the same name.

World Today—James Marlow

Does President Intend To Stop With Order On Fleet?

WASHINGTON (U)—No matter what comes of President Eisenhower's decision on Formosa, at least it has served him as a useful trial balloon for testing opinion before he goes any further.

Around The Rim—The Herald Staff

Good Law Enforcement Requires Additional Outlays By Society

The opinions contained in this and other articles in this column are solely those of the writers who sign them. They are not to be interpreted as necessarily reflecting the opinions of The Herald.—Editor's Note.

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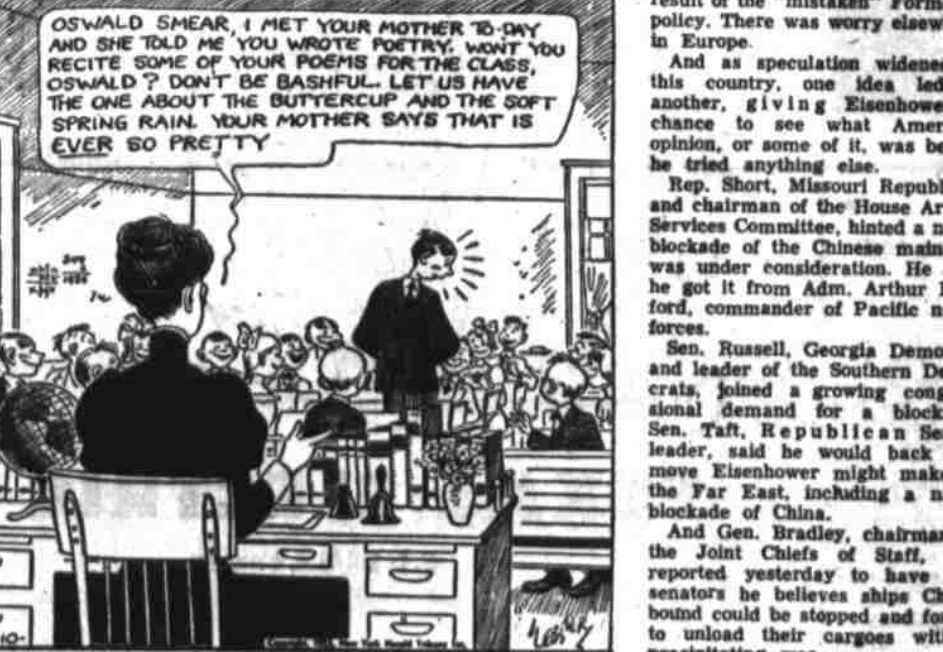
These Days—George Sokolsky

Even Among Republicans, Farm Problems Are Not Agreed Upon

The farm problem remains one of the most difficult for any administration to handle. In a free economy, prices, whether agricultural or industrial reach their level in a competitive market. It has, however, been American experience that while industrial prices can, at the same time, agricultural prices can, at the same time, fall.

North Dakota wishes to increase parity to 95, which would be inflationary. Instead of waiting for the Eisenhower administration to establish itself and its policies, Senator Young tried to jump the gun by threatening not to vote to confirm Secretary of Agriculture Benson unless he agreed to this program.

LIFE'S DARKEST MOMENT



Uncle Ray's Corner

Uranus 4 Times Size Of Earth

Even if we could make landings during our rocket trip, we should hardly want to go to the surface of Saturn. Scientists have figured that the temperature on this gigantic planet—in the sunshine—is more than 250 degrees below zero Fahrenheit.

The diameter of the earth. Five moons are known to go around Uranus. This planet has an average distance of 1,782 million miles from the sun. It is about twice as far away as Saturn.



## Men In Service



JACK D. MYERS

Jack D. Myers, 20, son of Mrs. Lola Myers of Stanton, will soon complete his basic indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base.

Myers will then be sent to an Air Force technical training school. After the advanced school, he will be assigned to specialized work. Lackland is near San Antonio.

Marine Private First Class Jack H. Jones, 22, son of Mrs. W. L. Henry of 2300 Nolan Street, was recently transferred to the Marine Corps Supply Depot, Barstow, California.

A former student of Big Spring High School, Pfc. Jones was employed by Neel's Transfer and Storage Company prior to his entry into the Marine Corps in September 1952.

He has been assigned to the supply branch of the Depot.

Alvin E. Nabors, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Nabors, 1701 Gregg Street, is now a second lieutenant in the Infantry. He graduated from Officer Candidate School at Fort

Benning, Georgia, on Jan. 23. Nabors attended the officer's school after finishing basic training at Lackland Air Force Base. He has been in service 15 months, having enlisted here Oct. 30, 1951.

His wife, Mrs. Alvin E. Nabors, lives with his parents. Before entering the service, Nabors attended Tarleton State College for a year. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1946 and later worked as a paint and wall-paper salesman here.

Nabors was born at Big Spring Aug. 30, 1929. His hobbies include golf, hunting, and fishing.

The Infantry Platoon leader course which Nabors took at Fort Benning started July 26, 1952. The course included map reading, tactics of small infantry units, use of infantry weapons, callisthenics, and bayonet drill.



LT. A. E. NABORS

## LETTER TO EDITOR

### Contends Accounts Are Harmful To 4-H Activities

Dear Editor—  
False accusations and degrading insults are punches "below the belt"; nevertheless, it applies for a particular column found in your daily newspaper. Many people are lead to believe 4-H Club activities are harmful to the boys and girls. May I call to your attention that this organization is the leading rural organization in this State.

The people of this county should be proud of their 4-H Club representation. Every county in the State knows and recognizes the clean high standards of our club boys and girls. Their character of responsibility, honesty, and initiative is far above many other State Clubs.

I had the honor and privilege to work with the Howard County 4-H Club and their outstanding leader. The inside story has never been described to our followers; however in view of the fact recent stories depict our Club as undermining and a character destroyer, I have taken it upon myself to tell you about our work.

Such things as drinking, gambling, vulgar language and cheating are not tolerated. We respect the rights and privileges of everyone and we do not abuse these rights. Many relative organizations do not have responsibility, that is, they do not take it upon themselves to respect their county, respect the organization and the purpose for which they stand. As an individual, you are an example of your county, your school, your home; you are the principles of the organization your represent. We have been fortunate to obtain some of the highest records in this state for livestock feeding, judging and showmanship. There was no foul play and cheating to receive these rewards. Clean high morals and a good appearance bring rich rewards. Through loyalty to our fellow club members, our leader and our club, we have won our rewards.

Because we have won so many high awards, a few people begin to suspect that ungentlemen activities are taking place. Jealousy can cause unnecessary trouble and destroy the best of unions.

Small talk, unkindly and malicious remarks often start through someone's jealousy. People begin to wonder and analyze the situation without all the information; result, a doubtful situation develops.

Our boys have received the highest awards in their work, they are still receiving these awards. Take any of these 4-H Club boys, for an example, compare the evidence against their work with the rewards and returns from their work and there will be no doubt in your minds about their character. Why tear down a good thing after you build it up? Why destroy the leaders when it is their efforts that build the standards? Look at your newspaper and you will find this destruction taking place. Close association and co-operation are values of a successful unit. If we fight among ourselves; we are likely to wind up with nothing worthwhile; get on the bandwagon. . . help the guys who represent your county and don't fight purpose.

Many of our friends know the kind of work we turn out. . . the outstanding initiative leaders in 4-H Club work; calves, sheep, swine, judging teams and individuals. On the other hand many do not know us personally and only relate us to what they read and hear. Many stories have been written about our club. . . good and bad. . . but for my say in the matter. . . there are no bad stories about us. We invite you to see for yourself; come along on a trip, visit our club meetings, and activities. We want to share the good times with you.

We work as a unit. . . one for all and all for one. You don't find this kind of co-operation in many clubs. This is one of the reasons we have an outstanding club. It takes close co-operation. "biting your lip," holding down your language and a smile for everything. . . be it good or bad.

The 4-H Club has brought many good comments to this county. We have put Big Spring on the map as far as livestock shows are concerned. The boys that have "graduated" from the club are still climbing the ladder of success. proud they were a member of the Howard County 4-H Club.

JIM C. WHITE

## Zale's Store Wins Honor As Sales Leader

A January sales gain of 48.5 per cent over the same period for last year earned for the local Zale jewelry store the distinction of "Store of the Month" in the 40-store organization.

Vic Alexander, local manager, was advised of his achievement by Leon Clzon, district supervisor, who expressed gratification at the record of the local store.

"The substantial gain proves there's no ceiling on sales in Big Spring, and we wish to thank the people of Big Spring for their active response to our ever-expanding newspaper advertising," Clzon said.

Employees of the "Store of the Month" will be honored with a banquet and dance in celebration of their record. William Zale, vice president of the company, will be here to present an award, and other company officials will attend. This is the second time the local

store has won the company honor, and Alexander has drawn congratulations from William Zale as well as Morris Zale, Dallas, president of the concern. Said the latter: "This remarkable gain is to me a heart-warming expression that our store has many friends in Big Spring. We are grateful to the people of the area for their patronage."

Members of the sales force drew praise from their superiors, who singled out the leadership of Alexander and his assistants Dick Weller and Don Richardson.

## Czech Scientist Is Russia Medal Winner

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union has conferred one of its highest decorations, the Order of Lenin, on Czechoslovakian scientist Zdenek Nyedyly. The decoration rarely is given to a foreigner.

Nyedyly is president of the Czechoslovakia - Soviet Friendship Alliance. The announcement of the award said it was made to him on his 75th birthday and in honor of his strengthening Czechoslovak-Soviet friendship and cultural co-operation.

## Grandma's Bank Holdup Trial Is Set For March 24

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The "grandma bank bandit" of Los Angeles, Mrs. Ethel Arata, 52, will go to trial March 24.

She pleaded innocent yesterday to three charges of bank robbery after her attorney, William Hall, had attempted unsuccessfully to enter a plea of innocent by reason of insanity. U. S. Judge Ernest A. Tolin informed Hall that such a plea is not permitted in Federal Court.

The court appointed a panel of three psychiatrists to determine whether Mrs. Arata was sane when she is alleged to have robbed two banks in Los Angeles and was caught when she tried to rob another in nearby Arcadia last Dec. 24.

At the time of her arrest, Mrs. Arata said she robbed because she wanted to give the money away to needy persons.

France has long been the largest producer of wine in the world.

## Defense Aids Told To Review Budgets, Suggest Cutbacks

WASHINGTON (AP)—The secretary of each of the armed services has until Feb. 28 to review the pending budget and submit recommendations for cutbacks.

The date was set in a directive from Roger M. Kyes, acting secretary of defense it was learned yesterday. The directive spells out further the general economy orders to all departments issued Feb. 3 by Budget Director Joseph Dodge with President Eisenhower's approval.

The military heads were told to "make every effort to secure intelligent savings and to reassess the urgency" of their planned rates of expansion.

Earlier, the services got orders to award no new construction contracts and to halt existing projects that cannot be classed essential.

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## 89 Korea Casualties

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Korean War casualties in a new list (No. 746) which included 9 killed, 73 wounded, 4 missing and

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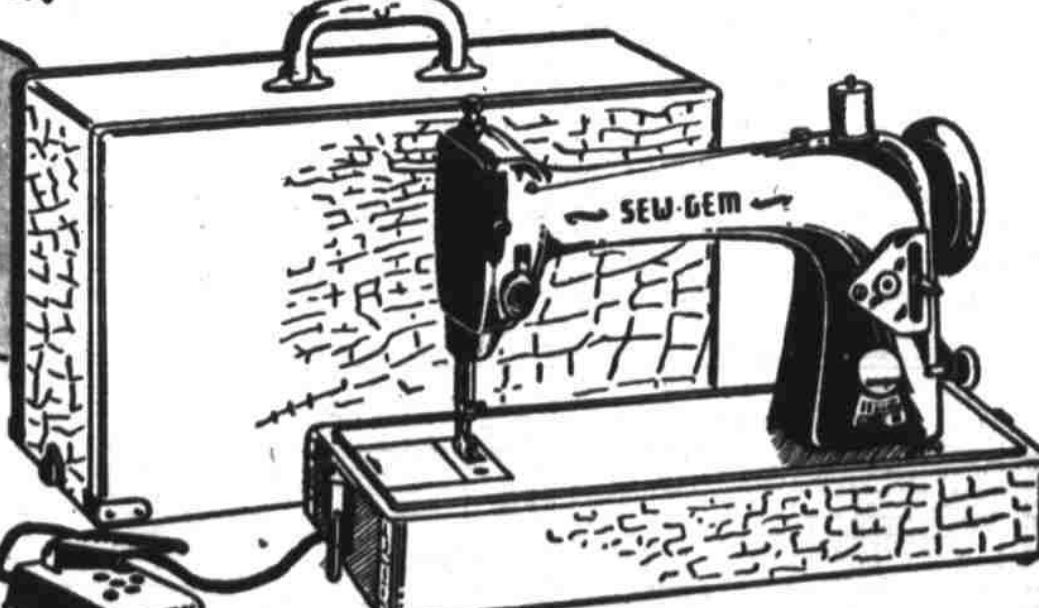
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YOU'RE NO SISSY, AUNTIE. YOU'RE JUST GETTING WAKED UP TO THIS REVOLUTION.

**DICKIE DARE**

BOY... SITTING THAT WAVE MUST HAVE DONE SOME REAL DAMAGE!

SHE'S WEAVING ALL OVER THE SKY! WHAT'LL THE NEXT WAVE DO F?

COULDN'T WAUGH!

**NANCY**

YOO-HOO, NANCY

HAVE YOU MISSED ME SINCE WE HAD OUR SPAT?

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**LIL' ABNER**

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- Virginia; abbr.
- Philippine peasant
- Tilt
- Dine
- Landed property
- Treat
- Poem
- Scotch river
- Statements of belief
- Lodger
- Owls
- Utility
- Gone by
- Type square
- Harpoon
- Old Testament; abbr.
- Bending down
- Hare
- Appendage
- Recline
- Believe
- "Auld lang"
- Finish
- Condemn

**DOWN**

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- Places of combat
- Ignited
- Allow
- Charge with
- Railroad; abbr.
- Successor of Mohammed
- Conquered
- Put with
- Existing at the same time
- Ornamented ending
- Comparative ending
- Small fish
- Jumbled type
- American Indians
- Dropsy
- Fruit drink
- Spread to dry
- Bustle
- New; comb. form
- Swindler
- Scotch chemist
- Lumber
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# Half Of Local Homes Are Owner-Occupied

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Man's Height Saves Him After Accident MORRISVILLE, Pa. (AP)—Donald Sthen of Fallington is alive today because of his height. The 46-year-old construction worker, who stands 6 feet 3, was buried up to his nose yesterday when a wooden shoring collapsed while he was working in a ditch in nearby Fairless Hills. Sthen, who managed to continue breathing, was unconscious when pulled out by fellow workers.

# Peace Prospect Uncertain; Iran Oil Talks Bogged

By JOHN SCALI WASHINGTON (AP)—American-British oil talks with Iran, which appeared near success three weeks ago, now have bogged down to the point where settlement prospects are uncertain.

Some officials believe Secretary of State Dulles, who has been concentrating on Western European and Far Eastern problems, may have to take a hand personally in present negotiations. Britain and Iran appear unwilling to make further concessions until they are certain the Eisenhower administration fully supports the outlines of the settlement drafted under former Secretary Dean Acheson.

The Acheson formula, it is understood, called for the United States to advance 100 million dollars to Iran to meet immediate pressing financial problems. This would have paid for future American oil purchases.

In return, Iran was to agree to submit its quarrel with Britain to the International Court for arbitration.

A combine of from four to six companies was to have been set up to move and market at least 20 million tons of Iranian oil annually.

Talks between American Ambassador Loy Henderson and Iranian Prime Minister Mohammed Mossadegh are still going on periodically. But negotiations are reported to have slowed down.

# Movie Company, Radio Network Merger Okayed

By WAYNE OLIVER NEW YORK (AP)—Hotter competition for leadership among the networks, with radio listeners and television viewers the beneficiaries, is expected to result from a merger of the American Broadcasting Company and United Paramount Theaters, Inc. Officials of the two firms, to be merged as American Broadcasting-Paramount Theaters, Inc., made it clear today they will seek to challenge the audience leadership of the Columbia Broadcasting System and the National Broadcasting Company.

The merger, to be effected through an exchange of stock, was given final approval late yesterday by the Federal Communications Commission in Washington after months of hearings and deliberations. Stockholders of both corporations had approved plans for the merger in July, 1951.

United Paramount operates 710 movie theaters and one television station and five frequency modulation (FM) radio stations and five TV stations. It provides network program service to 76 TV affiliates and more than 350 affiliated radio stations.

The first major wedding of TV and movie interests, the merger is expected to provide ABC with the working capital to put on big shows with name stars and put up a stronger fight for radio and TV audience leadership.

# Let's Just Hope Nothing Happens

TACOMA, Wash. (AP)—Superstitions? Not the officials of Tacoma's Maritime Shipyard.

The 15th minesweeper in the 13th Naval District's shipbuilding program will be launched there—on Friday the 13th.

To top it off, the minesweeper, the AMS-436, will be christened by Mrs. Alice Baughman, who has 13 letters in her name, lives on 13th Avenue North in Seattle and will break a 13-year-old bottle of champagne over the prow.

And if that isn't enough—just add up the figures in AMS-436.

# Tugboat Strike Peace Prospect Is Brighter

NEW YORK (AP)—Prospects of a tugboat strike settlement continued bright today with striking AFL tug workers and their employers scheduled to meet again with federal mediators.

Participating in the strike are some 3,500 members of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association.

The lone remaining issue in the dispute is a union demand that no tug crew be made up of less than three men.

# 'Big Jim' Believes Korean Offense Can Be Success

EDITOR'S NOTE: The first time Associated Press War Correspondent John Randolph saw Gen. James A. Van Fleet, "Big Jim," had just taken over command of the U. S. Eighth Army. They met in the U. S. 3rd Division's sector in North Korea in mid-April, 1951. About a week later, Communist forces struck and the Third fell back into South Korea. During the pullback Randolph ran four times across a bullet-swept field, evacuating wounded. Later Van Fleet planned the River Star on Randolph's shirt for the action. They got to know each other well. "Big Jim" is leaving Korea to move. But just before he turned over his command he gave Randolph the following farewell story.

By JOHN RANDOLPH SEOUL (AP)—Gen. James A. Van Fleet said today a United Nations general offensive in Korea now would be a certain success.

On the eve of his farewell to the Eighth Army, the 60-year-old retiring commander again expressed belief in carrying the war to the Reds, said the U. N. lost opportunities for whipping the Reds with the Republic of Korea Army with 20 combat divisions.

Van Fleet made the statements in answering nine questions asked by The Associated Press as he prepared to turn over his command tomorrow to Lt. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor and leave Korea for the first time since he arrived 22 months ago.

To the question "Do you think a general offensive in Korea can be successful at this time?" Van Fleet replied with only one word: "Certainly."

In other answers he said the Allies lost two chances for victory in Korea, disclosed his own heart-shaking decisions as commanding general, and gave what he feels are the two greatest achievements of the Eighth Army under his leadership.

He included a glowing tribute to the "anti-Communist patriotism and loyalty" of the ROK soldiers, whom he transformed from disorganized, frightened bands into 14 hard hitting modern divisions. In the absence of the "visionary, crushing" U. S. decisions twice held him back from closing with the Reds for decisive, climactic battles in 1951.

Although Van Fleet followed his orders to the letter, it was never any secret at Eighth Army headquarters that "Big Jim" had only one solution for ending the Korean War. That was a stunning, crushing offensive that would smash the Communist army in a great field battle.

Falling permission for an all-out fight, Van Fleet was left for nearly 20 months of his 22-month command with only the hope that the Communists themselves would venture to attack once again and expose themselves to an end-the-war defeat.

The list of the Associated Press questions and Van Fleet's own answers are as follows:

1. Q—Do you think that a general offensive in Korea can be successful at this time?

A—Certainly.

2. Q—If there have been lost opportunities in Korea, what do you feel was the most serious?

A—When the Communists overextended themselves in May, 1951. When we broke Communist defense in fall of 1951.

3. Q—What do you feel was the Eighth Army's greatest success while you were commander?

A—Defeat of Communist April-May, 1951, offensive.

4. Q—What do you consider to be the most important military action during your command?

A—The two defeats of the Communist army—(A) April-May, 1951, including counter-offensive; (B) breaking Communists in October-November (Allied) offensive.

5. Q—What was the most important or perhaps most typical decision you ever made in Korea?

A—Two decisions: (A) the April-May offensive; (B) to cut off replacements to ROK Army to set up ROK Army training program.

6. Q—What do you consider to be the ultimate realistic strength of the ROK Army?

A—The answer of 20 divisions or one million men has been given in the past.

7. Q—What convinced you that the ROK Army could be made into a real fighting force?

A—The lack of training as I found it in the ROK Army indicated that any army with little training could not be a real fighting force. The qualities of anti-Communist patriotism and loyalty and their early response to a sound training program—proved in battle—convinced me they could be made into a real fighting force.

8. Q—On leaving Korea, what is your greatest regret?

A—Leaving Korea, the officers and men of the Eighth Army, and the ROK Army and people.

9. Q—Under ideal conditions, what would be your own solution to the military problem in Korea?

A—No comment.

Van Fleet declined to elaborate on how an offensive might be mounted in Korea. To do that would compromise possible future Allied operations. But his answer to his earlier questions—and his whole record in the Korean War—

suggests the kind of battle he would have fought if he had his way.

It would probably have been a massive, violent, grinding line drive by the whole force of the Eighth Army from coast to coast



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with ruthless armored thrusts up the natural invasion corridors into North Korea, or wherever the Reds weakened and collapsed. Van Fleet was offensively minded. Over and over he told his friends, his soldiers, and the war correspondents who followed him, "You've got to clobber those people" as he always called the Reds. "The only thing they understand is force." . . . "When you've got a man groggy on the ropes is the time to finish him off." . . . and—"The only good Communist is a dead Communist."

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# Decline Of Farm Prices Softened By Government

By OVID A. MARTIN  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 (AP)—An investment of more than a billion dollars in farm products by the government during the past six months has softened a decline in farm prices.

This investment was made under farm price support programs set up by law to prevent a collapse in agricultural markets that could be disastrous to the entire economy.

The 11 per cent decline in farm prices during the past 12 months brought into operation many price support programs which had been more or less dormant since before the beginning of World War II.

A situation somewhat similar to the present one was beginning to develop in 1950, just before the war in Korea. Demands for food and other farm products generated by this war sent farm prices bounding upward.

There was a surge to build up reserve stocks at home and abroad. This buying sent prices to a record peak in February, 1951. Since then there has been a series of ups and downs followed by the current drop. Prices as a whole are now about 15 per cent below the peak.

A slackening in buying at home and abroad while production continues at record levels is the major factor behind the current setback.

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dropped sharply from postwar peaks. They averaged \$20 for 100 pounds in 1951, but last year dropped as low as \$16. They are now on the rebound, reflecting a decline in production. Latest official reports show prices averaging \$17.90. As in the case of cattle, there is no price support program for hogs.

Lamb prices have followed the same general pattern of cattle and hogs, and they too are unsupported. Prices averaged around \$32 for 100 pounds in 1951, but are now down to about \$20.

Milk prices have been more stable than any other livestock product. They have been aided by price support programs. Prices averaged \$4.58 for 100 pounds in 1951, \$4.97 last year and are now at \$4.62. The government is buying considerable quantities of butter, cheese and dried milk to bolster prices.

Chicken prices have dipped about 8 per cent since 1951. Reaching 29 cents a pound in 1951, they are now down to an average of 26.5. There is no support program for chickens.

Egg prices have improved a little during the past 12 months. Averaging 40.5 cents a dozen last year, they are now bringing 45.8. They are not supported.

Apple prices have bucked the general trend because of a smaller crop last year. They averaged \$1.78 a bushel in 1951, \$2.44 last year and now are selling for an average of \$3.21.

Price supports are operating to stabilize prices of several other products, including flaxseed, soybeans, barley, dry beans, sorghum grain, oats, cottonseed and wool.

Declines in farm prices themselves are not necessarily harmful to farmers. What counts is the trend of prices farmers pay for goods, materials and services used in production and in family living. If prices which farmers pay fall correspondingly with prices which farmers receive, there is little or no change in their relative economic position.

But during the present period of farm price decline, farmers have been placed in a squeeze. Prices which they pay have dropped only 2 per cent during the period when farm prices declined 11 per cent.

Nevertheless, farm prices are still relatively favorable compared with those prevailing before World War II. They average 85 per cent of parity. Parity is a standard for measuring farm prices. It is declared by law to be equally fair to farmers and those who buy their products. Parity is the goal of federal farm programs.

The current decline appears worse than it is because farmers are inclined to compare prices with the high levels of recent years when they averaged as much as 22 per cent above the parity level.

The Eisenhower administration's new farm chief, Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, does not expect prices to drop much further

## Mrs. Luce Is Due Prompt Approval

WASHINGTON (AP)—Prompt Senate approval is regarded as likely for the selection of Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce as ambassador to Italy.

Comment in the Senate was generally favorable Saturday when President Eisenhower announced she would be nominated for the post. She would be America's second woman ambassador and the

## Youth Buried In Avalanche Is Rescued

SEATTLE (AP)—A 11-year-old youth who spent eight hours buried in a Cascade Mountain avalanche, said yesterday, "I just kept praying and I guess it worked."

Larry Schinke was one of three Seattle boys, all 17, caught in the tons of snow that tumbled down a steep gully Saturday as they were climbing toward a cabin on an overnight ski trip.

One died, Schinke was rescued from what he was sure would be an icy grave, and the third fled from the avalanche's path and raced for help.

The dead boy was Keith Jacobsen, son of Berne Jacobsen, city editor of the Post-Intelligencer.

Word of the tragedy, in the Cascades 60 miles east of here, was brought out by Ed Almquist, the third member of the youthful party.

## Farouk Party Is Off

ROME (AP)—Former King Farouk has canceled a reception for his 33rd birthday Feb. 11 and will give the 1 1/2 million lire (\$2,500) he was going to spend on it to flood victims of England, Belgium and Holland.

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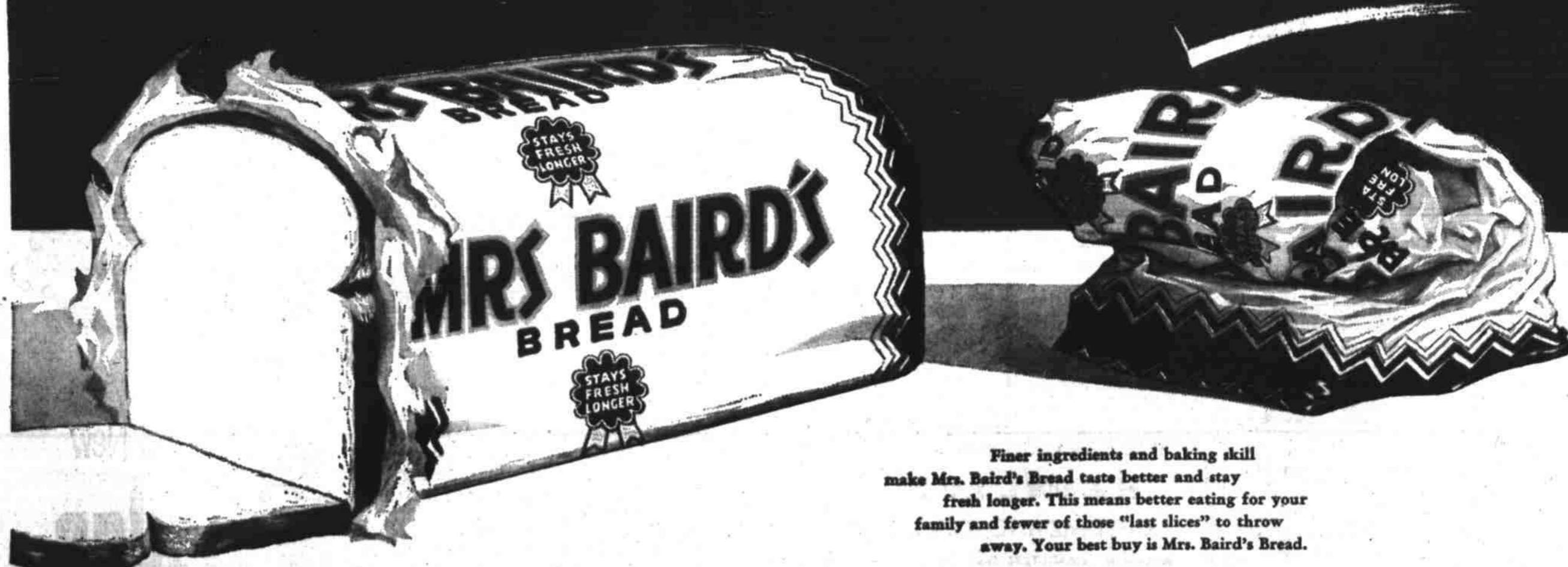
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