



Smooth Newly-Weds

Actress Hedy Lamarr smooths the hair of her fifth husband, Texas oil man W. Howard Lee, as they prepare to board a plane at Idlewild Airport, New York, for California, following their double-ring court-house wedding. (AP Wirephoto).

Hedy Lamarr Weds Again, Says She'll Live In Texas

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Hedy Lamarr, on her fifth honeymoon, is back in Hollywood. When she married Texas oil man Howard Lee in New York yesterday she indicated she was about to abandon the film capital. "It has never been too important for me to make films," said the 39-year-old actress just before she flew here. Lee, 45, and Miss Lamarr were married in a brief double-

ring ceremony performed by Special Sessions Justice Doris I. Byrne in Queens County Court-house, across the East River from Manhattan. Only witnesses were Robert Lantz, an agent, and Mrs. Lantz, of New York. The marriage was Lee's second. Hedy said that after a Christmas honeymoon here she planned to live in Houston. Her voice was husky from a cold. Miss Lamarr formerly was the wife of Fritz Mandl, Austrian industrialist; Gene Markey, film writer-producer; John Loder, actor; and Ernest Stauffer, a resort operator.

Fewer New Industries Locate In November

AUSTIN (AP)—Fewer new industries located in Texas in November, the Texas Employment Commission said today. The 26 that began business made up the lowest monthly total since April when 14 opened. The largest firm to open in November was a variety store in Brownsville, employing 126. Others ranged from 9 to 70 employees. The commission's total job placements last month included 43,678 industrial and 83,335 farm jobs.

To Burn Sexy Novels

CLEVELAND (AP)—The government got ready today to turn the heat on 52,640 sexy French novels. Boiler heat, that is. Kaywin Publishers decided yesterday not to contest federal action claiming the books are obscene. Death in the boilers of federal building then was decreed for the paper-bound novels worth \$9,800. The books are "The Black Mistress" and "Where They Breed."

U. S. Jewelers May Have Best Yuletide

By SAM DAWSON
NEW YORK (AP)—If Lorelei and Santa Claus keep their dates on schedule the nation's jewelers will have their merriest Christmas. Jewelry stores hope their gross sales volume will approach 1 1/2 billion dollars this year. If so, it will be a five per cent gain over last year, which in turn, was four per cent better than 1951.

Jewelers do about 30 per cent of their annual business at Christmas time, so this is the season they keep their fingers crossed. Diamonds may be a girl's best friend, as Lorelei points out. But will this Christmas be a friendly one? The Christmas gift trade has been pretty good in most places—but the customers tend to eye the less expensive items. Big ticket goods have been harder to move this year, most merchants agree. The Jewelry Industry Council, however, says it expects when the

returns are in that the jewelry stores will have topped last year's record Christmas sales. The stores sell a lot of things besides diamonds. They carry the whole list, with costume jewelry and other less expensive items in abundance for the thrifty. Diamonds, watches and silver, however, top the jeweler's dollar sales volume list, the Council says. It reports diamond sales at Christmas are increasing, and the government's statistical charts of personal income totals don't give the only clue to this.

Mercy Killer Is Acquitted

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—Herman H. Nagle, 54-year-old mercy slayer who formerly was a Brooklyn policeman, was found innocent by a jury of eight women and four men last night.

The jurors deliberated 50 minutes in deciding the fate of the man who admitted shooting to death his daughter, Betty Virginia Nagle, 28, last Sept. 5. She was a cerebral palsy victim and had been paralyzed since shortly after birth. Nagle himself is suffering with cancer.

The jury found Nagle innocent by reason of temporary insanity. Nagle was charged with first degree murder but the death penalty had not been demanded by the state.

Nagle, in admitting the killing, said he thought he was about to die of cancer and did not want to leave his daughter alone in the world.

Lillian Nagle, another daughter of the retired Brooklyn policeman, said her father would accompany her to Tacoma, Wash., where she is stationed as an Army nurse. After a rest, she said, he may return to Phoenix. Nagle sold his home here to defray expenses of the six-day trial.

Pet Dogs Credited In Saving Lives Of Two Families

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Pet dogs were credited today with saving two families from death in the bay area.

At Castro Valley, the incessant barking of Bruno, a 14-year-old German shepherd, saved six members of the Eugene Morton family from gas which filled the house after wind blew out a gas heater yesterday.

Awakened by Bruno, Morton called firemen who treated him, his wife, three sons and a daughter.

In Boulder Creek, Kelley, a 2-year-old Irish setter, barked, whined and finally pawed at a window to awaken his master and mistress, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ray as flames swept their home. The house burned to the ground, but the Rays escaped.

Two Manila Officers Convicted In Mauling

MANILA (AP)—Two Manila cops were convicted yesterday of mauling a Texan, an official of the U.S. embassy. The board was to consider today whether Clemente Asuncion and Victor Jangar should be suspended.

They were charged with mauling Terry Sanders Jr., 35, of McAllen, first secretary and consul at the U.S. embassy. They had stopped his car July 19 for an alleged traffic violation. The embassy protested.

Two Youths Admit Aiding In Holdup

NEW YORK (AP)—Police said two 19-year-olds have admitted taking part in the \$25,000 holdup of dance-master and Mrs. Arthur Murray at their Park Avenue apartment Dec. 8.

The youths were listed as Earl Hickson and Joseph Giola, both of the New York area.

The Murphys were held up at gunpoint by four masked men who got away with a reported \$500 in cash in addition to jewelry.

Man Builds Gallows That Kills Himself

GRASS VALLEY, Calif. (AP)—A gallows he had built for a stage play took the life of Richard B. Looser yesterday.

Looser, 34, was director of an amateur theater group. Deputy Coroner Shirley Brattin, who called the death an accident, said this is what must have happened.

Looser constructed the gallows set and placed a large mirror to reflect the scene so he could make sketches and designs for costumes. He arranged a break-away slip knot in the rope as a precaution against accident.

This morning, with the noose about his neck, and his sketchbook nearby, he stepped from the box on which he had been standing. The trick knot failed. Looser strangled, his toes dangling just above the floor.

Brattin said that when police lifted the body, the slip knot fell apart easily. He said the roughness of the new rope apparently prevented the knot from functioning as Looser had planned.

U. S. Oil Production Makes Slight Climb

TULSA (AP)—Domestic oil and condensate production averaged 6,252,750 barrels daily during the week ended Dec. 19, the Oil and Gas Journal said today. This was a 7,500 barrel per day hike over the preceding period.

Oklahoma jumped its output 8,800 barrels daily to 533,700 for the biggest gain. Texas remained unchanged at 2,606,225 barrels daily while Arkansas dipped 2,300 barrels to 76,500 and New Mexico dropped 200 to 193,500.



Little Boy Injured—But Saves Pal

Ronald Terry, 6, may be a bit handicapped Christmas Day, but he doesn't care. He ran into the street near his home in Los Angeles to rescue his dog Blackie, shown with him at the receiving hospital, and was hit by an auto. Blackie was unhurt but Ronald suffered possible fractures of the skull, leg and arm. Police said the driver of the car was not held. (AP Wirephoto).

State's Oil Industry Adds Wells But Production Down

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas' expanding oil industry added 11,657 oil and gas wells this year but production slumped below last year's billion-barrel record.

The Railroad Commission estimated yesterday the year's oil flow at 998,360, 658 barrels, down 11 million from the 1,009,782,599 produced in 1952.

Oil well completions totaled 10,480, gas well completions 1,177.

Totals for 1952 pegged that year's new oilers at 10,222 and new gasers at 738.

The figures were in a preliminary report from chief supervisor Harry Batts to Commission Chairman Ernest Thompson.

The reduced oil flow resulted from seven cutbacks in allowable production ordered by the commission. The cuts aimed at siphoning largely on imports. Some reduction aimed at halting gas flaring in West Texas' big Spraberry Trend.

The year's drilling figures included 575 wildcat oil wells, compared to 587 in 1952 and 92 gas wildcats, compared to 43 in 1952. Dry holes for the year totaled 6,917, of which 3,696 were wildcats. Last year there had been 6,502 dusters, 3,746 of which had been wildcats.

Producing oil wells were expected to total 142,109 on Dec. 31, compared to 139,629 last year.

Further Shrinkage In Cattle, Calves Seen Due To Cold

AUSTIN (AP)—Further shrinkage of cattle and calves was expected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture today as new cold blasts swept Texas.

Colder weather last week had already shown considerable shrinkage among livestock, the USDA said.

The cold weather also ended the tender crop vegetable harvest in South Texas commercial areas. Today's report did not include a summary of new conditions brought on by the current cold wave.

Farm work was slowing to a standstill, although cotton gins on the Plains were going full blast on accumulated business.

More rain or snow is needed in the Low Rolling Plains and Plateau to keep wheat and other small grains going. High winds had sapped surface moisture in many areas, but light rains in the south were beneficial to oats.

Cake and roughage feeding of all livestock was on the increase to help them through the cold weather. Wheat and stalk fields in the High Plains were still furnishing considerable feed for cattle, but small grain development was halted by the cold.

Actress Says Her Wedding Plans Off

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—There will be no New Year's Eve wedding for Harold Lloyd Jr., son of the movie comedian, and actress Maria Cisternas, a 24-year-old beauty from Chile.

"I am breaking my engagement to Harold Lloyd Jr. because he is unable to face the responsibilities of marriage," Miss Cisternas said in a statement yesterday.

A few days ago Miss Cisternas announced the engagement but indicated there had been some disapproval of the idea from Mrs. Lloyd, Harold's mother who is the former Mildred Davis of silent films. But Mrs. Lloyd and her husband have declined comment.

Young Lloyd is 22 and is an Air Force sergeant stationed in southern California.

Fire Drives Dallas Families Into Cold

DALLAS (AP)—Fire swept through the attic of a brick apartment house here early today and drove seven families out into 18 degree weather.

Firemen set a \$20,000 damage estimate in the suburban blaze that firemen battled 40 minutes. Bitter cold and hose spray that froze as soon as it hit the ground hampered them.

The fire started in an upstairs apartment of the sprawling structure in northwest Dallas. It was confined to the attic but apartments on both floors suffered water and smoke damage.

Mrs. Katherine Matthews, who discovered the fire, ran down the halls punching buzzers to awaken the occupants.

Abandoned Vehicle Nearly Kills Infants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A stolen auto abandoned by a thief at the top of a steep hill plunged two blocks down the incline, through a plate glass window and shattered a crib where a baby girl slept.

The infant, Karen Bratt, and her 3-year-old brother, sleeping nearby, were unhurt. Damage to the Bratt home was estimated at \$5,000.

Federal Funds Are Provisionally Set For Four Schools

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Department of Welfare allotted today \$3,659,804 in federal funds for school construction projects in "federally affected" areas.

The apportionment, the first from funds voted by the last Congress, will go to 15 school districts in which defense and other federal activities have swollen enrollments. Congress appropriated 70 million dollars for use this fiscal year.

The funds are allotted under a formula laid down by Congress to help districts which need cash most urgently. The action today reserves money for 15 specific projects. It does not constitute final approval, which is given only after all technical requirements are met.

The list of tentative fund reservations in Texas: Grand Prairie Independent School District, \$406,000.

Low Bid On Dallas Project Announced

FORT WORTH (AP)—Whittle Contracting Company of Dallas is apparent low bidder to build the first portion of the Turtle Creek pressure sewer in Dallas.

Bids were opened here yesterday. Whittle's bid was \$535,783. The first portion of the pressure sewer which is part of the Dallas floodway project will be located in the Industrial Blvd. vicinity.

500: Frenship Rural High School, Wolfforth, Lubbock County, \$199,650; Mineral Wells Independent School District, \$490,700; and Colorado Common School District 35, Del Valle, Travis County, \$177,650. The Texas total is \$1,271,500.

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Stanley Smith, 40, rejoices on arrival at his home in Somerville, Mass., with his wife Hazel and daughter Margaret, 21, a WAC private. The Christmas gifts he holds are as nothing to the gift of sight he received after 15 years of blindness. His vision was restored after two cataract operations in the past 10 days. He saw his present wife for the first time since their marriage three years ago when bandages were removed in the hospital. Besides Margaret, he has another daughter and a son by his first marriage. (AP Wire-photo).

Government Finds No Evidence Of Unusual Profits For Packers

By OVID A. MARTIN
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department reported today it has found no evidence of widespread, above-normal profit making by beef and cattle processors and distributors in the past two years.

The report culminated an investigation started in September at the direction of Secretary of Agriculture Benson. He said there had been consumer and producer complaints that beef prices had not declined in proportion to sharp drops in beef cattle prices in 1952-53.

But the report, prepared by the department's Bureau of Agriculture Economics, which made the study, declared: "It appears that retail prices of beef have generally reflected the declining prices for live cattle in 1952 and 1953.

"There were scattered examples of very depressed prices on some of the lower grade cattle sold in the local livestock markets. There were also a few cases of extremely wide margins on lower grade meat sold in retail meat stores. But this was not the usual situation. In general, the margins picture appeared to be fairly stable."

Marketing margins were defined as returns for marketing services performed, such as labor, rent, supplies and equipment, as well as management and profits. The bureau said it appears that falling prices for cattle, especially for the lower grades, were caused by an increase in slaughter as beef cattle population soared to new peaks. It said the heavy slaughter was aggravated to some extent by distress sales from drought areas.

"Prices of retail beef, wholesale beef carcasses and live cattle generally followed parallel trends," the report continued. "Certain lags in the adjustments of these prices from month to month resulted in

erratic month-to-month variations in margins, but such variations have not been unusual in the past and are not at all peculiar to the recent situation."

The bureau said that in making

Essay Winner Visits Rotary

Alice Ann Martin, who recently won an Air Force essay contest and with it a trip to Washington, D. C., and other points of interest, was honor guest at the Rotary Club luncheon Tuesday.

She spoke briefly, telling of the sight-seeing tour of Washington, Omaha, New York, and Scott Field, Ill. Also introduced at the Rotary meeting was Alice Ann's father, Dewey Martin.

Capt. Amen C. Clark, president of the aviation cadet selection team of Webb Air Force Base, projected a motion picture entitled "Military Progress." The film showed developments in war equipment and techniques during and since World War II. Capt. Clark said that interest in the aviation cadet program now is low, and that the Air Force is stepping up its recruiting program.

Capt. Clark was introduced by Capt. John Thomas and Miss Martin was presented by John Freeman Riley Foster, chairman of the Rotary Christmas baskets committee, announced that baskets including food and toys will be distributed Thursday to nine local families. The families have a total of 45 children under 12 years of age, he said.

Delight At Santa Proves Shortlived

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—It was time for the Christmas party at Mrs. J. W. Sanderson's kindergarten.

The tree was up and trimmed. The kids were excited. The doorbell rang.

Sure enough, it was a resplendent Santa Claus at the door. Mrs. Sanderson was agreeably surprised, and the youngsters were delighted.

With a chance to relax, Santa and Mrs. Sanderson struck up a conversation. And, yep, Santa was at the wrong party.

Fine Is Good Buy

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—A fine for drunkenness was the best \$10 a 30-year-old Albuquerque man ever spent. Police rescued him from the busy Santa Fe Railroad tracks, where he had passed out.

HOPES PUBLIC LIKES IT

Gene Kelly Is Finishing Up Picture That's All Dancing

By BOB THOMAS
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Gene Kelly, Pittsburgh's gift to the dance, is finishing up a picture with all dancing and no dialogue and scoffs at the idea that it's strictly for art lovers.

Kelly is a whirlwind creator. He is now acting and dreaming up the dances for "Brigadoon," which Vincente Minnelli is directing. He is also working with the MGM cartoon department to finish up "Sinbad the Sailor," the last sequence in his talkies movie, "Invitation to a Dance."

The gossips have printed that

MGM was concerned about "Invitation," fearing that it might have a limited audience. Gene spiked such reports.

"Some people say the picture will appeal only to ballet lovers," he remarked. "I say that's a lot of nonsense. I think it will have great popular appeal. Anybody who

Fist Fight Breaks Out Along Docks

NEW YORK (AP)—A short-lived fist fight broke out today as brisk balloting continued in the struggle between two rival longshoremen's unions to represent dock workers in the port of New York.

Police quickly stopped the disturbance. Three hours after the polls opened in Brooklyn for the second day of balloting in the National Labor Relations Board election, a group of 15 men identified by police as AFL union adherents, started to march toward the voting place.

Quickly an equal number of men described as members of the International Longshoremen's Assn., Independent, closed in and fists flew. Forty policemen on duty at the scene moved in and separated the contestants.

The result was not expected to be known until early tomorrow. Yesterday's heavy turnout was interpreted as a good sign by officials of both rival unions, the Independent ILA and the ILA-AFL. However, waterfront observers figured the AFL group would have a hard time ousting the ILA, which has been entrenched on the docks for many years and received a big lift Monday when United Mine Workers chief John L. Lewis came to its aid.

likes to see dancing should go for it.

"I think it has a better chance of making money than the general run of pictures out of Hollywood. Most of them are pretty darned awful."

"I've always held that you shouldn't underestimate the intelligence of the movie audience. That's where Hollywood has made a mistake. I remember how everybody thought we were nuts to put that big ballet number in 'An American in Paris.'"

"An American in Paris" was one of the most successful musicals ever made and won the Academy's best picture award for 1951. The achievement whetted Gene's appetite for even more ambitious things. He proposed a full-length dance picture—nothing else, just dancing.

Much to his surprise, the studio said, "Sure—go ahead."

"Then I started getting cold feet," he admitted. "I began to think what would happen if it really flopped."

So he settled for a movie of three different sequences. One of them is stark drama and caused a run-in with the censors.

"It's quite a strong bill of goods," he explained. "In one of the scenes I'm walking down the street and a prostitute comes up to me. The censors got real up in arms over it. That's something I can't understand."

"I don't see why we can't have two seals in this country. That's the way they do in Europe and they get better pictures for adults. They mark certain pictures for children and others for adults only."

"I don't believe in letting children see things that aren't good for them. There are certain pictures I won't let my daughter see. It's okay to show scenes of murder and crime and guys getting beaten to a pulp. The censors approve that, but they worry about how close the girl stands to me in the street scene."

Must Like His Post

WEST BEND, Wis. (AP)—Charles Hayden, at 98 one of the world's oldest public officials, has taken out nomination papers to succeed himself as justice of the peace in the spring election. He has held the post continuously for 43 years.

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MARINETTE, Wis. (AP)—A raging fire took the lives of five children early today when the home of the Robert Degayner family burned to the ground.

The children were sleeping on the second floor of the house when the fire started at about 6 a.m. The father, Robert, left the house to call the fire department.

When he returned the fire spread too rapidly for him to enter the house and save his children.

A woman watching the fire said she saw the father try and enter the house by climbing to the roof and entering through a window, but heavy smoke and flames forced him back.

The children were identified as Michael, 6; Patrick, 5; Gary, 4; Daniel, 3; and Steve, 2.

The father, Robert, 39, and his wife, Rose, 27, were hospitalized with first and second degree burns on the face and hands. Mrs. Degayner also suffered a possible cerebral concussion, hospital authorities said. It was believed she suffered the injury while groping through the smoke filled house trying to find the children.

The house was a two-story frame structure.

Cause of the fire has not yet been determined.

Commercial Vegetable Crop Value Declines

AUSTIN (AP)—The value of commercial vegetables in Texas this year shrunk 12 per cent under 1952 but was 26 per cent higher than the 1949-51 average.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture said also today the pecan harvest is estimated at 31 million pounds, 34 per cent less than last year.

Commercial vegetables raised for the fresh market brought \$38,606,000 to farmers, compared with \$6,330,000 in 1952. The value of vegetables for processing was estimated at \$2,130,000 for 1953, compared with \$2,366,000.

Panama's Assembly Okays Anti-Red Bill

PANAMA, Panama (AP)—Panama's National Assembly gave unanimous final legislative approval last night to a government-sponsored bill outlawing Communist organizations and barring Communists and fellow travelers from public office.

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We Pay Our Respects To Women Who Put On Fancy Yule Wrappings

We wish to pay deserved tribute at this time to the people, mostly women, who devote their time and talents to gift-wrapping merchandise as Christmas presents. And, the art takes plenty of talent and time.

considerable time and trouble, you square off against your task. That is when your real trouble begins. Apt as not, you leave something out and have to open up again to rectify the oversight. Try as you may, you can't make a good, smooth job of the wrapping. Instead of the neatness and trimness the professionals achieve, the bundle that finally leaves your hands looks like something right fresh off the city dump.

Cavalcade Of Strife Cascaded On Holy City In Centuries Past

The thoughts of Christendom turn naturally at this time of year to the Holy Land, which is today torn by unholy strife between the Jew and the Arab.

1099, and again by the Mohammedans in 1187. For a time after that last date Jerusalem was under Egypt, but eventually the Turks took over. The Turks held it until World War I, when British General Allenby, leading his men in bare head, marched in. The British got out in 1948, and even before that the Jewish-Arab hostilities were flaming high.

These Days — George Sokolsky

Apostles And Their Followers Brought Rome Hopes For Peace

And the times were as sorely troubled as our own. A great prosperity was upon the Roman Empire. Its boundaries were deep in Asia and Africa and to the north and east in Europe. Trade and commerce were fluent and those who were free were rich.

learned men were dispersed, some to gather elsewhere to establish academies of learning. But Paul, whose name had been Saul, was abroad among the Gentiles carrying with him the old law and the new, the natural law of God, the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes, to the weary and heavy-laden.

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If We Could Only Leave The Wrappings On

The World Today — James Marlow Stalemate In France Is Not Democracy But Rather Advanced Case Of Paralysis

WASHINGTON, D.C.—What is happening in France is not democracy but paralysis. And Secretary of State Dulles has just stuck another needle into the patient to see if some how he can make him jump.

EDC: With French and German troops in a single army, neither would be able to build individual armies to make war on each other. Germany's contribution to EDC would be 500,000 troops.

change this country makes in its plans isn't likely to come overnight. American planners consider France necessary to EDC. If France doesn't join, what then? This country might try somehow to let the Germans rearm. That would cause more problems, more delay.

Notebook — Hal Boyle

Columnist Recalls Some Sad Times Not Long Ago

EDITOR'S NOTE: Hal Boyle, who by his nature always measures the time passed by times future and times past, renews at his own instigation the following letter he wrote in 1950, a bitter and stubborn time, and takes this way to recall a period that deserves America's remembrance.

SEATTLE, Korea — A letter to Dear Wife: The star of Bethlehem may have shown as usual over America and the rest of the free world this Christmas season, but it was rather difficult to see here.

rotate their men back in turn to get the same hot Christmas meal enjoyed by rear area troops. The basic menu was the same: cream of tomato soup, olives, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, candied sweet potatoes, buttered corn and green peas, fruit cake and hot mince pie, Parker House rolls, coffee, cream, hard candy, salted nuts, cigarettes and a big special Christmas cake.

This Day In Texas

Born at Greensboro, Alabama on this day in 1844 was George W. Arrington, whose colorful career as a soldier and a Ranger was to take him over many a Texas trail. His first smell of powder came as a volunteer with John S. Mosby's guerrillas in the Civil War.

Many a refugee mother these days hasn't even the meagre comfort given to Mary so long ago. There is no small inn where her Joseph can take her. There isn't even a manger to shield her from curious eyes as she bears her child.

Drought Is Foiled

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. (AP) — Contrary Missouri! In the worst of the recent drought, eight million gallons of water a day were pumped into a lake here from the Missouri River to save the fish.

These Young Drivers!

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — An automobile in reverse just missed two parked cars, bumped over the curb, tore up a lawn and smashed into a tree.

Simple Christmas Carol Makes Impression That Still Endures

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.

When I was a little boy, my mother would sing to us. I cannot remember when first I heard those simple hymns and lullabies, but one of the first things etched in my memory is the "Ninety and Nine."

who was a little baby could love little children like me. So with implicit faith I would sing it, too.

In simple childhood curiosity, I must have asked about it and she must have explained that it was a song about the lambs who were all safely inside the fold—all but one. And then the shepherd went out on the hillside, wild and free, to seek out the lost sheep. I always remembered the song about the little lamb and the shepherd, probably because I could understand about my friends, the animals.

"Away in a manger, no crib for a bed The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay. The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The first song that I can remember just because it was a song is still one of my very favorite Christmas carols. I'm not so sure but what it is the sweetest one that ever was written and set to music. It is Martin Luther's poem, "Away in a Manger."

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes. But the little Lord Jesus no crying He makes. I love the Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh."

My mother would sing this to me and to my sisters at Christmas time, and we would have her sing it during the year. And as she sang it, I could with all the unblemished vision of childhood see the Baby born in Bethlehem in a manger, with the cattle lowing and the stars shining. Somehow it was in my heart and mind, as well as in the song, that anyone

I can hear my Mother singing it again in my memory, and I can understand it today. I wish that all mankind could sing it together with a prayer from the heart that God would grant this as our Christmas wish:

"Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever, and love me I pray. Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care And take us to heaven to live with Thee there."

—JOE PICKLE

Matter Of Fact — Stewart Alsop

It's Still Too Early To Judge 'More Bang For A Buck' Plans

The Eisenhower administration's defense plans have by now been unofficially but rather completely revealed. Judging from these plans, the Administration expects to perform a miracle.

of organization of the services, without in any way affecting combat power. Similarly, the Air Force, which in the past has been even more disgracefully overstuffed than the Army, now promises to man close to thirty new wings without any large increase in enlistments.

The present level of defense spending is to be cut back close to \$5,000,000,000 in fiscal 1955. And further cuts are to reduce defense spending several more billions by fiscal 1957. At the same time, air striking power and air defense are to be steadily built up, while combat power in other respects is to be maintained. How is this miracle—if it is a miracle—to be performed?

This is all to the good. It is also all to the good that the discredited and essentially political "balanced force concept" has been thrown in the ashcan. Yet the question remains: Is the "bigger bang for a buck" theory—the theory that nuclear firepower can achieve big money and manpower savings—really sound?

Part of the answer lies in a basic national strategic decision which deserves to be thoroughly understood. As previously reported in this space, the original "new look" by the Joint Chiefs of Staff called for force levels involving an actual increase, rather than decrease, in defense spending in the next fiscal year. In mid-October, when Admiral Arthur Radford, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs, presented this "new look" to a dismayed National Security Council, he made a brief but cogent statement to the council.

The Army which stands to lose more than a third of its current manpower has of course been hardest hit by the revised plans. And the Army contends fiercely that the theory is not sound. The Army view is that nuclear ground warfare demands mobility, and dispersion, which in turn require heavy mechanization and communications as nearly perfect as humanly possible. This means, the Army contends, not fewer men per combat unit, but more men.

He said, in effect, that one major reason why defense costs were so high was that the military planners had never been told what sort of war to plan for. They had to assume that we might be called on to fight a "conventional" war—like the Korean War—in which no atomic weapons were used. If they could assume, instead, that atomic weapons will be used in any future war, this might make a big difference in their plans.

Even the Air Force, ostensibly the chief beneficiary of the new planning is not too happy below the top levels. Some thoughtful officers and civilians in the Air Force believe that the basic assumption in the new planning—that any future war which is more than a "brush fire" will be an atomic war—has not been followed to its logical conclusions. It is true that air striking power and continental defense are both to be strengthened—continental defense is to be assigned well over \$4,000,000,000 in the next fiscal year. But the doubters claim that these plans are really only inadequate compromises, in view of the needs imposed by growing Soviet air-atomic capabilities.

After some discussion, Radford and the other Chiefs were told to have another look, in a new light. The National Security Council did not go so far as to instruct the military leaders to assume that any future war will be an atomic war—we must still be able to deal with "brush fire wars." But, they were told to assume that in anything bigger than "brush fire wars," atomic weapons will be used.

Indeed, there are plenty of informed officials and officers who privately believe that the requirements of the budget came before the requirements of national security when the original "new look" was revised downward. They believe that the "more bang for a buck" theory is an excuse for the cutbacks, rather than a real reason, and that the "buck" came first by an easy margin, with the "bang" a poor second. It is no doubt still too early to judge, before the new defense plans have been thoroughly explained and defended. But as these plans are further unveiled, it may be wise to bear in mind the chicken-or-egg question: which came first, the buck or the bang?

The Joint Chiefs accordingly went back and re-estimated their requirements, on the theory that atomic firepower can be substituted for manpower and conventional firepower. This "bigger bang for a buck" theory was not, to be sure, the only factor in the proposed cutbacks. Capital investment in equipment for the Army and Navy is virtually complete in many categories. The fighting in Korea has ended, and it is also assumed in administration defense plans that this fighting will not begin again, and that several divisions can eventually be withdrawn from the Far East.

There have also been quite genuine manpower and money savings, for which the new civilian team at the Pentagon can take a deserved bow. For example, no less than 153,000 positions have been eliminated.

Uncle Ray's Corner

Card Custom Started Recently

Christmas cards are the most popular of all holiday cards. Even valentines (which long loom in the lives of young people) fall far short of Christmas cards in number carried through the mails.

One House Misplaced

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—Newspaper readers here found a three-bedroom home described in the Lost and Found classified column. Turned out to be an error. Real estate was not moving quite that fast.

Children in England used to write letters to uncles, aunts, grandparents and others about two weeks before Christmas Day. These differed in length, but all bore words something like these:

A London artist named Joseph Cundall laid claim to being first to "publish" such cards. He said that Sir Henry Cole had originated the idea, and that "Mr. Jobbins of Holborn" did the lithographing. The drawings were colored by hand. "Many copies were sold," he added, "but possibly not more than a thousand. They were of the usual size of a lady's card."

Your optimistic husband, Hal.

Besides bearing a Merry Christmas wish, the early cards carried pictures of English robin redbreasts, of snow scenes and so on. One showed a Hermit in His Cell and another pictured Little Red Ridinghood.

I wish you a Merry Christmas. I have been a good boy, and hope I will get lots of presents.

People of the United States, Canada, Great Britain and other lands now mail hundreds of millions of Christmas cards in a single Yuletide season.

Often those letters were bordered with drawings of birds and other objects. The letters may have suggested the idea

Tomorrow: Hanging Stockings.

Darlene Montgomery, Russell Williams Wed

A fireplace background formed the setting Monday evening when Darlene Marie Montgomery and Russell Elliot Williams exchanged wedding vows in the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. W. D. Rowland, 107 West 21st.

T. H. Tarbet, minister of the East Fourth and Benton Church of Christ, officiated during the informal, double ring ceremony.

Parents of the newlyweds are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Montgomery, 805 Ayford, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williams, 1016 Stadium.

Tall white tapers, baskets of white gladiolus, greenery and large white satin bows completed the setting for the ceremony.

David Elrod sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "I Love You Truly." He was accompanied by Mrs. T. H. Tarbet, who also played "O Promise Me" and the "Wedding March" from Lohengrin.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a two-piece orchid wool jersey suit with fitted skirt and button-up waist. Her petal pan collar was accented by white sequin pearl insets. The elbow-length sleeves were raglan in effect. A short illusion, rhinestone studded veil was attached to a tiara of white satin encrusted with sequins and rose petals. Brown gloves and brown alligator bag and shoes completed her ensemble.

She carried a white Bible adorned with an orchid, satin ribbon and white French carnations.

Matron of honor, Mrs. Bob Elster, who is the bride's cousin, was her only attendant. She was attired in a two-piece suit of blue faille with navy accessories and carried a cascade arrangement of orchid mums.

The bridegroom was attended by A-3C Lawrence Wilson of Biloc, Miss.

Assisting in the reception were Mrs. Jack Alderton and Mrs. Bob Mires, who served, and Ann Elliot of Midland, cousin of the bride, who presided over the guest register.

An oblong, three tiered wedding

cake highlighted the serving table and was topped by a miniature bride and groom with silver bells. Orchid mums formed the table centerpiece for the table which was covered by an orchid organdy cloth.

Out-of-town friends and relatives who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Elliot of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. George Elliot and children, Ann, George Jr. and Jimmy of Midland;

Mrs. E. A. Williams of Corsicana, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lavender and A-3C Bill Montgomery, brother of the bride, who is stationed at Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth.

The new Mrs. Williams was graduated from Big Spring High School and attended Howard County Junior College. She was employed by the Big Spring Insurance Agency.

Mr. Williams is also a graduate of Big Spring High School and a former student of H.C.J.C. He was enrolled as a student in Texas Tech at Lubbock prior to his military induction.

After a wedding trip to El Paso and Old Mexico the couple will live at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo., where the bridegroom is presently stationed.

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Williams was given in the home of Mrs. Tarbet, 813 West 17th, recently.

Other hostesses included Mrs. Aaron Damron, Mrs. H. V. Crocker, Mrs. Wayne Couch, Mrs. Earl Brownrigg and Mrs. Jake Lilly.

Some 45 guests called during the receiving hours and were greeted by Mrs. Tarbet, the honoree, her mother, mother of the bridegroom and the couple's grandmothers, Mrs. E. A. Elliot and Mrs. J. A. Westmoreland.

A centerpiece reflection showing the marriage date, "December 21st, 1953" was used at the guest table where Mrs. Damron and Mrs. Couch served.

Mrs. Bob Elster registered the guests.



Triple Career Girl

Marjorie Steele, who is an actress, a painter and a mother, talks to Lydia Lane about the importance of composure as a way of life.

HOLLYWOOD BEAUTY

Busy Starlet Stresses 'Take It Easy' Routine

By LYDIA LANE

HOLLYWOOD — When Marjorie Steele is not working in a picture for her husband, Huntington Hartford III, she is either in her studio painting or busy with her two children. Yet I have never seen her when she wasn't rested and relaxed.

"How do you manage to be so unburdened when you have a triple career?" I asked her yesterday as we lunched together in her palatial home.

"So much depends on your attitude," she told me. "It helps me to close my mind to the pressure of the many things which have to be done and to concentrate on the task I am doing. You can work

more efficiently and certainly with less energy when you don't hurry or think ahead of all the other things which need your attention."

"You make it sound so easy," I commented.

"It isn't," Marjorie said forcefully. "Composure is something most of us have to work for. But it is well worth the effort. No good ever comes of hurrying or worrying. And composure is a way of life."

"I once read about an experiment two psychology students made. They were directed to drive to the same destination. One was told to race as fast as he could. The other was instructed to take it easy. The boy in the big rush arrived three minutes ahead of his pal. But what made such an impression on me was the report that one boy was completely exhausted and the other almost as fresh as when he started out."

"There is no doubt about it—when we allow our motors to race we are washing away energy or getting nothing in return but headaches, ulcers or a nervous state."

"After reading that article," Marjorie continued, "I resolved to be more relaxed and composed. When I found myself hurrying, I stopped and asked: what are three minutes?"

"As I told you, it wasn't easy but little by little I was able to slow down. The wonderful part about it was that the more leisurely my pace, the more I accomplished."

"That's very timely advice," I remarked. "With Christmas here and a New Year just around the corner, your anti-hurry plan can be happily adopted by all of us—not only for the holiday season but for permanent inclusion in our lives."

"I hope it can be," Marjorie said with feeling, "because this nation needs to slow down."

"We recently entertained some visitors from India and while they were kind and had many nice things to say about us, they asked: 'why is everyone here in such a hurry?'" Marjorie added very seriously, "I couldn't answer them. Can you?"

"Can anyone?" I murmured.

Lomax Community Has Yule Party

About 103 residents of the Lomax community attended a Christmas party in the Community Center recently.

A program of popular and Christmas music was presented by soloists, Mrs. Arnold Tonn, Paula Russell and Margie Newman.

Jackie Fryar and Mrs. Lawrence Atkins accompanied them at the piano. Paul Kay Rawls also participated on the program. A devotion was given by the Rev. Dan Oglesby.

The 12-foot tree presented by a local merchant, was decorated with a Christmas assortment of lights, balls and tinsel.

Mrs. Doris Billiard directed the evening's entertainment.

Guests who attended included Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Tubb of Big Spring and Mrs. Jimmy Buserbaum of Laméssa and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tubb of Hartwell.

Mrs. Voelm Honored At Surprise Party

Mrs. Jerry Voelm was honored at a surprise birthday party at her home, 1002 Stadium, Mrs. Charles Wheeler, Mrs. Voelm's mother, served refreshments.

Attending were Eleanor Cook, Jinks Dozier, Jeanette Loos, Doraine Parks, June Corothers, Amy Sparks, Nancy Dickens, Mary Ruth Robertson, Janie Holcombe, Jean Wigginton, Lockie Beach, Beth Buck, Margery McCormick, Nadine Wozenkraft.

Community Missions Discussed At WMS

Mrs. R. N. Bryant gave a devotion on community missions for the Airport Baptist WMS Monday at the church.

Mrs. L. A. Yater opened the meeting with prayer and Christmas carols were sung. Stockings were filled for local Negro children. Sixteen attended.

Party At St. Mary's

The church school of St. Mary's Episcopal Church will have a Christmas party tonight at 7 at the Parish House. Santa Claus will distribute gifts.

THIS IS GOOD EATING

HOT BUTTERED GRAPEFRUIT

Ingredients: 2 large grapefruit, 2 tablespoons butter or margarine (soft), 4 teaspoons white sugar, 3 tablespoons brown sugar, dash of salt.

Method: Cut grapefruit in half; remove any seeds and center membrane; loosen grapefruit from dividing walls with small sharp knife. Cream butter with sugars and salt. Spread sugar mixture over cut halves of grapefruit. Place fruit in shallow pan or in cupped aluminum foil in case juices bubble. Broil grapefruit, a few inches from source of fairly high heat,

for 3 to 5 minutes or until tops are golden. Spoon any juice in pan or foil over fruit placed in serving dishes. These taste delightful when the top layer is hot, but the pulp and juice at the bottom are still cold. Serve at once. Makes 4 servings. Serve with the menu below for a simple dessert before the holiday splurge.

Hamburgers on Toasted Buns with Spanish Sauce
Lettuce Salad with Carrot Curis
Hot Buttered Grapefruit Beverage

(Clip this for future use. It may conveniently be pasted on a recipe file card.)

Quarterly Meeting Held

Mrs. J. W. Arnett was welcomed back to the Hillcrest W.M.U. after an absence of several months when the group met Tuesday at the church. Mrs. Arnett has been out-of-town.

The group met for quarterly reports. The standard of excellence was checked and it was announced that the Junior and Intermediate G.A.'s and the W.M.U. will probably make the standard required for the quarter. The Sunbeams have already done so.

Mrs. D. W. Overman announced that Mrs. Darrell A. Mock of the First Baptist W.M.U. will lead a study on the foreign mission book, "Let's Listen," at the meeting next Tuesday. Slides will be used to illustrate the lesson.

All members and women of the church are urged to attend from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Covered dish luncheon will be served at 12 Mrs. J. W. Arnett was appointed to be in charge of the tables for the luncheon.

Candlewax Stains Holiday Problem

The holiday season is lighted by candles in most households. This poses the problem of wax stains on Mom's favorite table cloth. Scrape the hardened wax from the surface of the cloth with a dull knife. Sponge the stain with cleaning fluid, as you would any grease spot. This is easier, says the Department of Agriculture, than laying the stained fabric on a blotter and pressing it with a warm iron. If traces of color are left, they usually can be removed by sponging with a cloth dipped in a mixture of 2 parts water to 1 part rubbing alcohol.

If candlewax seems difficult to remove from glass or metal candleholders, run hot water over the wax until it melts off. Then wash the article with soap and water and polish.

Four Small Sisters Run Going Business

CUMBERLAND CENTER, Md.—Four little sisters—the oldest is only 11—are successfully embarking on the broiler-raising business.

Within a year they have raised and marketed at a profit—two flocks of 700 birds each. Now they have a third flock of the same size under their thermostatically controlled brooders.

They are Beverly, 11, Sylvia, 8, Marie, 6, and Joanne, 5, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. LaFrance. Their parents run a farm that produces hatching eggs for broilerfarms in the Delaware-Maryland-Virginia region.

Except for unloading heavy grain bags (Dad does that), the girls do all the work of caring for their flock before and after school.

They made \$100 on the first flock they raised and \$65 on the second. More important, to poultrymen, they met such standards as an average weight of 3.6 pounds at 10½ weeks and a feed conversion mark of one pound of poultry meat for three pounds of grain.

Making Terry Cloth Mittens Neat Trick

Neatest trick of the week is using worn-out bath towels to make terry-cloth mittens, endlessly useful for the bath or shampoo.

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Rebekahs Have Party

Mrs. Violet Jarrett and Mrs. Hazel Lamar presented a program of carols at the John A. Kee Rebekah Lodge 153 Christmas party at Carpenter's Hall Tuesday night.

The children attending sang songs and read poems. Santa Claus distributed gifts. A basket of food was prepared for a needy family and four children from the family were guests at the party.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morrison from Monroe, Mich. The table was decorated with a holiday theme and refreshments were served by Mrs. Irene Dempsey, Mrs. Leta Metcalf and Mrs. Daisy Laccource. About 50 attended.

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Candy House Featured In First Place Winner

A candy house, straight out of Hansel and Grisel, helped win a first place for Mrs. P. D. O'Brien, 101 Lincoln, in the outdoor Christmas decoration contest Tuesday night.

Mrs. O'Brien entered in the entire front of house and yard division. Other first place winners were Mrs. Ross Boykin, 101 Jefferson, window division, and Mrs. Tommy Hubbard, 610 E. 12th, door winner. Second place winners were Mrs. E. B. McCormick, 709 W. 17th; Mrs. R. E. Satterwhite, 1907 Johnson, door; and Mrs. Hayes Stripling, corner of West Park and Matthews, entire front.

The contest was sponsored by the Big Spring Garden Club and the Chamber of Commerce. First place awards were \$10 each and second place awards \$5 each.

A giant Christmas tree, 25 feet tall, from which wrapped packages are hung is the center of interest at the O'Brien's. In the center of the front yard is a white mesquite tree hung with metal disks that tinkle in the wind. A wire recorder plays carols.

The upstairs windows of the house, decorated to represent a candy house, feature gingerbread men. The shutters of the downstairs windows are decorated with Christmas messages, tiny Christmas trees, tinsel and bobbles. Christmas tree lights from the shrubbery light the display.

A sign at the front says "Merry Christmas Candy House. Contains dextrose, spices, artificial flavor and coloring. O'Brien Manufacturing Company."

Mrs. O'Brien has made a life-sized dummy of a pirate to put out later in the week when her grandchildren will be here. There will also be a treasure chest filled with popcorn balls, candy and favors.

For the window division Mrs. Boykin encircled the front window of her house with greenery sprayed with snow and lighted with colored lights. Pine cones hang from a big red bow at the top and snow on each pane appears to be falling to a little snow drift at the bottom of the pane. A white

tree inside lights the falling snow. A front door covered with gold foil is featured at Mrs. Hubbard's house. "Merry Christmas" in red is printed above a tree, placed in the center of the door, which is also trimmed with gold leaves, and red Christmas balls. Greenery is placed around the sides and lights at the top. A snow man sits at one side of the doorway.

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Mrs. Jones gets a range that makes cooking fun, Even shuts itself off when the baking is done.

Sally Smith wants a washer with porcelain finish Its controls automatic her chores will diminish.

And still other husbands of her house with greenery sprayed with snow and lighted with colored lights. Pine cones hang from a big red bow at the top and snow on each pane appears to be falling to a little snow drift at the bottom of the pane. A white

For the Cooks, a new freezer to safeguard their food, And an ironer's ideal for the Brown's and their brood.

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Son Is Born

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Robertson are announcing the birth of a boy, Charles Samuel Jr., weighing 6 pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Moad, 702 Abrams, and Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson, 705 Wright.

Circle Packs Basket

Members of the Kate Morrison Circle of the E. 4th St. Baptist WMS brought food for a basket for a needy family when they met Tuesday in the home of Mrs. B. D. Rice. Mrs. Edna Perkins and Mrs. Rice offered prayers.

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Wounded Vet Home For Christmas

Pfc. Jack Loercher, 21, who lost both legs in action in Korea, sits between Grover A. Whalen, left, and Gen. James A. Van Fleet during a parade up Broadway in New York in which 144 vets wounded in Korea were given heroes' welcome by the city. This was Whalen's last scheduled ticker-tape reception after 35 years as the city's official welcomer. He will be replaced on Jan. 1 by Richard C. Patterson Jr., as chairman of the Mayor's Reception Committee. Loercher is from Brooklyn. (AP Wirephoto).

Third Rightist Seeks High Post Of France

VERSAILLES, France (U-P)—Louis Jacquinot withdrew today as a candidate for the French presidency and his place on the 12th ballot was taken by Rene Coty, an Independent Republican.

Jacquinot, who is overseas minister, had been put up by Rightists after Premier Laniel withdrew from the race last night. Both houses of the French Parliament have been meeting since last Thursday in an attempt to elect a successor to President Vincent Auriol, whose 7-year term expires next month.

Ballooting with tired indifference, the more than 900 deputies and senators refused to give a winning majority to either of the two chief candidates—Socialist Marcel Edmond Naegelen or Overseas Minister Louis Jacquinot of the conservative Independent party.

Naegelen got 372 votes, Jacquinot 338. The required majority was 441.

The rightists put up Jacquinot after Premier Joseph Laniel withdrew from the race last night.

There was no solution in sight to the political deadlock, now in its seventh day. As for an end to the shrouded the ancient Palace of Versailles, there was talk the marathon voting would continue through the Christmas holidays.

The warring political parties split on such issues as religion, labor policy and the rearmament of West Germany—still were unable to agree on a candidate neutral enough to win election, even by default.

A 12th ballot was scheduled later today.

Laniel, who came with 22 votes of victory Sunday night and topped the poll on the last 8 of the 10 ballots, withdrew late last night after it became apparent he could not pick up support from middle-of-the-road factions.

He urged non-Communist groups to agree on another national leader to succeed outgoing President Vincent Auriol.

Before the four-hour voting began today, his Independent party caucused and chose Jacquinot, a 55-year-old political veteran of many French cabinets, including Gen. Charles de Gaulle's wartime government-in-exile.

Veteran observers conceded the new candidate some chance of election.

Just before Laniel's withdrawal, however, the Socialists said they would continue to back Naegelen because other non-Red parties had refused to join them in drafting Auriol for a second term. The 69-year-old President was widely mentioned as an above-politics compromise choice, though he had insisted he wants to leave political life.

Naegelen led the field on the first two ballots and has been the runner-up ever since, partially due to Communist votes in the joint electoral congress of members of the National Assembly and the Council of the Republic (Senate).

Laniel's withdrawal, the first big break in the week-long stalemate between Parliament's right and left wings, released some 400 votes out of a total of more than 900.

A majority of the votes cast is needed to elect.

Events outside the historic Versailles Palace, scene of the voting, meanwhile pushed the legislators toward a solution of the unprecedented crisis. Newspapers, and Frenchmen everywhere, continued to chorus demands for an end to the deadlock. They termed Parliament's performance shameful and humiliating.

In Lille, a noisy mass meeting in the public square last night demanded that the section's deputies in the Assembly initiate constitutional reforms to prevent a recurrence.

Jacquinot, a lawyer, entered politics in 1932 and was elected to the National Assembly.

Six Area Oil Well Completions Reported; Three In Spraberry

Six oil well completions were reported today. Three are in the Spraberry Trend Area, one in the Howard-Glasscock Field, one in the Snyder Field, and one in the Sharon Ridge-1700 Area.

Borden

Texas Crude No. 1-10 Modesta Simpson, C SW SW, 10-33-3n, T&P survey, reached 8,050 feet in lime. Stanolind No. 1 Beal, C SW SE, 14-31-3n, T&P survey, got down to 8,001 feet in lime.

Texas Company No. 8-A Clayton, 662 from north and 2,002 from west lines, 32-32-4n, T&P survey, is reported at 6,712 feet in lime and shale.

Dawson

Beal No. 1 J. H. Adkins, C NW SE, 20-35-5n, T&P survey, made it to 6,585 feet in lime. Sinclair No. 1 Weaver, 2,440 from north and 660 from east lines, 7-2-Cunningham survey, has been plugged and abandoned at 10,500 feet in lime.

Murphy No. 1 Walls, C SW NW, 12-35-5n, T&P survey, is reported at 6,765 feet in shale dolomite. O'Neill No. 1 White, 330 from north and west lines, 46-34-5n, T&P survey, has been plugged and abandoned at 8,322 feet in the Pennsylvania.

Cities Service No. 1 Winford, C SW SE, 3-4-Cunningham survey, got down to 6,095 feet in lime.

Glasscock

Sohio No. 2-C W. B. Atkinson, C SW NW, 22-36-5n, T&P survey, was completed in the Spraberry Trend Area for potential flow of 259.84 barrels of oil. Gas-oil ratio was 607-1, and gravity measured 40.5 degrees. Top of pay was 6,656 and total depth was 7,599 feet. Perforations were in casing from 6,658 and 6,723 feet. Flow was through a 32-64th inch choke after zone had been fractured with 3,000 gallons. There was no water, casing pressure was 250 pounds, and tubing pressure was 200 pounds. Location is about 25 miles southwest of Garden City.

Sohio No. 4 C. C. Reynold, C SW NE, 21-36-5n, T&P survey, flowed 294.65 barrels of oil through a 32-64th inch choke for potential rate of 8,220 feet and operator is preparing to run 5 1/2 inch casing.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 Haney, 1,694 from north and 2,641 from east lines, 14-32-2n, T&P survey, is drilling at 75 feet in sand. Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 E. N. Phipps, C NE NE, 10-32-2n, T&P survey, is rigging up rotary tools.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1-B Tom Spencer, C SW SW, 11-32-2n, T&P survey, got down to 1,900 feet in anhydrite and sand. Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1-C Tom Spencer, C SW SE, 11-32-2n, T&P survey, is reported at 3,330 feet in lime.

Martin

Texas Company No. 1-AR State, C NE SE, 17-7-University survey, reached 8,632 feet in lime and shale.

Stanolind No. 1-BO University, C SW SW, 44-6-University lands survey, bored to 11,659 feet in lime and chert.

Midland

Magnolia No. 23 Louise Shackelford, C SW NE, 32-37-5n, T&P survey, has been completed in the Spraberry Trend Area for flowing potential of 421 barrels of oil. Gas-oil ratio was 532-1, gravity measured 38.8 degrees, pay was topped at 7,125 feet, depth totaled 7,276 feet, and the 5 1/2-inch oil string measured 7,096 feet. Tubing pressure was from 250 to 280 pounds, and flow was through a 24-64th inch choke.

Oceanic et al and Phillips No. 2 J. F. Winans, C NE SW, 25-33-3n, T&P survey, is still fishing. Plymouth No. 1 Oldham, C SW SE, 26-27-H&TC survey, has a total depth of 8,240 feet in lime, and operator is shutdown for repairs. Wellman and Texas Crude No. 1-1B Tom Spencer, C SW SW, 11-32-2n, T&P survey, is reported at 3,330 feet in lime.

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Howard

Continental No. 27 Settles, 1,380 from south and 2,310 from east lease lines, 133-29-W&NW survey, pumped 134.56 barrels of oil on potential test. Gravity is 31.9 degrees. Pay was topped at 2,099 feet, and total depth was 2,495 feet. Three sets of perforations were made between 2,310 and 2,360 feet. Elevation is 2,678 feet, and there was no water. This Howard-Glasscock completion is about four miles west of Foran.

Fleming No. 8-E Snyder, 330 from east and 990 from south lease lines, 28-30-T&P survey, was completed in the Snyder Field for 69 barrels of oil per day (pumping potential). Gas-oil ratio is 110-1, gravity is 30 degrees, top of pay is 2,640, total depth is 2,926, and the seven inch string goes to 2,537 feet. There was no water.

Hanco No. 1 Buchanan, C NE NE, 10-31-2n, T&P survey, is being prepared for plugging and abandoning at 7,665 feet in lime today following a drillstem test between 7,540 feet and 7,580 feet. The two hour test had recovery of 30 feet of mud. Flowing pressure was 20 pounds, and 20-minute shut-in pressure was 50 pounds.

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\$2,000 Taken From Bank In Oklahoma

FORT SMITH, Ark. (U-P)—Three bandits robbed the First National State Bank of \$2,000 today and were believed fleeing into Arkansas.

Roadblocks were set up all along the Oklahoma-Arkansas border. Arkansas state police said they had been notified that two men, one armed with a machinegun and the other with a .45 automatic, staged the actual holdup while the third waited outside in the getaway car.

It was reported that the man with the machinegun stood guard while his companion approached Mrs. Laura Stufflebene, a teller, handed her a sack and demanded money.

Turkey Shoot In C-City Ends Today

COLORADO CITY — West Texas marksmen took 10 turkeys home Tuesday night from the American Legion Turkey shoot held in the basement of the Legion Hall in Colorado City. The Turkey shoot will conclude Wednesday night.

"Twenty more turkeys will be available for Wednesday night's shooting," said Legion Commander Myrt Cathcart, "and special groups of teenagers and ladies will be scheduled."

HOSPITAL NOTES

BIG SPRING HOSPITAL. Admissions — Winfred Wood, 1102 E. 12th; Pauline Claxton, 200 N. Nolan; Louise Trölnher, 1110 E. 15th; Barbara Olson, 1704 Donley.

Dismissals — James Lemons, O'Donnell, Marlene Stull, Odessa; Carlyle McCrary, 1904 Scurry; Rose Nell Shaffer, 1507 Rannels; Santiago Hawkins, Gen. Del.; Clifford Tarter, 823 W. 17th.

ALL OFFER IDEAS

Attempt Will Be Made To Get Pup From Well

CARLSBAD, N. M. (U-P)—Bolstered by a multitude of suggestions, Fire Chief Ira Stockwell today took his turn at trying to rescue a 2-month-old pup from the bottom of a dry water well.

Ideas by the dozen were offered by newspaper readers and radio listeners.

It all began nine days ago when 5-year-old Teresa Curtis pushed two pups into a hole in her back yard. It's about 10 inches wide at the top and 38 feet deep.

Her cousins, Dan Hardin, 15, and Poe Hardin, 12, rescued one of the pups. They lowered a burlap sack and the pup walked into it. But the other little mongrel shied off.

The Hardin boys have been keeping the trapped pup alive by lowering bowls of milk and cereal.

Yesterday a couple of Boy Scouts tried unsuccessfully to drop a rope loop over the pup and haul him to safety.

New Mexico newspaper and wire service offices were besieged with suggestions for rescue. One of the plans came from a woman who said:

"Send the other puppy down in a basket. The trapped puppy may be so glad to see him he'll climb in the basket to get out."

A fisherman "Drop a piece of net the size of the bottom of the hole to the bottom with ropes tied to the four corners. When he reaches for the piece of net in the center, jerk him out like a catfish."

One man asked, "Why all the fuss?—kick the hole in on top of him."

Another offered, "Fill the well to a depth of two or three feet with corks. Do it slowly so the pup can crawl on top. Then fill the well with water so he'll float to the top."

"Lower a little boy in a stout pair of coveralls on a rope," suggested a woman, "and let him bring the puppy back."

An elderly lady suggested building a lattice work ladder and letting the pup climb out.

Braden Warns Of Red Danger Below Border

NEW YORK (U-P)—Former Asst. Secretary of State Spruille Braden says the late Harry Dexter White once drew up a fiscal reform plan for Cuba containing proposals that "even the widest-eyed New Dealer wouldn't try."

He says the plan would have bankrupted the Cuban government and only 11th-hour intervention by him kept Cuba from passing legislation to implement it.

The onetime ambassador to Cuba and Argentina testified yesterday before the U.S. Senate internal security subcommittee. Braden's government service was in the Roosevelt-Truman administration.

His testimony about White, a former assistant secretary of the Treasury, underscored a warning of Communist penetration in Latin America and a plea that Senate probes look into "the Moscow-inspired conspiracy to destroy our country by spreading communism through the rest of this hemisphere."

Braden, in a prepared statement before his testimony, said the United States may yet lose Latin America to the Communists "as we did China." He added:

"This undermining of our national security has been countenanced and even at times abetted by our own government."

Braden said he first learned of the White plan upon his appointment as ambassador to Cuba in 1942. He said he opposed the plan as "completely crazy and cockeyed."

He testified that he refused to reverse his stand when directed to do so in a State Department message over then Secretary of State Cordell Hull's signature. He said he believed the directive came from Laurence Duggan, then head of the department's Latin American Division.

Duggan fell or jumped to his death from a New York building in 1948, a dozen years after he had been mentioned in secret testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee as a member of the Communist apparatus that included Alger Hiss, former State Department official convicted of perjury.

Firemen Called Out Three Times

Big Spring firemen answered three alarms yesterday and last night, but only one fire resulted in much damage.

A wall heater caused a fire at Paul Lawrence's house west of the Terrace Drive in, burning part of the wall. The fire was reported at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday.

About 8:10 p.m. firemen received a report that a car was on fire some two miles west of town, but the car could not be found.

A house at 200 NW 2nd was reported on fire about 10:20 p.m. firemen arrived, and it was quickly extinguished. Cause was attributed to a cigarette.

Three Mishaps Are Reported To Police

Three minor automobile accidents were reported to police Tuesday afternoon, and there apparently were no injuries.

Vehicles driven by Charles Acle Walker, 1900 11th Place, and Annie Driksky Leland, 2719 South Monticello, were in collision at Stadium and Birdwell Street intersection about 3 p.m.

Another collision was reported about the same time at the corner of 3rd and Gregg. Drivers were Virgil Walter Cook, 807 Gregg, and Hazel O'Bannon, 1608 Avion.

A Mrs. Harrison reported to police that a car rammed into the rear of her automobile in the 1000 block of West 3rd about 8:20 p.m. last night. The other car left the scene of accident, she said.

DWI Charges Field

Charges of driving while intoxicated have been filed in County Court against Manuel Gonzalez. He was arrested during the past weekend.

Prowlers Reported

Police received a report that there were prowlers in the 100 block of Lincoln about 1:30 a.m. today. The prowlers were gone when police arrived.

THE WEATHER

Run sets today at 8:47 p.m., rise Thursday at 7:44 a.m.

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS: Partly cloudy to cloudy, continued cold through tonight. Not so cold Thursday. Lowest 15-25 tonight.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy, continued cold through tonight. Not so cold Thursday. Lowest 15-25.

MARKETS

WALL STREET NEW YORK (U-P)—Liquidation continued today at the opening of the stock market. Declines were mostly fractional but Douglas Aircraft opened off 1/4.

Trading was heavy. Chrysler was unchanged, Standard Oil (N.J.) off 1/4, General Motors off 1/4, American Tobacco off 1/4, American Woolen off 1/4 and U. S. Steel off 1/4.

COTTON NEW YORK (U-P)—Cotton was 5 to 30 cents a bale higher at noon today, March 32.84, May 32.22, July 32.84.

LIVESTOCK FORT WORTH (U-P)—Cattle 190: strong; common to choice, slaughter steers and yearlings 18.00-20.50; fat cows 8.50-11.50; good and choice fat calves 14.50-18.00; common and medium 8.00-10.00; Hogs 100: steady; choice 130-150 to 24.00; sheep 100: up; good and choice about slaughter lambs 15.00-20.

Dedication Set For Courthouse

Formal dedication of Howard County's new courthouse will be held on the afternoon of Sunday, Jan. 17, Judge R. H. Weaver announced this morning.

Open house also will be observed during the afternoon, probably from 2 to 5 p.m.

Hour for the dedication, speaker and other details of the program will be determined later, the judge said.

County commissioners Tuesday decided on date for the program after setting the date for moving into the new structure which is rapidly nearing completion. Transfer of offices, records, equipment etc., will be started on Jan. 5 and officials believe the move can be completed in two or three days. New furniture already has been moved into the building.

Mail Volume Takes Drop On Tuesday

Mail cancellations dropped from 61,000 Monday to 48,300 yesterday, local post office officials reported today.

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Texas Attorney General Honored

John Ben Shepperd (left), Texas attorney general, shown receiving an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Chapman College in Los Angeles recently. Making the presentation at a special convocation is Dr. George N. Reeves, college president. Shepperd was honored for his "distinction in public service." (AP Photo).

2-Headed Baby Has Twin Normal Brains

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22 (AP)—Intensive tests indicated today that Indiana's two-headed baby, now 10 days old, has two normal brains and normal vision for its age. The little boy also has three and possibly four lungs, two normal spinal cords, two hearts, two normal esophagi and stomachs, with outlets joining an intestinal tract. In a summary of findings, Indiana University Medical Center specialists said the two heads are on duplicate shoulders with four normal arms. The heads and shoulders are at an oblique angle—not directly facing. The point of juncture begins just below the armpits and extends down to the pelvic region. The body below the pelvic region is normal. Examination showed normal lungs and diaphragm in the torso facing the observer. Only one lung and diaphragm are apparent in the other torso. Further studies are to be made to determine whether there may be a fourth lung. The specialists said the right foot and leg transmit nerve impulses to the head on the right side, while those on the left transmit to the head on the left. Both heads and sets of arms function independently. There apparently is a difference in circulation, doctors said, since the right side has maintained normal coloring while the left is paler. The baby boy, born Dec. 12 to Mrs. Cecil Hartley at Washington, Ind., is on a routine infant feeding formula, with both mouths being fed. One is satisfied with a lesser quantity. The baby's development has been comparable to that of a normal newborn, except that oxygen is administered at intervals because of the paler color of the left side. There has been no indication when the baby might be taken to its parents home in Petersburg, Ind. It was delivered by Caesarian section.

Steps Are Taken To Make Denton Defense Center

DENTON (AP)—First steps in making Denton the Civil Defense headquarters for a five-state region have been forwarded to Washington. Dr. John Guinn, president of Texas State College for Women, said today he had agreed tentatively to make certain facilities for office space at the college available to the agency. French Robertson of Abilene said the agreement had been forwarded to Washington for final approval. Then it must be approved by the TSCW regents. Dr. J. C. Matthews, president of North Texas State College in Denton, said the college had agreed last summer to make some facilities available to the agency and that the college board had approved it. The agency has decided to move its regional headquarters from the congested Dallas area, listed as a likely atomic target. The headquarters move would involve 20 to 25 employees.

Forgiving Husband And Wife Who Shot Him Are Reunited

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP)—A forgiving husband and the wife who shot him will be together for Christmas—when she might have been starting a 10-year-prison sentence. Mrs. Alicia Vasquez, 23, pumped four bullets into her husband's head one night last July when he came home drunk. The husband, Antonio, 26, a hotel kitchen worker, hovered near death, then recovered and was at her side today when she came up for sentencing. She had pleaded guilty to first degree assault. "What do you want the court to do with her?" asked Bronx County Judge Samuel Joseph. Vasquez said the shooting was justified. "I love her," he said. "I am pleading with the court to be merciful." "If this is love, I'll take a little hatred," commented the judge, but he suspended sentence. The couple left arm in arm for their home to spend Christmas with their 8-year-old daughter, Natividad.

Moslem Officials In Morocco Seek Death For Assassins

CASABLANCA, Morocco, Dec. 22 (AP)—Morocco's high Moslem authorities demanded today that all assassins be given the death penalty. It was seen as a powerful move by the all-important religious leaders to end the wave of terrorism in this French North African protectorate. The call was contained in a Moslem decree, making it virtually religious law, signed by the high priests of Fez, Meknes and Marrakech. In support of the decree, the priests referred to texts in the Koran declaring "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth."

Israel Says Egypt Guilty Of Attack

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (AP)—Israel charged today that an Egyptian warship fired on an Israeli army plane off Gaza. The plane was not hit and did not return the fire, an army spokesman said. Israel lodged an immediate complaint with the Israeli-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission. Gaza is in Egyptian-held territory on Palestine's southern coast. The spokesman said that further north—in the so-called Triangle area adjacent to the Israeli-Jordan armistice border—armed bands over its face, up to his cap, and down over his shoulders. "He's soft and good," said Susie Burton, 4. "His boots feel shiny," whispered Ronnie Miller, also 4. Marilyn Pinder, 8, felt perspiration on Santa's forehead and she said he must be awfully uncomfortable in Florida in all those clothes. Santa promised each child to return Christmas Eve with gifts, then asked: "Will you leave hot coffee for me?" "I'll leave you some beer!" volunteered Leah Russell, 8.

Blind Youngsters 'See' Santa Claus

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP)—The blind children at the Miramar Elementary School for Handicapped "saw" Santa Claus yesterday. When the jolly old gentleman stamped through the door in his big boots, with bells tinkling, the children all rushed forward to "look" at him. Their fingers flew over his face, up to his cap, and down over his shoulders. "He's soft and good," said Susie Burton, 4. "His boots feel shiny," whispered Ronnie Miller, also 4. Marilyn Pinder, 8, felt perspiration on Santa's forehead and she said he must be awfully uncomfortable in Florida in all those clothes. Santa promised each child to return Christmas Eve with gifts, then asked: "Will you leave hot coffee for me?" "I'll leave you some beer!" volunteered Leah Russell, 8.

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House Of Famous Brands

Well-known and tested brands are featured at the Cook Appliance Co., 212 East Third Street in Big Spring. Manager J. B. Apple proudly displays a couple of famous Chambers kitchen ranges, while Frigidaire products, known everywhere, are arrayed in the background. The firm provides both sales and service of famous appliances in the Big Spring area.

Wagon Wheel Features Three Important Items

Good food, pleasing atmosphere, and courteous service are the three props which have made the Wagon Wheel "Big Spring's Finest Restaurant."

Because these three items have been stressed, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt, owners, have seen the establishment grow from a small place to the ultra modern restaurant of today.

They operate on the same theory that any other successful merchant does. That is to have something to attract the customer, to have something good to sell him, and to treat him nice during the transaction.

It is the atmosphere that attracts the customer to the Wagon Wheel Restaurant, and the attractive appearance of the building's exterior is also helpful.

Low lights, comfortable and plentiful seating, and soft organ music add to the attractiveness. The "something good" which is sold to the customer is the food. The individual desiring to eat out has an unlimited selection from the menu, and he can be assured a tasty dish.

The "nice treatment" comes from the waitresses at the table and the chefs in the kitchen. All employees are highly trained, fast and courteous.

A gift shop is also connected with the restaurant, which is located at 803 East 3rd. The Candlelight Room can be reserved for parties and club meetings.

Clay Greeting Customers At His New Location Here

A Big Spring business institution for the past 24 years, Clay's No-D-Lay's Cleaners is now greeting its friends and customers at its new location, Fifth and Johnson Streets.

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Among the new equipment Clay has had installed are a new coal-finishing unit, which enables the user to get to and press all areas of the garment; a new silk-finishing unit; a topper, for pressing trousers; plus a Prosperity Synthetic cleaning unit.

The building itself has been constructed so as to let in a maximum amount of light. In addition, vents to the building are located at its top so that the heat from the machines can exit from the building

War Shell Explodes

MANILA (AP)—Five persons were killed and one seriously injured at Tanza, Cavite province, Sunday when a World War II artillery shell exploded while they were trying to extract powder.

Markets To Close

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They are available in a variety of styles and types. Either wrought iron or cast iron units may be secured, and they can be installed by the homeowner. If it is desired, R&M workmen will look after the installation also.

The rails and columns may be painted in any color the homeowner desires. All are delivered with a primer paint coat. R&M Iron Works also provides Big Springers with convenient facilities for having any type of welding and similar shop work performed. Additional information on any of its services or products may be secured by telephoning number 4-2301.

Young Polio Victim To Have Another Visit From Santa

ORANGE (AP)—A young polio victim who celebrated Christmas five days early because his doctor feared he might not be alive Friday is going to have two visits from Santa Claus.

St. Nick came to Edward Thornal's house Saturday night after his doctor advised Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Thornal the boy must undergo brain surgery immediately.

The operation had been set for today. The doctor gave Edward, 9, "less than a 50-50 chance" of surviving.

The story brought an unexpected gift. After reading the story, Edward's doctor telephoned the family to say that he had decided to postpone the operation until after Christmas Day.

Ten Escape Injuries

ARLINGTON, Mass. (AP)—Ten persons, including three children, escaped injury early today when an explosion wrecked the first floor of a three-story frame dwelling.

Newspaper Held Up

WINNIPEG, Man. (AP)—Two bandits held up the cashier and a helper at the Winnipeg Free Press offices Monday and made off with two satchels containing about \$26,000—most of the newspaper's weekend receipts.

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