

DEATH TOLL 650 IN RAZED CITY

State Of Emergency Proclaimed By Jester

TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Gov. Beauford Jester issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency in explosion-shattered Texas City today, even as reassured residents who had fled the city began returning to their homes.

The governor, in his proclamation issued at Austin, outlined steps to be taken to keep the situation under control in the stricken city.

Meanwhile, firefighters massed to smother flames in oil tanks which still threatened to ignite other tanks of high octane gas.

J. H. Hill, deputy mayor appointed by Mayor J. C. Trahan to "keep down wild rumors", said water and light utilities were back in operation. He said there was no further fear of water contamination.

He would not estimate the damage done to Texas City by the five terrific explosions yesterday and today. He said it was too early to attempt it.

The death toll remained at an estimated 650, with 3,000 injured, according to Dr. Clarence Quinn, medical coordinator appointed by Mayor Trahan. Gov. Beauford Jester said the Red Cross had reported that 364 had been embalmed, 400 were positively known to be dead, and that another 200 to 250 were believed dead.

The wind, blowing from the north last night, had subsided and billowing smoke from burning oil at noon was rising in swirling columns straight above the fires.

The task of embalming the 223 bodies at the improvised morgue in the school gymnasium was completed early today. But more bodies are still being found and moved to the gymnasium, still decorated with wilted bunting from a recent school party. Lines of dazed citizens stand outside, waiting to enter a few at a time to identify relatives.

William E. Hammontree, chief boatswain mate of Maryville, Tenn. yesterday alone brought 107 of the 223 bodies to the morgue in a five-ton navy truck.

Few cases of looting were reported. Highway patrolmen picked up a negro last night. They found \$8,000 in cash on him, and took him into custody.

Little effort was being made today to clear up debris. However, Al Dopking, Associated Press staff writer, said they were "scooping up plate glass like snow" in the business area.

J. H. Hill, named the official spokesman for Mayor Trahan, said at 9:30 a. m. that "we are far from being out of danger. The thing we fear now is the spread of oil fires."

Eighty thousand pounds of Foamite was rushed here today from Baytown by the Humble Oil company, and 120 new firefighters were sent by Shell to join those on hand.

L. D. Romine, Red Cross official, said the major problem facing them today was the feeding of the homeless, and the rescue and relief of workers. Financial aid was being given to the poor in hospitals and elsewhere by the Red Cross.

Three new explosions rocked this Texas coast industrial city today. They followed the two yesterday morning at 9:12 a. m. that set off the chain of disaster and tragedy described as the worst in Texas in half a century.

After conferring with the Red Cross, Dr. Clarence Quinn, medical coordinator, said that 400 were known to be dead and that another 250 were believed to be in the debris along the waterfront. He said that 3,000 were injured.

Other estimates of the dead ranged from 223 to 1,200. At dawn a blanket of billowing black smoke covered the city, the result of new oil fires caused by the newest explosions of the Liberty ship High Flyer.

Deputy Constable Herbert Whitmore of Oelvelton county said all Texas City was in danger.

"If the wind turns back to the south, Texas City is liable to go," he said. "If those tanks start burning we can't stop them."

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Officials were watching closely the progress of rescue workers who for the first time since shortly after yesterday morning's explosions, penetrated the Monsanto Chemical company plant, located in the immediate vicinity of the initial explosion on the French vessel, the Grandcamp.

Only a comparatively small number of the 800 employees of the company reportedly have been located.

Collection station attendants expressed fear the chemical company death toll might push fatalities above the 1,000 mark.

An estimated 500 policemen, 250 troops and 250 special deputies were patrolling streets.

Danger of chlorine was reported to be slight, in that the only known gases at the Monsanto plant were styrene, propane and butane. Thousands of homeless residents were taken out of the city by army trucks, buses, special trains, and private cars to points as far away as Beaumont, Fort Arthur and Orange, near the Louisiana-state line.

Chief of Police W. L. Ladish said that only essential personnel would be permitted to remain here today (Thursday) and no one would be permitted to enter the area except on official and essential business.

"No man will go into town Thursday unless he has emergency business here," Ladish said.

Chemical company, which went up in a cataclysmic explosion seconds after a boat blew up in the channel. He feared that his brother had gone to work on a 9 a. m. shift—the blast occurred at 9:14 a. m.

S. W. Agee, 908 Gollad, waited for word of his father, M. L. Agee, also employed in the Monsanto Chemical plant. Casualty lists didn't include any of these names. Other former Big Springers, including Leonard Van Open, were said to be working in Texas City.

Mrs. Oran Helms, Camp Davis, frantically sought information concerning her husband, who had left here Monday for Texas City to seek work on the docks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Allard, Hyman, had the only definite and good news. Although their son, H. E. Allard was injured in the explosion, he was not seriously hurt.

Dr. P. D. O'Brien, First Baptist pastor, was in Texas City just recently for a two-weeks revival meeting and had occasion to inspect all the area reportedly devastated. He described it as one big industrial plant jammed against the next, an intense concentration of people.

The Rev. James Roy Clark, East Fourth Baptist pastor, was reared in the vicinity of Texas City and the accounts of the blast conjure vivid pictures for him. He has one nephew, Melton Clark, who was employed in the dock area, and possibly another, Woodrow Clark, as well as a half-brother J. E. Clark, who may have been there.

Gene McVallen, Hobbs, N. M., notified his wife, Mrs. Susie McVallen, teacher in the local schools, that he was on his way to Texas City where his brother was an employe of the Conago

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WRECKAGE IN TEXAS CITY—This scene of explosion wreckage in the stricken Gulf coast community shows the rubble and ruin scattered over a wide area by the force of the blast. Note twisted splinters of flattened buildings and the smashed autos. (For more pictures of blast wreckage please turn to page 6.)

'Killing Frost' In Area Causes Crop Damage

One of the latest "killing frosts" in several years stabbed this area early today. The US weather bureau reported that the temperature suddenly dipped toward freezing at midnight and was below 32 degrees at 3 a. m. It hit a low of 27 degrees at 5:30 a. m. and climbed back above freezing at 7:30 a. m. and was rising rapidly.

Steel Workers Threaten Strike

PITTSBURGH, April 17. (AP)—Stickers proclaiming "No contract, no work" are appearing on steel workers' automobiles these days and a few have even been plastered in the United States Steel workers' offices here—possible portent of a major steel strike after April 30.

That's the expiration date of the present contract extension between the CIO Union and the United States Steel Corp. The original pact ran out Feb. 15 but was extended by mutual agreement.

The steelworkers, who have given an official blessing to the sticker campaign, explained the seals were brought here earlier in the week by Chicago members of the Steelworkers' committee negotiating a new wage contract with "Big Steel."

The seals, borrowing a line often used by the nation's miners, read simply: "Deadline April 30—No Contract... No Work."

An official pronouncement on the negotiation with US Steel and the other steel makers will be forthcoming next Monday through the union's wage and policy committee which will ratify proposals made by the executive committee Saturday and Sunday.

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Moscow Meet Bugged Down

MOSCOW, April 17. (AP)—The Council of Foreign Ministers failed tonight to break a deadlock over re-transfer of displaced persons from Australia. The United States, Britain and France refused to accept a Soviet demand that these persons be expelled within six months from the date the Australian treaty takes effect.

US Secretary of State Marshall urged the handling of some 500,000 displaced persons in Austria in accordance with the resolution adopted by the United Nations general assembly last autumn over Soviet objection.

Andreï V. Vishinsky, deputy designated by Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov to argue the question, said the Russians had not agreed to that resolution, and added that the UN action was supposed to apply only to Germany.

Marshall charged that this, in effect, was the use of the veto of a UN General Assembly decision, but Vishinsky denied that it was tantamount to a veto.

The council earlier heard a demand that a large slice of Austria Carinthia be turned over to Yugoslavia in any peace settlement.

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Labor Bill In House Hits Snag

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—The House stiffened restrictions on industry-wide bargaining today and again refused to outlaw the union shop as it maneuvered its strike curb bill toward a vote on passage.

Added to the measure was a provision that competing employers may not get together on collective bargaining policy on such things as wages and hours.

The only exception is for those employing fewer than 100 people in plants less than 50 miles apart.

The bill already had similar limitations on unions.

Rep. Kersten (R-Wis.) proposed adding employers, to balance the bill. It was approved by a voice vote.

Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich.), defeated yesterday in an effort to ban the union shop, got the same rebuff today when he tried to amend a different section.

Hoffman said he offered his new amendment so the "record may be absolutely clear" on this "fundamental issue" and the people will know in the 1948 election campaign how their representatives stood.

He lost on a voice vote—which put nobody on record by name.

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Long Distance Phone Circuits Cut Last Night

DALLAS, April 17. (AP)—W. L. Prehn, general manager here for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., said today about 250 long distance telephone circuits were cut last night and early today at three places north, east and south of Fort Worth.

Some of the lines were being used at the time to carry emergency messages between Texas City and points to the north, east and west, he said.

All of the lines were spliced back into service today.

The first cut occurred just before 8 p. m. Wednesday. Prehn said two underground cables were sawed partly in two in a manhole east of the Fort Worth city limits.

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MORE BLASTS ADD TO MISERY IN COMMUNITY

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD

TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—The new ship explosions today that sharpened the sorrow and misery of this stricken city looked like a giant sky rocket, coming as they did 48 hours after twin blasts took hundreds of lives and injured thousands. It further stunned and dazed the weary citizens.

At dawn searchlights still probed crumpled steel and debris that covers uncounted scores of bodies. The blanket of black billowing

smoke over the city is heavier than ever, the result of several new oil refinery fires caused by the newest explosions of the vessel High Flyer.

Just after 1 a. m. I walked into a downtown store building where the casualty toll was being tabulated by six men. I closed the door behind me, walked to the center of the big room and a terrific explosion shook the building and brought plaster from the ceiling.

One man lay under a table, another hit the floor, a third rolled up against the front door, blocking it.

Two seconds later came a second thunderous blast. I yanked the door open, pushing the man out of the way and plunged into the street in a vacant lot. I watched red-hot steel streaming into the sky. A fiery black cloud climbed to 200 feet. Then steel fragments pinged on the sidewalk and pavement.

In the dock area the jagged pieces were falling like rain.

Fifteen seconds after the second explosion rescue work got underway. A loudspeaker across from the city hall came to life with a man at the microphone profanely urging action. A siren wailed and then there was a chorus of walls and patrol cars and ambulances gunned up the street heading for the water front.

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Around 500 youth delegates in the Sweetwater district of the Northwest Methodist conference are expected in Big Spring Monday for a stewardship rally at the First Methodist church.

### Health Program Given For Central Ward P-TA

J. Clifton Clanton and L. J. Wells of the local health unit were guest speakers at the Wednesday meeting of the Central Ward Parent-Teacher Association held at the school.

### Farrar Program Sunday Afternoon

The first in a series of three programs to be presented by the Farrar pre-school will be given Sunday afternoon, April 20, at the city auditorium at 4 p.m.

### Very Small Number Attends Silver Tea

If families with members in the Music Study club find themselves eating pretty party dainties for the next few days it may be because the local chapter prepared for 200 guests at their silver tea Wednesday afternoon in the Bernard Lamun home and only a dozen women were present.

Proceeds from the affair were to be used for expenses of National Music Week which will be observed in May.

The receiving line was composed of officers of the club, and the afternoon program included selections by Elsie Willis, Mrs. Joe Haddon and Roberta Gay. Mrs. W. E. Hardesty played violin numbers accompanied by Mrs. Omar Pitman.

Assisting Mrs. Lamun with the entertainment were Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. Champ Rainwater and Mrs. H. M. Jarratt.

### Royal Neighbors To Hold District Meeting In Odessa

Members of the local chapter of the Royal Neighbors are expected to attend a district convention in Odessa Friday.

### Forum Meets Tonight

The Junior Woman's Forum will meet with Mrs. J. C. Douglas at 401 Pennsylvania tonight at 8 p.m.

### Weather Forecast

DEPT. OF COMMERCE WEATHER BUREAU. BIG SPRING AND VICINITY—Clear to partly cloudy and warmer this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Expected high today 73, low tonight 42, high Friday 75.

### Markets

LIVESTOCK. FORT WORTH, April 17 (AP)—Cattle 1,000 calves 400, dull and weak on all grades and ages; medium to good slaughter steers and heifers 10.00-12.00; best cows 12.00-18.00; bulls 10.00-15.00; good and choice fat calves 16.00-22.00; common to medium 13.00-17.00; stocker and feeder calves 12.00-15.00; heifers 14.00-18.00; stocker cows 11.00-13.00.

### William Gilliland Passes Bar Exam

Among the 47 students and graduates of the University of Texas law school who passed recent Texas bar examinations is William Elton Gilliland, Big Spring.

### Knott School Class To Visit Lubbock

The vocational guidance and home economics classes of Knott high school will go to Lubbock Saturday for the annual engineer show at Texas Tech college.

Boil potatoes in the jackets. When tender, peel while hot. Melt two tablespoons of bacon drippings in frying pan. When hot put in the potatoes and brown well. Drain, sprinkle with salt and one-half teaspoon of caraway seeds.



SOAP-AND-WATER TRAVEL TEAM... Washable clothes are important in the 1947 travel picture, as witness this new print, featuring railroad tracks and semaphores, used for blouse, hat and lining of the black wash suit at left and the sleek one-piece dress at right, with criss-cross black lacing.

### County-Wide Club Meeting Tonight

A county-wide 4-H club meeting will be held tonight at the Center Point school, according to announcement Thursday morning by Margaret Christie, Howard county home demonstration agent.

### Mrs. Wiley Conducts Afternoon Bible Study

The First Christian Council of Church Women met Monday afternoon for Bible study conducted by Mrs. Cliff Wiley.

### BSHS Election Today

Election of student president for the Big Spring high school was to take place today, Walter Reed, principal, announced this morning.

### Circle 4 Continues Stewardship Study

Circle Four of the First Methodist WSCS met with Mrs. L. W. Croft early this week for a program which opened with prayer by Mrs. H. N. Robinson.

The last chapter from the book 'Christian Motives and Methods in Stewardship' was given by Mrs. W. F. Cook, and during a business meeting the group voted to serve dinner for the Order of the Eastern Star.

### Bill Dawes Speaker At B&PW Meeting

Business and Professional Women were entertained in the home of Mrs. Stanley Womack Tuesday evening, and guest speaker, was Bill Dawes who outlined the organization and purpose of the chamber of commerce.

Elizabeth Stinford was co-hostess for the evening and 23 persons attended.

### WOMEN 38-52 YEARS OLD-DO YOU SUFFER THESE FUNNY FEELINGS?

due to this functional 'middle-age' cause? E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. This great medicine is famous for this! Taken regularly - Pinkham's Compound helps build up resistance against such 'middle-age' distress. Thousands have reported benefit! It's also a grand stomachic tonic! Worth trying.



### MEAD'S fine BREAD

SKILL As in sports, expert skill is the Keynote to Success in Fine Baking. Skilled scientific mixture of the best ingredients is what you get when you buy...

### Mrs. G. E. Peacock Entertains 1946 Club In Her Home

Mrs. G. E. Peacock was hostess to the 1946 Hyperion club in her home Wednesday afternoon to discuss plans for a joint meeting with other Hyperion clubs.

Tentative plans are to meet with the 1905 and 1930 clubs May 3 at St. Mary's Episcopal parish house. Members were invited to a tea which will be given by the AAUW club April 23 at the parish house, and the group was told of the Golden Jubilee celebration in Houston May 4.

Program for the afternoon was presented by Mrs. Kelley Lawrence who reviewed 'Singapore,' by Emily Hans.

### Mrs. Winters Hosts To Vincent Society

VINCENT, April 17. (Sp)—The Woman's Missionary Society of the Vincent Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. W. R. Winters earlier this week for Bible study and a program.

Mrs. J. C. Shepherd led the group in prayer for the current revival meeting being conducted at the church by the Rev. Walter Deewers of Sylvester.

Mrs. Willis Winters, Bible chairman, presented the program from the study book 'A Year's Missionary Tour of the Bible.' Taking part were Mrs. W. R. Winters, Mrs. C. O. Watts and Mrs. L. K. Osborn.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Leslie Barr, Mrs. Binie White, Mrs. M. A. Cate, Mrs. J. C. Shepherd, Mrs. C. O. Watts, Mrs. Winters, Mrs. L. K. Osborn, Mrs. Jim Hodnett and Mrs. W. R. Winters.

1905 CLUB TO MEET The 1905 Hyperion club will meet with Mrs. Charles Watson at 1007 Wood at 3 p.m.

### Class Coffee Friday Morn.

The public is invited to attend a silver coffee which will be held in the home of Mrs. J. D. Jones at 311 Princeton Friday morning.

### NATHAN'S SPECIAL OFFER

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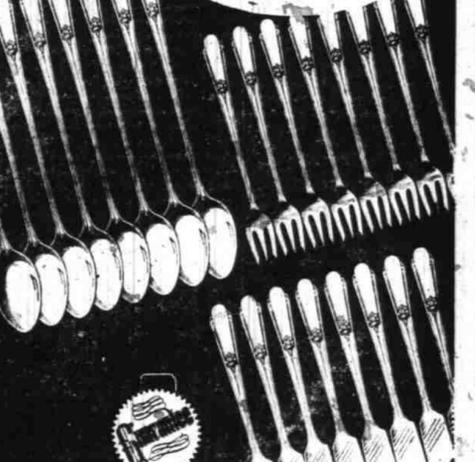
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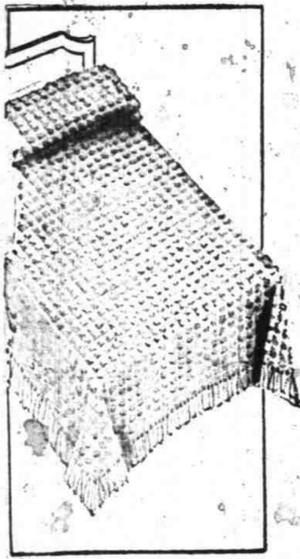
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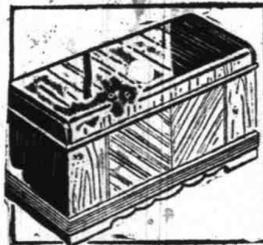
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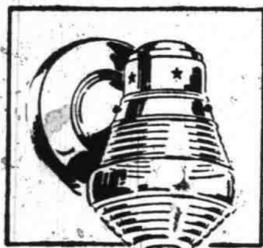
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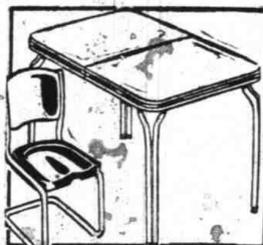
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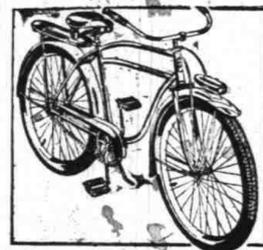
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### DANIEL MEETS FRIENDLY LION

COLUSA, Calif., April 17. (AP)—Daniel met a lion yesterday and couldn't understand why circus folk laughed as the lion pawed him.

District Attorney Daniel E. Weyland tripped over a circus stake to which the lion was chained and the lion began pawing his chest.

When the laughing circus workers pulled the lion off, they explained the animal had no teeth, no claws—he was just being friendly.

## Flaming Town Looks Like Bombed Ploesti

By HAL BOYLE  
OVER TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Flaming Texas City today looks from the air like a peaceful town parallel to war-to-war-bombed Ploesti, Rumanian oil capital.

It is now 7:15 a.m. Central Standard Time, we are making our third flight over the burning town.

The fire-ravaged industrial section and the peaceful residential areas offer the contrast between life and death.

One is a two-mile-wide torch. The other is the living pattern of a deserted village. Its fate still dependent on whether the present favorable wind holds.

Angry smoke towering to 2,000 feet spreads from the city like a gigantic black-wing—deep and dense where it joins the ground, feather-thin where the wind has dispersed it.

Capt. J. P. Talton of Atlanta, Ga., turns the two-engine Eastern Air Lines Silver Liner on one wing and skirts the edge of the burning industrial zone.

At least a score of raw-oil storage tanks, each holding hundreds of thousands of gallons, are blazing furiously, engulfed in orange and black waves of hurricane-fire. They are studded through scores of other storage tanks, still intact but which may flame up momentarily.

Many of the tanks have been so badly battered by the blast that they look like tin cans crushed by children in a game of street hockey.

Our plane circles low toward the devastated area, keeping just far enough away so that if a tank blows up its blast won't sweep our craft down.

The waterfront area is in charred ruins. Only remnants remain of the Monsanto Chemical Plant that went up after the nitrate-loaded French vessel Grandcamp exploded yesterday morning.

White pillars sticking up from the ghastly wreckage bear a startling resemblance to rows after rows of military graves. And many do mark the death agony of scores of men whose bodies can never be recovered.

The fires are threatening high-octane storage tanks that can turn the whole area instantly into one colossal Roman candle. On the ground small groups of men, recovering the dead are also preparing to set off demolition blasts if necessary to try to save the rest of the city of 15,000.

So far the wind luckily is blowing the heat, smoke, fumes and flames south from the stricken industrial area and away from the residential section. A change in the wind might cost thousands of families their homes, as the flames already have taken their livelihood.

Only a few cars move slowly along the silent, sunlit streets. Soldiers patrol against looters, waving up occasionally at planes overhead. The empty homes—their owners evacuated—stand in lonely red-roofed beauty like white-walled toys.

These fires may burn for days or weeks. The stunned city is as yet helpless against them. It can only wait and hope.

In four years of war coverage I have seen no concentrated devastation so utter except Nagasaki in Japan, victim of the second atom bomb.

## State, Nation Mobilize To Aid Stricken Town

By The Associated Press  
Aid within the power and resources of the United States Army, the US Navy, the American Red Cross, the State of Texas, the Salvation Army, and thousands of persons who wanted to help were offered Texas City.

Airplanes bearing doctors, nurses, relief workers, blood plasma, morphine and even embalming fluid "jammed" the air over the small airport of the town Wednesday within a few hours after the first explosion sounded the alarm of disaster.

From Washington Chief of Staff Dwight D. Eisenhower offered Gov. Beauford Jester of Texas any aid within the power of the US Army. At San Antonio, Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, commanding general of the Fourth Army, sent 31 planes and a convoy of 40 trucks, ambulances and mobile mess kitchens to the area.

Gen. Barksdale Field, La., Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon, commanding general of the Training Command, instructed all Army Air Forces Training Command installations in the Southwest to provide all possible assistance.

The Eighth Naval District Headquarters at New Orleans rushed aid by plane from New Orleans, Orange, Dallas, and Corpus Christi Naval Installations. The 500-bed naval hospital at Fort Crockett near Galveston and a 700-bed naval hospital near Houston were ordered made available.

In Washington the American Red Cross ordered \$250,000 set aside for disaster relief and assigned 30 workers to the area. Chairman Basil O'Connor advised Jester that more money will be available if needed.

The Coast Guard ordered cutters in the vicinity to aid waterfront work.

Commercial airlines announced they were sending special planes bearing blood plasma, penicillin and workers at their own expense.

The State of Texas sent hundreds of helpers and stood ready for any call for help.

In Washington the Federal Communications Commission authorized emergency amateur radio network to help handle communications. Telephone workers on strike returned to work in the town.

By nightfall Wednesday relief efforts were beginning to fall into a pattern.

## Jet Pilot Goes To Derbytown

NEW YORK, April 17. (AP)—Jet pilot left town on the Louisville train today, and in his traveling bag he no doubt carried his personal horseshoe or four-leaf clover, or whatever it is a gee-gee uses for a lucky piece.

He's the first of the east's glamour-boy gallopers to head for derbytown. And off his front-running, two-lengths win in the Jamaica Handicap yesterday he looks about as good as there is around here, pending later word from fellows like Cosmic Bomb, the winter book favorite, or Phalanx, the stretch-runner, or Blue Border and Stepfather, the recent fancy Flop-Olas, in the Wood Memorial Saturday.

Better value could come under that latter heading, too. But trainer Maxie Hirsch has indicated that all is not well with "The Value."

The word is he probably will take a long vacation and may be among those conspicuously absent from the Derby, as well as the Wood.

Making his first start since mid-January, when trainer Tom Smith took him away from the races to aim him strictly for Col. Matt Winn's fancy scramble, the Pilot toted 121 pounds through the slop handsomely yesterday in the six furlong race. He convinced trainer Tom there was no use waiting any longer—just wrap him up and head him for Derby-town, right now.

The \$41,000 yearling bargain boosted his bankroll over the \$100,000 mark with yesterday's \$12,500 pay check.

## Texas Crude Oil Demand Increases

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—An increased demand for Texas crude oil during May is forecast by the US Bureau of Mines, which places the figure, at 2,120,000 barrels daily, Ernest O. Thompson, chairman of the Railroad Commission has reported.

The Bureau's forecast allows for other light oils in total supply, and represents an increase of 60,000 barrels over the forecast for April.

Thompson called attention to a present daily actual production of 2,150,550 barrels above the bureau's estimate.

The monthly statewide oil production hearing by the Railroad Commission will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the Plaza Hotel, San Antonio.

## Three Communities Ousted In Chile

SANTIAGO, Chile, April 17. (AP)—Three Communists, the first to become cabinet ministers in the new world, were out of the Chilean government today in a shift brought about by resignation of three liberal colleagues, upshot of a struggle between Communists and anti-Communists.

## Texas City Center Of Many Industries

TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Concentrated in this thriving port town, scene of a tragic series of explosions, is perhaps the greatest cluster of industries of any similar area in Texas.

Located in the city and immediately adjacent to it are six major industrial plants that, together with the dock, warehousing and railroad facilities of the Texas City Terminal-Railroad company, represent an investment estimated at possibly \$125,000,000.

The city itself has grown rapidly from small seaport town of 5,000 or 10,000 persons fifteen years ago to a bustling manufacturing and shipping city of at least 15,000 today. Its growth was especially rapid during the war when three large industries were established there to serve military demands. And its growth and expansion has been even more rapid since with the expansion of these and the other industries located there.

Monsanto Chemical which now has in progress a million dollar expansion program—including addition of facilities to produce polystyrene—is the most vulnerable to a waterfront explosion of any of the major industries in the city, being located only a stone's throw from the very heart of the waterfront. In fact, the huge chemical plant is just a step or two from the offices of the Texas City Terminal Railroad company, in the center of the wharve area.

Directly between the Monsanto plant and the terminal company offices is the gigantic crane that is a part of the loading facilities for the recently resumed coastal steamer service between Texas City and New York City. This service, abandoned during the war, has been put back into operation carrying entire railroad trains numbering up to 40 railroad cars between the two ports.

The remainder of the large plants with exception of the Republic Oil company and the American Liberty refinery are less vulnerable to a waterfront explosion, laying north of the city and across it from the waterfront.

The great Pan-American company refinery is a mile and a half to two miles back from shipside adjacent to the Pan American plant, and still farther north from the waterfront is the gigantic plant of Carbide and Carbon Chemical Co. The latter plant has been a bedevile of activity in a \$16,000,000 expansion program. Around 700 to 10,000 persons are believed at the present time to be engaged in the actual construction work. The Carbide and Carbon Co. utilizes waste gases from the Pan American refinery in the manufacture of basic chemicals.

Some three miles northwest of Texas City is the only tin smelter on the American continent, that of the Tin Processing Corporation. The Monsanto Chemical Co. plant was built early in the war to make styrene, an important ingredient in synthetic rubber manufacture. It has a capacity of 62,000 tons daily of this basic chemical. It has been operating at full capacity since the war and is currently in an expansion program to add polystyrene, a chemical basic in the production of plastics. Its headquarters offices are in St. Louis and H. K. Eckert is the Texas City plant manager.

The plant processes styrene from propane, which is a product of recycled gas, and benzene. The projected polystyrene plant was to have had a capacity of 3,000,000 pounds a month.

The site of the Monsanto plant

is actually that of the old sugar refinery that was in operation for many years there before the war and which the pioneer industry around which Texas City's first major industrial activity was built.

Texas City is actually the southernmost mainland industrial activity that links up Houston and Galveston bay, extending south from Houston almost without interruption down the ship channel on both sides.

Texas City is one of the important ports of call for the intra-coastal canal.

## Burn Specialists Offer Services In Blast Area

BOSTON, April 17. (AP)—The services of experts who had marked success with new methods in saving the lives of many persons horribly burned in Boston's 1942 Coconut Grove night club disaster were offered today to stricken Texas City, Texas.

Doctors of the Boston City and Massachusetts General Hospitals, headed by Dr. Charles C. Lund, stood ready to fly to that area if needed.

"We shall send anything or anyone they need," said Dr. James W. Manary, superintendent of City Hospital.

Physicians of the two institutions teamed as lifesavers after the Coconut Grove holocaust which claimed nearly 500 lives.

## Corn Exports For March Set Record

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—More American corn went overseas during March than in any previous month on record, the Solid Fuels Administration said today. The agency calculated March shipments at 2,767,130 tons, the largest monthly total since the government coal export program started Aug. 1, 1945.

CORN BORER CUTS CROP  
WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—The agriculture department estimated today that the European corn borer caused \$37,700,000 damage to the 1946 corn crop.

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## 'Dillinger' Actor Gets Jail Sentence

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., April 17. (AP)—Lawrence Tierney, who acted the role of "Dillinger" in the film of that name, has been ordered to spend the next four week-ends in the county jail.

Justice of the Peace Cecil D. Holland imposed the penalty yesterday when the actor appeared on a probation violation charge, out-

growth of Tierney's recent arrest for drunkenness, his fourth in recent months.

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## Vision and Action

Vision and action—these are two important elements in community building.

"There are none so blind as those who will not see." Certainly, complacency and easy satisfaction are symptoms of static conditions and of impending decline. In any realm, and particularly in development of a community, it is necessary first to study and to see needs and opportunities. This requires vision, tempered with faith and confidence.

Yet, it is one thing to see lush crops waving in the field, and quite another to get about the harvest. So action becomes the companion of vision. Ideas must be implemented and effected.

Here is the job of the Chamber of Commerce—to see and to encourage action. It makes no difference who acts, for a job well done is done, regardless of the agency or institution which did it. The Chamber's task is to work with all organizations and groups in accomplishing worthwhile projects—to look out after the needs of the entire community, and not a specialized phase. It is its job to promote development in every constructive realm of activity—economical, civic, recreational, cultural, educational, moral.

Thus, during Chamber of Commerce week, it is to be hoped that more and more people will be conscious of the responsibility they have toward joining together in a common, unselfish effort to build a better Big Spring.

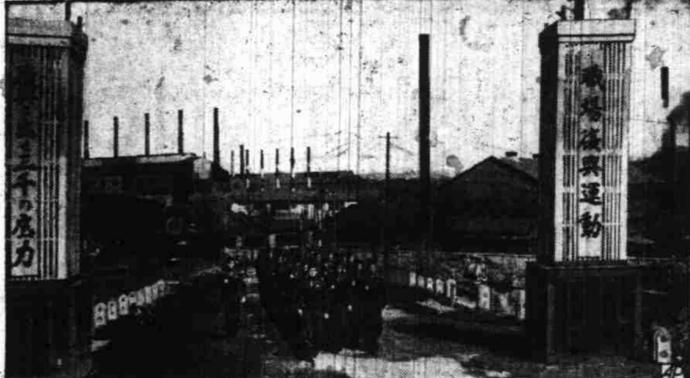
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### County's Cash Balance Spurts Up During March

Howard county's cash balance took a healthy spurt during March and finished with \$172,296 in all funds, including \$101,014 in the 1945 road bond series.  
The gain, naturally, was practically all in the road and bridge fund by virtue of automobile licenses in the approximate amount of \$30,000. Thus, this fund was back in reasonably sound shape, but the general fund, which has no such transfusions between tax-paying periods, dropped off by \$4,000 to \$16,060 at the end of the month.  
Declines were noted in the jury officers salary, permanent improvement funds, with negligible gains in the special funds and the viaduct warrant funds. Payments of \$8,518 for right-of-way, etc., shaved that much off the 1945 road bond balance.  
That the general fund may be in dire straits before taxpaying time in October was indicated by the pattern in March. Based on disbursements and receipts, the fund might be several thousand dollars in the red before sizeable new funds are available.  
Expenditures and ending balances by funds for March were: jury \$139 and \$1,583; road and bridge \$8,766 and \$43,759; general \$4,481 and \$16,060; officers salary \$4,260 and \$3,956; permanent improvement \$76 and \$1,267; road refunding bond none and \$5.92; special road bond fund none and \$2,494; road and bridge special fund none and \$1,411; viaduct warrant none and \$713; 1945 road bond \$6,518 and \$101,014; total \$26,244 and \$172,296.



**STEEL MILL CAMP**—A company of the 152nd battalion, 11th airborne division, U. S. Army, marches out the main gate of the Japanese steel mill at Muroran. The battalion headquarters is Camp John Krains, on part of the mill grounds.

### Backache, Leg Pains May Be Danger Sign Of Tired Kidneys

Backache and leg pains are making you miserable, don't just complain and do nothing about them. Nature may be warning you that your kidneys need attention.  
The kidneys are Nature's chief way of taking excess acids and poisonous waste out of the blood. They help most people pass about 8 pints a day.  
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### Confidential Reports Tell Of Red Super-Administration In Balkans

**ATHENS, April 17. (AP)—** Confidential allied reports assert that a super-administration of the Balkans decides territorial questions, supervises military operations across the Greek border and directs political thought in Romania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Albania.  
They declare this organization is composed of Moscow-trained men and women, receives orders from Moscow and uses the communist-dominated regimes of the four Balkan states to Prague. In October, 1945, February, 1946, and April, 1946.  
Georgi Dimitrov, 65-year-old communist hero of the 1933 Reichstag fire trial, and now premier of Bulgaria, is said to be head of this super-state directorate, which is reported also to include Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia, Anna Pauker of Romania and Nicholas Zachariades, secretary general of the Greek communist party.  
The Allied reports give this account: Dimitrov, secretary general of the third international until Generalissimo Stalin dissolved it during the war, and Anna Pauker, 51-year-old communist party whip in the Romanian national assembly, attended all three Prague meetings.  
Marshal Tito attended the second meeting and sent trusted lieutenants to the other two. (Tito visited both Prague and Warsaw in March, 1946, and concluded friendship and defense treaties with Czechoslovakia and Poland, declaring that these had "nothing to do with blocs and conspiracies as always was the case before the war." There is no record of his having been in Prague in February, 1946, given by the Allied reports as date of the second meeting.)  
Zachariades attended the first and second meetings and the Greek communists were represented at the third by "General Markos," Vlachos, "commander" in chief of the insurgent left-wing Greek guerrilla forces.  
The Prague meetings, on orders

### Town Meeting To Discuss Co-Ops

The status of cooperatives in competition with small business will be examined when America's Town Meeting discusses "Are Cooperatives a Threat to Private Business," tonight, April 17, at 7:30 p.m., CST, over KBST.  
Rep. William S. Hill, (D., Colo.), member of the House Agriculture and Small Business Committee investigating cooperatives, and Rivers Peterson, director of the Retail Hardware Association of America, will uphold the affirmative position in the debate against Jerry Voorhis, executive secretary of the Cooperative League of the United States, and M. W. Thatcher, president of the National Federation of Grain Cooperatives and general manager of the Farmers' Union.

### Bond Requirements Will Be Waived

**MALDEN, April 17. (AP)—** Immigration Commissioner Ugo Carusi has instructed immigration service field officers to waive bond requirements for employers under the US-Mexico labor program, Rep. Milton West (D-Tex.) has announced.

### Two Huge Wax Tanks Explode

**MARCUS HOOK, Pa., April 17. (AP)—** A spectacular blaze swept through two huge wax tanks and a warehouse at the vast refinery of the Sun Oil Co. last night.  
The flames, visible for miles, mushroomed through the wax after starting with a muffled explosion at 9:40 p.m. The blast startled residents of Marcus Hook and surrounding communities and brought fire-fighting apparatus from surrounding areas for a three-hour battle with the flames.  
Puffs of hot flames reddened the skies over the refinery in the blaze which was visible for miles.  
No one was reported injured and company officials said the cause of the blast and fire could not be determined immediately.  
Most of the firemen concentrated their efforts on preventing further spread of the fire during its early hours. The fire fighters wet down two large tanks of lubricating oil directly in the path of the flames and also set up walls of water in front of the blaze.  
Traffic on Route 13, main north-south highway, and adjacent roads, was blocked off as fire apparatus and ambulances sped to the scene.

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### Sam Rayburn Also Criticizes Wallace

**BONHAM, April 17. (AP)—** House Minority Leader Sam Rayburn has added his voice to the list of leading Democrats criticizing the recent speeches of Henry A. Wallace.  
"Henry A. Wallace is doing his country a grave injustice with his speeches criticizing the administration's foreign policy and President Truman's aid to Greece and Turkey in his speeches in Britain," Rayburn told a reporter yesterday before departing for Washington.  
Rayburn had been visiting his farm here for a week, vaccinating cows and seeding pastures.

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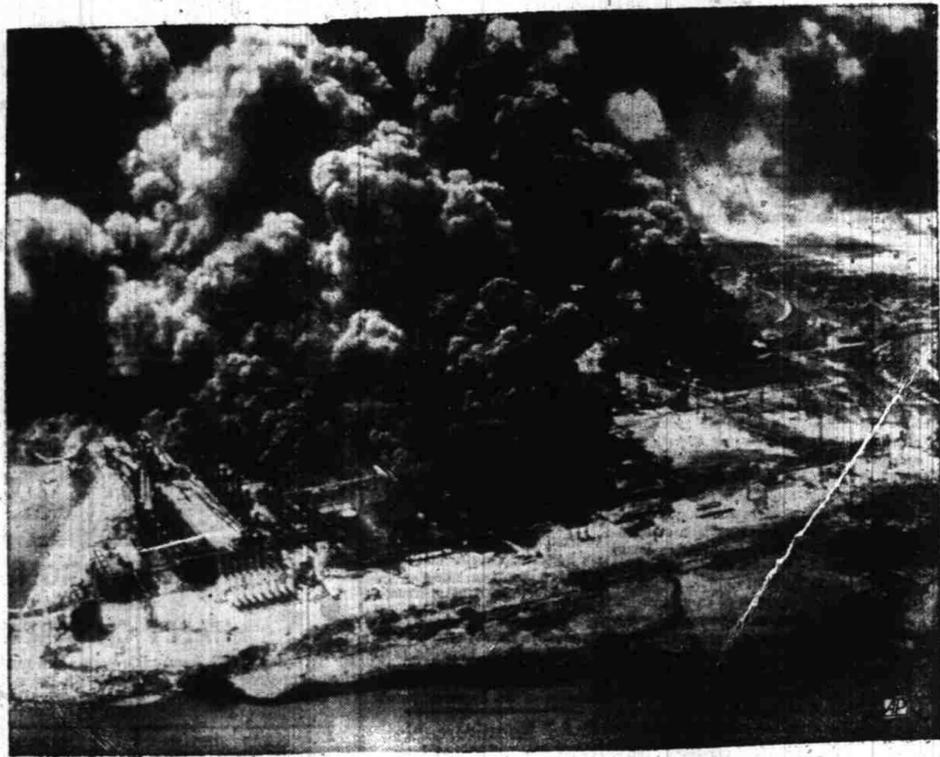
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# SCENES OF DEVASTATION IN TEXAS CITY



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PICTURE ONE—This aerial view of the flaming gulf coast city was snapped shortly after the first series of explosions. Heavy oil smoke was visible for 30 miles around the area.

PICTURE TWO—A nurse in the midst of the rubble goes about her duties assisting the thousands of injured.

PICTURE THREE—Refugees are shown fleeing Texas City. These men abandoned their cars to walk when roads in the town were so jammed with traffic that it could hardly move. Sheets of flame obscure the town.

PICTURE FOUR—This map locates the stricken community which was racked by a chain of blasts touched off in a nitrate-laden ship.

PICTURE FIVE—Half of the family shown in this photo were killed. The others, shown here, were injured.

PICTURE SIX—Rescuers wearing gas masks remove a body from the wreckage along the waterfront.

PICTURE SEVEN—This fire engine was blown partly onto the deck of this 200-foot vessel by the terrific force of the explosion.

PICTURE EIGHT—Fire fighters lay hoses to try and stem the fires raging in the wake of the blast.



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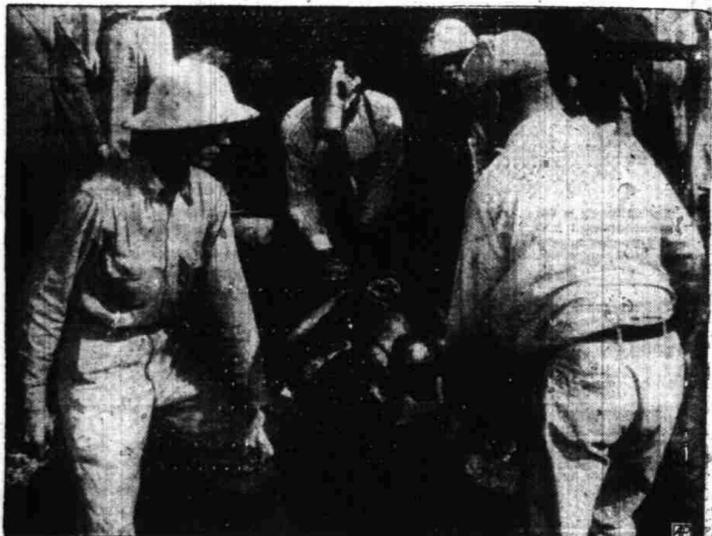
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## Designer Maintains Americans Can Have Pretty Little Home For Around \$2,500

NEW YORK—What this country needs, says industrial designer Walter Dorwin Teague, author of "Land of Plenty," is a "pretty little house that will sell for about \$2,500."

Furthermore, he says it can be done—and without a terrific amount of labor. This should be a house, he says, "that a man can alter or enlarge by buying spare parts a sturdy but lightweight house that can be disassembled at any time."

So if Mr. Smith's work suddenly shifts him from Maine to California, he'll have no housing problem. All he will do, says Teague, is take his house with him. And when he gets bored with it, he can trade it in for a new model.

No, you may not find houses labeled as you do cars—"Miss Streamliner 1947" or "The Dashing 1948"—and tenants won't compete just on a "new model" basis, but Teague believes that if a man cares to change his home in ten or a dozen years, he should be able to do it. He adds:

"Our vast, shifting, wage-earning population needs a handsome, completely equipped, up-to-date machine for living that costs between \$1,000 and \$2,500; a house he can buy on the installment plan and pay for it in two or three years without a lot of red tape; and change for a new one when it gets obsolete."

Our natural conservatism in clinging to old methods is one reason why we have not encouraged factory built homes in preference to a two-bedroom \$10,000 house, says Teague. Right now

with an estimated 15,000,000 houses needed, the prefabricated house is the only answer, he believes.

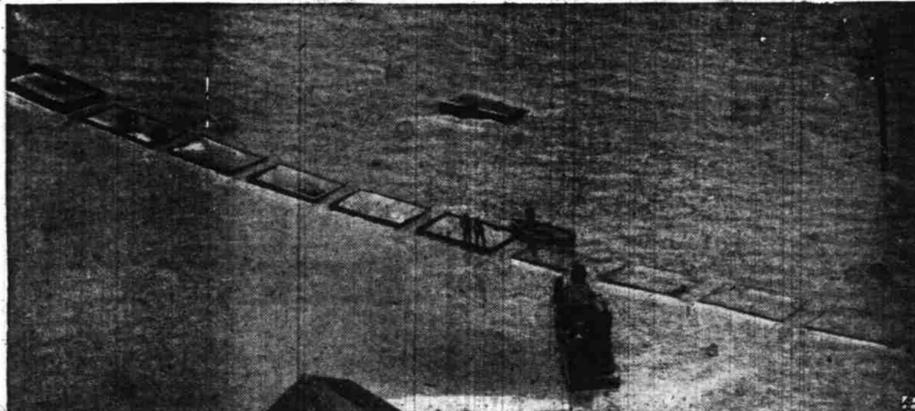
It should work by dividing a house into a small number of essential panels, and setting up an assembly line to produce each type of panel. . . . The walls, though not more than 4 inches thick, can have a coefficient of heat transmission, as low as that of a 16-inch masonry wall. By this method, the weight of a four-room house, 24 by 32 feet, can be cut from the 46 tons it weighs today to ten or twelve tons, at the same time that its strength is more than doubled, he says.

However, you can't have just a little mass-production. To make this cheap, workable house, there must be a mass market. To date no one has been willing to set up the machinery necessary to produce the parts for thousands of houses a month without being reasonably sure that he could sell that number of houses.

It is only with experiment that "bugs can be ironed out of the project," says Teague. People may not wish to be put in the sheep class by living in a mass production house. But it should only take a short time for the sheep to distinguish themselves with new methods.

Volume production and experience will bring about a rapid improvement of the product. And more and more prefabricated parts will enter into conventional building, he says.

Railroads use about 25 per cent of the bituminous coal produced in the United States.



**RAILWAY YARD INUNDATED**—A rowboat and an Army "duck" are used to unload railroad cars at flooded yards in Barby, near Selby, Yorkshire, England. Two great breaches in a nearby dike let the flood waters into the yards.

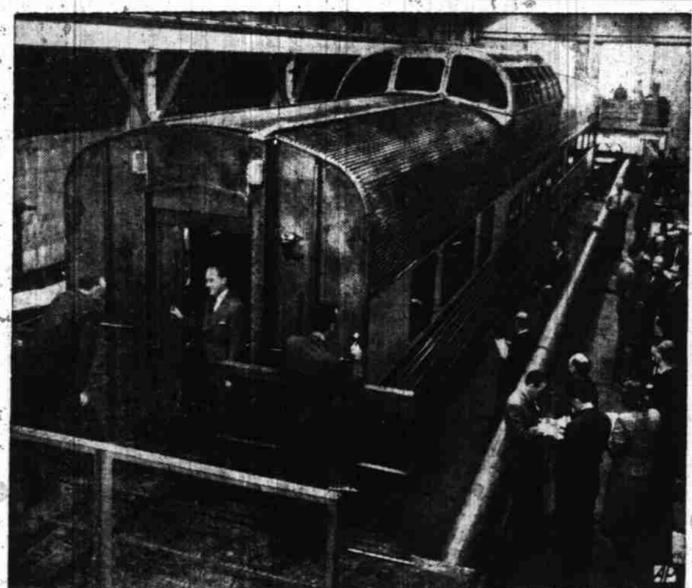
## BELL HOPS FINED AT MIDLAND ON LIQUOR CHARGES

Hotel bell hops had a bad time of it in Midland earlier this week.

Agents for the Texas Liquor Control-board moved in on the city and arrested seven of the boys who had sold whiskey to other operatives. Each of the hops was charged with selling liquor in a dry area and paid fines ranging from \$100 to \$150 and costs.

They are Charlie Williams, Virgil "Old Blue" Till, E. E. Gulman, Walker Cadd, Lionel Walker, Willie Micky and Wah-tie Young.

Local investigators were busy in Gaines county, too. George Perry, arrested near Seminole Tuesday, entered a plea of guilty in Gaines county court yesterday to the charge of selling liquor in a dry area and was fined \$100 and court expenses.



**'RUBBERNECK' CAR**—Visitors inspect the new "vis-a-dome" railroad car, being built in the Budd plant in Philadelphia, with a raised observation dome seating 24 passengers.

## Clean-Up Drive Is Continuing

Big Spring's city-wide clean-up campaign has experienced rapid growth during the past few days, city officials reported this morning, as trucks continued with pick-up work originally scheduled to end Wednesday.

A tabulation on results this morning showed that 168 loads of trash had been picked up by the trucks, which are manned by city personnel. Many residents were tardy in getting trash and rubbish on the street and alley lines. However, the city will continue the pick-up work for a few more days as a special accommodation.



**CARRIER THROUGH CANAL**—The USS Philippine Sea, part of the Navy's Antarctic expedition, with six cargo transport planes on her deck, passes through Panama Canal.

## 'Prior Approval' For Federal Farm Funds Needed

In order for farm operators to receive federal assistance during 1947 for carrying out soil conserving practice of contour farming row crops, it is necessary for them to have the necessary funds set aside by securing a "prior approval" from the county AAA office before planting is begun. M. Weaver of that function said today.

Local records indicate that many farmers who ordinarily farm on the contour have not, as yet, asked prior approval. Since April 30 is the deadline for setting aside funds for this practice, Weaver said he recommends that all land-owners attend to the matter as soon as possible by calling or writing the county AAA office.

## Special Cotton Meeting Planned

A special meeting for cotton farmers and other persons interested in the cotton industry has been arranged for Friday night in the district court room by the Howard County Farm bureau.

The session is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Sam Haynes of Lubbock, a field representative for the National Cotton Council is expected here to conduct demonstrations on new and improved cotton products. The farm bureau has extended an invitation to the general public to sit in on the proceedings.

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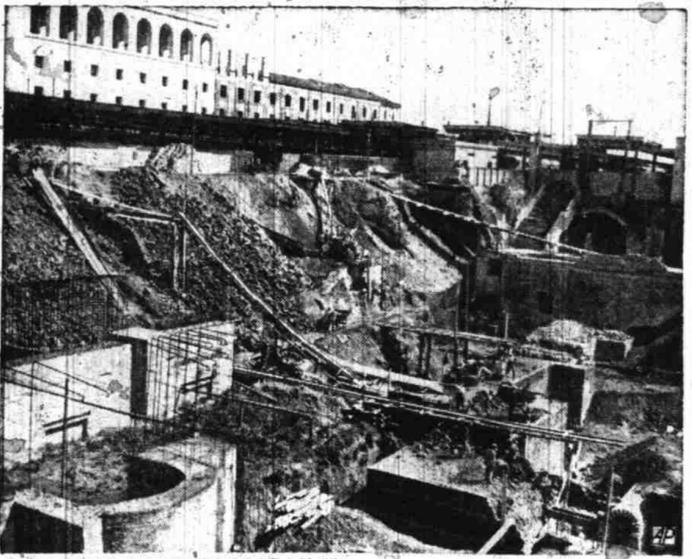
side the amounts of increase. Berry said the union realized its responsibility to the public, and that he hoped the company would realize a similar responsibility and make some counter proposal whereby the union and public would know where they stand. If such a proposal should be made, he said, the strike could be brought to a rapid conclusion.

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**BUILDING 'METROPOLITANA'**—Interrupted by the war, work proceeds on Rome's subway, called the "metropolitana." Hand labor substitutes for modern mechanical equipment.

## Firemen Douse Blaze In Store

Big Spring firemen extinguished a burning trash and garbage receptacle behind the Safeway grocery store in the 200 block of Rannels street at 12:10 p.m. today. Little damage resulted from the blaze.

## Oilers Lose, 10-5

HAMLIN, April 17. — Odessa's Oilers of the Longhorn league dropped a 10-5 decision to the Pampa Oilers of the WT-NM league here Wednesday afternoon. The Refiners are in training here while their park is being completed.

## Make This Home Recipe To Take Off Ugly Fat

It's simple. It's amazing, how quickly one may lose pounds of bulky, unsightly fat right in your own home. Make this recipe yourself. It's easy—no trouble at all and costs little. It contains nothing harmful. Just go to your druggist and ask for four ounces of liquid Barcozate (formerly called Barcol Concentrate). Pour this into a pint bottle and add enough grapefruit juice to fill the bottle. Then take two tablespoonsful twice a day. That's all there is to it. If the very first bottle doesn't show the simple, easy way to lose bulky fat and help regain slender, more graceful curves; if reducible pounds and inches of excess fat don't just seem to disappear almost like magic from neck, chin, arms, bust, abdomen, hips, calves and ankles, just return the empty bottle for your money back. Follow the easy way endorsed by many who have tried this plan and help bring back alluring curves and graceful slenderness. Note how quickly "blat" disappears—how much better you feel. More alive, youthful appearing and active.

## Kiwanis Plan Charter Night

Kiwanian's heard another in the series of Chamber of Commerce Week talks Thursday, made plans for representation at a Colorado City charter night program, and welcomed a new member.

The club will send possibly 14 persons to Colorado City Tuesday evening on the occasion of the presentation of a charter to the new club there. Mary King was welcomed as a new member of the club.

The chamber of commerce was envisioned as an organization to look out after all worthy activities of the community, to promote and cooperate with other existing agencies, according to a talk by Joe Pickle. He appealed to club members to not only help financially, but furnish what he felt was even more important — manpower — for building a better Big Spring.

## Tornado Relief Funds Pour In

More contributions, totaling \$35, were received today for the Higgins, Texas, tornado relief fund.

This brought to \$80 the amount given to date for emergency aid and rehabilitation of the storm victims.

Even as these gifts were made, attention was being focused to a newer and greater tragedy at Texas City where hundreds were killed in a catastrophic blast Wednesday.

However, no official agencies had made formal appeals for aid, but in event they do, the Herald will carry such information for the benefit of many who have expressed a desire to help.

Latest storm donors include E. W. Lomax \$15, Mrs. S. A. Hathcock \$10, Mrs. Milton K. Lasater and Mrs. Mary Powell Diltz \$5 each.

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**Abundance Of Ways To Serve Apples With Meal**

By CHARLOTTE ADAMS  
Associated Press Food Editor

There are still apples about and there are many happy ways to serve them. Some beauties last well into May, and so do some other varieties. These require less sweetening than most other winter apples—and, of course, honey or

corn syrup make fine substitutes if sugar is still a problem.

There's more than one way to use apples in a salad—witness this unusual and delicious recipe:

**Apple Bavarian Slaw**  
1 Bermuda onion  
2 red apples  
French dressing  
4 cups shredded red cabbage

1/2 cup cross-cut dill pickle slices  
Slice onion; separate into rings

Core apples; do not pare. Cut in thin slices. Combine onion rings, apple slices, cabbage and pickle slices. Just before serving, toss with French dressing. Serves six.

**Apple Mousse**  
2 cups unsweetened applesauce  
1/2 cup sugar  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1/4 teaspoon mace  
Few grains salt  
1 cup heavy cream

Combine applesauce and sugar. Heat, stirring until sugar melts. Chill. Add lemon juice and mace. Whip cream and fold it in. Pour into freezing tray of automatic refrigerator and freeze until firm.

**Honey Baked Apples**  
6 large, tart, apples  
6 tablespoons honey  
1/4 cup orange juice  
Sugar  
Few grains nutmeg

Core apples. Pare a quarter of the way down. Combine honey and orange juice. Pour into center of apples. Set in a baking dish. Pour a little cold water in bottom of pan. Bake in 400-degree oven, 50 to 60 minutes, or until apples are tender. Sprinkle pared sections with a little sugar and nutmeg. Run under broiler to glaze.

**Apple Quickies**  
1. Add a quarter cup of chopped peanuts to three-quarters of a cup of thick applesauce. Spread on thin bread slices and serve with milk for an after-school snack.

2. Pour a cup of thick sour cream over apples in apple pie before putting on the top crust.

3. Fold together equal amounts of chilled unsweetened applesauce and vanilla-flavored whipped cream. Dust with cinnamon. Serve for dessert.

4. Sprinkle the top of a baked apple pie with a cup of grated American cheese. Run under the broiler to melt the cheese. Serve hot.

The United States has about four million annual cases of malaria with 4,000 deaths.

Coffee in the "green" stage has practically none of the coffee flavor or aroma.

**Thrifty Meat Balls**

By CHARLOTTE ADAMS

Cream of Cauliflower Soup  
Savory Meat Balls  
Fluffy Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Tossed Green Salad  
Fresh Fruit Cup

(Recipes Serve Four)  
**Savory Meat Balls**  
1 1/2 pounds ground meat  
(1/2 pound beef,  
1/2 pound veal,  
1/4 pound pork)  
2 eggs  
1 slice bread, 1 inch thick  
1 tablespoon butter or margarine

1/4 cup finely minced onion  
3 tablespoons chopped parsley  
1 1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 1/4 teaspoon paprika

1-2 teaspoon grated lemon rind  
1 teaspoon lemon juice  
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
4 cups vegetable stock  
2 tablespoons capers  
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Soak bread in water. Put the meat through the food grinder twice. Beat eggs. Melt butter or margarine and saute the onion until brown. Add it to the meat.

Squeeze water from bread and add to meat with the chopped parsley, salt, paprika, grated lemon rind and juice and Worcestershire sauce. Combine all ingredients well and shape lightly into balls.

Drop them in the boiling vegetable stock and simmer covered for about 15 minutes. Remove from stock and thicken with a flour paste. Add more seasoning if necessary. Cook stock, stirring constantly until smooth and boiling.

Add the capers and chopped parsley. Reheat meat balls in the gravy and serve.

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## Attitude Of US Embassy Staff In Moscow Blasted By Official

BERLIN, April 17. (AP)—Armond D. Willis, erstwhile United States information officer in Russia, says members of the American embassy staff in Moscow "are building their reputations and their careers on being Russian-haters."

This, Willis declared here last night was one reason he resigned the post in Moscow he had held since last September. He said another was that staff members had objected to his releases. He was interviewed on his way home.

In Washington, Lincoln White, state department press officer, said Willis was ordered home for dismissal March 20. He said this order followed February correspondence between Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith and Assistant Secretary of State William B. Benton, Willis' superior. An offer of transfer to another European city was rejected by Willis, White added.

"You can't be in the Moscow embassy five minutes before you hear some vicious crack about Russians," Willis said, referring to the staff as "a bunch of pickies."

"I think that most of our difficulties with the embassy staff were caused by the fact that my wife and I were just two ordinary guys finding a lot of average Russians who wanted to know us Americans better, who wanted to get along

with us Americans as friends and who liked us.

"x x x Information I was releasing was going contrary to the beliefs of the American embassy, namely that Americans and Russians can't get along together."

Willis said embassy secretaries all censored his copy.

(Information from Moscow was that the reported dispute came to a head over Willis' report on a trip to the Ukraine.)

Willis was born in Danville, Ill., once was a Northwestern University administrator living in Evanston, Ill. (803 Simpson street), and in the war served 52 months in the navy, becoming a military government officer.

He left Moscow by air yesterday with his wife and their two children, Arthur and Leslie. The children had attended Russian schools.

### Planting Extended

HARLINGEN, April 17. (AP)—The Texas Department of Agriculture has announced a 25-day extension of the state regulated cotton planting period in the Rio Grande valley. The new order extends the deadline for planting from March 31 to April 25.

## Colonel Protests Army Promotion List Provision

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—Col. James Killian, whose name was removed from a routine army promotion list by President Truman, has protested the action as "directly contrary to the express provisions of existing law."

The officer's protest was filed with Chairman Gurney (R-S.D.) of the Senate Armed Services committee. Gurney declined to make it public, but senators who have seen copies told a reporter about it today.

Killian's name was included in a list of 633 regular army lieutenant colonels scheduled for promotion last to the permanent rank of colonel.

The Senate held up confirmation of the entire group because Killian then was awaiting court martial trial on charges of "cruel" punishment of enlisted men detained at the Lichfield, England, prisoner of war camp.

The officer later was convicted and sentenced to be reprimanded and pay a fine of \$500. An appeal is pending.

On March 31, Mr. Truman re-submitted the promotion list, with Killian's name omitted.

In the meantime the army asked Congress for legislation permitting it to select men for promotion on the basis of merit rather than strictly on seniority. The bill is still pending.

Killian holds the temporary wartime rank of colonel.

## SWAN MOURNS IN CEMETERY

LOS ANGELES, April 17. (AP)—Gus, a swan who booses the decorative flock of a cemetery pond at nearby Glendale, was on route by plane to Boston, Mass., today as part of a long range plan to cure him of the blues.

Officials of Forest Lawn Memorial Park confided to newsmen that Gus has grown gloomier and gloomier since his mate, Elvira, died last month. Attempts were made, they said, to interest him in other female swans of the flock but to no avail. It seems that male swans are extremely choosy about their mates.

They hope Gus will find the right girl in a Boston flock. If so he and his new mate will be brought back to grace the Glendale pond again.

Records from India indicate that cotton was used there as early as 3,000 years before Christ.

## Natural Gas May Produce Good Alcohol

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 17. (AP)—More good drinking alcohol can be made from natural gas than all the whiskey, gin and rum consumed by Americans in 1946, a peak year. And the cost would be only about one-fifth that of grain alcohol.

This report was made to the American Chemical Society today by Dr. Robert S. Aries, of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

On account of legal restrictions thrown around production of drinking alcohol, Dr. Aries thought that drinking of natural gas alcohol is unlikely to become a national trait.

Another reason, he said, is that this same natural gas will be considered even more valuable for making synthetic gasoline and some by-products like aspirin, rayon, and plastics. Natural gas, he said, is a most flexible raw material for chemical synthesis be-

cause it can be converted, economically, into so many useful things.

He predicted that it will take two or more generations to deplete the present known natural gas resources. The first step will be to stop wasting the gas, as at present in Southwestern fields. He said that not until the natural gas is depleted is this nation likely to turn to coal as a source for synthetic gasoline.

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"With today's realty prices inflated as they are, some purchasers have found their legal return from property was considerably less than they counted on when they paid such high prices for their properties," Seale explained.

The first thing such disillusioned buyers usually do, the rent official said, is to ask permission to raise the rent to a level proportionate to the purchase price.

"Since ceiling rents remain with the property, regardless of change of ownership, we cannot adjust rents simply because the new owners may have paid too high a price for the property. To do so would be unfair to the tenants and would raise the rents for such units above levels for comparable housing in Big Spring," Seale pointed out.

Maximum rents for all residential property in Big Spring are on file in Seale's office, 603 Petroleum, and are available to persons considering the purchase of property.

## House Action Reflects Hike In Living Costs

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—The rising cost of living was reflected in House action late yesterday when representatives voted for more money for injured workmen, Confederate widows and county school superintendents.

Passed and sent to the Senate was a measure raising the maximum weekly compensation for injured workmen from \$20 to \$25 and the minimum from \$7 to \$9.

The House headed into its lengthy calendar of local and uncontented bills, voting final passage for 21 measures.

Among them was a bill raising pensions for Confederate widows from \$50 to \$75 a month and another raising salaries for county superintendents by an average of 15 per cent, with a \$600 a year limit on the increase. Both bills are now ready for Senate action.

A Senate measure creating a state board of plumbing examiners, and setting a license fee of \$50 for Master Plumbers, was passed to third reading by a vote of 86-38. It lacked the needed four-fifths vote for immediate final consideration.

Opponents, if the bill, headed by Rep. John L. Wallace of Fort Worth, hinged their arguments on the fact that the mill exemption maintenance men "who do not practice the occupation of a plumber as his principal trade or business."

Rep. Roger Q. Evans of Denton said this "would permit every maintenance man to do plumbing on the side without paying the fee or being subjected to either state or city regulations."

The House also amended and passed a Senate measure reorganizing the first judicial district by putting Orange County in the 128th district. The bill must now return to the Senate.

The other Senate measures were passed and are now ready for the governor's signature. One would validate school bond elections and the other would provide a "more efficient road system" for Panola County.

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 Have the butcher bone and roll the forequarter of lamb for you. When you get it home, open the rolled meat and remove practically all fat and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cover with your favorite stuffing and reroll the meat firmly. Prepare and roast as a leg of a lamb in a 325 degree oven.

Cooking time depends on the size.  
**Molded Salad**  
 1 package lemon gelatin  
 1-2 cup boiling water  
 1-4 cup cold water  
 1 cup canned pineapple juice  
 1-2 teaspoon salt  
 1 tablespoon lemon juice  
 1 cup drained, crushed pineapple  
 1 cup grated raw carrots  
 Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add cold water, lemon juice, pineapple juice and salt. Chill. When the mixture begins to jelly add the crushed pineapple and carrots. Pour into individual molds and place in refrigerator to set. Unmold on a bed of lettuce and serve with mayonnaise.

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 The North American housewife has only to stop at the grocer's and pick up a package of cornmeal, a can of whole kernel corn, a tin of tomatoes, a pound of sausage meat, and she is all set with the main ingredients for a Tamale Casserole.  
 Sausage meat isn't mandatory; you can use ground bologna, if you prefer... either will add its own distinctive flavor. And if you want to give this Tamale casserole the true American savor, add chopped ripe olives, as suggested in the note below the recipe. Then serve it with a green salad and fruit for a satisfying supper indeed.

**Woman Seeking Daughter Here**

Mrs. P. E. Gibson, 1817 Moss, Lake Charles, La. is anxious to contact her daughter, Mrs. Doris Gibson (Nachtsheim), from whom she heard last on March 12 from Big Spring.  
 Return address was given at 210 N. Gregg street, but Mrs. Gibson wrote that letters to that address had been returned unclaimed.  
 Mrs. Doris Gibson was described as being 35 years of age, medium brunet and about five feet and three inches tall. Her mother said that she (Mrs. P. E. Gibson) had recently lost her husband and was anxious to get in touch with her daughter. Any information as to her whereabouts would be appreciated by the mother.

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**Tamale Casserole**  
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 1 clove garlic, finely chopped  
 2 1-4 cups (1 No. 2 can) tomatoes  
 1-2 teaspoon chili powder  
 2 1-2 cups (1 No. 2 can) whole kernel corn  
 1 1-2 cups yellow corn meal  
 1 tablespoon salt  
 3 eggs, well beaten  
 1 cup milk  
 Brown sausage, stirring frequently. Add onions and garlic and cook until golden brown. Add tomatoes, chili powder and corn. Heat to boiling temperature and simmer 15 minutes. Combine corn meal, salt, eggs and milk. Add to sausage mixture. Heat until mixture bubbles, stirring constantly. Pour into a greased 3-quart casserole. Cover. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 45 minutes. Remove cover and continue baking 15 minutes, or until firm and browned. Makes 8 servings.  
 NOTES — One cup chopped ripe olives may be added with the corn meal, if desired. Ground bologna may be substituted for the sausage meat.

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# Shall The Spiral Be Unbridled?

If latest reports on our economic situation are to be credited, something is going to happen one way or the other—and it probably won't be so long about it.

According to reports from the President's special cabinet meeting, there was a general picture of rising prices and profits and of lagging or declining wages. This was reflected in the analysis of a special economist assigned to the senate's committee to consider the subject.

It is no longer a question of whether we will have inflation, for we already have inflation. Rather it is a double question of whether we will have an aggravated runaway type of inflation or a break and "bust" as the alternative.

The President has appealed for control of prices on the part of business. This has met with spotted response, but mostly with inaction or rejection. Yet, if the economic studies are to be accepted, there is something wrong if both profits and prices rise and wages do not keep pace. Apparently, prices could be modified at the source.

In speaking about voluntary price control, the President surely had reference to source. The average retail store can do its part, but it is limited. Most function on a percentage margin and cost controls their price. The larger the price, of course, the

larger the margin of profit even though operation costs do mount.

But heavy processors and producers may find it difficult to justify mounting prices in the face of mounting profits. The rank and file of workers recognize the necessity and justice of a fair profit, but they do not understand why it must work on one side of the ledger only. They understand vividly that their dollars buy less and less at the counters and that there is definite limit to their dollars.

Yet, a rise in wages is only a superficial or temporary approach at solution. The current status affirms the point that wages almost never keep up with the rising spiral. Frequently they lead the descent.

So honest, far-reaching efforts to bring prices back down would accomplish more by putting more value into the dollars which workers earn. They could buy more and sustain markets.

Business will do well to make a sober analysis of its situation and a prompt forthright effort to do something about prices. If not, the parade for higher wages is around the corner (if not already here), and then more price hikes, and more wage demands, and so on until the bubble breaks.

# Double Tragedy Staggers Texas

Within a week, Texas has been staggered by two awesome disasters.

First it was a tornado which wiped out two Panhandle communities before achieving its worst destruction in Woodward, Okla. The sympathy of the state was stirred and the Red Cross and other agencies rushed in to administer relief. People everywhere opened their hearts and pocketbooks.

Now a historic explosion has razed Texas City, leaving hundreds of dead and injured in its wake. The tornado catastrophe pales beside the fury of the blast.

Necessarily there will be wild confusion.

Surviving residents are dazed and cut-off from unrestricted outside communication. The dead are uncounted. Fire and possibly gas have added to the misery. Everywhere there will be anxious relatives seeking to get some scrap of information about loved ones. It is inevitable that it will touch some Big Spring families.

There is little that anyone here can do beyond offer prayers and monetary aid. As for the latter, it will be well to calmly await appeals from proper channels for even out of tragedy some individuals or unauthorized units may rally to an unquestioning harvest.

The Nation Today—James Marlow—

# Reviewing Neutrality Act History

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Truman wants this government to be able to decide what nation can or can't buy arms here.

Which means: We can help arm a nation we consider a friend and keep our arms away from one we consider an enemy.

Mr. Truman has asked Congress to give the government that power by law. This request has quite a history behind it and probably a big future.

It is another example of how deeply we have stepped into world affairs and how far we have moved from our pre-war isolation.

President Roosevelt in 1937 asked Congress to fix the neutrality act so it would cover civil wars, too. Congress did.

So Mr. Roosevelt banned arms shipments to either side in the Spanish Civil War, even though we recognized the Loyalist government as legitimate.

But Russia, Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy sent men and supplies into Spain, Russia to the Loyalists, the other two to Franco.

So Spain and Ethiopia were a testing ground for World War II. It showed how slow the democracies would be in stopping aggression.

Meanwhile, Hitler was dragging Europe closer to general war. Nazi Germany had been arming furiously.

It was far better armed than Britain or France when World War II broke out Sept. 1, 1939. It was now plain that the Fascists were out for blood. This also was plain.

Our neutrality act so far had made Fascists' victims easier victims.

Although it had deprived them and the Fascists of arms, it hurt the Fascists less because the Fascists were always better armed.

In this way our policy of impartiality—giving arms to neither side in a fight—had hurt Fascism.

Late in September, 1939, Mr. Roosevelt asked Congress to change the neutrality act. It did. The new act did this:

It permitted any nation to buy arms here, provided it paid



Hal Boyle's Notebook

# Rita Off To Europe

NEW YORK, (AP)—Rita Hayworth leaned back lazily in the sofa, hitched up a stocking, wrinkled her nose like a rabbit, whistled half-heartily and said: "When I put my feet on the chair?"

She put them there. Never saw pair of legs fit a chair better.

We were in her hotel room—alone.

Alone except for four vases full of flowers, 21 vases full of vitamin tablets and two tired press agents full of—well, their subject. The vitamin tablets made no moves to rejuvenate the press agents, nor did the press agents make any overtures to the vitamin tablets.

The telephone rang, the doorbell rang and outside in the corridor a number of male teen age wolves howled dimly for Miss Hayworth.

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"I want to see all the art galleries and architecture." She is taking a basket of fruit and jam to Paris for the artist Picasso and six suitcases of clothes to give to needy Europeans.

She is pleasantly naïf away from the cameras. Her fans range from the Frank Sinatra bobby sox brigade to elderly widowers.

As I left a baggage man wheeled in two huge trunks, and the phone began ringing.

"Yipes," said Miss Hayworth, glamorously.

# WORD-A-DAY

By BACH

I THINK WE SHOULD ASK TO SEE HIS LICENSE.

QUACK

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ONE WHO BOASTS OF HIS OWN PRETENDED POWERS; A PRETENDER TO KNOWLEDGE OR ABILITY; ESPECIALLY, A PRETENDER TO MEDICAL SKILL; A QUACK

NEW YORK, (AP)—Rita Hayworth leaned back lazily in the sofa, hitched up a stocking, wrinkled her nose like a rabbit, whistled half-heartily and said: "When I put my feet on the chair?"

She put them there. Never saw pair of legs fit a chair better.

We were in her hotel room—alone.

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# Washington Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

## Speaker Martin Faces Party Revolt

WASHINGTON—For the first time since he took over the speakership reins, Joe Martin faces a serious revolt in House Republican ranks. The details have been hushed up, but GOP congressmen from 17 western states are really up in arms over heavy slashes the House appropriations committee is planning for irrigation and reclamation. The battle illustrates the tough time Republicans are having in achieving their promised budget-pruning.

Stung by reaction from home, western spokesmen laid down the following ultimatum in a secret meeting with Martin and House majority leader Charles Halleck: if appropriations chairman John Taber and Rep. Robert Jones of Ohio carry out their ax-wielding plans, then western Republicans will bolt the party and vote with Democrats to restore the reclamation cut on the House floor.

Since Speaker Martin so far has kept his ranks working tightly together, this ultimatum is considered significant.

Rev. John Phillips of California opened up the battle by inquiring of Martin and Halleck if it was "too much to ask the leadership to announce a Republican position on irrigation and reclamation."

Before the two leaders could reply, economy-minded Taber and Jones jumped to their feet, asserting that it was strictly up to the appropriations committee to decide the size of the Interior Department's budget for irrigation and reclamation.

Rioted Representative Lowell Stockman of Oregon, a member of Jones' sub-committee which handles the interior budget, bluntly served notice that if the appropriations committee had the last word, then he would refuse to "go along" with the rest of the committee.

"I shall oppose any drastic cut in the lifeblood of these western states, regardless of the position of either the sub-committee, to which I belong, or the full appropriations committee," Stockman announced heatedly.

ing effect on the party in those areas."

Phillips, Stockman, Hill and their cohorts insisted that they were Republicans in "spirit as well as fact" and that they were willing to go along with Republican plans to balance the budget, but not at the expense of undermining the economy of reclamation areas.

Economizers Taber and Jones staged a jumping-jack act during the tense meeting, popping up to heckle speakers.

Jones charged that the Interior Department was interrelating the irrigation and reclamation program with too much "public power and socialization philosophy." As a result, it was the interior department, not the appropriations committee, he said, which had placed irrigation and reclamation in jeopardy. His committee was determined to reduce sharply interior's funds for public power development.

Taber also harped on the power issue, as related to irrigation and reclamation.

"There has been only one major dam built in this nation on a solid, self-supporting financial basis," exclaimed the New Yorker. "That was Boulder Dam, a Republican project which a remainder of these New Deal dams and hydroelectric power projects all depend on federal taxpayer subsidies to keep them going."

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**MARTIN ON POWDER KEG**

Leaders Martin and Halleck said little during the tempestuous meeting. Both knew that they were sitting on a powder keg that might split House GOP ranks wide open, and they didn't want to apply any vocal fuses until they had a chance to talk to the revolvers individually. However, there was little question that they supported Taber and Jones.

At one point Martin reminded Westerners that all sections of the country must take their "rightful share" of any cuts in over-all federal spending.

"That is correct," agreed Halleck of Indiana. "No part of the country can escape its rightful share in the responsibility for balancing the budget."

After this Rep. Charles Robertson of North Dakota, a strong reclamation enthusiast, oiled the waters somewhat by declaring that he and others had come to the meeting "in a spirit of friendship and with the desire that our problems in the west will be considered in the same light."

"I don't think it is the purpose of anyone here to do anything that would jeopardize the future welfare of the party," he added. However, despite this concili-

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**CAPITAL CHAFF**

Conscientious veterans administrator General Bradley is worried sick about the decline in residential construction. High materials costs today indicate that not more than 65 per cent of the family units which were started last year will be launched in 1947—and huge numbers of veterans still list housing as their greatest need.

Statuesque Pennsylvania's new GOP Senator Edward Martin, United States senator from Pennsylvania. . . . The Democratic national committee tried unsuccessfully to hire "Tip" O'Neill, ex-political writer of the late Roosevelt's Record, away from his present job as publicity chief for the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association. O'Neill was walking the picket lines in the strike against the Philadelphia Record when the conservative Pennsylvania manufacturers hired him.

**TEDDY AND RECLAMATION**

The Oregon Republican and others out that the reclamation and irrigation program had been fathered by the Republican party in the days of President Teddy Roosevelt and it should be continued, they contended, for historical as well as practical, economic reasons.

"If drastic cuts are made, as now planned, the party will be weakened in the 17 states involved," warned Reg. William S. Hill of Colorado. "Such action is certain to produce a devastat-

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**UNDER THE DOME**

Senator Brewster of Maine will demand an audit of President Roosevelt's and the State Department's secret funds. He suspects that large bribes were paid out of these funds to King Ibn Saud of Arabia. . . . Republican members of the appropriations committee propose cutting the Navy by about seven hundred million dollars. . . . Senator Langer of North Dakota has started a probe of telephone company profits, especially Western Electric, wholly owned by American Tel. and Tel. And while the telephone company claims it cannot afford to pay higher wages, Langer wants to see whether a lot of profits aren't going to Western Electric.

Texas Today—Jack Rutledge

# Civilization Okay Without Phones

The telephone strike has inconvenienced tens of thousands of Texans but the Lone Star State has found, with a certain amount of pleased surprise, that civilization hasn't come to a dead stop.

Life is a little more difficult. Communication is slower, but some have found that it doesn't make much difference, after all. Aunt Jane, for example, can wait for a letter telling her that Cousin Joe will visit come July.

Gossip has been interfered with and the party lines aren't what they used to be. One business man with a sign of something like relief said he'd save several hundred dollars a month on long distance calls.

Western Union has gone into high gear to handle business messages, and their load is terrific. Officials say they have hired many amateurs and have called back some of the old timers to help handle the record toll.

Down in the valley, the Federal Communications Commission authorized a amateur radio operation to handle emergency and business messages to aid shippers, growers and business men. Boy scouts were to help deliver them. The valley, far from other centers of the state, would be virtually isolated by bad weather. Lines would fail, and no repairs made.

Bill Tatro, Harlingen, manded his set and worried about his wife in the hospital. He was about to become a father, but he took his turn keeping communications open.

A Harlingen mother turned her useless telephone into a toy for her children. They would sit indefinitely listening to the recording which endlessly explained that due to a work stoppage, calls were not being answered.

In Tyler, Fire Chief Henry

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THURSDAY EVENING		
6:00 Super Club	6:00 Mystery of Week	6:00 Reading Edition
6:15 News of the Day	6:15 Jack Smith	6:15 News Time
6:30 News Roundup	6:30 Stars for Today	6:30 News
6:45 News of the Day	6:45 Bluebonnet Inn	6:45 News
7:00 News and Allen	7:00 Suspense	7:00 Chamber of Commerce
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6:00 Farm & Home	6:00 News	6:00 News
6:15 Last Mile News	6:15 News	6:15 News
6:30 Farm Editor	6:30 News	6:30 News
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Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

# Pan-American Solidarity Weakens

In these hard days when the world is perilously divided against itself, there is a weakness in the military defense—not to mention the good-neighbor policy—of the great bloc of nations comprising the western hemisphere.

This is due to a lack of solidarity which has evinced itself especially in the clash of views between the Argentine and Washington. The American government more than once has charged Argentina with fostering totalitarian Nazism and has demanded that this influence be eliminated. Relations between the two countries have been strained, and this has been reflected in the attitudes of other Pan-American countries.

The result of this unhappy situation has been that the program for inter-American defense,

which was projected in the Act of Chapultepec in 1945, has not been ratified, was to be formalized in a meeting at Rio de Janeiro, and that parity will await a rapprochement which will bring the great Argentina back into the union.

Since General Peron came to the presidency last year, the Argentine has announced moves which his government cited as aimed at meeting the demand for eradication of Nazism in the country, and this has given rise to some hope that a solution of the difficulty was on its way. And now Senator Vandenberg, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations committee, has made a speech which is widely interpreted as a pressing invitation to the Argentine to bury the past and get back into the fold.

The senator was addressing the

governing board of the Pan-American Union in Washington last Monday—Pan American Day. He made a strong plea for hemispheric solidarity.

The senator didn't stop with Pan-American solidarity. He urged Canada to join the American Republics and occupy the seat which as provided for her when the Pan American Union was founded fifty-seven years ago.

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In Hollywood—Bob Thomas

# Gene, Jeanette Start Five-Year Plans

HOLLYWOOD. (AP)—Apart from most of the war, Gene Raymond and Jeanette MacDonald have now worked out a five-year plan for their careers, designed to provide a minimum of separation.

Miss McDonald has decided to curtail her concert engagements, spending most of her performing time in films. This will give her more opportunity to keep house for her husband, either in Hollywood or wherever he appears on the stage. Within a few years, they hope to devote their combined talents to the stage, a la Lunt and Fontanne.

Stars at Paramount, as well as other workers, are worried about the production outlook

for the rest of the year. It's indicated that no more than two pictures will be shooting at one time until winter.

Charlie Chaplin's new film drew a scold from the Legion of Decency because it "reflects erroneous moral philosophy and moral skepticism." The preview audience was dazed by the logic with which the film's Monsieur Verdox explains away his murders by arguing that his acts were not as bad as the mass murder of modern warfare.

Gene Kelly wants to limit himself to one dance picture a year, or one every two years. "A dancer is his own worst competitor," he says. "He's always trying to top his past efforts."

After Ray Milland finishes his British picture, he goes to Germany for background shots of "Sealed Verdict." Then he'll return to Hollywood to finish the film.

A modern "Madame Butterfly" is being planned by Producer Seymour Nebenzal, who says he will use part of the Puccini score. He would like to team Ray Milland of "Annie Get Your Gun" and Patrice Munnell of the Metropolitan Opera.

You people in large cities don't have daylight saving time better get ready to change your radio listening habits. Your programs will be an hour earlier starting April 27 so folks in New York, Chicago and elsewhere can have them at their usual time.

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# Broncos Invade Lamesa Again Tomorrow Night

## Lessons Pay Off Marion Wins One

### Texas Athletes Go To Relays

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—A traveling squad of eight men from the University of Texas track team and Coach Clyde Littlefield left here today for the annual Kansas relays being held on Saturday.

The Longhorn speedsters will enter five events, four of which are relays. The only individual event entered by Longhorn runners is the 100 yard dash which will attract Charley Parker, and Allen Lawler, who is the defending champion for the event.

Perry Samuels and Charley Tatum will join Lawler and Parker in the 440 and 880 relays, while Jerry Thompson, Clarence Hafner, Monroe Northcutt and Don Sparks will be shooting for a new record in the medley relay race.

Joe DiMaggio had played exactly 1111 games in a Yankee uniform up to this season.

In 12 years with Detroit Hank Greenberg hit 306 home runs.

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### Reds Victimized By Cards, 4-1

By The Associated Press

Stan Musial's batting lessons to Marty Musial have paid off with the first St. Louis Cardinals victory of the season.

Coming up in the eighth inning of yesterday only big league game, with the world champs sporting a slender 2-3 advantage over Cincinnati, Marion poled a two-run homer that assured George (Red) Mungler of his first win. The score was 4-1.

There have been years when Marion failed to hit a single homer in an entire campaign and, he has hit only 17 out of the park in seven years. Last year his average slumped way off to .233 and there were stories that Mr. Shortstop was on the downgrade.

After the World Series, Marty passed up a lucrative off-season job with a St. Louis printing house to go home to South Carolina for a good rest. His ailing sacroiliac had kept him out of several crucial games and threatened to end his career prematurely.

Marion didn't do much of anything all winter and reported at Al Lang Field in St. Petersburg, Fla., in tip-top condition. To date he has not had a bit of trouble from his back.

One day while Marion was taking batting practice in Florida, Musial, the 1946 batting king and most valuable player in the National League, caught a flaw in his stance.

"I think you would get a little more power if you didn't take such a wide stance," Musial advised his teammate. "I don't want you to think I'm butting in but it's a little trick that has helped me."

Mr. Shortstop took the advice to heart, changed his stance and started hitting with more authority. Now he's aiming for the fences.

George Mungler allowed eight mince hits but scattered them to earn the first decision of what Manager Eddie Dyer predicts will be a 20-win season.

All other games in both major leagues were postponed because of bad weather.

Here's play the whole family can enjoy! Make a night of it and enjoy laugh-filled companionship while muscles get a workout earning high score.

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### Wednesday Drill Is Called Off

It seems Mother Nature is demanding that the Big Spring Broncos do most of their spring conditioning under actual combat conditions.

Pat Stasey and his boys are getting little change to knock the ball around these days due to recurring blasts of winter. However, the weather usually clears up about the time the Hosses have an exhibition game scheduled.

Stasey is hoping for fair and warm weather when he carts his charges to Lamesa Friday night, to do battle with George Sturdivant's Lobos. The two clubs met last Friday and the Steeds came out on the short end of a 5-3 score in a game that went 11 innings.

The two teams will play again Sunday in Lamesa and that one will probably close out the exhibition game program for Big Spring. The locals are scheduled to open their Longhorn league campaign against Midland next Wednesday afternoon.

Stasey's troops were deprived of the chance to practice Wednesday because of the weather.

Most of the athletes took the day off but it was a day of labor for the skipper and Joe Langston, general manager of the club.

They remained at the high school stadium most all day, supervising the dumping of dirt hauled in to fill up the low places on the field. The work was to go on most of today.

### Sports Roundup

#### Bovines Boast Good Medley Relay Team

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.  
NEW YORK, April 17. (AP)—As a result of the Limer Queen Elizabeth getting stuck in the mud, the United States Walker Cup golf team will be delayed a day in getting off for England.

Which recalls the capsule report of Tuesday's big news from Britain: "The Queen Elizabeth was pulled out of the mud and Bruce Woodcock was knocked into it."

The Athletics, who expanded their form system from three to 12 clubs this year, are having plenty of trouble stocking them. Report from one farm's training camp is: "We're getting a good look at some of the nation's worst baseball talent here."

Dorsett (Tubby) Graves, long-time Washington baseball coach and now a member of the University's athletic executive staff, has been appointed associate steward for the summer race meet at the Longacre track.

Wonder how the NCAA "Purists" look at that?

Wonder how many bits of "legitimate news" Larry MacPhail will give out before Commissioner Happy Chandler decides his "silence" order isn't being strictly observed?

Besides that sprint relay team which figures to come close to 41 seconds in the Kansas relays, Texas is very proud of its distance medley outfit, which broke the Texas relay record set by North Texas State with the Rideout brothers.

Besides Jerry Thompson, who has done a 4-13 relay mile, the Longhorns have the 1946 scholastic mile champs of Louisiana and Texas, Wayne Hanson and Don Parks.

Tom Brown, wartime "boy wonder" shortstop of the Dodgers, reported Tuesday with a first baseman's mitt, the only one he said they'd let him use during special drills at Pensacola.

Stan Focock, son of the famous builder of racing shells, stroked the U of Washington senior crew in a recent interclass race.

In 1932 Bucky Walters played third base for the Boston Braves.

George Cass has a lifetime stolen base record of 344 thefts.



**MAY FACE OLD MATES—Lloyd 'Pat' Patterson, shown here taking a look at a runner on first base, may take the hill Friday night for the Big Spring Broncos in their game with the Lamesa Lobos. Pat won 23 games for Lobos several seasons ago. (Photo by Jack M. Haynes.)**

### Dallas Rebels Beaten Again By Tribe, 10-4

DALLAS, April 16. (AP)—The Texas League was beginning to cut a monotonous pattern: San Antonio wins again, Dallas loses again.

The San Antonio club made it seven straight last night, coming from behind, as usual, to trim the Shreveport Sports, 4-2.

Dallas dropped its fourth straight game, to Oklahoma City again, 10-4, holding sole possession of the cellar.

The rejuvenated Beaumont Exporters slapped Houston 7-1 for their most convincing victory of the year and Fort Worth blasted Tulsa, 11-2, in other games.

Shreveport took a one run lead in the third inning, but the Missions bounced back to tie it up in the fifth and went ahead in the seventh with a pair of runs.

Ned Garver and Marlin Stuart teamed to hold Shreveport to six hits, while their mates were collecting eight off Bill Gans. Stuart received credit for the victory, his second of the young season.

Dallas, the defeated Dixie champion, aided its own defeat with seven errors. Ralph McCabe and Preacher Dorsett helped, opening Oklahoma City's home season with a six-hit pitching performance.

Beaumont bounded into fifth place in the standings by virtue of its win over Houston, right behind Shreveport, which trails the three leaders, San Antonio, Fort Worth and Oklahoma City.

Ray Stelmack turned in a two-hit pitching performance for Beaumont, while his mates jumped on four Buff hurlers for eight.

Tulsa proved little opposition against Fort Worth as the Cats rang up their third straight victory over the Oilers. Willard Ramsdell and Robert Austin teamed to hold the Oilers to three hits, while three Tulsa pitchers gave up ten.

The teams switch opponents again today. Dallas comes back to Texas to invade Fort Worth, while Oklahoma goes over to Tulsa for an all Oklahoma series. Houston plays host to San Antonio and Beaumont does the same for Shreveport.

**Yesterday's Results**

TEXAS LEAGUE  
San Antonio 4, Shreveport 2.  
Oklahoma City 10, Dallas 4.  
Beaumont 7, Houston 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
St. Louis 4, Cincinnati 1.  
Boston 8, Brooklyn 7.  
Pittsburgh at Chicago, rain and wet.  
Philadelphia at New York, rain and wet.  
Cleveland at Cleveland, rain.  
Washington at Washington, rain.

**The Standings**

TEXAS LEAGUE  
San Antonio 10-0 1,000  
Fort Worth 7-3 1,000  
Oklahoma City 3-7 400  
Beaumont 2-7 250  
Tulsa 1-7 250  
Houston 1-7 250  
Dallas 0-7 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Brooklyn 1-0 1,000  
Philadelphia 1-0 1,000  
Pittsburgh 1-0 1,000  
St. Louis 1-0 1,000  
Boston 1-0 1,000  
New York 0-1 0  
Cincinnati 0-1 0  
Chicago 0-1 0

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
Philadelphia 1-0 1,000  
Detroit 1-0 1,000  
Washington 1-0 1,000  
New York 0-1 0  
Cleveland 0-1 0  
Chicago 0-1 0

**Games Today**

TEXAS LEAGUE  
Dallas at Fort Worth  
Oklahoma City at Tulsa  
Shreveport at Beaumont  
San Antonio at Houston

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Cincinnati at Dickson (10-8) or Brazil (11-10) vs. Lively (9-0)  
Boston at Brooklyn  
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Detroit at St. Louis  
New York at Chicago  
Cleveland at Chicago

**Baseball Game Again Delayed**

The District 10AA baseball game between Big Spring and Odessa, originally scheduled to have been played Tuesday, was postponed again yesterday due to bad weather.

Coaches of the two teams will await a rise in temperatures before setting the date for the game.

# Odessa, Brownwood Regional Choices

Ernie Ache, around whom is built Big Spring hopes for a top-drawer showing in the Regional Two track and field meet at Abilene this weekend, is still having to take it easy in training.

Ernie, who will run the 100 at Abilene, pulled a leg muscle in training Monday, April 7, and the injury betrayed him in the Area meet at Midland. However, he limped in third behind Midland's Dunny Goode and Don Bingham of Odessa.

Coach Mule Stockton had Ache lapping the field time and again Wednesday afternoon at Steer stadium but would not let him open up. Ernie complained that the leg still felt sluggish.

Odessa's Bronchos have been installed as strong favorites to take the team title in the big show but the Brownwood Lions may give the Hosses plenty of trouble.

Baird's Corky Cook may shade Odessa's

Gerald Campbell in the 120-yard high hurdles. Cook has been negotiating the distance in less than 15 seconds, something Campbell has never been able to do.

Isaac Pate, Brownwood, is the defending champ but Leon Lepard, Big Spring, has turned in better times at that distance. Lepard has been approaching the regional mark, which is 2:03 minutes.

Brownwood scored 108 points in winning their fourth straight SAA Conference crown last week. In piling up that huge total, the Lions won first place in every event with the exception of the broad jump.

Brownwood athletes who will be Regional threats are Bob Gilbreath, high hurdles; W. C. Burns, quarter mile; Chester Tobey, shot put; and Don Graves, high jump.

They have been putting the shot more than 45 feet.

## LOOKING 'EM OVER

With TOMMY HART

The mile relay race between Mule Stockton's Big Spring team and Midland's Bulldogs in the Regional meet at Abilene this weekend may be worth making the trip to Abilene to see.

Goode has asked his coach to let him concentrate on the event in the hope of qualifying his team-mates for the state meet.

The resident quartet, anchored by hard-running Leon Lepard, edged out the Bulldogs at last week's Area meet in Midland but only after a stretch run in which Lepard beat off the challenge of Goode by forcing him into the outside lane. Leon left Dunny some seven or eight yards in his wake but it might have been a different story had the Midland flier been given a little more help by his team mates.

A quarter-mile is neither Goode's nor Lepard's race. Goode is best in the sprints while Lepard is tops in the half mile but one would have thought both were built for it in the Midland relay.

Coach Stockton has been giving all members of the Relay team—Delmar Turner, James Abbe, Jim Bill Little and Lepard—a maximum amount of work this week. If the foursome runs up to par, Midland—or any other prep team in this section—will have to hustle to edge them.

When a team of Abilene nibble welders thumped an aggregation of Odessa in Abilene Sunday last, Bill Roden of Big Spring was in on the killing. He teamed with Shorty Hornbuckle to nip Doug Jones, another former Big Springer, and Morgan Hampton.

However, Jones spanked the Big Spring red-head in singles play.

Garland Hannaford, the one-time Howard county school master who piloted the Robert Lee football team to the Regional finals last fall, is stepping down from that post.

He's being succeeded by Jiggs Hudson, San Angelo Junior high mentor.

Hannaford was principal at Midway before the war.

One of the prize rookies in Pat Murphy's Big Spring football camp is Cecil Gilstrap, who was on the reserve squad two seasons ago but was a member of Uncle Sam's armed forces last year.

Gilstrap, now a strapping fellow who looks to do 185 pounds or better, is currently trying for a tackle berth.

Reports from the West say Odessa's professional baseball team boasts a third sacker who is going to make Big Spring's Orle Moreno and others lustie if they expect to keep up with him.

He's Carlo Kraina, an 18-year-old. The lad is currently in sick bay with the mumps but expects to return to the lineup soon.

A. D. Ensey, Oiler foreman, recently purchased Harvil Jakes, an outfielder from the Amarillo Gold Sox. Charley Kalneck, down from Wichita Falls of the Big State league, will vie with Al Zigelman for the backstopping berth.

Harry Breehen has never won 20 games for the Cardinals.

## Three Outfits Debut Friday

Three of four Musy softball league teams scheduled to see action at the city park diamond Friday night will be playing their initial games of the circuit season.

They are Municipal Airport, which was booked to open up against Big Spring Hardware last Monday but had to forfeit, Big Spring Motor and Forsan's Cosden Pipeliners.

The Filers take on ABC club, victors over American Legion in a surprise upset, while the Motorists and Forsan square off against each other.

Big Spring Hardware-American Legion and Big Spring Motor-Howard County Junior college games, scheduled for last night, were postponed due to cold weather. They will probably be played sometime next week.

## Midland Gridder Hurt In Blast

HOUSTON, April 17. (AP)—Wingell Williams, 24-year-old star football player at Rice Institute, is in a Houston hospital today with a severe shoulder injury received while aiding at the scene of the Texas City disaster last night.

Williams, assisting volunteer workers in clearing wreckage at the scene, attempted to duck under an automobile as the SS High Flyer exploded at 1:08 a.m. but was struck by a piece of debris.

Williams hails from Midland.

## Holladay Sets Tourney Dates

FORSAN, April 17.—The District 21B senior and junior girls volleyball tournaments as well as all divisions of playground ball will be conducted at Forsan Saturday, April 26, Athletic Director Joe Holladay has announced.

It was originally planned to hold all the events in Big Spring but Holladay says he is not able to obtain use of the high school gymnasium for that date.

The senior boys volleyball meet will be held at Garden City, according to Holladay. All coaches have been advised to forward their entries directly to Gordon Griggs, Garden City coach.

## Brook Signs Back, Pair Of Linemen

BROOKLYN, April 17. (AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers of the All-America football conference announced the signing today of Lee Tevis, 190-pound halfback from St. Louis, and a trio of freshman linemen.

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I went over to cover the meeting

sure impressed me was the good behavior of those boys—their preference for a moderate beverage like beer—their friendly spirit.

From where I sit, our ex-G.I.'s are making as good a showing in peacetime as they made during the war. And they're setting a mighty good example to the rest of us—in tolerance, and moderation, and good fellowship.

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Carl L. Estes, Longview publisher, had asked Texas congressmen to check what he called the VA's failure to recognize schools accredited by the Texas Association of Colleges. He said a veteran to obtain federal aid must enroll in a school credited by such groups as the American Association of Colleges and Universities or the Southern Association of Colleges.

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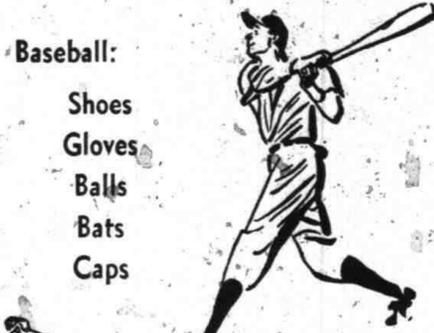
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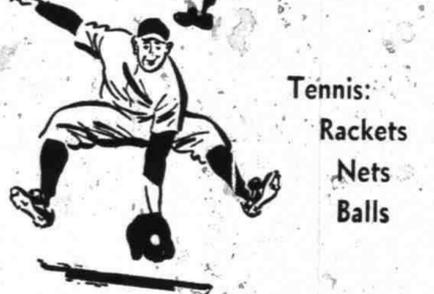
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**Crete Residents View Display Of US Navy Ships**

SUDA, Crete, April 17. (P)—Several hundred residents of this war-damaged town gathered along the waterfront today to greet the largest concentration of US Naval vessels ever gathered in Suda Bay. The visiting units, under command of Vice Admiral B. H. Bieri, included the Aircraft Carrier Leyte, the Cruisers Dayton, Borthmouth and Providence, two destroyers, the fleet tender Shenandoah and two supply ships. Two additional destroyers were scheduled to arrive later in the day. Residents wreathed the bows of the ships with myrtle wreaths and decked the town with American and Greek flags in welcome. The ensigns of the US vessels were at half mast in mourning for the late King George of Greece. After an additional week of maneuvers in the Mediterranean, the Leyte is scheduled to proceed to Istanbul, Alexandria and Naples. The Providence will go to Piraeus—the Port of Athens—and then return to the United States, while the Dayton is slated to visit Istanbul, Alexandria, Algiers and Gibraltar.

**Social Security Act Changes Aid Beneficiaries**

The 1946 amendments to the Social Security Act extended the time during which lump sum applications may be filed based upon the record of a worker who died outside the United States. George D. Clark, manager of the San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration, reminded today. The original Social Security Act provides that lump sum payments cannot be made unless the application is filed within two years of the date of the worker's death. Under the amendments, however, the two-year period does not begin until Aug. 10, 1946 in the case of a person who died outside the continental United States. The amendments will affect survivors of servicemen who died overseas and survivors of various civilian workers who died outside the United States during the war. It is effective if death occurred after Dec. 6, 1941 and before Aug. 10, 1946. In these cases, if application is filed by Aug. 10, 1946, lump sum payments may be made, Clark said.

PHONE 500—Johnnie Griffin—adv.

**Teachers Selected At Trustee Meeting**

Teachers were elected Wednesday evening by the board of trustees of the Big Spring Independent School district, although formal fixing of salaries was delayed until the May 7 meeting. However, trustees left little doubt that the ultimate result would hinge upon the governor's action regarding the \$55 per capita bill. Gov. Beauford Jester has announced he would sign in a broadcast Saturday what he was doing with the measure. If he approves it or permits it to become law without his signature, or the legislature should pass it in event of a veto, then teachers may look forward to an additional \$150 per annum temporary increase. This is the way it would work: Regular base pay \$1,500 per year, plus \$200 temporary raise granted last year, plus \$150 for next school year, or the base plus \$350. Of course, there are other increments for experience, work toward masters degree, special duties, etc. Failure of the passage for per capita measure would mean a thorough re-examination of district finances before final fixing of salaries. Elected as high school teachers were: Mrs. Bernice Abele, Elizabeth Akers, Letha Amerson, T. E. Bailey, Ruth Beasley, Mrs. Ruby Blankenship, Mrs. Mary Rose Boyce, Zaida Brown, Mrs. Lavada Brownrigg, Stanley Cameron, Agnes Currie, Mrs. Marie Frost, Elouise Hales, Zelmo-Jo Hestand, Lorena Huggins, Mrs. Clara Irby, Mrs. Marguerite Johnson, Mrs. Florey Low, Irene McAlister, Mrs. Willie Mae McCormick, Edna Earl McGregor, George P. Mizell, Jr., Arah Phillips, Clara Pool, Lillian Shick, Mrs. Erma Steward, Marguerite K. Wood. Elected as eighth grade teachers were Mrs. William T. Aaron, Mrs. Mary Blomfield, Nancy Boswell, Martha A. Harding, Mrs. Ola May Karsteter, Mrs. Olive Rackley, Clara Secest, Anna Smith. Elementary teachers elected include: Ruth Burnam, Billie Marie Clyburn, Mrs. H. L. Derrick, Mrs. Kelly Lawrence, Grace Mann, Mrs. Naomi Lee Stephens, Theo Sullivan, Yvette Watkins, Mrs. Beatrice Webb, Mrs. James Wilcox, Mrs. Martha S. Hall, Betty Fay Collins, Neal Cummings, Mrs. Ada C. Harrison, Mrs. Ola Mae McDonald, Ruth Smith, Mrs. Frances Spencer, Mrs. Bertha Naylor, Mrs. Ben Whitaker, Georgia Mae Evans, Mrs. Clara Coffee, Mrs. Thelma Klöven, Mrs. Genevieve McNallen, Pauline R. Morris, Edythe V. Wright, Mrs. Bertha L. O'Keefe, Trinidad Cano Martinez, Mrs. Dora Sanez, Alma Sullivan, Wanda M. Warren, Mrs. Dorothy P. Wilson.

**Trucks For Tornado Relief Are Shipped**

DALLAS, April 17. (P)—The Dallas regional office of the War Assets Administration has arranged for immediate shipment of a fire truck from Vernon, Texas, and dump trucks and a bulldozer-tractor from Camp Howe to Higgins, Texas, for use in tornado relief work. Approximately 130 prefabricated buildings at the Cactus Ordnance Works, Dumas, Texas, were made available also.

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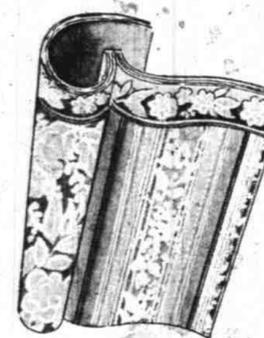
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**Monthly Liquor Revenues Reported**

AUSTIN, April 17. (P)—The State Liquor Control Board today reported revenues collected last month amounted to \$1,069,472. The total included liquor stamp sales \$705,767; malt liquor \$7,253; beer stamps \$272,287; wine stamps \$25,798; permits and licenses \$49,228; confiscated sales \$7,643; miscellaneous \$1,694. Collections at the El Paso bridge accounted for \$5,343; Laredo \$9,045; Hidalgo, \$4,354; Thayer, \$660; Brownsville, \$3,984; Del Rio \$602; Eagle Pass, \$1,378. Three illicit stills were reported seized, one each in Morris, Freestone, and Henderson counties. With the help of inspectors captured 250 gallons of mash and made four arrests. Fourteen gallons of moonshine liquor were destroyed.

**Defluorination Plant Site In Texas Sought**

AUSTIN, April 17. (P)—A site for a defluorination plant is being sought in Texas by the National Institute of Health, the state health department has announced. State Health Officer George W. Cox said institute representatives E. J. Males is in Texas to study possible sites. Texas has a number of cities with water supplies of a high fluorine content which is responsible for a form of dental fluorosis, Dr. Cox said. Removal of fluorine from such public water supplies is as important to the preservation of teeth as is the addition of fluorine to water where it is absent or below standard.

**OLD COPS AND ROBBERS GAME**

CHICAGO, April 17. (P)—Four squad cars loaded with 42 policemen sped to the home of John L. Lynch on his frantic call for help. Upon entering his home, Lynch said he heard "threats" in connection with the use of guns in an adjoining room. The police stationed themselves at the doors and ordered the "gunmen" to come out. They did. They were Lynch's sons, Charles, 16, and his friend, James McCormick, 16, who had been playing "cops-and-robbers." The process of making sulfuric acid from sulfur was discovered in 1735. The first commercial sulfur production in modern times was in Sicily during the 15th Century.

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