



FIGHTING EXPLODES IN CHINA—Communist attacks along the Yangtze River (arrow) began the civil war in China anew. Cities specifically reported under attack are underlined. Sixty miles north-west of Nanking (A), Communist shore batteries crippled the British sloop Amethyst. The British destroyer Consort reached Kiangyin (B) after a 50-mile duel with Communist Yangtze shore guns. The black area is Communist-controlled. (AP Wirephoto Map.)

British Dead Reach 42 As Red Fire Hits Ships

Many Crewmen Are Reported Wounded

SHANGHAI, April 21. (AP)—The known dead from Chinese Communist attacks on four British warships reached 42 tonight. British naval authorities said the Cruiser London had 15 dead and 20 wounded, and the Sloop Black Swan had five wounded. These two latest vessels to be hit by Communist artillery on the Yangtze River near Nanking arrived back in Shanghai late tonight. Behind them they left the crippled sloop Amethyst which they had sought to aid. The Amethyst had some 20 dead and 30 to 40 wounded aboard, survivors who reached here said late today. Among the Amethyst wounded was her captain.

Reds Tighten Grip On Newly Won Positions

NANKING, April 21. (AP)—Communist forces attempted today to consolidate newly won positions south of the Yangtze as the river battle drew four British warships into the fight. Chinese government spokesmen said successful Communist crossings of the Yangtze, which separated Nationalist territory from Red, had been made at Tikang, 80 miles west of the capital and at Wuhu, 80 miles inland from here. Government troops were counter attacking. A few planes and gun boats were pressed into the battle by the tottering government. One foreign source said 30,000 Red troops were over the river. This had not been confirmed officially.

Pioneer Airlines Head, Officials Here Today

VISIT STRESSES POSITION OF CITY IN SYSTEM'S OPERATIONAL PICTURE

Big Spring's position in the operational picture of one of the nation's foremost air feeder systems—Pioneer Air Lines—was being emphasized today with a visit here by Gen. Robert J. Smith, president, and other officials of the company. Gen. Smith recently put first call on the airport facilities there. Gen. Smith said his company hopes to remain in Houston, at facilities of other Pioneer towns are being examined for examination and comparison, if a move were to be made. Gen. Smith was accompanied here by Harding Lawrence, vice president in charge of traffic and sales, and Dave Clark, district traffic and sales manager. They were met at the airport Wednesday evening by representatives of the chamber of commerce, and were honor guests at a C-C breakfast at the Settles Thursday morning. In addition to a luncheon engagement at the Kiwanis club, the Pioneer men had a busy schedule for the day, including conferences with city authorities, utility and bank executives, postal officials and business leaders. Gen. Smith was to speak on KBST at 3:15 this afternoon. He and his party are scheduled to depart by Pioneer plane this evening.



GEN. ROBERT J. SMITH

CRMWA Bill Is Given Approval By House Group

A bill creating the Colorado River Municipal Water district had approval of the House committee on conservation and reclamation Thursday. Rep. R. E. (Peppy) Blount said that the measure (H. B. 757) had "been favorably passed out of the committee with recommendations that it do pass." A similar measure is pending in the Senate, permitting Big Spring and Odessa, if citizens so desire, to establish a water district for purpose of impounding a big surface supply on the upper Colorado River. Both are due to be placed on the uncontested calendar and thus gain passage. Blount said he was happy to announce the committee approval and that "these West Texas cities now may be in a position to take another step forward."

CALLS FOR PREPAREDNESS

Mahon Optimistic Over Unification

COLORADO CITY, April 21.—Rep. George Mahon looked hopefully at prospects of armed service unification in an address before the weekly junior chamber of commerce program here Tuesday. At the same time he looked hopefully at the international situation, called for preparedness as a means of securing the peace, and condemned rash and threatening statements directed at particular nations. Rep. Mahon, chairman of the appropriations sub-committee in charge of expenditures for the armaments, stressed the importance of the \$16 billion military money bill recently approved overwhelmingly by the House and added, "the most far reaching decision perhaps was the action of the committee and the House in increasing the U. S. Air Force appropriation by \$850 million, a sum which was not recommended by either the President or the joint chiefs of staff. "We felt that the increase is additional insurance against war, and one that should be provided."



REP. GEORGE MAHON

War III, should it come, would be fought in the same manner as World War II was fought. Concerning numerous discussions of national defense planning, Mahon paused to say that "I condemn the rash and threatening statements made by some U. S. officials, directed toward any nation in particular." This, he said, to emphasize that the U. S. had no aggressive intent. As for unification of the armed forces, Mahon predicted "the violent squabbles among our various branches of service will eventually result in progressively closer unification and cooperation." The representative from the 19th district is in Mitchell county for a few days and will be back in Washington Monday when the 81st Congress is resumed.

Colorado City Gets Lake After Heavy Rainfall

COLORADO CITY, April 21.—Run-off from the upper reaches of the 265-square mile watershed following a 3.44-inch rain today gave this city a lake ahead of schedule. The only catch was that it likely will have to be drained to permit uninterrupted completion of the Texas Electric Service company dam across Morgan creek four and a half miles south of here. An estimated 400 to 500 acres were inundated as flood waters spilled into the excavation below the dam and backed along the creek bed. Parts of the Bill Thompson, Charlie Thompson and Harold Bennett farms were submerged, and the Morgan Creek wagon bridge was under water.

FIGHT BASIC SCIENCE BILL Senate Gets Rest After Filibuster

AUSTIN, Tex., April 21. (AP)—The Senate refused to take a noon recess today and the filibuster which had been interrupted for three hours began again at 12:10 P. M. AUSTIN, April 21. (AP)—A night-long Senate filibuster was temporarily interrupted at 9 o'clock today while the Senate turned attention to uncontested bills. The interruption came automatically on a technicality. A special calendar of non-controversial measures previously set for consideration at that time took precedence over both the filibuster and the battle-worn basic science bill it involved.

Big Spring Nearing Its Safety Goal Of 500 Deathless Days

The goal of 500 deathless days in traffic was in sight for Big Spring Thursday. While work of treating two oil pipelines for underwater service was halted, workers on the dam returned to pouring concrete Thursday for the service spillway. Water was being discharged through a 36-inch emergency outlet. Along the channel, run-off was backed a distance of approximately two and a half miles and was about a quarter of a mile at its widest point. Water ceased running into the basin area at midnight Wednesday. Completion date for the dam had been set for next month, but the rain came ahead of the construction schedule.

At Father's Bedside

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hale were called to Wichita Falls Wednesday night to be at the bedside of his father who is seriously ill.

MARTIAL CEREMONIES SCHEDULED

Texas Honors Houston Today On San Jacinto Anniversary

By the Associated Press Texas remembers Sam Houston and his band of ragged volunteers today and marks the 113th anniversary of the Battle at San Jacinto which gave it independence from Mexico. The impressive monument to these warriors is the center around which the biggest ceremony takes place. The day-long program at the tall spire on the San Jacinto battleground near Houston starts at 10:30 a. m. At San Antonio, here the state's merriest tribute to the handful of men who caught Santa Anna asleep in full sway, Fiesta San Jacinto reaches a climax. At the monument Hugh Roy Cullen, Houston oilman, and philanthropist, is to be the principal speaker. The state organization of the Sons of the Republic of Texas will meet earlier and elect new officers. Members of the Sons and Daughters of the Republic of Texas will eat lunch on the grounds of the battle-ship Texas, dedicated as a state shrine last San Jacinto Day. The battleship is retired. Military planes will fly over the battlefield from Eight Air Force planes from Fort Worth. John J. Herrera, Texas Regional Governor of the League of United Latin-American citizens, will place a wreath on the monument. You remember what happened at San Jacinto: It was 1836 and a handful of Texans were trying to break away from a Mexican government they considered tyrannical. The Mexican General Santa Anna had won several big victories, in-

Victim Of Fall From Train Is Treated

A man giving the name of W. L. Holder, 47, was removed from the western end of the T&EP yards at 1:45 p. m. today to a hospital for treatment of undetermined injuries. He told officers he had fallen from a train about two hours before. He did not appear to be seriously hurt.

DEATHLESS DAYS

496 In Big Spring Traffic

Fire Damages Store

The roof on Balch's Liquor store on west highway 80 was damaged by fire at 3:45 p. m. Wednesday, city firemen reported. The blaze was caused by a short circuit in an electric sign, firemen said.

\$1,700 Is Netted On First Day Of Cancer Drive Here

Receipts from the first day's effort for the American Cancer Society annual fund drive netted approximately \$1,700 in Big Spring. While most of the volunteer workers had reported, there were several sizeable gifts known to be outstanding. Ted O. Groehl and Matt Harrington, in charge of the campaign to raise funds for research in cancer control and education about cancer, said that the campaign would be held open to at least Monday. Meantime, they were certain that scores of people who want to have a part in the war against cancer have not been contacted directly. In such cases, they urged donors to mail checks to or leave contributions with Ira L. Thurman, chapter treasurer, at the First National bank.

McGee Testimony In Lubbock Is On

LUBBOCK, April 21. (AP)—Testimony in the murder trial of Richard W. McGee was to continue here today. Yesterday the daughter of R. L. Allston, the man McGee is charged with shooting to death last July 7, testified. Betty Jane Allston, 16, said the last words of Allston were "Don't worry honey, your daddy will take care of you."



SISTER KENNY STEPS DOWN—Sister Elizabeth Kenny has turned administration of the infantile paralysis foundation at Minneapolis, Minn., bearing her name over to Dr. E. J. Huenekeus (left), clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of Minnesota. The Australian nurse will remain as a consultant. (AP Wirephoto.)

Time For Putting Tractors In Shape



We Are Prepared to Repair Re-Wind, Rebuild Any Size Motor Perfect Repair Service.

K. & T. Electric Company
408 E. Third Phone 658

Few farmers in this area will find a more opportune time than right now to get their tractors in condition for the season's strenuous duty, and the Big Spring Tractor Co., located on the Lamesa highway stands ready to its assistance.

The local concern, which markets Ford Tractors and Dearborn farm implements in this area, has a good supply of tractor parts, an excellent shop and a capable and experienced staff to handle all repair work. They can get tractors in condition for around the clock duty, which some farmers require once they start planting. The Big Spring Tractor Co. also has on hand new implements for cultivation and new planting equipment. Many pieces of equip-

ment that were virtually unobtainable until a few months ago, are now ready for immediate delivery.

Included among the implements is a line of two-row, pick-up type knife slides. They are of steel construction and are designed for use with the Ford Tractor.

A new item that is meeting popularity in the city is a low-pressure type of lawn sprinkler. This equipment consists of a 20-foot aluminum pipe perforated to insure proper water distribution regardless of pressure. Many local residents have found the new sprinkler to be the answer to pressure problems during summer months when water consumption is heavy throughout the city.

SUMMER TIME—Ted Phillips, head of Phillips Tire company, looks over an assortment of wares provided in the store at Fourth & Johnson, including a wide variety of articles especially adapted to home and automotive comfort during summer months. (Jack H. Haynes Photo).

O'Brien Invites Newcomers To Get Acquainted

A special invitation to new residents of the city, especially persons who have moved into that vicinity, to come in and get acquainted with the management and the lines of merchandise the management offers, has been extended by George O'Brien, owner and manager of the O'Brien Grocery, located at 1201 11th Place.

The concern stocks a complete line of all popular brands of canned goods, handles fresh meats of all kinds and maintains a fresh fruit and vegetable counter which has proven very popular with O'Brien's many customers.

Those who can't call in person at the store can give their orders over the telephone and that by calling number 1622. The establishment maintains a delivery service throughout the day.

The O'Brien store is almost as famous locally for its cleanliness as for its hospitality. It, too, has long since been air-conditioned and shoppers will find they can tour the establishment in comfort during the hot summer months.

Fresh fruits and vegetables are made available several times weekly by the O'Brien concern. Big produce trucks haul the fresh foods in regularly from both California and the Texas Valley.

Housewives in the midst of spring house cleaning will find they can do a more complete job by using floor polishers and floor waxers rented by the O'Brien store.



Phillips Tire Has Eye On Summer

Summer won't catch Phillips Tire company napping.

With an eye on the calendar, Ted Phillips, head of the concern at Fourth and Johnson, has laid in a big supply of items calculated to serve automotive and home needs for the waning season.

For instance, Phillips has taken on a line of Western coolers for air conditioning. These are evaporative types with different fan sizes and cubic foot output to meet specified needs. Three sides provide cooling surface, and the metal boxing is in baked enamel to prevent deterioration by rust. Another home line is that of garden hose in 25 and 50-foot lengths. Still another is freezers.

For the car an item in demand with summer glare becoming a reality is sun visors for automo-

biles. These come in a variety of shades that match car finishes and are adaptable to various makes. One of the most complete lines of seat covers in the area is at Phillips Tire, where practically all models can be fitted. These come in the fabric or plastic finishes with cloth or leatherette trim.

Automobile radios are proving a popular item, too, along with Kool Kooshions, as aeriated tough weave that provides for air circulation around the driver or others contact with cushions would otherwise become a perspiring experience.

Several other items follow the pace of looking forward the time when temperature plays a big part in home and automotive comfort.

Tire Safety First

Friction against hot streets and highways puts increasing strain on tires, and a check on condition of rubber would be a step toward safety. Ted Phillips of Phillips Tire believes. Where replacements are desired, Phillips Tire carries a complete line of famous U.S. tires and tubes. The service goes beyond this to meet tractor needs, and for recapping and vulcanizing service of all sorts.

INSURANCE IS SAVING!
Fire-Auto-Life

Real Estate Sales. Real Estate Loans. FHA Loans and others New and Used Cars Financed

R. B. Reeder
INSURANCE AGENCY
304 SCURRY PHONE 531

E. P. DRIVER INSURANCE AGENCY
First Nat'l. Bank Bldg. Phone 759
FIRE — CASUALTY — BONDS
REAL ESTATE AND LOANS

WE FEATURE
GOOD CLEANING PROMPT SERVICE
Pickup and Delivery
CORNELISON CLEANERS
911 Johnson Phone 122

L. M. BROOKS APPLIANCE COMPANY
Servel Gas Refrigerators
Magic Chef Ranges
Payne
Floor Furnace
APPL. ANCE STORE
107 East Second. Phone 1583

Special Platform From Policeman

CHICAGO—Patrick Devine, a traffic cop, saw the woman every afternoon. She was on crutches. She struggled out into Wabash Ave at Ninth St., and pulled herself aboard a streetcar.

There must be an easier way to get up those steps, Devine thought. He found some pieces of lumber and a scrap of rubber matting and built a platform. Now, when he sees the crippled lady coming, he places the ramp in the street and she hobbles onto the car.

Police Get Bird

EVANSTON, Ill.—Dale Stemple, a private watchman, was making his nightly rounds. He saw a curtain move in a house. That was suspicious because the owner was out of town. Another curtain switched a bit.

Stemple hailed a passing squad car. He and two officers, guns drawn, stole up to the house and peered in. They stared into the large, blinking eyes of an owl.

One Man's Mileage

LONDON—The postmaster general's office finally figured it out. Its statisticians said Postman A. Jones, retiring at 74 after 46 years of service, walked an average of 10 miles a day in the course of his career, covering a grand total of 138,000 miles.

See And Ride On...
"America's Finest Tire"
Also The Famous Puncture Seal Tube At
Creighton Tire Co.
SEIBERLING DISTRIBUTORS FOR 18 YEARS
203 West Third Phone 101
Charlie and Reuben

GEORGE O'BRIEN MARKET
A Varied Selection Of Foods
Featuring Nationally Advertised Brands
1201 11th Place Phone 1622

Wooten Produce
Red Chain Feeds
805 East Second HARVEY WOOTEN, Mgr. Phone 467

S. M. Smith Butane Co.
COMPLETE BUTANE SERVICE
-- Appliances --
Phone 2082 Lamesa Highway Big Spring

READY MIX CONCRETE
Ready Mix concrete is designed to meet architects, State and Federal Government Specifications.
West Texas Sand & Gravel Co.
410 SPRING Phone 900 MIDLAND Phone 1521

Donald's Drive Inn
SPECIALIZING IN MEXICAN FOODS and STEAKS
San Angelo Highway Big Spring

Nalley Funeral Home
Understanding Service Built Upon Years of Service...
A Friendly Counsel In Hours Of Need.
908 Gregg — AMBULANCE SERVICE — Phone 178

COSDEN
Higher Octane Gasoline
COSDEN
Para-Fine Motor Oils
VEEDOL MOTOR OILS
United Tires and Tubes
See your local Cosden dealer For Quality Petroleum Products.
COSDEN PETROLEUM CORP.
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS
FOR EVERY NEED
SEE US FOR ALL YOUR PAINTING NEEDS
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS
122 W. Third Phone 1792

J. F. NEEL FEED STORE
• Complete Line TEXO FEED
• Poultry Supplies
• Poultry Remedies
419 Main Phone 640

STANLEY HARDWARE
• Kitchen Kraft Cabinets
• Easy Washer
• Caloric Ranges
203 RUNNELS

"RADIO RECONDITIONING"
RADIO-LAB
New Location
5th and Gregg Phone 1659

U. S. TIRES
AIR RIDE • ROYAL QUALITY RECAPPING SEAT COVERS U. S. BATTERIES U. S. ACCESSORIES
Phillips Tire Company
E. FOURTH AT JOHNSON — PHONE 472

Yellow Cab Co.
Phone 150
Greyhound Bus Terminal
Just South Of The Settles Hotel
Paul S. Liner, owner

Quick, Easy Attachment of Implement and Ford Hydraulic Touch Control
Adds Up To Faster, Easier Farming
22 New Features for Improved Performance. Easier Maintenance. Longer Life. Service & Sales
BIG SPRING TRACTOR CO.
LAMESA HIGHWAY — PHONE 938

ROWE MOTOR CO.
PACKARD SALES & SERVICE
General Repairing Major Overhauling Paint and Body Work Brake Service Rebering
Phone 980 212 E. 2nd

WALKER AUTO PARTS
As Complete A Stock As Possible Complete Machine Shop Service *CRANKSHAFT REGRINDING
409 E. 3rd Phone 148

MOTERING HEADQUARTERS
• General Tires and Tubes
• Washing and Greasing
• Auto Repair
• Gasoline and Oil
• Rear Wheel Aligning
Open 6:30 A. M. Close 10 P. M.

Clark Motor Co.
215 E. 3rd Desoto & Plymouth Dealer Ph. 1856

Firestone TIRES & TUBES
Home and Auto Supplies
SHELL
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
WESTEX SERVICE STORE
112 West 2nd
WESTEX SERVICE STATION
407 West 3rd

CLEANING YOUR CLOTHING OUR SPECIALTY
PICK UP AND DELIVERY
CRAWFORD CLEANERS
306 Scurry Phone 238

WHENEER OUR PHONE GOES TING-A-LING... A QUICK RESPONSE IT'S BOUND TO BRING
RUNYAN PLUMBING CO.
SINCE 1924
505 E. 6TH ST. • PHONE 535
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

SHOE REPAIR
We Specialize In All Kinds of
• Boot and Shoe Repairing
• Dye Work
• Hand Made Boots
J. L. CHRISTENSEN BOOT SHOP
602 W. Third

PLAN NOW
Let's Get Together, To Operate Your Electrical Appliances Most Efficiently
You plan and install adequate wiring, and I'll be on the job day and night to bring you an abundance of dependable, economical electric service.
—Reddy Kilowatt
Texas Electric Service Company

New Staff Member
R. E. McClure had been employed by the O'Brien Grocery, 1201 11th Place, and is prepared to greet his old friends and make new ones for the establishment. He will assist George O'Brien, owner and manager in the operation of the concern.

CULLIGAN
WATER SOFTER THAN RAIN
THE SAVINGS ARE GREATER THAN THE COST ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR ABOUT
CULLIGAN SOFTWATER SERVICE
J. E. AND JIMMIE FELTS
103 E. 6th Phone 538

THOMAS TYPEWRITER AND OFFICE SUPPLIES
Office Equipment And Supplies
107 Main Phone 98

CARR BROS.
Grocery - Market
• Fresh Vegetables
• Canned Goods
• Choice Meats
YOU SAVE MONEY WHEN YOU SHOP HERE
2000 W. 3rd Ph. 9540

Douglass Food Market
"We feature the Finest Meats Available"
1018 Johnson Dale Douglass Phone 78

MOTOR INN AUTO SUPPLY
WHOLESALE AUTO PARTS and MACHINE SHOP
PHONE 244 & 245 — Big Spring — 404 JOHNSON

Harley-Davidson
The Harley-Davidson "125" at
CECIL THIXTON
908 W. 3rd Ph. 2144

TRAVIS REED Grocery & Market
Featuring
• The Best Known Canned Goods
• Frozen Foods
• Fresh Vegetables
• Quality Meats
711 Scurry Phone 984

DRIVER WHITE TRUCK CO.
SALES AND SERVICE FOR WHITE TRUCKS
We do steam cleaning and general repairing on all types of trucks. We have a stock of White parts and accessories.
American Safety Tanks—Goodyear Tires
Willard Batteries
1600 EAST THIRD PHONE 1681

WESTERN Glass & Mirror Co.
Mirrors Made To Order
Plate Window Auto Glass
909 Johnson Phone 2286

Banner MILK
ICE CREAM ICE MILK
"It tastes better"
AT YOUR GROCERY --- --- HOME DELIVERY

From **CAROLINE'S** PHONE 108
For all Occasions

Rep. Coffey Killed In Jet Plane Crash

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., April 21. (AP) — A crashing jet fighter plane carried Rep. Robert Lewis Coffey, Jr. (D-Pa.) to death here late yesterday.

The crash of his P-80 Shooting Star was tentatively laid to a partial power failure. A thorough investigation was ordered.

Coffey, a 36-year-old wartime hero and first term in Congress, had landed at Kirtland Air Force Base to refuel. His ship rose only 25 feet, wavered and plunged into an arroyo as he took off on the final leg of a flight to March Field, Calif.

The Johnstown, Pa., flier was on a cross-country training flight, undertaken while the House is in recess. He held the rank of colonel in the Air Force Reserve.

A helpless witness to the crash was Lt. Col. William Ritchie, friend and companion of Coffey in European air combat during World War II.

Ritchie, taking off behind Coffey in another P-80, was compelled to circle overhead for an hour. This was to use up fuel in the wing tanks, necessary before he could land.

"The plane (Coffey's) just settled at the south end of the runway,"

Ritchie said in describing the crash. "I could see it strike a stream of sparks, like those from a grinding wheel. Then it bounced over into the ravine."

Col. Harold O. Gunn, Kirtland commandant, said the ship turned a series of cartwheels before it snapped a powerline pole. The engine was catapulted 100 yards beyond the main portion of the shattered fuselage.

The plane did not explode or burn. A crash crew found the body of the flier wedged inside. He was killed instantly.

The congressman made a normal takeoff and his landing gear was already retracted, Gunn said.

Reconstructing the crash from eyewitness accounts, Gunn said the craft apparently lost part of its mechanical failure.

Another wartime comrade of Coffey was a near witness to the crash. He was Lt. Col. John Meyer, liaison officer between the Air Force and the House of Representatives.

The two had planned to depart together early yesterday from Andrews Field, outside Washington, D. C., but Meyer was delayed. He followed in a P-51 fighter. By coincidence, Meyer had just been cleared for a landing here when Coffey's ship crashed.

Coffey meanwhile had proceeded by way of Selfridge Base, at Detroit, and Salina, Kan., where Ritchie joined him. Ritchie, assigned to the 56th Fighter Group at Selfridge, is from Pine Bluff, Ark.

FALSE TEETH
Rock, Slide or Slip?
FASTTEETH, an improved powder to be sprinkled on upper or lower plates, holds false teeth more firmly in place. Do not slide, slip or rock. No gummy, goopy, pasty taste or feeling. FASTTEETH is a clean, non-toxic, non-irritating, "plate odor" (denture breath). Get FASTTEETH at any drug store. (Adv.)

WAR SURPLUS SCOUT EQUIPMENT
Scout axe with cover \$1.25
Canteens, used, with covers 65c
Field parks, used \$1.50
Field packs, new \$2.50
Mess kits, nice 39c
Officers bed roll covers, \$4.95 and \$6.95
Wool sleeping bags \$3.50
Kapoc sleeping bags \$18.95
Comforters, \$2.75 and \$3.50
Air pillows 75c
Feather pillows, nice \$1.45 ea.
Trench shovels 95c and \$1.25
Air corps pocket knife kits with scout knives \$2.45
Flashlights, from 35c to \$4.88
K-Bar hunting knives \$2.45
Wrist watches, guaranteed, \$3.95
Steel clothes lockers \$12.50
And Many Other Items
"Try Us, We May Have It"
OPEN UNTIL 7 P. M.
War Surplus Store
605 E. 3rd Phone 2263
See Our Ad Tomorrow

Two F-47 Ships Crash; One Killed
NUERNBERG, Germany, April 21. (AP) — Two American F-47 Thunderbolt fighter planes crashed today near Bamberg. The pilot of one plane was killed.

It was the first fatal accident during the U. S. Army maneuvers near the Czechoslovakian border.

Air Force officials said one of the planes lost its propeller during a low altitude strafing mission but crash-landed without injury to the pilot.

A second fighter, escorting the disabled craft downward, collided with a high tension wire and the pilot was killed. The accident came after American planes had flown almost 300 sorties, mostly in the role of "aggressor" aircraft.

JAMES LITTLE ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
State Nat'l Bank Bldg. Phone 393

If Interested In A MONUMENT OR A MARKER SEE H. F. TAYLOR
Phone 725

Alabama Advances Negro School Plan

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 21. (AP) — Alabama put forward a multi-million dollar program today to meet the urgent demand to give Negro students the same college opportunities as those provided for white persons.

The program, devised by a special committee on Negro education, calls for a separate Negro state university and a law school. The committee also asks for an immediate yearly increase of \$335,000 in appropriations to Negro colleges and another \$4,500,000 for building purposes.

The committee was appointed three months ago by Gov. James E. Folsom. Committee members said the program is designed to meet both the moral and the legal obligations of the state.

The United States Supreme Court has ruled that states must give equal educational facilities to white and Negro students.

Alabama previously had depended on the regional education program of the Southern Governors Conference. Under this program, southern states jointly contribute to schools where Negroes can take courses not offered them in those states.

Committee members said they intend for Alabama to continue to use the regional program, especially for medicine and dentistry. No action was taken to provide these courses within the state.

Three Artists Will Appear Here Today

Three talented personalities, widely-known for their entertainment work in behalf of wounded and ill servicemen, will give a benefit performance at 8 p. m. today in the First Baptist auditorium.

There is no charge, but proceeds from a free will offering will go to purchase of bedside radios and cash contributions to Veteran Administration hospitals.

Pat B. Withrow, Jr., national director of the Veterans Hospital Programs, will head the trio of artists in an inspirational program. Assisting will be Mildred Young, talented radio and concert vocalist, and Bobby Del Rio, noted accordionist.

The public in general is urged to attend, and veterans service groups especially. At other points in Texas good crowds have turned out and service officers at VA hospitals have written letters of appreciation for the radios furnished the hospitals through this means.

The church nursery will be open for the convenience of parents with small children.

Withrow is an accomplished speaker, humorist and song leader whose range is quickly from laughter to tears, from sober reflection to stimulating spiritual experience.

Miss Young, with a record of successes in radio, opera and concert, has devoted her talents to helping servicemen. During the war she cheered GI's in Brazil, Africa, Egypt and India. Del Rio, one of the top accordionists of the country, devoted four and a half years to similar work, and his experiences as an entertainer at the battle fronts were so vivid that they were dramatized over the NBA network in "Cavalcade of America." This also earned him a citation for meritorious service.

This evening's program is scheduled for one hour, but is so timed that the entire affair is fast moving as well as inspirational and entertaining. Veterans Hospital Programs is carried on in behalf of



MILDRED YOUNG



BOBBY DEL RIO

in the name of the Protestant churches of America. It is a non-profit organization devoted to taking inspirational programs to VA hospitals as well as turning offerings into bedside radios.

HAS EXAMPLE FOR SERMON

SWINDON, England (AP) — In the middle of the Rev. C. S. Hall's sermon, a noise was heard in a rear room of the Baptist Church. The choir arose, went back to chase out the intruder and found he'd stolen a pack of cigarettes. The members then reported back to the minister.

"That," he said, "is an example of what I am talking about—wickedness."

WOW Manager Is Due Here Friday

Roy J. Clark, Ahilene, district manager for the Woodmen of the World, is to be here for a special meeting of the local grove Friday evening at the W.O.W. hall.

All members and their families are invited to participate in the special program, which starts at 8 o'clock.

Oklahoma Provides For Draft Selectees

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 21. (AP) — Employees of cities, counties and the state who are drafted under the 1948 selective service law or are re-called to service as reservists will be given job security under a bill passed today by the Oklahoma senate.

They would be entitled to their same jobs and pay upon completion of service. Their discharge without cause would be prohibited for one year following their return. The bill now goes to Gov. Roy J. Turner.

Villainous Redskin May Soon Bite Dust

HOLLYWOOD, April 21. (AP) — The villainous movie Redskin may follow his cigar store counterpart of the American scene.

Three Oklahoma legislators who are Indians charged that the Red Men too often are portrayed in movies as "low, mean and treacherous."

But Hollywood came back yesterday with these replies: John Ford's "Fort Apache" told the Indian's side sympathetically. The film "Tulsa" premiered under the noses of the complaining lawmakers, portrays an Indian as a rancher wearing business clothes and speaking excellent English.

In "Black Gold," Anthony Quinn lays an Indian who "was a good man, like most people."

Joseph Kane, producer of many horse operas, said: "Undoubtedly Indians have been represented in many pictures as foolish or villainous. But the trend now seems to be toward showing them realistically. They were often rough characters in the old days. So were the settlers. They shouldn't be treated as heavies without showing why."

Work Resumed On Wichita Falls Jobs

WICHITA FALLS, April 21. (AP) — Work on a new USO building and on a new YMCA structure has resumed here. Pickets were withdrawn yesterday.

The pickets were of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Glass Workers of America, Local 393. Other craft unions observed the picket line.

The USO building was picketed Monday. The YMCA project was picketed yesterday morning.

C. E. Nelson, business representative of the union, said his union acted because of failure of "the contractors to comply with the union's wage scale in paying painters on the job."

The union put up the picket lines although the painters working on the job were non-union men.

"Having brought public attention to bear on failure of contractors on these jobs to comply with our painters' union wage scale, we now withdraw the pickets in the interest of public good," Nelson said.

Donald's Drive-Inn
Specializing in Mexican Foods and Steaks
SAN ANGELO HIGHWAY

ST. AUGUSTINE GRASS SOD
Bermuda Grass Seed
Vineyard Nursery
LANDSCAPING
Ph. 1888 1708 Scurry



Landing an order from a tough prospect! THIS IS PART OF "Life at its Best"

A tough prospect and the makers of Hill and Hill have one thing in common—they insist on the best. You'll notice how the rich Kentucky goodness of Hill and Hill "comes through" in any drink. Order Hill and Hill—

"Whiskey at its Best"

HILL AND HILL KENTUCKY WHISKEY-A BLEND 86 PROOF

LE SAGE CO. - DISTRIBUTORS - ODESSA • 65% GRAIN NEUTRAL SPIRITS

Let **Nathan's** LAY-AWAY YOUR WATCH

FOR YOUR GRADUATE

MAKING GIFT HEADLINES FOR EVERY EVENT... WELL WITHIN YOUR BUDGET

BULOVA

"Squadron" 17 jewels... expansion bracelet... second-dial \$1 WEEKLY \$55

"Janet" Demure... Dainty... Dependable PAY LATER! \$2975

"Her Excellency" Regal splendor in 21 jewels... smart cord band PLAN A BUDGET NOW! \$4950

LAY AWAY YOUR SELECTION NOW FAITHFUL REMINDERS OF YOUR AFFECTION

GRUEN

"Archer" "Veri-thin" model... 15 jewels TAKE MONTHS TO PAY \$3975

"Melton" 17 jewels... for the active man in your life CREDIT IN SECONDS \$4250

"Claire" 15 jewels... starting for beauty \$3975

Nathan's JEWELERS

It Takes 3 Minutes To Open An Account

•No Interest •No Carrying Charges

Baby Week

Birdseye Diapers
Soft absorbent first quality Birdseye Cloth Diapers. Smooth flat hems... non-irritating. 27x27-inch.
Regular 199 Dozen
2.19 Value

Snap-on Rubber Panty Boxed. Sizes Sm, Med., Lg., Ex. Lg. 49c

Ke-Ko Plastic Panty Snap-on. Sm, Med, Lg, Ex. Lg. 69c

Handmade Dress Hand Embroidered 98c

Receiving Blanket
Soft downy all cotton light weight Blanket. Pink and blue colored striped border. 25x34-inch.
Regular 39c Value 3 for 99c

Tot's Print Dress Cotton Print 6 mo., 12 mo., 18 mo. 79c

Tricot Knit Gown Cap Sleeve Sizes 2 to 8. 2.49

Mothers Utility Bag Shoulder Strap Style 2.98

Plaid Western Shirt Long Sleeve Sizes 3 to 6. 1.98

Training Pants
Soft absorbent knit cotton Panty. Full elastic waistband. All sizes 9 to 12. Special cut price.
Regular 19c Value 12c pr.

Tots Boxer Short Cotton Twill High Colors 79c

Tots Boxer Short, seersucker. Sizes 2 to 6 59c

"Billy the Kid" Jean, 8 oz. denim. 3 colors. 1 to 6x \$1.79

Nonette Dresses, pastels in batiste. 1 to 6x \$1.98

Knit Towel Set, matching, cloth and rag 98c

Wool Knit Booties, ribbon tie. Boxed 79c

2 to 8 Shorty Pajama, seersucker, 2-piece. \$1.49

Polo Shirt
Solid colors or bright striped patterns. Button shoulder. Combed cotton.
Regular 59c Value 2 for 99c

Training Pants
Well made of combed cotton. Boy or girl types. Elastic waistband. 0 to 12.
Regular 39c Value 3 for 99c

Anthony's
THE C.A. ANTHONY CO.

Distinguished Personality In Air Transport Welcomed Here

A distinguished visitor in Big Spring today is Gen. Robert J. Smith, whose ability is matched only by his bility in the air transport field.

Gen. Smith, president of Pioneer Air Lines, as achieved an enviable record in the field of air transport service. The name of the line is appropriate enough, for Pioneer is, in exactness, what Pioneer has done.

Manifestly, the CAB is concurring at this stage in a general feeling that the line has been successful in what it set out to do, for in recent rulings, subject to final hearings, the role of Pioneer was given substantial hope of expansion.

Without detracting from the work of a capable staff, it can be said with accuracy that bulk of the credit goes to Gen. Smith. The company is new as far

as airlines go, but Gen. Smith is by no means new to air transport. Before he came to his present position, he had earned an enviable record of successes, including general credit for having built another successful airline operation.

As with any common carrier, a lot depends upon sound management of operations, administration, courtesy, efficiency, sales, etc. for sound air service. Many a hopeful venture has cracked up in the absence of a lack of know-how and stable vision.

The huge responsibility heaped upon Gen. Smith in air transport duty during the war is further testimony to the universal recognition of his talents. It is an honor to welcome a man of this calibre to a community which accounts itself a member of his air transport family.

Drunkennes Has No Place As Plea In Mitigation Of Crime

When all else fails, insanity and drunkenness are two stock-in-trade pleas in the field of criminal jurisprudence.

Where insanity can be established, it is a perfectly valid plea. It is sometimes subject to abuse but it should not be ruled out, because those honestly suffering its afflictions cannot rightfully be held accountable.

But drunkenness is a horse of a different color. It is argued with some logic that a person under the influence of intoxicants or drugs has lost control of his faculties to a degree comparable with those with mental lapses or psychosis. The mitigating plea frequently is that the defendant would not have committed the alleged act had he been his sober self.

The Paris News had some pointed

words to say on this subject:

"Wherever a plea of drunkenness is used in mitigation of crime, it is not justice but sentiment that allows it to influence the verdict of a jury or judge. Any man who makes himself drunk knows before he does so that he is prone to do things he might not do while sober, yet he goes about his drinking, regardless.

"The man who drinks and then starts driving a car knows that he is making himself a potential killer. Drunkenness should be no plea in any trial. No drunken man becomes so against his will (with all due respects to those who have lost the will to resist). Verdicts allowed to be influenced and lessened because of drunkenness tend to excuse the practice instead of punishing it."

Nation Today—James Marlow

Capital Slums Start 100 Feet From Senate Office Building

WASHINGTON, April 20.—"WHEN you ain't got K, you ain't got K," the Negro man said mildly, meaning money. He was leaning against a battered shack a few blocks from the Capitol.

He was trying to explain why people lived in the slums of Washington, thousands of people, whites and Negroes, but mostly Negroes. What kind of work did they do? "Mostly ketch as ketch can," the man said.

He was looking at senators, policemen, newspaper reporters, and a doctor while raggedy Negro children played around them and bit at one another with sticks.

A Negro girl got up and hobbled off the steps. Her legs were bent with rickets. She had a foolish, happy smile. She might have been 15 or 16. "An imbecile," the doctor told the others quietly.

with his age and his one leg he couldn't work. He makes no money at all. How much does his son make? One buck yesterday, maybe no buck today. He delivers coal when he can.

How did the grandfather lose his leg? "TB of the bone," the old man said.

"An awful lot of people die of tuberculosis in the slums," the doctor told the senators. "And there's a lot of venereal disease."

The police captain said they found a man frozen to death in one of the outside toilets last winter.

The party went from slum to slum, row after row of them . . . row after row of outside toilets and outside water pipes . . . yards heaped with rubbish.

I asked many Negro men and women what was the highest pay anyone in their row of houses got. The highest I heard anyone say was \$35 a week, when a man had regular work . . . The rent ran from \$12 to \$30 a month . . .

THE GROUP WAS MAKING A QUICK tour of the slums in Washington that spread out around the Capitol. The slums start within 100 feet of the Senate office building.

"They were being taken around by Sen. Paul Douglas, Illinois Democrat. The others in the party were one Democrat, Senator Green of Rhode Island, and three Republican senators: Morse of Oregon, Ferguson of Michigan, and Baldwin of Connecticut.

They had just come from Senate debate on a bill to provide public housing to wipe out slums in the cities of America. They wanted to see slums first hand in the nation's Capitol.

They went into a house where 13 people sleep in three beds in two rooms . . . a man, his wife, nine children, one grandchild, and the man's grandfather . . . No lights except an oil lamp, no heat except a coal stove in the kitchen . . . No running water. The water is in the yard. So is the toilet. The yard is heaped with rubbish.

The plaster was off the walls . . . The windows broken . . . the furniture was claptrap junk . . . Outside in the yard

DIRTY! YES, A POLICE SERGEANT said on the ride back to the bright and shining Capitol. Bugs and lice and everything, he said.

"There's some kind of doctor works for the government," the sergeant said. "He makes a study of lice. Catalogues them. He told us any time we found any one dead in the alley to let him know."

"Two weeks ago we found a man, dead quite a while. We called the government man. He came down. He found 11 new kinds of lice on the man nobody ever heard of before. All brand new kinds, the doctor said."

The sergeant looked thoughtfully at the ancient houses of the slums.

"Just look at them," he said. "If some with money bought them up, and fixed them, and painted them, and put a big brass knob on the door, he'd have a real antique."

Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

Resumption Of China War May Have Bad World Consequences

China's civil war Wednesday boiled up again along the Yangtze in all its old fury.

The nationalist government—weak and harassed but refusing to bow its neck to unconditional surrender—had rejected the sweeping demands of the victorious Chinese Communist forces for peace.

Whether we are witnessing the beginning of another protracted onslaught by the Communists remains to be seen. Probably it depends on whether this furious blow results in a reopening of peace negotiations by the groggy and disorganized Nationalists.

Wednesday's developments are likely to be written down as among the most critical in the world war between Communism and all other political creeds.

The fate not only of China but of Asia as a whole is involved. Indeed the conflict of theisms may ultimately be decided in that vast theatre.

ONE OF TWO THINGS CAN GROW out of the current situation in the immediate future:

1. A coalition government of Communists and Nationalists might be formed. The Communists are reported to have proposed that such a regime be inaugurated by May 1.

2. The civil war continue its bloody course, with the Reds ruling northern China and carrying the fight into the southern part of the country.

The formation of a "coalition" is a favorite Red procedure in taking over a new state. The coalition quickly undergoes a purge and gives way to complete Red domination of the government.

THEN IF THE COMMUNISTS HAD THE strength to control the whole country militarily, Communism would be established. Otherwise the civil war would break out again.

Observers generally expect that, if full scale fighting is resumed, while the Reds might be expected to make quick advances, this doesn't necessarily mean they could sweep southern China. On the contrary the prospects are that the fighting would progress by zones, with Nationalist forces putting up a vigorous battle in many areas.



Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

State Department Acting Secretly To Stop War In French Indo-China

WASHINGTON — It won't be announced officially, but the State Department has taken a secret and highly significant step to try to stop the three-year-old civil war in French Indo-China.

Indo-China is a long way from the USA, but in these days of global cold war, what happens there can influence the spread of Communism in the Philippines, the Malays and India.

Therefore, Ambassador Caffery, acting on careful instruction from Secretary of State Acheson, has told the French Foreign Office that the United States considers it absolutely necessary to stop this fighting in order to keep it from playing into the hands of the Communists.

Caffery said he was authorized to pledge the full support of the United States to French plans for creating an anti-Communist government in Indo-China headed by Bao Dai, the former emperor. The United States might even be willing to consider economic help to such a government if it kept out all Communists.

NOTE—Another reason why we are anxious to end this revolution is because we want the French to bring their Army back from Indo-China to France to guard against a surprise attack from Russia. The French have between 100,000 and 200,000 troops in Indo-China and have sometimes been suffering 1,000 casualties a week.

NO PYRAMIDS FOR BRADLEY

Contrary to press reports, Gen. Omar Bradley, chief of staff, has never been a member of a pyramid club. And for a very good reason.

"At West Point," says Bradley, "I taught mathematical probabilities. And even if I'd ever been invited to join a pyramid club, I wouldn't have done so, because the chances of a payoff are too slim."

LEGION'S NO. 1 LOBBYIST

Young Representative Olin Teague of Texas, decorated 11 times for bravery in the last war, took on a fresh battle recently with the No. 1 American Legion lobbyist.

Teague made the legion's tough and skillful John Thomas Taylor eat his own words during his testimony in favor of the Rankin pension bill.

Taylor based his plea largely on "precedents" for pensions voted by earlier Congresses.

"Just a minute," broke in Teague. "While we're on the subject of precedents, let me read from the witness's testimony on this same question when the House Ways and Means Committee was holding hearings in 1930 on amendments to the Veterans' Adjusted Compensation Act of 1924."

Teague proceeded to quote a colloquy between Jack Garner of Texas, later vice president, and Taylor, then as now the Legion's legislative representative. Taylor admitted at that time that the 1924 bonus bill as amended would be a qualification against future pensions for World War I vets.

Pinned down by Garner as to whether the legislation would make future pensions unnecessary, Taylor replied, "no question about it."

When Teague finished reading from the record, Legion Lobbyist Taylor looked like the Washington monument had fallen on him.

"I just wanted to get that in the record for the benefit of col-

leagues who have asked me about it," commented Texas' Teague. "It doesn't mean I'm against caring for war vets who are in need."

CAPITAL NEWS CAPSULES

TO STOP DEFLATION—A group of western senators headed by Jim Murray of Montana are working up a big anti-deflation program, including provisions for a large federal lending drive to get new capital at work on the expansion of industrial capacity.

One of the most important points of the new Murray legislation will be authority for industry to write off all big news capital expenditures in five years or less. In other words—accelerated depreciation.

LOBBYIST DINNER—The foundry industry threw a party for members of Congress the other night and sent out invitations in the name of Sen. Capehart of Indiana, the juke-box king. But, of the many invited, only a handful showed up. A reporter telephoned the private dining room, but was told curtly they didn't want any publicity. He went up to the room anyway and spotted Sen. Myers of Pennsylvania, Democrat; Congressman Engel of Michigan, Republican; and Congressman Patterson of Connecticut, Republican. Less than 20 people were in the room, and 15 of these were supposed to be foundry company executives. Late Sen. Caphart admitted send-

ing out the invitations—at the request, he said, of Richard Wagner of Indianapolis, president of the Electric Casting Company.

CONGRESS MAY GROWL—Secretary of State Acheson is in for new trouble with Congress, especially with the appropriations committees, on the Atlantic Pact.

The State Department has decided not to give Congress too much detailed information on Europe's military needs for fear of a leak to the Soviet Union. Despite statements to the contrary, Acheson already has all the military information from European powers, but wants a blank check from Congress—for security reasons.

EXIT FROM AUSTRIA—The Western Allies will steal a march on the Russians by proposing the withdrawal of virtually all occupation forces from Austria. British, French and American diplomats in London have agreed to suggest that their troops—and the Russians—be evacuated from Austria except for a token army in Vienna. The plan was decided upon because the Austrian government convinced the Allies there is no chance of a Communist coup overturning the present pro-western regime. The plan will be made publicly to the Russians as soon as the present conference on an Austrian treaty ends in failure—as seems certain shortly.

Hollywood—Bob Thomas

Bob Hope Says National Tour Is Just Vacation

HOLLYWOOD —Bob Hope bounced out of town this week for another of his entertainment tours of the nation. This time he and his radio troupe are playing 25 shows in 15 days in Arizona, New Mexico, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, The Carolinas, Virginia, West Virginia, D. C., Rhode Island, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Asked why he undertakes such strenuous work, Hope answers: "Work? are you kidding? This is a vacation."

Of course, there's another reason the comedian likes the tours. The proceeds go into his Hope Enterprises, which not only produces some of his pictures, but indulges in other commercial ventures.

Which brings up a question often asked around in Hollywood—when is a vacation not a vacation? Hope or Bing Crosby? Most amateur observers hand the laurel to Hope, even though Crosby has earned more moola over the

Magnolia Petroleum Co. Official Dies

CORSICANA, April 21. (P)—W. C. Ralston, 78, former superintendent of the Magnolia Petroleum Co. refinery here, died at his home last night.

Ralston worked on the construction of the refinery about the turn of the century and was superintendent a number of years before his retirement.

Funeral services will be tomorrow.

Around The Rim—The Herald Staff

Navy Fails To Realize Aircraft Carrier Has Outlived Usefulness

The announcement that the Navy actually has started work on its long-protected super aircraft carrier, the USS United States, comes as a pleasant shock to those of us who believe that the day of the big naval vessel is past. The estimated cost of this warship—\$185 million dollars—does nothing to restore our equanimity. We fear that it will be just so much money thrown away.

Does anyone dispute the fact that the aircraft carrier became obsolete in the Second World War? Then let him read the story of the Battle of Midway. Despite umbrellas of fighting planes and a storm of anti-aircraft fire, both Japanese and American bombs were able to get through almost at will to each other's carriers. It is true that the Japanese lost four carriers to the Americans' one; but if the battle proved anything, it was the high vulnerability of the aircraft carrier. The bigger it is, the better target it makes.

At Midway, it was ordinary bombs and torpedoes that gave the carriers their death wounds. What will it be like in the next war when they have to cope with atomic bombs and guided missiles?

According to the Navy announcement, the United States will be big enough to handle bombers capable of carrying atomic bombs.

Apparently, the Navy is building its super carrier under the impression that America is the only nation possessing atomic bombs and guided missiles. That is not certain; at least, not certain enough to wager \$185 million on, when the money might be used to better advantage on land-based rockets and bombing planes.

We now have both bombers and guid-

ed missiles capable of reaching any quarter of the globe. Any war in which we may be engaged probably will be over before the Navy even has maneuvered into striking position.

Looking at the matter from the Navy's viewpoint, one can understand why the seamen put so much faith in the aircraft carrier. Truly, it was a formidable weapon in its time, but never did any type of warship become obsolete so quickly. Every American must thrill to the saga of the Yorktown and its sister ships, which played so vital a role in the winning of the South Pacific war; but that does not alter the cold fact that the carrier has outlived its usefulness in the Atomic Age.

The Air Force has contended that the \$185 million United States is an invasion of its own field of long-range strategic bombing. In this it is perfectly right. Short-range fighting is the Navy's province, and it is the height of absurdity for it to be building a carrier for the same kind of work that land bases could do better and more economically. Moreover, land bases are not so vulnerable.

The old order dies hard, and it is not strange that the Navy still should be thinking in terms of Trafalgar, Jutland and Midway. It does not realize that the days of great warships and great sea battles are over for this planet. However, it is too late for repining; the keel of the world's biggest aircraft carrier already has been laid, and the work must go forward, even though it should turn out in the end that we have built nothing more than an extravagant monument to Naval folly.—R. G. MACREADY.

Notebook—Hal Boyle

Hal Describes Male And Female Methods Of Meeting Television

NEW YORK (AP)—IS TELEVISION ANY more than keeping your mouth a-wide and your eyes a-gleam?

I don't know for sure except I've been on the darn thing. That is, I've been on a television program.

Just how to talk to the rest of you who haven't had this adventure I'm not sure. Life has passed you by. And I, like a good fellow, want to tell you what it's like.

man. There I was and what was I to say? All of a moment there you are with two or three cameras pointing at you waiting for you to say something important. And all you can think is "what will posterity think?"

I would say there are two ways to meet television — male and female. I am male. That is the downstairs technique. You sit there on a couch until the program starts.

Ah, but if you are female! That is a different matter. That is the technique above. The lady goes upstairs and gets herself overhauled—as if a simple thing like that would surprise you when she came back down.

And guest men? Well, I was a guest

AND POSTERITY ISN'T ON THE PROGRAM—that is one thing that isn't scheduled yet.

You are between two girls and you are supposed to be talking about a book called "How To Be Happy While Single."

Finally you wind up trying to defend this idea.

"Everybody has to be lonely in this world, but marriage makes it possible for two people who like or respect each other to be less lonely together."

After that I lost all sense of television. I was up to my ears in female argument. Not an unfamiliar position, either, for a man married high 12 happy years.

Matter Of Fact—Joseph Alsop

End Of Military Rule In Germany Will Lead To End Of Occupation

The hard core of the German agreement reached in Washington last week is that "military government as such will be terminated." That decision will stand. Military government has been deteriorating rapidly and is already so feeble and ineffectual that if the Foreign Ministers had not decided to put an end to it, it would have soon broken down anyway.

The historic words terminating it have been spoken. Now all the king's horses and all the king's men couldn't put Humpty Dumpty together again.

But the rest of the agreements can be taken only as a temporary arrangement on the way to something which, for better or worse, will be quite different from the system outlined in the occupation statute.

The men who made these arrangements are the ablest who have dealt with the German question since the war, or during it, and they can have few illusions on the main point: that the end of military government is also the beginning of the end of all military occupation.

to "supervise."

How? By telling the German authorities they must do this or that they must not do that? What happens if the Germans deny the allegations, dispute the statistics, challenge the decisions. The occupation statute does not say because as a matter of fact there is little the high commissioners can do to enforce their supervision. They cannot reestablish military government. They cannot, except in flagrant cases, arrest and remove officials, and the cannot cut off German imports for fear of throwing the Germans into the arms of the Russians.

While all this is going on the armies which remain in Germany will not be mere garrison troops like, let us say, the regiment of Marines which before the war we kept as legion guards in China. The troops in Germany are not merely occupying Germany. They are a covering screen for the defensive forces of Western Europe. They are in effect deployed in the advance zone of what may be a theater of war. Therefore railroads, telegraph and telephones, and indeed all facilities that may be needed for the support and maintenance of the troops, will have to be kept under the intimate control of the military commanders, not of the civilian high commissioners.

The system proposed is described in the Schuman-Bevin-Acheson statement as one in which "the function of the Allied authorities will become mainly supervisory." They will supervise a German government which is to be set up in the next few months. But when we look at the occupation statute we find that the Allied authorities are to "supervise" a government which is disarmed, which does not control its foreign trade and its currency, which is not supposed to have a foreign policy and cannot make international agreements, which has a constitution that is to be construed by the occupying powers and can be amended only if they approve, which is still to be controlled in the Ruhr, in scientific research, in respect to "restitution, reparations, decentralization, deconcentration, foreign interests in Germany," despite persons and admission of refugees, and in order "to ensure use of funds, foods, and other supplies in such manner as to reduce to a minimum the need for external assistance to Germany."

If all prayers were answered, the mudpie would be terrific and a lot of us would be put away.

The Big Spring Herald

Published Sunday morning and weekday afternoons except holidays by AFFILIATED NEWSPAPERS, INC. Entered as second class matter July 15, 1944, at the Post Office at Big Spring, Texas, under no. 324 of March 1, 1945.

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to the use of all news dispatches credited to it or to any other news agency or to any newspaper in this paper which are credited to the press and also the right to use the same for advertising purposes.

The publishers are not responsible for any error or omission or typographical error that may appear hereafter than as corrected in the next issue of this paper will be cheerfully corrected upon being brought to the attention of the management.

NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE Texas County Newspaper Network, 1408 Liberty Bank Building, Dallas, Texas.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES—Payable in advance: By Carrier, one year \$11, by mail, one year, \$9.50.

Big Spring Herald, April 1948

P-TA Officials Open Conference Here Today; Banquet Is Planned

District, State and National P-TA officials arrived in Big Spring today to open the second annual Sixteenth District conference which will continue through Friday afternoon.

Officials were to have a closed planning session today at 4 p. m. which will be followed by a formal banquet at 7:30 p. m. in the Settles Hotel.

The Texas theme will be carried out in the table decorations and the program in observance of San Jacinto Day.

Local parents and teachers will be hosts to a free luncheon to be held in the First Baptist church at noon.

Later in the afternoon, the delegates and visitors will hear an address by the Rev. A. H. Carlton, pastor of the local First Methodist church.

The Rev. A. H. Carlton will preside at the president's hour which is scheduled for 4:15 p. m.

Closing the convention, a tea will be given by the Tri-Country Council in the church at 5 p. m.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. Willard Sullivan and Mrs. C. C. Jones as co-hostesses.

Orchid colored iris flanked by lighted white tapers formed the centerpiece of the refreshment table.

Crystal and silver appointments completed the table setting. Other arrangements of yellow iris and white lilies were placed at vantage points in the reception rooms.

Mrs. Duval Wiley attended the coffee service. Those present were Mrs. Wayne Pearce, Mrs. Irving Margolis, Mrs. Sam Bloom, Mrs. J. E. Hogan.

Mrs. J. H. Greene, Mrs. J. Gilbert Gibbs, Mrs. Dan Conley, Mrs. C. W. Deats, Mrs. Joe Pickle, Mrs. Roxie Dobbins, Mrs. Otis Graf.

Mrs. Jack McDaniel, Mrs. G. L. Brooks, Mrs. P. W. Malone, Mrs. Royce Satterwhite, Mrs. Cecil D. McDonald, Mrs. C. W. Norman.

Lions Auxiliary Morning Coffee Held Wednesday

Mrs. Cliff Wiley, 1010 11th Place, entertained the members of the Lions Auxiliary with a morning coffee in her home Wednesday.

Those present were Mrs. Wayne Pearce, Mrs. Irving Margolis, Mrs. Sam Bloom, Mrs. J. E. Hogan.

GM Forty-Two Club Meets Wednesday

Mrs. George Hall won high score and Mrs. Harry Lee, low, at the Wednesday afternoon meeting of the G-M Forty Two club in the home of Mrs. Wyatt Eason, 409 E. 4th.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses. Those attending were Mrs. Harry Lee, Mrs. C. E. Richardson, Mrs. George Hall, Mrs. G. W. Ferrel.

The next club meeting will convene in the home of Mrs. G. C. Graves, 1601 Gregg.

RIBBON RAMBLINGS By MILDRED YOUNG

The times in which we live are filled with discussions of what's wrong with the world and what we should do to make a better one.

There are all sorts of ideas regarding the subject and, we sometimes think, very little work done.

Floyd Poe, Dallas News columnist, has offered three methods by which we can face the world situation and the state of our individual lives.

First, we can dream of a return to the idyllic times of yesterday. That sounds like a fair suggestion.

Second, disillusioned and cynical, we can conclude that things are so bad that there is no cure for the disease and the patient is going to die.

Third, but who knows the way out? It's stilly to try to answer an impossible question.

Poe goes on to say that one thing is certain—the grip of the brotherhood of the world is not "the itching palm."

He says that there is no significance to the beatitudes unless they are based on the Ten Commandments.

He concludes with the statement that sneering at morality is a sort of alibi for not improving an intolerable situation.

Sharon Gayle Starr Named Honoree On Fifth Birthday; Meetings Held

FORSAN, April 9 (Sp1)—Sharon Gayle Starr was named honoree on her fifth birthday anniversary with a party given in the home of her mother, Mrs. H. G. Starr Wednesday afternoon.

Plate favors were of miniature Easter baskets. Games were entertainment and refreshments were served to Gloria Ruth Davis, Johnnie Freeman, Judy Carlson, all of Big Spring.

Verona Lois Draper, Mike McCabe, Lloron Johnson, Clark Godwin, Joe King, Alice Long, Billie Ruth Blankenship, Sandra Griffith, Garry Don Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starr, W. C. Vandell, Mrs. E. Blankenship.

Mrs. Dixie Davis of Big Spring, Mrs. Sam Starr, Corine Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starr, Ada Starr and Mrs. H. G. Starr.

Mrs. Sammie Porter was hostess to a Stanley party in the home of Mrs. Horace Holcomb Monday afternoon.

Present at the affair were Mrs. M. M. Fairchild, Mrs. L. B. McElrath, Mrs. Jewell White, Mrs. Harry Barnett, Mrs. Robert Kneer.

Mrs. Frank Thiemes, Mrs. A. B. Livingston, Mrs. H. L. Tienerrand, Mrs. Sam Starr, Mrs. H. G. Starr, Mrs. G. B. Hale, Mrs. C. L. Draper.

Mrs. L. T. Shoultz, Mrs. R. A. Fuller, Mrs. Horace Holcomb and Mrs. Sammie Porter and Mrs. C. B. Nunley of Big Spring.

Members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church conducted a study on "Community Missions" at their regular meeting Monday afternoon.

Present were Mrs. C. V. Wash, Mrs. R. A. Chambers, Mrs. C. L. King, Mrs. J. E. Chancellor, Mrs. J. B. Hicks, Mrs. G. W. Overton.

Mrs. A. L. Byrd and Mrs. Jessie Overton.

Joe Starr of Claremore, Okla. was honored with a birthday supper in the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Starr Wednesday evening.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Starr, Corine and Garry Don, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Vandell, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Starr, Tony and Sharon Gayle and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starr and Jack.

Judy, and Lindsay of Fort Worth. Joyce and Juanita Sewell of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Andrews of Roger.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Griffith and Cathy of Colorado City visited in the John Griffith and J. D. O'Quinn homes Sunday.

Mrs. W. O. Averitt had as their week end guests Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bredidove and Janice and Benny of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Averitt and John Earl of Coleman and Mrs. Johnnie Reed and sons, Robert and Frankie of Racine, Wis.

The Junior Department of the local Baptist church was entertained with a picnic at the Big Spring City park Monday evening.

Approximately 40 persons attended the affair. The Rev. A. L. Byrd left Monday for Houston where he will conduct a two-weeks revival at the Woodridge Baptist church.

Mrs. L. B. McElrath entertained with a picnic supper in honor of Gene Foster of Lubbock at her home Wednesday evening.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thiemes, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Porter, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tienerrand, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Tyler of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McElrath and Mary Lou.

Bill Tienerrand of Lubbock was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tienerrand.

Mrs. Claude Ballard and Mrs. C. E. Martin of Chalk will attend the IOOF and Rebekah association meeting in Crane, Saturday, April 23.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Livingston and Anita Cate of Big Spring attended a family reunion in the H. M. Rouse home in Desdemona.

Thirty two persons were present. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McCabe and sons spent the week end in Kermit with her mother, Mrs. H. E. Butler.

Mrs. Ben Daugherty Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. Ben Daugherty was named honoree at a "coming event" shower in the home of Mrs. W. L. Rell, with Mrs. Allen Sundry and Mrs. Mack Sundry as co-hostesses.

Pink and blue colors were used in the decorations and refreshment games were entertainment and refreshments were served.

Those attending were Mrs. Q. I. Kerley, Mrs. J. C. Montgomery, Mrs. Ruth Findley, Mrs. W. E. Eubanks, Mrs. Maurice Chapman, Mrs. L. L. Riddell, Mrs. T. A. Melton, Mrs. John Daugherty, Mrs. B. J. Montgomery, Mrs. Pershing Morton, Mrs. Louis Sady, Mrs. Don Wood, Donna Wood, Mrs. Bert Matthes, Mrs. Robert Sneed, Mrs. Allen Sundry, Mrs. Mack Sundry, Mrs. Richard Tate and the honoree, Mrs. Daugherty.

A special program has been announced for the model meeting.

Rush Week Planned; Rushees Are Named

Members of the Alpha Chi Chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Phi convened at a called session in the Settles hotel Wednesday evening for the purpose of completing plans for rush week and for naming eight new rushees.

Rush activities will begin Wednesday, April 20 with a wjener roast in the J. I. Balch country home. The group will meet at 6 p. m. in the home of Leatrice Ross, 508 Gold, and will hike out to the Balch home.

The second activity named will be held Thursday, April 21 in the home of Jamie Hilbo, 418 E. Park. At this time, a costume party and covered dish dinner will serve as entertainment.

On Sunday, May 1 at 4:30 p. m., a semi-formal tea will be combined with the annual National Founders Day program in the home of Ruth Webb, 900 Douglass. Concluding activities will include a model meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, May 3 and a formal banquet, Thursday, May 5 in the Maverick room of the Hotel Douglass.

Each member attending presented the hostess with a block for her friendship quilt.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Grant Billings, Mrs. M. D. Bruton, Mrs. J. G. Mitchell and David, Mrs. R. I. Findley, Donette and Bruce, Mrs. Ben Jernigan, Mrs. W. L. Clayton and visitors, Mrs. S. E. Thornton and Judy, Mrs. P. I. Franklin, Janelle Ioad, Peggy Tidwell, Joe Ray Tidwell and Charles Tidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson of Ackerly had as their Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Henderson and children of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Mason.

Members of the Junior YMCA are making final preparations for the presentation of three one-act plays to be given at the high school gym Friday at 8 p. m.

Proceeds from the plays will go to the junior organization. Tickets may be purchased from members.

Mrs. Ruth Burnam is the organization's sponsor. Directors are: Mrs. Ruth Burnam, Mrs. Ray Clark, Mrs. Roy Tidwell, Mrs. Paul Holden, Mrs. Eugene Turner, Mrs. Orle Hanson, Mrs. Elvis McCrary, Mrs. Glen Gale, Mrs. Jim Ewing and Mrs. Nathan Rogers.

Special numbers will be presented between plays. Dorothy Sue Rowe is directing the play entitled "The Golden Key," Mrs. Jim Zack and Mrs. J. E. Farmer will be in charge of the production, "The Girls of the Car," Leatrice Ross in the director of "Herby Gets The Mumps."

Club To Meet Members of the Happy Stitches club will meet in the home of Mrs. Bert Matthes, 704 Douglass, Friday afternoon at 2 p. m.

Bill VanCrunk, a former resident of Big Spring, is vacationing in Pensacola and Miami, Fla. VanCrunk now resides in Dallas.

PENNEY'S Come take the Bargain Ride of Your Life!

47th ANNIVERSARY

CARRY VALUES BUILT FOR YOU!



Men's Grey Chambray Two Flap Pocket Dress Shirt
2.98

The grey chambray dress shirt is now available. Made of combed grey chambray, two flap pocket, Nu-Craft collar, sanforized. Check our low price!

Towncraft End-to-End Broadcloths!
Within-The-Budget Smartness For Men!
2.98

Mellow close-woven end-to-end broadcloths at this low price! Leave it to Penney's to give you the most for your money! Look — Sanforized, mercerized, rich Canyon colors, non-wilt Nu-Craft collars. All this at such a low price!

Pastel Broadcloth Dress Shirt
2.98

Uniform Carded Broadcloth Shirt
Mercerized Sanforized
2.98
Check this low price on a uniform broadcloth shirt at only 2.98 — Grey and Tan. Ideal for summer wear.

Valley View Club Has Instruction

HARTWELLS, April 21, (Sp1)—Imogene Ledbetter, Martin county Home Demonstration agent, instructed the members of the Valley View Home Demonstration club on the correct method of making pie crust, meringue and on the art of cooking bananas in the home of Mrs. L. O. Free Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. C. A. Castleberry reported on the District Six THDA meeting in El Paso. Attending were Maxine Free, Diane Smith of Knott and Mrs. U. H. Butler, Mrs. O. D. Green, Mrs. Lewis Carlisle, Mrs. Jim Miller, Mrs. C. A. Castleberry, Mrs. W. T. Wells, Mrs. Lee Castle, Bonnie Green, Mrs. Imogene Ledbetter, the hostess, Mrs. Free and one new member, Mrs. Steve Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Warner of Abilene visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. Lee Castle, Sunday afternoon.

McDANIEL - BOULLIOUN

AMBULANCE
611 Runnels Phone 11

RANCH INN CAFE
• Good Food • Lunches
• Tender Steaks
• Golden Brown Chicken
Open 6 A.M.—Close 12 P.M.
Hi-Way 80 West

Jack M. Haynes
PHOTOGRAPHY
1005 Wood Phone 1477

UPHOLSTERING
Both Home & Office
We Clean & Dye
Furniture & Rugs
ROGERS BROS UPHOLSTERING
211 E. Third Phone 874

NOW IS THE TIME
to re-condition your air conditioner. We can service any type, install a new one, repair or rebuild ducts to assure cool comfort this summer. Call us today!
We carry a complete line of accessories.

WILLIAMS SHEET METAL WORKS
201 Benton Ph. 2231
(Formerly Brooks-Williams)

Dean Bennett Is P-TA Speaker On Wednesday

Taking as his subject, "Better Homes With The Help Of The Schools," Dean Bennett told members of the Central Ward P-TA that he wished to parallel the subject, "Better Schools With The Help Of The Homes."

Bennett stated that one can not be separated from the other, that only one big contribution can be made for the betterment of homes—the preparation of children to meet the responsibilities of the home, to work and play harmoniously together; to recognize their responsibility to the society in which they live and to insure adult happiness by providing means for a happy childhood.

"What hath a person profited if he learns all the subject matter facts and loatheth his own home? We need a changed philosophy and facts and loatheth his own home" and the school as to what constitutes "education." Put both together to work for the good of all," said the speaker.

Delegates for the district conference were named. The unit voted to have a cake sale on May 7. Twenty-five persons were present.

Junior YMCA Plays Are Set For Friday

Members of the Junior YMCA are making final preparations for the presentation of three one-act plays to be given at the high school gym Friday at 8 p. m.

Proceeds from the plays will go to the junior organization. Tickets may be purchased from members.

Mrs. Ruth Burnam is the organization's sponsor. Directors are: Mrs. Ruth Burnam, Mrs. Ray Clark, Mrs. Roy Tidwell, Mrs. Paul Holden, Mrs. Eugene Turner, Mrs. Orle Hanson, Mrs. Elvis McCrary, Mrs. Glen Gale, Mrs. Jim Ewing and Mrs. Nathan Rogers.

Special numbers will be presented between plays. Dorothy Sue Rowe is directing the play entitled "The Golden Key," Mrs. Jim Zack and Mrs. J. E. Farmer will be in charge of the production, "The Girls of the Car," Leatrice Ross in the director of "Herby Gets The Mumps."

Club To Meet Members of the Happy Stitches club will meet in the home of Mrs. Bert Matthes, 704 Douglass, Friday afternoon at 2 p. m.

Bill VanCrunk, a former resident of Big Spring, is vacationing in Pensacola and Miami, Fla. VanCrunk now resides in Dallas.

EAT PLENTY AND TAKE OFF UGLY FAT

When you buy **Starburst**, you buy a preparation for taking off weight. You do not pay for any printed diet or for vitamins to be taken by you. You get a delicious, delicious diet. You do not need a doctor's prescription. You do not need a doctor's prescription. You do not need a doctor's prescription.

Cayuses Return To Action Tonight In Tribe Battle

Webb Boasts New Lineup

Local fans who sit in on tonight's exhibition game set for 8:15 p. m. between Midland and Big Spring at Steer park will hardly recognize the Indians, champions of the Longhorn league.

Gone are such operatives as Jim Prince, first sacker; Harvel Jakes, outfielder; Eddie Melillo, second baseman; Wayne Specht, catcher; Dwight Collins, second baseman; Clyde Perry, short stop; and several pitchers, including reliable Leiland Crisman.

Manager Harold Webb is still around but the faithful may even have difficulty in identifying him. He's supposed to have lost some of that surplus avoirdupois.

Webb plans to use Warren Sitter at first base, Bob Rose at second, Stan Hughes at short or either James Boston or Hoss Alvis at 3rd. Outfield positions will be manned by Carriel Nip, Julian Pressley, Ray Coss and Lowell Adams.

Kenneth Jones, a holdover, will don the mask and protector for backstopping duties while pitching chores will fall to Ralph Blair. Forrest Martin, Rudy Kellee and Weldon Stewart.

The local club will be without a pilot tonight. Pat Stasey, the Bronco straw boss, has gone to Sherman-Denison to confer with Joe Cambria, Washington scout, and does not expect to return here until Friday.

In his absence, Bert Raes and Justo Azplazu will master mind the team. The local lineup will consist of Manny Mantaras behind the plate, Azplazu at first, Bert Hernandez at second, Ray Vasquez at short, Bob Harvick at third and Pat Lorenzo, Ace Mendez and Felix Gomez in the outfield.

Dave Gudes, Julio Ramos and Louis Gonzales are due to toll on the pitching rubber.

Dan Sandiver of the Washington Redskins intercepted 13 passes during the 1948 National Football League season to lead the loop.



SAFE AT HOME — Al Dark (bottom), Boston Braves shortstop, slides safely into home plate under Eddie Stanky (12), who scored ahead of him on Earl Torgeson's double to left field in the fourth inning of the second game of the season between the Philadelphia Phillies and the Braves in Boston, Mass. Hal Wagner (second from left), Phillies catcher, dropped the ball (arrow) as he received the throw from Del Ennis in left field. Umpire is Lon Warneke, who was officiating at the plate for the first time. The Braves won the doubleheader 4-3 and 11-2. (AP Wirephoto).

BIG ONE SUNDAY

Veteran Racing Men Lavish In Praise Of Local Meet

That the trial heats of the Sheriff Posse's Futurity were an outstanding success is reflected in the appraisals of some of the out-of-town horsemen, trainers and jockeys who took part in the program last Sunday.

Clyde Lochlear, second leading trainer of the recent Okalawn race meet at Hot Springs, Ark., and employed by the Reynolds brothers stable, remarked:

"Last Sunday's field was probably the fastest group of two-year-olds ever assembled at one track. My colts are capable of

winning on major tracks, but they weren't good enough here. Lochlear left at once for Boston, Mass., where he has the vast Reynolds, contingent stabled.

Jockey R. Prevost, contract rider for the Reynolds brothers, expressed the opinion that all starts were perfect and the pace terrific in every race.

Edward Bateman, well known breeder of quarterhorses, speaking about the gathering of horsemen gathered here for the preliminaries stated:

"They're the finest group of sportsmen I've ever known. (The Futurity is) One of the few great things that has been done to encourage breeding of better horses in the Southwest."

Said S. H. Hill, owner-trainer from Cisco who started two horses in the trial heats, both of which ran out of the money:

"It's no disgrace for any horse to get beat by those horses. They are the best in the business."

Jockey E. Hust, one of America's top sprint riders, stated he knew what Texas hospitality was after visiting here. As for the horses running here and other Texas animals he had seen in action elsewhere, he added they are as good as the best, in his opinion. Before leaving for Churchill

Downs, Kentucky, to ply his trade. Hust said he hoped to return here for the 1950 Futurity.

There was little chance for miscalculation of times in the races here last Sunday. Three veteran professionals, all of them, recognized by the National Quarter-horse association, clocked the winners. They started their watches the instant the gates were opened, making allowances for reflexes, and only the timepiece showing the most time elapsed was used.

The sensational times turned in by the two-year-olds may not be accepted as official, though, since an electrical timing device was not used.

The Futurity course has become recognized as one of the fastest strips in the country. Credit for having the strip at its best should go to Kenneth Gann, track superintendent. Recent rains should give it even more bounce for the Futurity itself Sunday.

Brooks Of '41 Were Good, So Says Durocher

BROOKLYN, April 21. (AP)—Leo Durocher won't concede that the current edition of the Brooklyn Dodgers is faster—or better—than the Brooklyn club which he drove to the National League pennant in 1941.

"Maybe they're as fast," says the holler guy who now pilots the Giants. "They can run, all right. But can they hit with that '41 outfit? You still can't steal first base."

In other words, Leo isn't convinced that the Dodgers possess the power to rate as co-favorites with Boston in the senior league.

"Not of what I've seen of them so far, anyway," he insists. "Another thing, they're not going to look quite so rugged when they get through cutting down for the May 19 deadline."

"They've still got 11 men to get rid of, and I have an idea the price of ball players is going to come down a lot before Branch Rickey gets them down to size."

"Rickey's got the idea that his extra men like Miksis and Brown and Ramazzotti are worth around \$80,000 apiece. They're not. So what's going to happen?"

"He'll keep asking waivers on them, and we'll keep claiming them, and nothing will happen. So sooner or later he'll come down to \$30,000, which is what they're worth and he'll make some deals."

Leo gives the impression, incidentally, that he doesn't feel too sorry for his former boss, Rickey. "I'm happy to be right here," he declared, pounding the Giants' bench, "wearing this uniform."

The Giants scarcely appear to warrant such managerial enthusiasm. But Durocher seemed to mean it.

With the Giants, he implied, he at least has an idea what players will be available to him tomorrow or even next week.

Which, it appears, is not necessarily true of a manager working for Rickey.

Try Again Today

By The Associated Press
Texas and Texas A&M try again today to play the Southwest Conference baseball game that could mean a lot to the final standings. It was postponed yesterday because of wet grounds at Austin. Texas A&M has only one defeat. If the Aggies could whip Texas today, they'd be right in the thick of the race.

Bengal Rookie Opens Season With A Bang

By JACK HAND

Associated Press Staff
Johnny Groth looks like the hottest rookie to hit the majors since Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams and Stan Musial.

Sure, it's too early to tell. Two days don't make a season or a career. But what a two days this 22-year-old Detroit freshman had.

Three home runs, five hits and seven runs batted in. That's a flashy showing that needs take a back seat to nobody.

The \$35,000 the Tigers shelled out as a bonus to Johnny when he got out of the Navy at Great Lakes may have been their best investment. At least, one \$52,000 product, Dick Wakefield, is riding the bench these days.

Groth exploded a chorus of hurrahs Tuesday with two homers off Chicago's Al Gettel. That overshadowed Hal Newhouse's fine three-hitter.

Yesterday he almost blotted out Virgil Trucks' four-hitter with a grand slam homer that gave Detroit a 5-2 edge over the White Sox.

Randy Gumpert, the ex-Yankee held a 2-1 lead in the last of the eighth when he lost his stuff. A walk to Aaron Robinson loaded the bases, bringing a conference between Manager Jack Onslow and his pitcher. Onslow decided to stick with Gumpert. Seconds later he wished he had another chance.

Gumpert threw two wide pitches Groth and then got one over. Groth hit it 380 feet into the left centerfield stands to clean the bases. Earlier Groth drove in a run with a double.

An oldtimer did the honors for the New York Yankees in their 3-0 second straight win over Washington. Tommy Henrich, one of the few genuine Yanks still able to play, snapped a scoreless duel between Vic Raschi and Paul Calvert with a fourth-inning homer. It was his second of the year, his first accounting for the Yanks' opening day success.

Everybody said the Boston Red Sox couldn't possibly get away as slowly as last season, but they're giving it a good try. Joe McCarthy's Sox were beaten by the Philadelphia A's for the second straight time.

Fuddin' Head Jones, the Philadelphia Phillies rookie hot shot tied a modern major league record with four doubles, but they couldn't keep the Phils from losing to the Boston Braves, 6-5.

Friday Go Is Booked

A baseball game, proceeds of which will go toward retirement of the debt on Steer park, will be played here starting at 8 o'clock Friday night between the Big Spring Broncs and Cosden's Refiners of the Tri-County league.

The Hosess or the Cosdens will get nothing but the experience and the pleasure of playing before the home crowd in this one. There's something like \$1,400 in debts outstanding against the park and local fans can help retire it the painless way, by watching their hopefuls go through their training paces for the first Longhorn league game of the season, which takes place next Wednesday.

J. T. Johnson, Cosden manager, will pitch Wayne Johnston or Branch Springs against the Hosess. Manager Pat Stasey may loan him a finger or two, in addition.

Jack Y. Smith is helping make arrangements for the game. He pointed out the park debt was going to have to be met some way or another and the benefit game was the most painless way he could think of to vanquish it.

Carlos Pasquel, who Club President Al Aton described as being shorter than Ray Vasquez, has arrived on option from the Havana club and will be at third base Friday night. Though he is shorter than Vasquez, he weighs 13 pounds more than the shortstop.

\$9000 FUTURITY FINALS

Sheriff's Posse Grounds
Big Spring

APRIL 24

Seats for 2,500
6 RACES 6

20-Minute Intervals
Post Time 2:30

"TEXAS' GREATEST HORSE RACE"

Looking 'Em Over

by Tommy Hart

The mystery surrounding the failure of Gumerindo (Gumbo) Helba to report to the Big Spring Bronco baseball camp has partially been solved.

Helba has reportedly been found at his home near Santiago de Cuba by Joe Cambria, Washington scout, as Cambria put it, "half dead." Helba, a good pitcher in the latter part of the season here last year, has been ill all winter, probably of malaria, and has lost a lot of weight. Cambria sent word back here that he put him on his feet again, took him to Havana, where he is getting in shape again. Gumbo expects to be here in about four weeks.

Helba had only a 9-10 won-lost record last season with the Broncs but was invaluable in the latter part of the season. His earned-run average was 3.72, which wasn't bad in the Longhorn league. He became a starter up in the summer after serving in relief roles earlier in the campaign. In all, he appeared in something like 25 games as a pitcher.

The wronglander was also recognized as a pinch hitter of authority in 1948. He hit only .262, but usually was able to connect in the clutch. Helba's home, by the way, is located on the southeastern coast of Cuba, approximately 500 miles from Havana.

The Lamesa Lobos, who beat the Broncs handily Sunday last, have signed Frank Calo, a catcher, to a contract. A class-man, Calo was obtained from the Dallas Rebels. He hit .346 for Green-ville last season.

COCKRELL CALLED GREAT PROSPECT BY KNOTT BOSS

One of the best prospects in the Tri-County (independent) baseball league is Gerald Cockrell, Knott's third sacker. O. L. Raven, Knott skipper, praises Cockrell lavishly. He says he can field, throw and, most important of all, hit well.

Cockrell is about 15 years of age but already big enough to have the scouts looking his way.

CLEVELAND INDIANS DO BIG BUSINESS IN SPRING

The Cleveland Indians played to 243,904 paid admissions in spring training games alone. Very few minor league teams will do that well all year.

McALEXANDER MAY GET PINK SLIP FROM LUBBOCK

Frank McAlexander, the one-time Longhorn league performer (Midland), has been going great guns for Lubbock of the WT-NM circuit in spring training. However, Mac may get pink-slipped because the Hubbers have too many experienced hands. If he does get the boot, he could wind up in the Longhorn league again.

STEEERS SPECIALIZE IN MIDDLE DISTANCE RUNNERS

When Leon Leopard set a flock of middle distance running records for the Big Spring high school track and field team, he obviously started something.

Cleome Russell came along to dominate District 3AA tracksters at Leopard's old specialty. Russell graduates next May but the Steers' reign in that event apparently will not end. Young Melvin Byers, who finished second to Russell in the district meet, will be eligible next year and apparently will be better than ever.

Longhorn Diamond Corps Hosts Ponies On Friday

Idled Tuesday by the rain, the Big Spring high school Steers get back to the business of District 3AA baseball play here Friday afternoon, at which time they tangle with the Sweetwater Mustangs at Steer park. Starting time of that one is 3:30 p. m.

The Longhorns are two games off the pace and need every game to remain in the running for the circuit gonfalon. In a previous contest at Sweetwater, they succeeded in beating the Ponies by a run.

After winning their first three games, the locals slumped and lost as many, the last to Abilene by a 6-4 count. Coach Conn Isaacs plans to use Floyd (Little Pepper) Martin on the pitching rubber against the Ponies. Howard Jones and Maurice Arcand will both be ready, in event Martin falters.

The Ponies will be seeking to escape the conference cellar.

In other games, Abilene goes to Odessa while San Angelo entertains Midland.

The Baltimore Bullets, defending champions of the Basketball Association of America, are the oldest team in the league, averaging 28.5 years per man.

ELECTRIC Machinery and Equipment Company

Electric Motors
Sales & Service

Herman Taylor
1805 Gregg Ph. 2580

Lamesa Scores 8-5 Victory

By The Associated Press
The West Texas-New Mexico League opened the 1949 baseball season yesterday with a bang: 89 runs, 74 hits and 19 errors in three games.

Lubbock edged Clovis, 10-9; Lamesa downed Albuquerque, 8-5; Pampa beat Borger, 17-10, and Arriarillo and Abilene were idle because of wet grounds.

Pampa got 19 hits, including two home runs by Mike Feduniak, and Borger got 11 safeties.

Lamesa collected 13 hits while Stan Gtrywaxer limited Albuquerque to six.

Lubbock made only a dozen hits to 13 for Clovis, but a high fly by Manager Jackie Sullivan scored what proved to be the winning run in the eighth inning.

Houston May Land Bowling Tourney

HOUSTON, April 21. (AP)—There's a chance the American Bowling Congress will hold its national tournament here next year.

Clarence Leonard, an ABC director, said national officials have contacted him to see if Houston would like the tournament. Indianapolis will be unable to complete an auditorium by next year and must pass its bid.

CAPTAINS NAMED

COLLEGE STATION, April 21. (AP)—Co-captains of the 1949 Texas A&M football team will be Halback Bobby Goff of Kenedy and Endray Whittaker of Houston.

Make a **NEW CAR** of **YOUR CAR**

SOFTER RIDING... EASIER STEERING

U.S. ROYAL Air Ride

10% to 35% For Your Old Tires

PHILLIPS TIRE CO.
E. 4th At Johnson
Phone 472

SEE US TODAY... AND SAVE

Chrysler-Plymouth Sales-Service

Factory Trained Mechanics, All Types of Mechanical Work. Washing and Greasing Motor and Chassis Cleaning. Bear Front End Aligning Equipment, Wheel Balancing, Sun Motor and Distributor Tester. Clayton Vehicle Analyzer.

Full Line of Genuine Chrysler and Plymouth Mopar Parts. See our service manager for an estimate on any type of work, both large or small.

MARVIN HULL MOTOR CO.
DICK DAVIS
Parts and Service Manager
207 Gollad St. Phone 958

Harrison Texans

Will Be At The **CASINO CLUB**

ON **Saturday, Apr. 23**

DANCING 8:15 P. M. TO 1:00 A. M.

Phone 9581 For Reservations

You Will Always Be Assured Of Good Dance Music When The Harrison Texans Play

Let us put **Spring Zing** in your Ford with...

GENUINE Ford PARTS

Get Our Special **FORD Engine TUNE-UP**

FOR ONLY **\$4.95***

*Material extra if needed

THIS SPECIAL OFFER GOOD THROUGH APRIL 30 ONLY

WE KNOW FORDS BEST
Big Spring Motor Co.

V. A. MERRICK
319 Main

J. E. FORT
Phone 636

HERE'S WHAT WE DO:

- Check engine compression.
- Clean, test, and adjust spark plugs.
- Check battery and clean battery terminals.
- Check voltage regulator and generator output.
- Tighten all ignition and electrical wiring.
- Inspect distributor points, breaker plate and adjust.
- Adjust carburetor, test fuel pump and clean oil bath air cleaner.
- Tighten cylinder head studs.
- Inspect radiator, tighten radiator hose and adjust fan belts.
- Road test car.

Senators Will Get Look At European Arms Plans Today

WASHINGTON, April 21. (AP) — Secretary of State Acheson provided for senators today a look at thus-far secret American plans for re-arming the North Atlantic nations.

Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) asked the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to meet late this afternoon to receive the secretary's report.

Acheson was reported ready to disclose the proposed draft of the arms for Europe program along with an estimate of how much it would cost.

Unofficial reports are the cost would run about \$1,250,000,000 in the first year. But this estimate has not been confirmed by the State Department.

19 Indictments Are Returned As Jury Ends Session Here

Nineteen indictments were returned by the local grand jury, which wound up its session for the April term of 70th district court Wednesday.

Five persons were billed for driving while under the influence of intoxicants. They were Glenn Grantham, E. D. Stephan, Claude D. Hueckleberry, Charles R. Melton and Manuel Del Real. All charges were for second offenses.

Boy Scouts From 15 Counties Due Here To Attend Roundup

Boy Scouts from 15 West Texas counties were due to arrive in Big Spring this afternoon to attend the 23rd annual Buffalo Trail Council Roundup.

The Roundup, the council's largest annual mass activity which is held in Big Spring each year, will continue through Saturday noon. Each Scout troop attending will establish a camp at the Roundup grounds south of the city, and a camp fire assembly tonight will launch a series of activities which will continue until the Saturday barbecue, the concluding event.

Newsman Gets Life In Fatal Polk Shooting

SALONIKA, Greece, April 21 (AP) — Gregory Staktopoulos, a Greek newspaperman and former Communist, was sentenced to life imprisonment today for complicity in the murder last May of George Polk, Fort Worth, Texas correspondent for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Staktopoulos' 68-year-old mother, Anna, was acquitted on the same charge, as requested by the prosecution. The prosecution had asked a sentence of only 10 to 20 years for Staktopoulos, who admitted in court that he was with Polk on the night of his death.

Cashier Accused Of Absconding With \$11,658 Stabbed To Death

CHICAGO, April 21. (AP) — Rolfe O. Dregg, 35, who disappeared last Friday from his job as currency exchange cashier along with \$11,658, was accused of stealing \$11,658 and was found stabbed to death yesterday.

Dregg's body was found in a ditch near suburban Wheaton by a highway worker. His mouth was taped and his hands bound behind his back. Coroner Samuel K. Lewis of Du Page County said Dregg had been killed with a large knife or bayonet-like weapon.

Dregg's disappearance was first reported last Friday by Abraham Greenfield, president of the Regal Currency Exchange, 780 Milwaukee Ave., where he had been employed as a cashier for three years.

Dance Jamboree Is Set Here Saturday

Spectators as well as participants will have a chance to take in a square dance festival here Saturday.

Under sponsorship of the American Business Club, the all-West Texas Square Dance Jamboree is slated for 8 p. m. Saturday at the college gym at the Muni airport.

Proceeds from admissions will go toward aiding the Negro playground and park project.

Three Sentenced On Driving Counts Here

Three persons charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants (second offense) entered pleas of guilty in 70th district court this morning and each drew a suspended sentence of one year.

They were Glenn Grantham of Knott and E. D. Stephan and Manuel Del Real, both of Big Spring.

Advertisement for Sunny Brook whiskey featuring an illustration of a man and a woman. Text includes 'Come over on the Sunny Brook side!', 'Enjoy the whiskey that's "Cheerful as its Name"', and 'KENTUCKY WHISKEY—A BLEND'.

Cook Fined \$100

Cris C. Cook, charged with gambling in a public place, entered a plea of guilty in justice court this morning and was fined \$100 and costs. He was still in the county jail at noon today.

Given Assignment

Recruit Hiram L. Glover, son of Mrs. H. M. Glover, 1004 East 6th street, has been assigned to the Fifth Armored Division for eight weeks of basic training.

Registration was to begin at 4 p. m. today.

Elks Hold Meet To Reorganize Affiliate

Members of the Elks' lodge met last night at the home of C. H. Gross for the purpose of reorganizing the local affiliate of that unit.

Cub Scouts Invited To Make Tour Of Roundup Friday

Cub Scouts of Big Spring will be afforded an opportunity to make a tour of the Buffalo Trail Council Roundup at 5:30 p. m. Friday, D. M. McKinney, Cubbing commissioner, announced this morning.

One Killed, Seven Hurt When Auto Crashes Into Crowd

SAN ANTONIO, April 21. (AP) — One child was killed and seven persons were injured, one critically, when an auto crashed into a group of 11 pedestrians, police reported today.

PIONEER

On that basis, he pointed out, the government subsidies for air mail are a worthwhile expenditure.

Local Eagles To Get Charter April 27

Charter for the Big Spring Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will be presented officially on April 27.

Report Cards Issued By Local Schools

Report cards went out Wednesday from the Big Spring public schools.

Legion Letter

Dr. Paul B. Magnuson, chief medical director for the Veterans administration, certainly stirred up a storm last week when he recommended the Veterans hospital be moved from Big Spring. Veteran Administrator Carl A. Gray Jr. has no intention of paying any attention to Dr. Magnuson's recommendation. So our hospital will not be moved.

WESTEX SERVICE STORE

Large advertisement for Westex Service Store. Features 'Closing-Out Sale' and 'Wholesale Prices OR BELOW'. Lists various items like tires, bicycles, radios, toys, etc. Includes address '112 WEST SECOND'.

Advertisement for Anderson Music Co. 'Since 1927'. '113 Main Phone 556'. 'KIDDIE BASEBALL UNIFORMS Sizes 6-8-10-12 Shirt-Pants-Cap \$3.95'.

Advertisement for J & K Shoe Store. 'Herald Want-Ads Get Results'. 'PETERS SHOES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS \$3.95 to \$5.95'. 'FOR MOM \$8.95'. 'QUALITY FOOTWEAR FOR ALL THE FAMILY'. 'AND DAD \$7.95'. 'J & K SHOE STORE Between 2nd & 3rd on Runnels'.

WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Cloudy to partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Scattered showers this afternoon and evening. Slightly cooler tonight. High today 66, low tonight 50, high tomorrow 72.

Table with columns for City, Temperature, and Max Min. Lists cities like Amarillo, Big Spring, Chicago, Denver, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, New York, San Antonio, and St. Louis.

MARKETS

LIVESTOCK: FORT WORTH, April 21. (AP) — Cattle 600, calves 180; generally steady; good and choice steers and yearlings \$4.00-\$4.50; common to medium kind \$3.50-\$4.00; best cows \$2.50-\$3.00; stamers and cullers \$1.50-\$2.00; bulls \$1.50-\$2.00; good and choice fat calves \$4.00-\$4.50; common to medium calves \$3.00-\$3.50; hogs 600; butchers steady to 30 cents higher; feeder pigs unchanged; top 18; good and choice 190-200 lb. butchers 18.25-19.50; good and choice 190-180 lb. 15.50-18.00; sows 11.00-13.00; fry downward to 12.00; feeder pigs 11.00-13.00.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, April 21. (AP) — American Telephone & Telegraph Common steadied today's stock market after dropping yesterday to within a point of the lowest price since 1943.

COTTON

NEW YORK, April 21. (AP) — Cotton futures at noon were 25 cents higher to 25 cents lower than the previous close. May 22.50, July 22.15 and Oct. 21.90.

EX-NURSE'S AID BREAKS CASE

Woman In Protective Custody In 'Lonely Hearts' Killings

DOVEVER, Del., April 20. (AP)—State police disclosed today they are keeping in protective custody a young woman credited with supplying the initial break in Delaware's "lonely hearts" slayings.

State Police Col. Herbert Barnes previously announced that Mrs. Inez Brennan, 45-year-old brunette, signed a statement admitting she plotted the deaths of two elderly men and later burned and buried their bodies with the aid of her three sons.

Barnes hinted that the first break in the case came from Mrs. Dolly Thompson Dean, 26-year-old former nurse's aid who had accompanied Mrs. Brennan to her farm after an operation last year.

The state police official said Mrs. Dean, who left the Brennan farm recently, told him of "strange doings" at the Brennan place but added she had no reported her fears to police because she was afraid she might be harmed.

Questioned by reporters about Mrs. Dean's whereabouts, Barnes said "We are taking care of her," adding "I am not going to release any other information about this young woman."

In announcing Mrs. Brennan's statement, Barnes said she met Wade N. Woodbridge, 70, of Bedford, Va., and Hugo Schultz, 66, Epsom, N. Y., through lonely hearts correspondence and lured them to their deaths in the state. Police are investigating a number of letters they found on the Brennan farm.

Barnes said Mrs. Brennan admitted shooting one victim and ordering her youngest son, Robert, 14, to shoot the other.

Robert has signed two statements, Barnes said, one detailing the shooting of Woodbridge and the second telling of Schultz's death.

Robert was quoted by Barnes as saying he shot Woodbridge last October at his mother's order, and adding his mother and half-brothers, Raymond, 22, and George, 19, buried the body in a pigpen.

The state police official said Robert in his second statement said he went to Schultz's New England farm with his mother, and that she shot Schultz after Robert refused to do so.

Barnes quoted Robert as saying Mrs. Brennan said most of Schultz's goods, loaded his body on his truck and the family returned to Delaware.

Barnes said Schultz's body was buried beside Woodbridge in the pigpen. Later, he added, both bodies were dug up, burned and the remains scattered on a city dump.

Charges of first degree murder have been filed against Mrs. Brennan and Robert in the Woodbridge case, Barnes said. Raymond has been charged with a second degree murder, the same charge which is to be filed against George, now in the Army, Barnes said.

EX-NURSE'S AID BREAKS CASE

Former Comal County Sheriff Under Bond In Case Of Bribery

NEW BRAUNFELS, April 20. (AP)—Former Comal County Sheriff W. A. Scholl is under \$2,000 bond today on a complaint charging he accepted a bribe.

Justice of the Peace H. R. Vages yesterday bound Scholl over to the next grand jury. He overruled a defense motion for dismissal.

EL PASO SHERIFF DECLINES DUEL

EL PASO, April 20. (AP)—He's "too old and brittle" to accept a challenge in a motorcycle vs. horse race, Sheriff Allan Faiboy of El Paso says.

His answer was a reply to Sheriff Bartley McDonald of Silver City, N. M. Sheriff McDonald said his horse could out run Faiboy's, newangled motorcycle any day.

Jimmy Rogers, El Paso, said he would take up the challenge.

PROBE TWO TOTS' DEATH; COUPLE IS ACCUSED OF STARVING THIRD

CHICAGO, April 20. (AP)—An investigation into the deaths of two children of an unemployed roofer and his wife was planned today after the couple was accused of starving a third child.

State's Atty. John S. Boyle said he would seek a circuit court order to exhume the bodies of two of the couple's four young children who died in infancy.

A coroner's jury recommended that the parents, Martin King, 43, and Eileen King, 35, be held for grand jury action on a manslaughter charge, in the death last week of their four months old daughter, Kathleen.

Jesuit Priest Charges Archbishop 'Silenced' Him In 'Heresy' Case

BOSTON, April 19. (AP)—A Jesuit educator charged today that he had been "silenced" by Roman Catholic Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston because, "I believe there is no salvation outside the Catholic Church," and Archbishop Cushing believed there is.

The Rev. Leonard Feeney, S. J., denounced as "invalid" and "brutal" the action of Archbishop Cushing in depriving him of his priestly functions for "grave offenses against the general laws of the Catholic Church."

Fr. Feeney has supported the position of three Boston College lay instructors and a Boston College high school teacher who charged Boston College authorities with "heresy." They accused col-

lege authorities of teaching that salvation was possible outside the Catholic Church and without submission to the Pope. The teachers announced an appeal to the Pope but from the Vatican came word that the issue was being returned to the Boston archbishop for jurisdiction. The teachers say they are seeking a pronouncement directly from Pope Pius XII.

The archbishop revealed last night that he had withdrawn all priestly teaching functions from Fr. Feeney.

The archbishop said in a formal decree that the priest "has lost the right to perform any priestly functions, including preaching and teaching of religion."

BIG BATTLE IMMINENT

China Expected To Spurn Red Demands

NANKING, April 14. (AP)—An official source said tonight the Chinese government had decided to reject the latest Communist demands — an act which is expected to touch off the battle of the Yangtze.

The Communist radio warned that veteran Red army of 400,000 men is ready to storm across the Yangtze in the Nanking-Shanghai area unless the government gives in.

The Reds demand an answer by tomorrow. They insist the government must grant them an unopposed crossing of the Yangtze as a prelude to General Chen Yi had finished preparations for crossing Communist raiding parties probed the slim government defenses on the Yangtze's south bank. The Nationalists said they repulsed Red attempts to slip troops across the river on both sides of Nanking.

The new government bridgeheads on the north bank of the Yangtze were under mounting pressure.

North of the river, 1 million seasoned Red troops were ready to commence firing. South of the river, 500,000 impetuously armed and trained Nationalist troops crouched behind the impending flood.

Despair gripped Nanking. Government officials prepared to flee. All around the city there seemed to be an air of defeat. Clearly many believed Nanking was in its last hours as the Nationalist capital.

Defiant government officials nevertheless, met to draft some sort of reply to the Communists. They pinned faint hope on a plea for more time. The expiration date of the ultimatum has been extended before by the Reds. But this time Red troops are in staging areas, ready to jump off for the fray.

Volunteers Will Make Cancer Fund Drive Wednesday

Volunteer workers are due to make a brief but thorough campaign in Big Spring Wednesday to solicit funds for support of the American Cancer Society.

Ted O. Groehl and Matt Harrington, campaign co-chairmen for Howard county, have completed arrangements for a kick-off breakfast at 8:30 a. m. in the Settles hotel Thursday morning to honor Robert J. Smith, president of Pioneer Air Lines, who will be a visitor in Big Spring on that day.

In addition to the breakfast session, Smith will be honor guest at the Kiwanis club luncheon Thursday.

The quota here has been set at \$2,500, a figure the co-chairmen believe is reasonable. They hope to complete the organized canvass here in a single day.

Special gifts are being handled by Ira L. Thurman, county treasurer, and persons who wish to contribute by mail may address their contributions to him at the First National bank.

All local residents who can assist with canvass work for a brief period Wednesday are invited to attend the kickoff breakfast. Harrington and Groehl said they were ground.

Prentiss Baws, who is working temporarily in Las Cruces, N. M., spent the Easter holidays here with his wife and daughter, Candace Jane.

World Congress Convened With Plea For Peace

PARIS, April 20. (AP)—A Communist-sponsored world peace conference opened here today with a plea for the formation of peace committees throughout the world to carry out the congress' plans.

The French Communist atomic scientist, Frederic Joliot-Curie, told the 1,800 delegations from 52 nations:

"We will show the warmongers that they have to reckon with us. We fight this fight with the certainty of victory."

Joliot-Curie said an atomic war would be "terrible even for its initiators" but that the atom bomb or other atomic weapons would not be the decisive factor in the fighting. He is the head of France's Atomic Energy Commission.

Unlike a world peace congress held in New York last month, this one opened with no anti-Communist pickets outside the meeting place and no evidence of any special police precautions.

Joliot-Curie was the first speaker following the reading of names of the preparatory committee which he headed. Among 12 vice presidents announced to the meeting were O. John Rogge of New York, former assistant U. S. attorney general; Soviet writer Alexander Fadeyev; Louis Aragon, editor of the pro-Communist Paris newspaper Ce Soir; former President Lazaro Cardenas of Mexico; and Danish author Martin Andersen-Nexo.

Applause repeatedly interrupted Joliot-Curie when he assailed American atomic energy policy.

He called on the world to concentrate on peaceful uses of atomic energy, and to let a-bombs alone.

Although some opposition to the merger still exists in the congregational denomination, the general council of that church voted 858 to 172 here Feb. 5 to proceed with the union.

The new, combined denomination would be known as the United Church of Christ, with a membership of nearly 2 million and a total wealth estimated at \$258 million.

Robert J. Smith, president of Pioneer Air Lines, will be welcomed to Big Spring by a chamber of commerce delegation when he arrives this evening.

J. H. Greene, chamber manager, said the aviation committee and chapter officials were planning to be on hand when the airline head arrives aboard the east-bound plane at 7:18 p. m. He will be honored at a breakfast session at the Settles at 8 a. m. Thursday and will be guest speaker at the Kiwanis club Thursday noon. This is to be an open meeting but visitors are requested to make reservations with Kiwanis Secretary B. E. Freeman before 10 a. m. Thursday.

Pioneer may keep Houston quarters

HOUSTON, April 19. (AP)—Major Gen. K. L. Berry, state adjutant general, suggests that Pioneer Air Lines may not have to vacate its quarters at Houston Municipal Airport.

Pioneer is scheduled to vacate its facilities at the Municipal Field May 31 to make room for the 63rd Fighter Wing of the Texas Air National Guard.

Berry said yesterday the guard may remain at Ellington Field provided money can be obtained to improve facilities there.

He said he had sent word to Pioneer officials suggesting they not be in too big a hurry to move.

Directors of pioneer met here yesterday and took no action on the possibility of moving from the field and transferring their headquarters from Houston to some other city.

Adult Leaders Here To Aid In Plans For Scout Roundup

Several adult leaders and professional staff members of the Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts, were arriving here this morning to assist with final preparations for the annual Scout Roundup which opens Thursday.

Several hundred Boy Scouts, representing troops from cities and towns throughout the 15-county council area are due here late Thursday afternoon. Registration at the Roundup grounds south of Big Spring will begin at 4 p. m. tomorrow.

The Scouts will establish camp at the Roundup grounds, and on Friday and Saturday they will participate in competitive events involving Scouting skills.

The Roundup will close immediately after a barbecue Saturday at noon. All Scouts and their leaders will be guests of Big Spring business men at the barbecue.

Local firms have contributed 750 pounds of beef for the barbecue, local officials announced this morning. Contributors included Cosden Petroleum Corp., Malone and Hogan hospital, Big Spring Locker Co., Big Spring Motor, Lone Star Chevrolet and the Big Spring clinic.

Church Merger To Be Talked

CLEVELAND, April 20. (AP)—The General Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church met in special session here today to act on a merger with Congregational Christian churches.

Some 300 delegates are here for the two-day session, headed by Dr. Louis W. Goebel of Chicago, national president of the denomination.

Although some opposition to the merger still exists in the congregational denomination, the general council of that church voted 858 to 172 here Feb. 5 to proceed with the union.

The new, combined denomination would be known as the United Church of Christ, with a membership of nearly 2 million and a total wealth estimated at \$258 million.

Pioneer President To Be Welcomed By Delegation Here

Robert J. Smith, president of Pioneer Air Lines, will be welcomed to Big Spring by a chamber of commerce delegation when he arrives this evening.

J. H. Greene, chamber manager, said the aviation committee and chapter officials were planning to be on hand when the airline head arrives aboard the east-bound plane at 7:18 p. m. He will be honored at a breakfast session at the Settles at 8 a. m. Thursday and will be guest speaker at the Kiwanis club Thursday noon. This is to be an open meeting but visitors are requested to make reservations with Kiwanis Secretary B. E. Freeman before 10 a. m. Thursday.

Three Divorces Are Granted This Week

Three divorces have been granted in 70th district court this week by Judge Paul Moss.

Blondel Lewis was granted freedom from Lucretia Lewis as did Dean Brown from T. J. Brown.

Marriage of en Coates and W. T. Coates was dissolved and the custody of two minor children granted to the woman, plaintiff in the case.

Hull Released From Bethesda Hospital

WASHINGTON, April 19. (AP)—Cordell Hull, 77, former Secretary of State, was released yesterday from Bethesda Naval Hospital after more than two years of treatment.

Announcing this today, the Navy said the elderly statesman "has made an excellent recovery and has been discharged and has returned to his home permanently."

Business Failures Decline Last Week

NEW YORK, April 19. (AP)—Business failures declined to 194 in the week ended April 14 from a revised total of 230 the preceding week.

The figure compared with 101 in the like week of last year, 99 in 1947 and 213 in 1939.

Truman Signs Bill For ERP Authorization

WASHINGTON, April 19. (AP)—President Truman today signed the \$5,580,000,000 European Recovery authorization bill.

Mr. Truman used eight pens in the signing, giving one to each of the seven witnesses and keeping one of Sen. A. V. Brien (R-Mich) who was unable to be present for the White House ceremony.

Present for the signing in Mr. Truman's oval room office were Secretary of State Acheson, Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; Chairman Kee (D-WVa.) of the House Foreign Affairs Committee; ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman, roving ECA Ambassador W. Averell Harriman and Deputy Administrator William C. Foster and Howard K. Bruce.

The legislation makes \$1 billion immediately available to the ECA from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

These funds will keep aid flowing to western Europe until Congress votes additional cash.

Aged Resident Of Stanton Succumbs

STANTON, April 19.—Mrs. Luella Standerfer, 75, a resident of Martin county for a quarter of a century, died this morning after a long illness.

Funeral service will be conducted at 3 p. m. Wednesday at the Stanton Church of Christ. Burial will be in the Evergreen cemetery, with arrangements in charge of Eberly Funeral home of Big Spring.

Mrs. Standerfer is survived by a sister, Mrs. Viola Parker of Stanton; four daughters, Mrs. F. H. Himes, Midland, Mrs. Steve Church, Mrs. M. L. Koonce, and Mrs. Delmar Hamm, all of Stanton; and four sons, Samuel Harrison Standerfer, San Diego, Calif.; Elvum, Edgar and Grady Standerfer, all of Stanton.

Thirty-two grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren also survive.

Endurance Fliers To Try To Go On Until Next Tuesday

FULLERTON, Calif., April 20. (AP)—What's six more days aloft to record endurance fliers Bill Barris and Dick Reel, who haven't touched the ground for 36 days.

They plan to bring their single-engine monoplane, Sunkist Lady, down next Tuesday, after remaining in the air for 1,008 hours—six full weeks.

Last Thursday they broke the existing endurance flight mark of 728 hours, set 10 years ago. They explain they want to make their flight long enough so their record won't easily be broken.

Since they cracked the old record, Barris and Reel have done most of their flying over the desert near Indio to avoid fog.

To refuel, the Sunkist Lady swoops low over airports while cans of gasoline are handed up from a speeding jeep.

Incidentally, two World War II combat fliers announced at Yuma, Ariz., they intend to take off Thursday in an attempt to crack the endurance mark. They are Bob Woodhouse, 36, and Woodrow Jongward, 28.

Rains Set Stage For Planting Near Knott

KNOTT, April 20.—Rains that measured from one to three inches fell in this area Monday and Tuesday.

Heavy hail was reported in some sections, inflicting considerable damage to house tops.

Several farmers had already planted some cotton, and the moisture this week will insure good planting season for this farming section.

McGee Murder Jury Still Being Taken

LUBBOCK, April 20. (AP)—The selection of a jury for the Richard W. McGee murder trial continued here today with two jurors needed.

McGee, 24, is charged in the gun slaying last July 7 of R. L. Allston, grocery executive. Allston was the father of McGee's sweetheart. Both men were former residents of Pampa and Amarillo.

Pilot Sucked Out Of Plane To Death

SEATTLE, April 20. (AP)—A pilot plummeted 4,000 feet from a passenger plane to his death early today in Alaska, the Seattle office of the Sourdough Air Transport Co. said.

Dave Huyoke of Los Angeles, third pilot aboard a C-47 carrying 18 passengers, was "sucked out" when he tried to check a draft around a door, the firm announced.

Scott Loses His Suit Against Auto Firm

A civil suit filed by Bob Scott against the Lone Star Chevrolet company ended in 70th district court Tuesday with the jury ruling in favor of the defendant.

Scott had sued for personal damages, alleging that he had been overcharged for repairs and storage of a truck. The jury found the charge to be "reasonable and customary."

Condition Douglas' Eye Said Improved

LONDON, April 19. (AP)—Doctors reported a further slight improvement today in the condition of U. S. Ambassador Lewis W. Douglas' injured left eye.

There have been fears that Douglas might lose the sight of the eye, which was snagged by a trout fly April 4 while he was fishing in the south of England.

Lodged In Jail

J. D. Self has been arrested by county authorities on a charge of forgery and placed in the county jail. He was scheduled to appear before the grand jury sometime this week.

Condition Improves

Improvement in the condition of Bill Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hart of Dallas, former residents of the city, has been reported. Bill was taken to a hospital in Dallas last Friday suffering from pneumonia.

House Passes First Of Three School Bills

AUSTIN, April 20. (AP)—The House today passed on second reading the first of the three Gilmer-Aikin school bills.

The vote was 85 to 17. Backers of the bill reorganizing the administrative setup of the public school system beat down the strategy of opponents who walked out in an effort to keep the House from conducting business today.

The House was four members shy of the 100 needed to take legislative action when it met at 10 o'clock this morning. The House sergeant-at-arms was ordered a short time later to round up missing members to permit further study of the bitterly fought public school bills.

The House by a vote of 76 to 7 approved a motion by Rep. William George Richards of Lockhart instructing the officer to "arrest 'em, handcuff 'em—anything to get 'em in."

This action came after a record vote showed there was no quorum and that the House therefore was unable to begin debate again on the first Gilmer-Aikin school bill.

Opponents last night decided to carry on their fight against the school bills by walking out in sufficient number to stall off action on the measures.

Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Murphy and three assistants began their hunt immediately after the formal vote directing them to "secure the attendance of missing members" was taken.

The first record vote showing the lack of a quorum revealed only 36 members present — four short. A registration then showed 99—11 short.

Big Spring Voted Award In National Safety Competition

Big Spring has been voted an award by judges of the national safety contest for completing 1948 without a traffic death, officials were advised this morning.

Notices of the action were forwarded to Mayor G. W. Dabney and to W. D. Green, police chief. According to word received here, the award will be presented here, a later date by George Clarke of the Texas Safety Association.

Big Spring's string of deathless traffic days, which started late in 1947, had grown to 494 today. During that period no deaths have occurred that could be attributed to traffic mishaps.

In the notices received by Dabney and Green, Ned H. Dearborn, Chicago, president of the National Safety Council, congratulated public officials and citizens of Big Spring on the traffic safety record here.

Flanders Forecasts Defeat For Housing Bill Amendment

WASHINGTON, April 19. (AP)—Sen. Flanders (R-Vt.) predicted defeat today for a move to give House and Senate Appropriations Committees final say on proposed public housing and slum clearance projects.

He said an amendment by Sens. Brickner (R-Ohio) and Cain (R-Wash.) to a long-range housing bill now before the Senate would be "impractical" and added, "I don't think it will go through."

The amendment would require the housing administrator to get the approval of both appropriations committees before letting contracts for public housing or slum clearance projects.

Condition Douglas' Eye Said Improved

LONDON, April 19. (AP)—Doctors reported a further slight improvement today in the condition of U. S. Ambassador Lewis W. Douglas' injured left eye.

There have been fears that Douglas might lose the sight of the eye, which was snagged by a trout fly April 4 while he was fishing in the south of England.

Lodged In Jail

J. D. Self has been arrested by county authorities on a charge of forgery and placed in the county jail. He was scheduled to appear before the grand jury sometime this week.

Condition Improves

Improvement in the condition of Bill Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hart of Dallas, former residents of the city, has been reported. Bill was taken to a hospital in Dallas last Friday suffering from pneumonia.