

Scandinavia To Decide On Security Pact

Nations Now Free To Formulate Own Course

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 1. (AP)—The attitude of Scandinavia toward the North Atlantic Security Pact may be determined definitely in the next week or 10 days.

Although Sweden, Norway and Denmark were not able to agree on a joint program during months of conferences, the nations now are free to act individually.

Norway, which has favored joining the Western Powers despite

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. (AP)—The State Department said today that the United States hopes Norway and other nations soon will be brought into discussions on the proposed North Atlantic security pact.

Russian pressure, may be the first to make a decision. Sweden is expected to stick to her policy of neutrality, Denmark, which wavered between the two, may make up her mind soon.

Norwegian Foreign Minister Halvard Lange will address parliament today on the Scandinavian defense talks. His speech will be followed by a debate on the labor government's defense policy.

The national council of the Norwegian Labor Party last night voted unanimously to back the government's policy, which is reported to be in favor of joining the North Atlantic powers.

A showdown on Denmark's attitude toward possible military cooperation with the Western Powers is expected next week when the Danish parliament convenes for a foreign policy debate.

In preparation for the debate, there will be a closed meeting tomorrow of the parliamentary foreign policy committee of which all political parties but the Communists are members.

Poll Tax Payments Fall 130 Short Of Number In 1947

Personnel of the county tax collector-assessor's office issued a total of 915 poll taxes Monday, final day the receipts could be obtained, to bring the grand total for the year to 4,449.

That aggregate is still 130 short of the 4,579 sold in 1947 but several scores which arrived in the mails Monday and this morning had not been counted.

More exemptions were granted this year than ever before. Tax office employees issued 800 through yesterday and ran out of the necessary forms before closing time.

In 1947, a total of 548 exemptions were granted. The Howard county voting strength is far below that of last year, a presidential election year. The aggregate at that time was estimated to be 8,300.

Li's Regime Shows Signs Of Life

NANKING, Feb. 1. (AP)—Li Tsung-jen's government showing new life, sharply warned the Communists today to lay off, irrelevant demands if they want peace.

A statement attributed to the acting president's office told the Reds the government was still able to fight. But that continuation of hostilities was undesirable "because the people can no longer bear civil war."

DEATHLESS DAYS In Big Spring Traffic

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JOYFUL REUNION

Husband, Wife Back Together After Living 40 Years Apart

BRISTOW, Okla., Feb. 1. (AP)—Barkley Burris and the wife he lost more than 40 years ago were reunited today at the front door of her home.

Burris, 72-year-old Plainview, Tex., pensioner, accompanied by a newspaper reporter, walked to the door after getting a ride from the railway station in a police automobile.

Sixty-five-year-old Mrs. Ella Mershon, who thought her husband was killed long ago, opened the door herself. She didn't say a word. Then they fell into each other's arms.

Tears filled Burris' eyes and he murmured "Oh my God! Oh my God!" over and over before the couple closed the door and went



FRIGID FRUIT AND BATHING SUIT—Two-foot icicles hang from this grapefruit tree in the yard of John E. Petty of Weslaco in South Texas, where a disastrous hard freeze did millions of dollars of damage to the citrus crop. The girl is Miss Kathryn Ciekler. Petty admitted assisting nature to create such a heavy ice formation—but sub-freezing temperatures did the rest. (AP Wirephoto).

BUREAU CHIEF SAYS

New Congress Seen 'Fair' To Farmers

Although both the nation's lawmaking bodies are laden with new faces, making it virtually impossible for any authority to develop an accurate analysis, J. Walter Hammond,

president of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, believes the 81st Congress will produce "fair" agricultural legislation.

"I think we can count on a pretty good farm program," said the state bureau head who came here from Washington, D. C. to attend a district farm bureau clinic Monday in the Settles hotel. At the national capital he attended a meeting of the American Farm Bureau board and made a personal survey of the legislative outlook.

In a brief address at the clinic here, Hammond called for a stronger farm bureau in Texas. Declaring that strength lies in numbers, he said the Texas federation could be the greatest in the country.

"If we had aligned our potential membership, Texas would have commanded seven more votes than any other state at the national convention, but we sat there with only three votes because our membership would justify no more at that time."

This is the age of organizations as well as the age of machinery, Hammond asserted. "Don't think for one minute that legislators reach into the air and pull out bills to introduce," he cautioned. "When a bill is introduced it means that some group or organization wants it to become law and that they have convinced a legislator that a large number of people want such a bill."

Hammond asked for full support of a farm road bill in Texas which the state federation is sponsoring. However, he urged the farmers to withhold criticism of their state legislators "just because they voted against some farm-to-market road bill." Such bills often are riddled with clauses and amendments which obscure the original purpose, and the mere fact that a bill mentions rural roads in its caption does not necessarily mean that it is a good one, he explained.

The Farm Bureau is asking support of its bill in the original text, he said. Hammond concluded his address by urging representatives attendance at local, district and state Farm Bureau meetings. At least half of the developments which determine whether a farmer will fail or succeed happen off the farm, he asserted, which means that a farmer is giving attention to that "other half" when he leaves his farm to attend such a meeting.

Approximately 75 persons, representing several of the 39 counties in District No. 6, attended the clinic.

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Wintry Blasts Chatter Teeth Down In Dixie

Mercury Slides Far Below Normal

ATLANTA, Feb. 1. (AP)—Chill winds kept teeth a-chattering in most of Dixie today, but skies were generally fair. The worst of the wintry onslaught that struck the South Monday was gone.

The coldest weather in the South today was reported in Northwest Louisiana, West Tennessee, and in mid-Kentucky. A vast cold mass of air moving in from the west was mainly responsible.

A pre-dawn low of 7 was reported at Memphis, and it was 12 at Nashville and Chreveport. Temperatures were about 20 degrees below normal, but warmer weather was in the sight for Wednesday, said the weatherman. A little rain or melting snow might be mixed in with the rising temperatures.

Kentucky bundled against the cold that found the mercury early today at 3 at Bowling Green and 11 at Louisville.

In Florida and along the Gulf to New Orleans it was considerably warmer. The lowest at Mobile this morning was 30. It was three degrees warmer at New Orleans. The Carolina coastal area also reported early morning readings in the thirties—warmer than it was yesterday.

Snow flurries sifted across Birmingham but were too casual to be noticed unless you looked twice.

Here at Atlanta, rising temperatures had brushed away all traces of ice that gave the city a glimmering and picturesque coating Monday but disrupted electric power service for about three hours and made footing uncertain.

Florida continued to bask in a June-in-January atmosphere. Beaches were crowded yesterday. Throughout the southeast generally tomorrow, temperatures would be only a degree or so below normal, and there wouldn't be enough rain to speak of anywhere, so the weatherman promised.

North Dakota and northern Minnesota had the coldest weather. Early morning lows in North Dakota were 15 to 20 below zero and in Minnesota 10 to 15 below.

The cold air was expected to extend over most of the north-central region tonight and tomorrow.

There were only a few wet spots on today's weather map. Light snow fell in the Great Lakes region, northern Maine and in widely scattered places in the northern Rockies and northern Plains States.

Ground Troops In Storm Fight

ELY, Nev., Feb. 1. (AP)—Ground troops are joining the Air Force in the fight to save eastern Nevada's snowbound, hungry livestock.

Brig. Gen. Frederic B. Butler of U. S. Sixth Army headquarters in San Francisco, climaxed a personal survey of the situation by authorizing a force of 200 men and 45 heavy duty trucks to help move feed through still-massive drifts choking many highways and most side roads.

The Army trucks "will go pretty near anywhere," said Sen. George Malone (R-Nev.) who conferred with Gen. Butler here last night. "The Air Force boys are doing a hell of a good job, but what they need out here now is heavy equipment to get through these drifts to the stock."

He said the air lift, which has been bringing baled hay to Ely and dropping it among scattered, isolated bands of stock for a week, will continue "another week or so," but that ground equipment will gradually take over the task.

Twenty-seven C-52 cargo planes and more than 200 Air Force men have been assigned to the air lift. They brought feed to an estimated 100,000 sheep and 7,000 cattle.

Pipe Line Break Near Orange Has Been 'Isolated'

ORANGE, Feb. 1. (AP)—Clark Barrett, official of the Du Pont Co. plant here, said today a break in a 12 3/4 inch gas line had been "isolated" and the flow of gas would be stopped within a short time.

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Truman Fights Plan To Pension Vets

VA Chief Tells House Committee Idea Too Costly

Administration Clamps Down On Cash Benefits

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. (AP)—The Truman administration today threw its influence against moves in congress for pensions for all veterans.

Veterans Administrator Carl R. Gray, Jr., told the house veterans committee that the proposal "could not be considered in accord with the program of the President."

The committee is studying legislation, backed by several veterans organizations, which would give all veterans of world War I and II a pension of \$60 a month at age 60 and of \$90 at age 65.

There would be additional payments in event the veteran had any disability, whether or not the disability was due to service with the armed forces.

Gray said the plan would cost nearly \$2,000,000,000 its first year and that the cost would rise annually thereafter.

15 Indicted By Grand Jury

Fifteen indictments were returned by the grand jury here Monday, one of them for murder, James McGruder, a Negro, was officially charged with murder in connection with the death of Herman Serrell, another Negro, in a north side shooting Dec. 18.

Others in custody who were indicted include G. W. Jacobs, accused of theft; William Cavitt, Jr., attempt of burglary; J. B. Barera, assault to murder; Bernie Ray Randolph, burglary; Billie Joe Ligons, theft; driving while intoxicated second offense; Wildon Gene and Doyle Miers, theft; Jimmie Gardinier, driving while intoxicated, second offense; and Truman B. Smith, driving while intoxicated, second offense.

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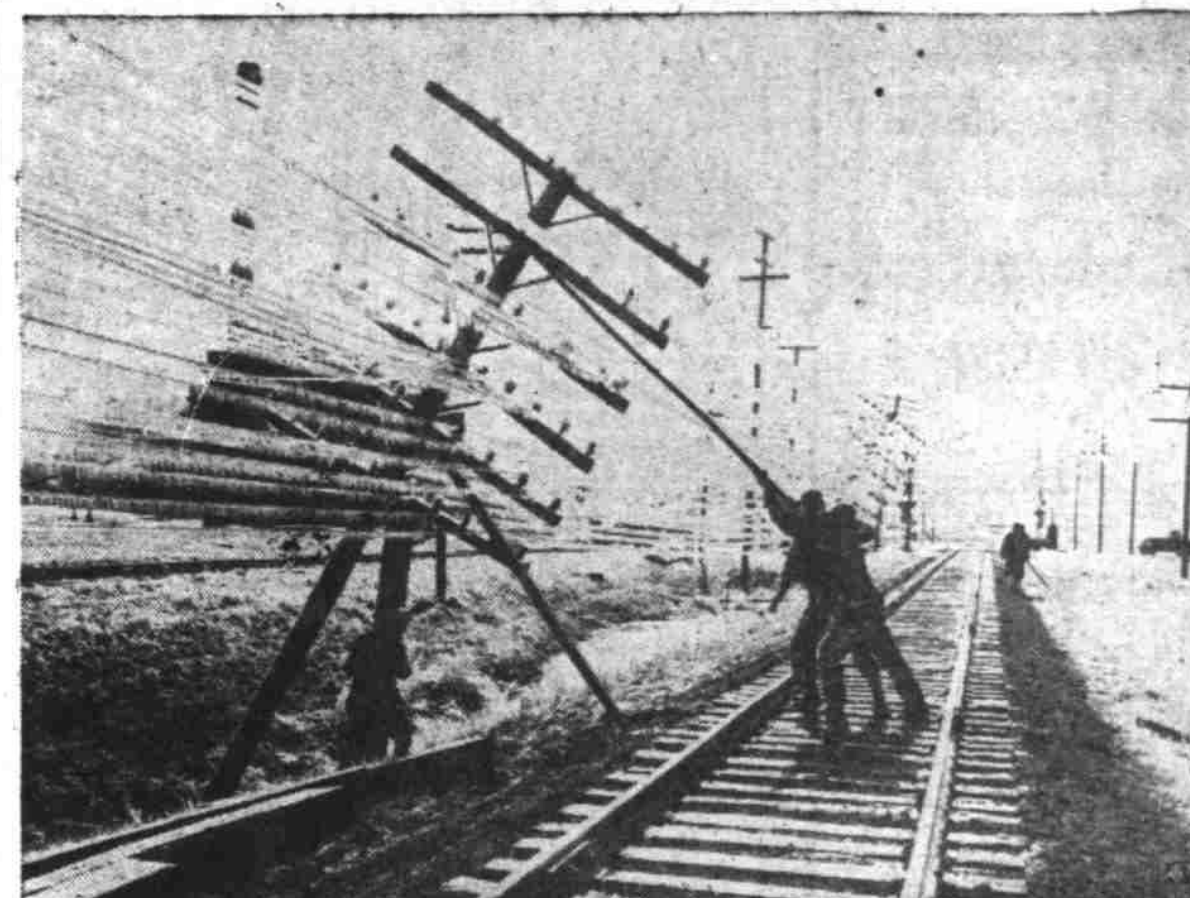
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'March Of Dimes Fund Nearing \$1,000 Mark

Collections for the March of Dimes at the R. & R. Theatres during the past week aggregated \$922.46, it was announced Tuesday.

Although the collection period has passed, Arthur Caywood announced that cashiers of the shows would continue to accept voluntary contributions from patrons for the benefit of the Howard County Infantile Paralysis chapter.

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ICE HALTS TRAIN TRAFFIC—Workmen with poles attempt to push telegraph poles, heavily weighted with ice, from over train tracks near Dallas. Traffic over the line was halted until the poles could be pushed clear of the right-of-way. Two days of sleet and freezing rain caused extensive damage to power and communication lines in the Dallas area. (AP Wirephoto).

COMPETITION NO BARRIER

Treasury Chief Forsees Long Era Of Prosperity

Arab, Israeli Talks Are Set

TEL AVIV, Israel, Feb. 1. (AP)—A reliable source said today Israel has proposed to Trans-Jordan that talks be opened for an armistice as soon as the current negotiations with the Egyptians are concluded at Rhodes.

The proposal was transmitted to King Abdullah of Trans-Jordan some time last week by an Israeli official, the source said. The talks with the neighbor Arab kingdom also would be held at Rhodes either with or without United Nations sponsorship, he added.

The same source said another proposal for three-way talks by Israel, Egypt and Trans-Jordan at Rhodes had been dropped after Egypt rejected the suggestion.

Hailing the full recognition of his state, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion said last night Israel intends to seek friendship both with the United States and Russia, and to press for peaceful relations with her Arab neighbors.

Six Guests Perish In Hotel Blaze

RIPON, Wis., Feb. 1. (AP)—Six persons, including a former college and professional football player, were missing and presumed dead in a fire which destroyed the Grand View hotel here early today.

Police Chief Ira Dunham said missing included: Lloyd Wasserbach, Madison, Wis., former member of the University of Wisconsin and Chicago Rockets football squads. (Age unavailable).

Wasserbach was a tackle on Wisconsin's varsity squads of 1940 '41 and '42, and was a member of the Chicago Rockets of the All America Football conference in 1948.

There were approximately 48 guests in the hotel when the fire broke out. Its origin was undetermined. Firemen from Ripon and three nearby cities still were pouring water into the ruins at 11 a. m. today.

Third Butane Blast Victim Succumbs

FORT WORTH, Feb. 1. (AP)—Edward G. Hollingsworth, 32, died in a hospital here Tuesday morning from burns suffered in a fire that claimed lives of his two daughters burned critically by his wife and destroyed their home near Smithfield.

One girl, Bobbie Glenn, 8, was burned to death in the house Monday. The second, Maryina, 5, died Monday afternoon. Mrs. Hollingsworth remained critical Tuesday.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 1.

(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder said today the United States "continues highly prosperous" and probably will remain that way "in the years immediately ahead."

Business has no reason to worry because of stiffer competition, Snyder said in a speech prepared for the National Sporting Goods Assn. convention.

"This is something which must be regarded as part of the process of 'getting back to normal,'" he said, adding that many recent price declines represent merely a return to "normal relationship to the general price level."

"The fact is that the nation continues highly prosperous," the treasury chief said. "We are on the alert against the hazards of a boom and bust. There are great opportunities for business in the years immediately ahead."

He said continuous creation of new consumer goods is "maintaining an industrial frontier of the greatest promise," and added: "The demand for these new products, and for improved types of many kinds of consumer goods, should replace any reduction in other demand that may follow the filling up of wartime shortages. Such a replacement process, in fact, is already conspicuously underway."

"The return of normal buyers' markets should give impetus to more efficient production methods and to new and more attractive products, which will lead to a broadening of consumer demand."

Houston Man Dies

HOUSTON, Feb. 1. (AP)—George W. Carrerton, 73, retired grocery store manager, died in a local hospital early today from burns received at his home yesterday.

BRIGHT SUN WARMS STATE

Texas' Worst Blizzard Gives Up Frosty Sting

By The Associated Press

Texas' most bitter and destructive blizzard on record gave up most of its frosty sting today.

The temperature climbed well above freezing during the night and Brownsville recorded an early morning minimum of 45 degrees.

Central and North Texas had another bitter night, but low clouds in Central Texas and a bright sun in North Texas were warming those sections today.

A light snow was falling in parts of the Panhandle early today, but temperatures were rising. It was 10 degrees at Amarillo at 12:30 o'clock, but at 7:30 o'clock the mercury had climbed to 21 degrees. The weatherman said the moder-

Argentina Halts Foreign Imports

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 1. (AP)—Argentina halted transfer of money abroad and the importation of foreign goods today in order to permit a study of her financial policies.

The order came from the National Economic Council, headed by treasury minister Ramon Cereijo. The council is composed almost entirely of new advisers appointed last week by President Jaun D. Peron after the resignation of Miguel Miranda, who had been council president.

The council cancelled all pending applications for import permits. It ordered government departments and private importers to return permits already issued.

Auxiliary Traffic Signal Installed

An auxiliary traffic signal erected for experimental purposes at Third and Main streets went into operation late Monday afternoon.

The new stop and go light which is focused for Third street only, will be given a thorough trial to determine its value to traffic during early morning and late afternoon hours when the permanent swinging signals are obscured by the sun. The auxiliary signal is attached to a post on the northwest corner of the intersection.

If it proves satisfactory, similar installations will be made at other Third street intersections. City Manager H. W. Whitney said.

As Texas generally thawed from the hard freeze of yesterday, the damages leaped upward. Stockmen and truck gardeners, fruit growers and farmers waited for warmer weather to evaluate the damage. First estimates were incomplete.

The Weather Bureau's official forecast called for "not so cold weather" in both East and West Texas today. Fair weather, except for some cloudiness in certain areas, was predicted.

Twenty-seven deaths could be attributed to the weather's wallop, either directly or indirectly. Stockmen feared great loss of ewes and lambs in the hill country north of San Antonio.



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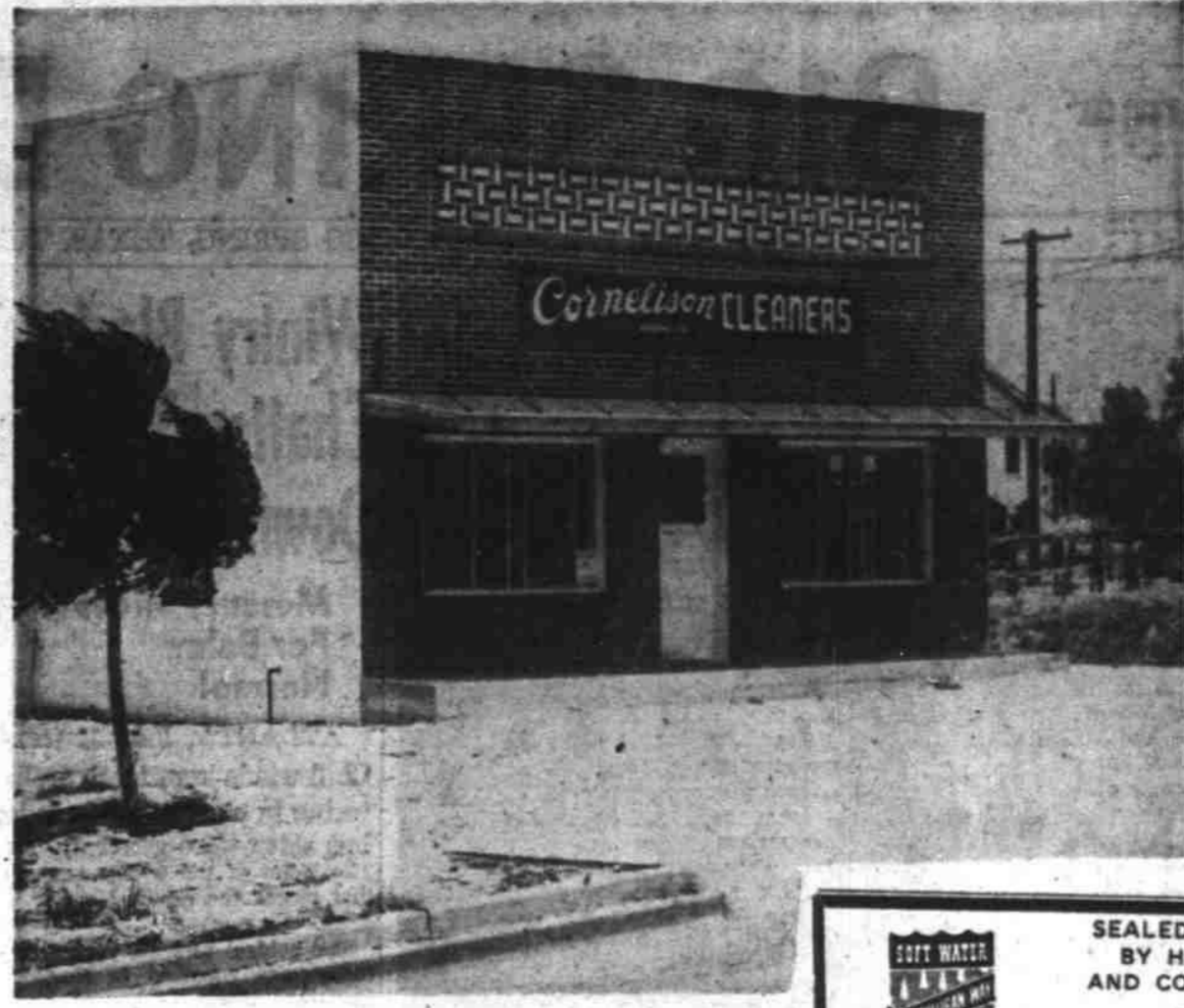
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Seat Cover Sale Paces Bargains At Westex Store

Pacing a house full of values, Westex Service Store at 110 W. 2nd street this week is leading with a red hot offer on seat covers. Firestone Velon plastic covers, in a variety of models, are being offered at \$24.95, a figure representing nearly 40 per cent off the regular value.

There will be on display the usual wide assortment of automotive accessories and supplies, including a high grade anti-freeze stock.

The enlarged store abounds throughout with new and varied offerings. For instance, the sporting goods department is undergoing a transformation. Already the field covers fishing, hunting, all kinds of different ball game supplies, golf, boxing, archery, etc. By the time the fishing season rolls around, the stock in this department will be second to none.

Westex Service Store also is specializing in a department for toys and child gift items. Realizing that once Christmas is past, parents have difficulty in finding suitable playthings for special occasions, Westex Service store has ordered a record stock. Outdoor gym units are available along with all types and sizes of bicycles, roller bearing tricycles in a range of sizes, doll buggies, and a host of other toys.

The heavy appliance offerings are almost limitless with Firestone radios, washing machines, cabinet and portable ironers, refrigerators, electric and gas ranges. There are also many smaller appliances such as toasters, etc.

Careful Look At Insurance At Regular Intervals Good Business

Most everyone will find that it is good business practice to make a careful check of insurance needs at regular intervals. That advice is offered by E. P. Driver, who operates a well-known insurance agency under his own name in the First National Bank Building.

Most persons who are active in the business world regard insurance as an essential protection for their financial welfare, but individual requirements change almost constantly, especially if an individual or business concern is making progress. Driver, explains. Additional requirements may be occasioned by increased stock of merchandise in a store, new or additional fixtures, new furniture in a home, or any one of dozens of

different reasons. In all cases, a sound, up-to-date insurance plan provides a protection that is not available from any other source. Driver represents established, well-known companies which have built outstanding reputations for that type of service.

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Dewey Submits Record Budget

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 1 (AP)—Gov. Dewey submitted to the New York Legislature today a record high state budget of \$936,200,000 and proposed increasing taxes by \$168,200,000 to finance it on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The spending program he set forth in his budget message would boost New York's expenditures to \$2,600,000 a day in the fiscal year beginning April 1.

His new budget exceeded by \$124,200,000 the \$812,000,000 provided in the 1948-49 budget, a record in itself.

Dewey proposed to spend \$418,200,000 for state purposes and \$518 million for local assistance, including state aid for education.

He asked these tax increases:

- 1—A percent of 66 2-3 per cent over present payments in personal income tax through 100 per cent collection of the levy. The tax now is collected at 60 per cent of the legal rate.
- 2—An additional one cent per gallon in the gasoline tax, bringing it to five cents.
- 3—An increase in the corporate franchise tax from the present rate of 4.5 per cent to 5.5 per cent.
- 4—Surprise boosts in the parimutuel tax on harness racing from the current five per cent to six per cent on daily betting up to

\$550,000 and seven per cent above that amount.

"It is with reluctance," Dewey said, "that I recommend additional taxes, as I am fully cognizant of the heavy tax burdens which the citizens of New York bear as federal, state and local taxpayers."

"But," he continued, "if we are to hold our own against inflation and also make social gains, we must be ready to pay for them. In a period of high business activity and full employment the only sensible and courageous way is to finance our needs out of the current income of the people through taxation."

"It would be reckless to shift the costs to future years when business activity, employment and incomes may not be as high.

"That means that we should resolutely follow our policy of pay-as-you-go to the fullest extent possible. Our fiscal policy is based on these fundamentals."

Fumes Overcome 58 In School

McALLEN, Feb. 1 (AP)—Four of an estimated 50 pupils and eight teachers overcome by gas fumes or gas in Lincoln Elementary School yesterday were hospitalized and one was given a blood transfusion.

Most of the victims became violently ill when they staggered out of the classrooms. An emergency clinic was set up in the school gymnasium.

Last night the emergency clinic was moved to the fire station. Indications were that there may be more coming back for a second oxygen treatment and others may be feeling the effects for the first time.

Ernest Vining, an eighth grade student, was given the transfusion. His condition, listed as critical at first, last night improved and he was reported resting.

A city gas system representative theorized that condensation in the gas pipes, because of the cold, may have resulted in incomplete combustion, causing fumes.

No final decision as to the cause was announced after an afternoon meeting here.

"Practically every doctor in town" answered the emergency call that was broadcast immediately, the McAllen Monitor reported.

Officials closed all seven McAllen schools for an indefinite period while tests are made to determine the cause of the escaping gas or gas fumes.

The Lincoln School is heated by natural gas. Each room has its own gas stove.

All stoves in the school were "going full blast" the Monitor reported. McAllen, in the semi-tropical Rio Grande Valley, has been in the grip of severe cold for that area, but the temperature had risen to about 33 degrees when the eight teachers and 28 pupils became ill.

About 200 pupils attend the school.

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For successful results be sure to use the sugar the size winners use... Imperial Pure Cane Sugar.

Livestock Price Cut Not Passed On To Consumer

CHICAGO, Feb. 1 (AP)—Price cuts on livestock in recent months have not entirely been passed on to meat consumers, a marketing analyst said today.

H. M. Conway, writing in an industry trade paper, The National Livestock Producer, said that "with current retail prices of meat about the same as a year ago, it is quite evident consumers have only benefited in part from much lower livestock prices."

"Price maladjustments between producer and consumer are expected to continue during the year, and to depress livestock values more than any general decline in consumer income or purchasing power," Conway said.

The slaughter supply of hogs for late winter and early spring has been greatly reduced, he asserted, by early marketing of last spring's pig crop and by producers holding back larger numbers of gilts for breeding purposes.

Dunbar School Burns

MARSHALL, Feb. 1 (AP)—Temporary accommodations for 536 pupils of the Dunbar Negro Elementary School are being sought by school officials. The school burned Sunday. Replacement costs were estimated at \$300,000.

Stevenson Loses In Supreme Court For Vote Review

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—The supreme court Monday denied a request of former Texas governor Coke Stevenson that it review his election dispute with U. S. Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.).

Stevenson charged Johnson with the senatorial nomination through fraudulent ballot returns. Johnson was declared the winner over Stevenson by 87 votes in a runoff primary in which about 1,000,000 votes were cast.

Stevenson first took his complaint to the U. S. District court in Fort Worth. He was granted a temporary injunction keeping Johnson's name off the ballot for last November's general election. Johnson's attorneys then filed a request that the U. S. Circuit court in New Orleans reverse the district court.

The circuit court was not in session at the time, so Johnson's attorneys placed their case before Justice Hugo Black in his supreme court office here. Black ordered the injunction lifted. Later the circuit court reversed the district court.

Stevenson's latest move was to request the full supreme court to review the circuit court. His counsel, including former Texas governor Dan Moody, contended the circuit court erred in concluding that the suit filed in district court by Stevenson was an election contest.

Stevenson claimed that the alleged fraudulent election returns had deprived him of his civil rights.



HELP FOR ABANDONED CALF—Vernie Adams, 15, bottle feeds a two-day-old calf on the range, abandoned by its mother in snowbound eastern Nevada. The Adams ranch which is near Lund, Nev., is having its cattle fed with hay dropped from Air Force planes. (AP Wirephoto).

Negro Electrocuted Maintains Innocence
HUNTSVILLE, Feb. 1 (AP)—Wilson Moore, 29-year-old Negro, died here early today in the electric chair, maintaining his innocence to the end. He was convicted of rape in Harris County and sentenced to death.

Wool Growers Open Annual Meeting In San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 1 (AP)—The National Wool Growers Assn. meeting opens here today.

J. M. Jones, Salt Lake City, Utah, secretary-treasurer, said that readjustment of wool parity prices is among major items to come up for discussion.

The tariff on the importation of mohair and wool is another important problem, he said.

The American Wool Council and the Research Educational and Promotional Organization for Wool Growers are to hold meetings this afternoon in conjunction with the association meeting.

Record Budget Set

HOUSTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—A record \$8,097,946.82 budget has been approved by Harris County commissioners for the fiscal year of 1949.

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Infantile Paralysis Campaign Needs Help Of Average Person

So far results of the campaign to raise funds for the infantile paralysis chapter (and the national foundation, too) have proven very disappointing. This comes on the heels of poor response to the tuberculosis campaign. Oddly, these are the two drives on which our neighbors seemed to have really gained a full head of steam. There's no denying that the Community Chest campaign took a lot of effort, but that was concentrated on a few score as major givers and a few hundred contributors in all.

The March of Dimes is a drive designed to reach out into every nook and cranny of our community and to enlist dimes and dollars from the rank and file of people. Somehow, that hasn't been accomplished.

The need is still there, however. For-

tunately, we have not had any major outbreak of the scourge in recent years. During the war we had about 20 cases in a short span of time, but since then the load has been down around half a dozen a year.

This is no guarantee that we cannot have a repetition of our worst year sometime, or that we might have a few cases that will require exceptionally heavy aid. In an emergency we can turn to the national foundation for aid, but anything short of that is our own responsibility to our own people.

We cannot safely hope to do this unless there is a quickened response to the appeal for funds to the March of Dimes. How about it? Have you fallen into step so some youngster may be able to fall into step later on?

Latest Overture By Russians Offers Nothing Really New

The latest move in Stalin's "peace offensive" has not excited much speculation. And for good reason, too. It is, as one diplomat described it, nothing particularly new. Shorn of its trimmings, the declaration of Stalin in answer to queries by newsmen says that he has no objections to conferring with President Truman to discuss a "peace pact."

President Truman has no objections, on the face of the record, for he previously announced he would meet with Prime Minister Stalin anytime and anywhere, just so long as it was in Washington. It is highly doubtful that Washington would be "mutually satisfactory" to Stalin, hence not much is due to come to the overture unless the Soviet generalissimo has softened a great deal about coming to the U. S.

It might do him a lot of good, at that.

provided he would take time out for a month's vacation and utilize it to tour this country to see how our democracy functions and how we do things and that all that baloney the Soviet press is putting out about a "decadent capitalism" is grossly distorted. But this is wishful thinking. For Joe Stalin knows that it is preponderantly mularky for home consumption.

As for disarmament, the U. S. will be willing to go along if and when the Soviets back up with actions their propaganda campaign in this direction. In the U. S. we have a general feeling that Russia is the one that forced us back into this costly race. They can induce us to retrench only by doing a lot of retrenching themselves and by entering into arrangements whereby each can do a little checking on the other.

Affairs Of The World — DeWitt MacKenzie

Labor Party Takes Real Trouncing In Winning

AN AP Newswire
BRITAIN'S SOCIALIST GOVERNMENT has weathered the battle-royal in Parliament over its Palestine policy as handled by Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, but has taken a trouncing in the winning.

I'm reminded of my old acquaintance Battling Nelson, famous lightweight champion of a past generation, Nelson won most of his innumerable ring battles but few fighters absorbed as much punishment as he did in achieving fistic immortality.

Maybe that's not a very good comparison. When Bat Nelson had won there wasn't any question about it, despite his battered face. But in the case of Prime Minister Attlee and his cabinet the circumstances are such that one wonders whether their victory isn't pyrrhic.

The vote was taken after Attlee had made the question one of "confidence in the government." This meant that if the government was defeated, it would resign. It was a critical moment and the result caused jubilation in the opposition ranks.

And what is the significance of this? Well, one thing is clear: Bevin's Middle East policy is so unpopular at home that many of his own party can't swallow it. Unwittingly, or otherwise, he has given many folks the impression that he is pro-Arab and anti-Jewish. Churchill accused him of "astounding misjudgment" of the whole middle eastern problem.

THE FOREIGN SECRETARY SEEMS to have taken the adamant stand that England must maintain friendly relations with the Arabian peoples. This was because there are involved highly strategic areas and vast supplies of petroleum—important not only to Britain but to the United States.

There is small doubt that the British government might be overthrown unless the Palestine policy is changed. That being so, one assumes there will be a shift.

THE SO-CALLED "BEVIN POLICY" was approved by a vote of 283 to 193 in the House of Commons after bitter debate. The margin of 90 votes was the smallest the government had received on a major issue since it came to power in '45. Moreover, it involved the defection of a big bloc of the Labor (Socialist) party.

Notebook — Hal Boyle

Old-Time Telegrapher Almost Thing Of Past

COLUMBIA, S. C. — From the upstairs room between midnight and dawn comes a clickety clack.

It sounds in the traffic room of the Western Union and nobody hears it but an old-eared man leaning toward retirement.

He is one of a race of heroes dying out in our own lifetime. And nobody but themselves bothers to know that they are going.

"Clickety clack—clickety clack—clickety clack—"

Good and bad news speeds through the senseless night. And a telegrapher, a lone man in a doomed trade, takes the news down—and passes it on.

What men they were—and how few they are left—the old telegraphers. They stitched the American continent together with their clickety clack—clickety clack. Now the old timers are dropping out, one by one. Bright young girls tap out by hand on automatic transmitting machines the messages that used to go by Morse wire.

In the old days the Morse telegraphers used to grow gradually deafened by the staccato music of a sounder, whose noise was enlarged by a Prince Albert tobacco can stuck in to sharpen the

clickety clack—the clickety clack.

"But we have to leave out the tobacco can now," said Lustré DeLane Phillips, 56, who has been interpreting the clickety clacks since he was 14 years old.

"They found the sound carried too far. Somebody passing by outside who understood the Morse code might pick up a private message."

Like all vanishing knights of the dwindling "dot and dash" empire, Lustré has his memories. He remembers the time when the clickety clack was the only way the news of the world was spelled out.

"I copied Jack Johnson's fight with Jim Jeffries at Reno for a country weekly," he recalled. "We had a special edition on the streets within an hour. That was record time for a weekly."

Lustré isn't as pessimistic over the future of his profession as many men who feel the clickety clack of the telegraphers will soon be stilled forever.

"Most of the good old telegraphers have passed on," he said. "I don't say the future is bright for us. But there will always be somebody working a bug and somebody to receive it."

"That means there will always be two of us left."

And that means there always will be someone who has life by the ear.

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Variety Of Liquors

MOSCOW. — Americans who may think that Russians drink only vodka are as far from the truth as any foreigners who may think that Americans drink only whiskey. The fact is that Russia, like the United States, has a large and varied liquor industry.

The menu of the Metropole Restaurant in the center of Moscow, for instance, lists four brands of Soviet red wine, six types of Soviet white wine, seven types of strong wine, 11 types of dessert wine, two brands of Soviet champagne, three brands of Soviet cognac, five different Soviet liquors, four types of vodka, 10 types of ruit liquors, and four types of Soviet beer.

Those are only a small sample of the alcoholic beverages turned out in the Soviet Union. There are scores of types of Georgian wine alone of which only a few are listed in the Metropole's menu.

"THE WHEAT DOESN'T MAKE 'EM THAT FLUFFY"



Washington Merry-Go-Round — Drew Pearson

Undersecretary Of State Webb Vetoes Big Business For Job With University

WASHINGTON — Not many people know it, but President Truman had a hard time persuading Jimmy Webb, then director of the budget, to become undersecretary of state.

Webb, whose job of whittling down the budget is one of the toughest in the government, had received several luscious offers to return to private business. Tom Morgan, head of Sperry Gyroscopic, offered him \$35,000. Clay Williams of Reynolds Tobacco made him an equally attractive offer, while a big chemical company in New York also put in bid.

However, the job which appealed to Webb most would have paid him much less. It came from an old friend whom Webb greatly respected — Frank Graham, president of the University of North Carolina. While Graham was in the Dutch East Indies trying to iron out the Indonesian civil war, he scribbled a note in longhand to Webb asking him to become dean of the North Carolina School of Business.

The salary was about half what private firms offered him—\$15,000. But this was the job Webb was planning to take when President Truman finally persuaded him to become undersecretary of state.

President Truman who always sports a neat crease in his trousers, won't stand for a crease in his coat sleeves. Always an expert on men's hat-dashery, he believes in a smooth, rounded sleeve — no wrinkles and no crease. . . . One artist, who did a portrait of the President, was requested by the chief executive to "kindly paint out those creases in the sleeves." . . . The President dictates so fast that his confidential secretary, Rose Conway, has abandoned shorthand and now uses a stenotype machine to keep up with her boss. . . . Back in the 1890's the great Polish patriot-pianist, Jan Ignace Paderewski, paid a visit to Independence, Mo. . . . While there, he took time out to give a piano lesson to an awe-struck youngster named Harry Truman. Later Paderewski became President of Poland, and his piano pupil became president of the United States. . . . One of the biggest guessing games in Washington revolves around the question of why Ed Bacher, executive director of the Republican National committee, has a machine attached to his telephone to record conversations. It's generally agreed he's not trying to catch Democrats off guard. Beyond that, it's anybody's guess.

Believe it or not, a butter producer is now lobbying for oleomargarine—not against it. Senators are blinking their eyes over a letter which Kingsdale Dairies of New York City is circulating on Capitol Hill.

Under a letterhead advertising "for bettering the buttering habit of the nation," Kingsdale Dairies confesses: "While we have a vital interest in butter, we believe we have nothing to fear from the removal of the oleomargarine taxes nor even from the removal of color restrictions — provided, of course, the margarine is not fraudulently foisted on the American people as butter. We feel that the danger of such fraud is small.

"That a large segment of the American people want oleomargarine needs no demonstration, and that they want it colored is

now amply evidenced by their demand, at extra cost, for the new type bag which permits easy coloring by the housewife.

"To favor one industry by restricting another is not in our opinion compatible with democracy nor is it in the best interest of all business as a whole, or of the American people.

"We respectfully urge your support on any legislation that will free oleomargarine from its present restrictions."

In the flood of mail that deluges Capitol Hill, such a letter—lobbying against the sender's interests for the public good—is rare indeed. Congratulations.

The Democrats are about to take the wraps off a report that was kept in mothballs while the Republicans were still in power on Capitol Hill.

It is a survey on how the Tennessee Valley Authority has been getting along with labor. The Republicans intended it to be an unfavorable report and sent an investigator into the Tennessee Valley looking for trouble. Instead, the agent found TVA humming and labor putting its shoulder to the wheel.

The man who initiated this investigation and tried to blast TVA was ex-Sen. Joe Ball of Minnesota and ex-chairman of the Joint Labor-Management Relations Committee. He ordered Staff Investigator Alexander Christie to turn TVA upside down and bring back the facts. That's exactly what Christie did. But when his report turned out to be

Hollywood — Bob Thomas

Clark Gable Predicts Home Movies By Video

HOLLYWOOD. — Clark Gable was on the phone in his dressing room, giving detailed instructions on a cabinet he wanted built.

"It's for my television set," he explained afterwards. "It's an ugly-looking thing and I want to fix it to go with the rest of the furniture."

"You mean you look at television?"

"Sure. Look at it every night. It's great."

Coming from the king of the movie industry, a competitive medium, this sniffed of treason. "I get a big kick out of watching the fights, wrestling and hockey on it," he added.

I boldly suggested a time might come when Gable could be viewed on television screens.

"Sure. Why not?" he answered. "I've been reading about a new device whereby you call the telephone company and tell them what movie you want that night. Then you invite some friends over, have dinner, go in the living room, turn on the television set at the appointed time and you see the movie. The phone company sends you the bill at the end of the month."

"That's it, brother."

"What's this new system going to do to Hollywood, if it comes about?"

"Hollywood doesn't have to worry. It can still make movies,

but for television. It's the theatre that will have to worry."

Like all unscientific human beings, Clark continues to wonder at the marvels of video.

WORD-A-DAY
By BACH

FOYER
(fwa-ya; foy-ah; foy-er) NOUN
A LOBBY, ESPECIALLY, IN A THEATER.



Around The Rim — The Herald Staff

Reveal 'The Little Woman' Capable On Most Any Job

It may really turn out to be a woman's world after all. According to the reports listed in a new book, "Women's Occupations Through Seven Decades," by Janet M. Hooks, the slogan, "Never underestimate the power of a woman," deserves some consideration. If, for no other reason, the advertising column of the Ladies Home Journal, which carries the slogan, would be enough.

This little volume, which adds much to the ego of the weaker sex (?) shows that "the little woman" is capable of taking on almost every job in existence.

Thank goodness! We've passed the days when women were only teachers, nurses or housemaids. This recent survey shows that in 1940 there were 217 women sailors or deckhands, 131 gradecrossing watchers or bridge tenders, 272 blacksmiths, forgers or hammermen, 1,225 managers or owners of liquor stores, 1,597 newspaper girls, 506 masons or tile setters, 96 loom fixers, 1,717 paper hangers, 128 roofers. The toughest field seems to be the railroad. Miss Hooks looked and looked, but she couldn't find a single female locomotive engineer or fireman. Goodness! girls, can't we do something about that?

Just to show how much improvement the

girls made from 1930 to 1940, let's look at the case of the woman veterinarian. In 1910, we managed, somehow, to struggle along without any lady veterinarians. By 1920, we had one, and from then on, well, what did you expect? In 1930 there were 11 and in 1940, there were 90.

We have to admit that there were a few decreases. Only 4,906 women called themselves authors in 1940 compared to 5,303 in 1930. Women dentists fell, too, from 1,338 to 1,067. So did telephone operators.

There seems to be only one answer, if the men want to keep the women from taking complete charge. They will have to stop war. All of this started, when the Civil War boosted women's roll in teaching and nursing. World War II found them in the factory and by World War II they were ready to take complete charge and in peace time, they are still subborn and strong headed about the rightful place of women.

The only thing that bothers us is this vacancy in the railroad field. We really think someone should do something about that.—MILDRED YOUNG

Nation Today — James Marlow

Reds Have Peculiar Way Of Informing Citizens

WASHINGTON. — IF AMERICAN scientists and editors were doing what Russian scientists and editors have been doing, they'd be telling Americans something like this:

Americans invented the bow-and-arrow, the pyramids, the Roman chariot, the wheel, the horse, sex, daytime, thunder and lightning, and old age.

Russian scientists and editors have told their people: "Russians flew the first airplane, and Russians were first with the telephone, radio, electric lighting, the parachute, steamship engines, and a Russian was playing around with a lightning rod before Ben Franklin.

IF THE AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC party were like the Russian Communist party, it would have its own newspaper and be attacking Broadway drama critics with:

"You are a gang of Hamamelidaeous, anti-American deflationists, bent upon nugatory evaluations, opaque to the circumstantiality of the American character, and full of endocentric constructions.

"You have had the criminality to doubt that Americans are always heroes and always are victorious. Besides that, you have a bad habit of quoting Shakespeare."

Pravda, official paper of the Communist party in Russia, has just opened up on

Russia's theatre critics with a front-page attack.

Pravda complained the critics openly objected to seeing Soviet heroes in Russian plays always victorious.

And some of these critics, said Pravda, had the gall to compare present-day Russian plays with the old Russian classics, giving the oldtimers the better of it.

And if the American politicians on the Democratic National Committee, which runs the Democratic party, were like the Communist politicians on their party's central committee, they'd call in American songwriters and composers and tell them:

"THE TREND AWAY FROM CAPITALISTIC ideology toward Socialism must be reversed. The latest concoction, "Slow Boat to China," is a subversive distortion of capitalism's ability to produce nothing but fast boats to China.

"Further, to restore the American people to a proper recognition of the blessings of capitalism, you henceforth must represent the American price system as the underlying philosophy of American ideology.

The Communist party's central committee has called for more emphasis on Russian folk music and has condemned Russia's top composers, among the best in the world, for a "vicious, formalistic trend against the people."

Matter Of Fact — Joseph And Stewart Alsop

Mass Emigration Now Seen Only Solution To Save Italy

ROME — In this old honey-colored city, with its immemorial beauty and air of easy luxury, unpleasant facts are easy to forget. But it is a vital fact none the less that all the improvement that can be accomplished in Italy by the European Recovery Program cannot make the life of the Italian masses anything but cruelly hard. All authorities indeed agree that the only solution of Italy's economic problem is mass emigration—the inclusion of human beings among articles for export.

In these circumstances, it is downright shocking that American policy is rapidly acquiring the reputation of being reactionary. Specifically, here in Italy land reform must take first place in any program of social betterment. Significantly, it is among the dispossessed workers of the great Southern Italian latifundia that Communism is now making its only progress in Italy. Yet passive American opposition to land reform has just been indicated by no less a personality than the chief of the E.R.P. mission here, J. D. Zellerbach.

This sort of thing was perhaps understandable before the November election. With a reactionary Congress breathing down their necks and a Republican President looming ahead, the executives of American policy in Europe had a natural tendency to walk very carefully. Furthermore, although this did not come out during the campaign, Governor Thomas E. Dewey apparently gave them good reasons for doing so.

It is understood, for instance, that at a dinner in New York shortly before the election, Dewey asked General Lucius D. Clay to tell the Germans he meant to have no truck with the powerful Social Democratic party. Simultaneously in France men close to him were deeply alarming the French Center parties by their close association with leading Gualists. Meanwhile, here in Italy, certain minor figures of this E.R.P. mission were making no bones about their sympathy with the Italian Rightist parties and their assurance of future support in Washington.

The real source of the general Italian belief in American opposition to land reform was, however, a private warning given the government by Zellerbach in September. For practical reasons which he reform must hamper the harvest in the present crucial crop year. On the other hand, although Zellerbach may not have noticed it, the American election has now shown our people on the side of social progress. The crisis year is over in Italy. And there can be no possible excuse for the statement issued by Zellerbach, just before leaving Italy, that he could not countenance any land reforms which would result even in a temporary drop in the land's productivity.

As a practical matter, the Zellerbach

statement has really explosive implications. American influence is now strongly felt in every sphere of Italian politics. Premier de Gasperi is committed to land reform, and he and the majority of his Cabinet wish to begin the job immediately. They are being powerfully obstructed, however, by the Rightist parties in the government. And now Zellerbach has played directly into the Rightists' hands. For great changes always bring some confusion. And any effective land reform is virtually impossible on Zellerbach's terms.

What makes the whole business still more shocking is the demonstrable fact that the Zellerbach attitude is fantastically unbusinesslike. We are already spending nearly six hundred million dollars a year merely to help the Communists in Italy. An additional outlay of a few tens of millions, to cover the initial cost of land reform, will deal the Communists a crippling, perhaps even a deadly blow. By any business standard, it would be hard to find a more attractive investment.

No blame here attaches to Ambassador James Clement Dunn, who has done a singularly brilliant job, or to the State Department, whose instructions to press for land reform Zellerbach has ignored. But distributing the blame is not important. What is important is to grasp the central issue.

After all, Centrist governments like de Gasperi's cannot last forever. It is vital to create in Europe a healthy, non-Communist Left, which can take power when the time comes. The conditions for the emergence of such a healthy Left are just beginning to be created by the weakening of the Communist grip on most sectors of the broad working masses. A whole new political scene can take form in Europe if America will only stand forth as the champion not of the rich few but of the suffering many. That is the only way the job can be done. That is the secret of the future. And for Americans, including Zellerbach, that should be the chief lesson in Italy.

Today's Birthday—

LOUIS STEPHEN ST. LAURENT, born Feb. 1, 1882, at Compton, Quebec, son of a French-Canadian village store keeper and Irish mother. He got his law degree from the Universite Laval in Quebec in 1905 and got a job as law clerk for \$50 a month. Ten years later he was a king's counsel. After building up a rich law practice, he became leader of Canada's Liberal party in 1941 and prime minister last year.



Ina McGowan Takes First Place In Local Hair Styling Contest

Ina McGowan and her model, Jo Palmer, were chosen as the state association representatives when the Big Spring unit of the Texas Association of Credited Beauty Culturists held a hair styling contest in the Crawford Beauty Shop Monday night. The state convention will be held in Dallas, February 20, 21 and 22.

Second place in the local contest went to Lillie Pachall and Letha Amerson, model, Bonnie Mae Smith and model, Lois Bryant, took third place.

Judges were Kitty Davenport and Margaret Boyd of Midland, and Hestand Kyle of Lubbock. Mrs. Alma McLaurin served as hostess for the session which included the first business meeting of the year. As unit president, she

Beth Ennis Honored On Ninth Birthday In Home Of Parents

Nine year old Beth Ennis was named party honoree in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ennis, Saturday afternoon.

Co-hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. B. Ebell, Mrs. Winifred Billberry, Mrs. Thelma Cook and Mrs. Walling.

The valentine motif was used in the party decorations. Birthday cake was served.

Attending were Penny Cook, Ronnie Ebell, Carolyn Walling, Larry Cook, Frances Billberry, Patsy Russell, Dickie Lee Cook, Sandra Miller, Edward Rider, Judy Hawkins, Janet Ann Billberry, Sue Arrick, Judith Miller, George Lowke and Barbara Monroe.

Mrs. W. C. Mottingly Entertained With Party

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harper entertained Sunday evening with a birthday dinner honoring her mother, Mrs. W. C. Mottingly. The affair was held in the Harper home. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harper and children, Jimmy and Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mottingly, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mattingly and children, Leon and Jerry; Gladys Mattingly and Mrs. Lilly Worthan.

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February Numbers Are Announced Here

Big Spring holders of Town Hall Association memberships will have several opportunities to see and hear outstanding performances during February. This month's local presentation will be given by the Knickerbocker Quartet next Tuesday night. This is the third in a series of four numbers scheduled for the 1943-44 association season. The fourth and final presentation will be given by Virginia Sale on March 16.

The Knickerbocker Quartet will make two other appearances in this area. On February 6, they will be at Pecos and on February 17 at Colorado City.

"John Loves Mary" will be presented on February 3 by the Barter Theatre under the sponsorship of the Odessa Town Hall Association. Mary Hutchinson, dramatist,

Friday Night Session Held At Ballengers

GARDEN CITY, Feb. 1 (Sp)—Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ballenger acted as hosts to the Friday night bridge club.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ratliff won couples high and Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Watkins, second high. Low score was won by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Neal, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Glass, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ratliff, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Watkins, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham.

Anita Calverley and Juanita Ratliff arrived Saturday from Sul Ross, Alpine, to spend the week end with their parents.

Basil Keathley, Janet Hightower, William Weyman and Durwood Ratliff arrived here from Texas Tech, Lubbock, to spend the week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Barfield and children of Lamesa spent the week in Garden City. Ranchers report that they have received more moisture following the last snow than at any other time in the past several years.

Osborne of the Settles Beauty Shop; Mollie Cathey and Oma Buchanan of the Art Beauty Shop; Bonnie Mae Smith, Betty Burns, Edna Womack and Idell Ward of the Colonial Beauty Shop.

will appear in the Lamesa schedule, February 17. Holders of Town Hall Association memberships are eligible to use their tickets for any performance in this area.

Sorority Group Has Slumber Party In Helen Steck Home

Early morning bridge sessions were on the menu when the Nu Phi Mu Sorority was entertained with a slumber party given in the home of Mrs. Helen Steck with Mrs. Theresa Crabtree as assistant hostess.

Other entertainment including the making of ice cream and talk fests.

Those attending were: Evelyn Anderson, Bobbie Green, Muriel Floyd, Gertrude Hull, Lavern Casey, Melba Dean Douglass, Wilma Jo Rudeseal and Martha Bearden.

Party Held

Hi-Y members entertained the Tri-Hi-Y with a party given in observance of National Youth Week Monday night at the YMCA. Various games were played. Refreshments were served.

Body Of Stanton Sailor Arrives For Reburial

Remains of Pm 1C William B. Stovall arrived in Stanton Tuesday morning for final rites and reburial in his native land.

Enlisting in the Navy in 1939, Stovall lost his life in the New Guinea area on Oct. 1, 1943. He was 24 years of age at the time.

Services have been set for Wednesday at 3 p. m. at the First Baptist church with the Rev. T. R. Hawkins, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Fred McPherson, Lubbock. Burial will be in the Evergreen cemetery with full military rites by the American Legion. Eberly Funeral home will be in charge of arrangements.

Stovall is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stovall; one son, Ronald Wayne Stovall, Midvale, Idaho; three brothers, W. T. Stovall, E. W. Stovall, and C. N. Stovall, Stanton; two sisters, Mrs. Ted T. Gross, Big Spring, Mrs. William I. Currie, Alpine. An honor guard from the Legion met the body here early Tuesday. Legionnaires who were in the navy will be pallbearers.

Kate Morrison School To Present Program On Local Station

Members of the Kate Morrison school, under the direction of Velma Griese, will present the musical program on "Your School On the Air" over KBST, Wednesday at 3 p. m.

The program will feature a Rhythm Band, two vocal numbers and two harmonica numbers. Announcement is made by Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, principal and radio chairman of Kate Morrison school.

West Texas Area Council Meeting Scheduled For Big Spring In May

Tentative plans for the West Texas Area Council meeting to be held in Big Spring May 21, were made when the Omicron Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met for a business session in the Settles Hotel Tuesday night.

Other business included the decision to contribute \$50 to the Beta Sigma Phi endowment fund to be used by the National Society For Crippled Children, Cerebral Palsy. It was also announced that a pledge meeting will be held at

Ladies Bible Class Has Study Session

Sewell Jones, minister of the Church of Christ, taught the Bible study from the 21st chapter of Acts at the meeting of the Ladies Bible class of the Church of Christ Monday afternoon.

Those attending were Mrs. Buster Vinson, Mrs. W. W. Clifton, Mrs. Sewell Jones, Mrs. M. O. Lyles, Mrs. S. C. Rhoden, Mrs. W. H. Power, Mrs. Sarah Gibbs, Mrs. L. B. Amaon, Mrs. J. W. Elrod, Mrs. Joe Elrod, Mrs. Dewey Dykes, Mrs. J. C. Rogers, Mrs. A. W. Berryman, Mrs. Loy Chandler, Mrs. Dave Carter and Mrs. L. C. Bratcher.

Patty O'Neill Is Hostess To Sorority Meeting

Patty O'Neill entertained the members of the Exemplar Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi in her home Monday evening.

In a continued study of Russia, Clarendia Mary Harris spoke on the subject, "The Soviet's Plan of Education." Frances Hendrick discussed, "What Will the Russians Be Tomorrow," and Freda Hoover gave, "Russia's Mighty Leader, Stalin."

Clarendia Mary Harris presided during the business session in the absence of Marguerite Wooten, president. Evelyn Phinney was presented with a bridal plate.

Announcement was made that the area council will meet in Big Spring the week end of May 21. Attending were Emma Mae Carleton, Charlene Dobbins, Clarendia Harris, Frances Hendrick, Freda Hoover, Nell Ebaa McCrary, Elizabeth Murdock, Patty O'Neill, Evelyn Phinney and Beatrice Stasey. Mrs. Stasey will entertain the club in her home, 1510 Nolan, at the next meeting, Feb. 15.

R. E. Duncans Entertain With 42 Party Friday

FORSAN, Feb. 1 (Sp)—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duncan entertained last Friday evening with a 42 party in their home in the Shell Production camp.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stroder, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Overton and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Fairchild, Jan and Don Stroder, Mary Ann Fairchild and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Fairchild were the Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Hold of Wichita Falls, Tom Bingham of Quemado and S. L. Newsum of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Duncan have returned from Berger where they visited with their daughter, Jerry, who attends Frank Phillips Junior college there. Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Green were in Shawnee, Okla. over the week end where they attended the funeral of his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Griffith and daughter were weekend guests with his parents over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Breithaupt and Beverly were weekend guests in the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wilkerson and children were week end visitors in Midland.

DP Group Urges Congress Admit 400,000 Refugees

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 (Sp)—The Displaced Persons Commission today urged Congress to admit 400,000 war refugees to the United States in the next four years—almost double the present program. The agency also recommended a series of other changes in line with President Truman's criticism of the law he signed "with great reluctance" last June. It provided entry for 205,000 persons in two years, and set up the commission to supervise.

If Congress accepts the commission's recommendations, Carus said, the problem of finding homes for the remaining World War II refugees "should just about be cleared up."

Name Corrected

The name of the son born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Whisenant at the Big Spring hospital has been named Glenn Thomas Whisenant and not Steve Thomas as erroneously carried. The baby weighed seven pounds and nine ounces at birth on Jan. 22.

"Co-operating Southern Baptists" Is Title Of Book Review Monday

Mrs. C. T. Clay presented the book review, "Co-operating Southern Baptists," by J. B. Lawrence at the regular meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church Monday afternoon.

The book dealt with the progress and work of the Southern Baptists both as individuals and as a group, and was presented in preparation of the Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer program for Home Missions to be held in the local church, Feb. 28 through May 4.

Year's Work Is Planned On Monday By United Council Of Church Women

Plans were formulated for the year's social and business calendar at the meeting of the United Council of Church Women in the First Christian church Monday afternoon.

Dr. Eugene R. Kellersberger, secretary of the American Mission to Lepers, is scheduled to speak on the work in leper colonies at the city-wide luncheon meeting in the First Presbyterian church, Friday, Feb. 25.

On Feb. 28, officers and members of the local council will attend the annual state convention in San Angelo. Other plans included the meeting of World Day of Prayer to convene in the Wesley Methodist church, March 4. This is a day to be wholly consecrated to prayer. Announcement was also made that the St. Mary Episcopal church will host the

Events OF THE COMING WEEK

TUESDAY

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB meets in Settles Hotel at 7:30 p. m.

EAST FOURTH BAPTIST WMS will meet in circles for Bible study at 2 p. m.

BIG SPRING REBEKAH LODGE meets in the IOOF hall at 7:30 p. m.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST WMS will meet at the church at 2 p. m.

WESLEY METHODIST WMS will meet in the church parlor at 2:15 p. m.

NEEDLE AND THREAD CLUB meets in the home of Mrs. Allen Wiggins, 1703 E. 17th, with Mrs. Thomas Adams as co-hostess.

HIGH SCHOOL P-T-A meets at the school at 3 p. m.

AIRPORT BAPTIST WMS meets at the church for a Bible study and business session at 2 p. m.

LEISURE BRIDGE CLUB meets with Mrs. Charles Pruet, 1109 Bycamore at 7:30 p. m.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF St. Mary's Episcopal church will meet in the Parish house at 10 a. m. to prepare the building for the coming convocation. Luncheon will be served.

HIGH SCHOOL P-T-A meets for an executive meeting at 7 p. m. and for a Father's night program at 7:30 p. m., with Albert Dillon as speaker.

WEDNESDAY

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHORUS will practice at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHORUS meets at the church at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CHORUS will convene at 7:30 p. m.

EAGER BEAVER CLUB meets in the home of Mrs. Ben Jernigan, 707 E. 16th, at 2 p. m.

PALATKA CLUB will meet in the home of Mrs. L. W. Smith, 209 E. Park, at 7:30 p. m.

LADIES SOCIETY OF BLP&E meets in the WOW hall at 3 p. m.

GM FORTY-TWO CLUB will meet with Mrs. Tom Ross, 108 Lincoln at 2:30 p. m.

1943 HYPERION CLUB meets with Mrs. Pat Harrison, 107 Cayton, at 3 p. m.

PHILATHEA CLASS of the First Methodist church will meet at the church at 10 a. m.

THURSDAY

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY meets at the Legion Hall at 8 p. m.

GAMMA DELTA meets at the Parish house at 8 p. m.

KOUPLE'S DANCE CLUB will meet at the Country club at 8:30 p. m. with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cobble and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Caywood as hosts.

AMERICAN LEGION will meet at the Legion hall at 8 p. m.

GRAND INTERNATIONAL AUXILIARY meets at the WOW hall at 3 p. m.

MARY MARTHA CLASS of the First Baptist church meets with Mrs. M. C. Knowles, 419 W. 8th, at 7:30 p. m.

CHEERIT WOMEN'S CLUB meets at the First Methodist church at noon.

HOMEMAKER'S CLASS of the First Christian church meets with Mrs. J. H. Sutt, 2009 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

FRIDAY

LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION meets at the Country Club at 1 p. m. for a luncheon with Mrs. James Edwards, Mrs. B. M. Johnson, Mrs. Poe Woodard and Mrs. Lloyd Wasson as co-hostesses.

TRAINMEN LADIES meets at the WOW hall at 2:30 p. m.

SUSANNAH WESLEY CLASS of the First Methodist church meets at the church at noon.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S FORUM meets with Mrs. Harold Steck, 207 E. 18th, at 3 p. m.

FRIENDSHIP BRIDGE CLUB meets with Mrs. C. Y. Clinkcales, 705 W. 18th, at 2:30 p. m.

SATURDAY

1939 HYPERION CLUB meets with Mrs. Omar Pittman, 108 Runnels, for a luncheon at 1 p. m.

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Sorority To Meet

Nu Phi Mu Sorority will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the YMCA, according to an announcement made by a sorority representative Tuesday morning.

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Tonight—if your head is so congested and stuffed-up with a cold that you can't get to sleep—put a few drops of Vicks Va-tro-nol in each nostril. Instantly you'll feel your stuffy nose start to open up. For Va-tro-nol's specialized medication works right where trouble is to relieve such congestion. It makes breathing easier. It invites restful sleep. Try it. Get Vicks Va-tro-nol Nose Drops!

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The Lamesa team will be welcome to everything but victory, that is. Johnny Malaise's resident quintet will make a desperate, last ditch scrap for a triumph and a chance to remain in the 3AA title chase.

Whereas the Tornados have already clinched a spot in the playoffs, the Longhorns are mired in fifth place, a full game away from the fourth spot. Their chances will hang on every shot between now and the finish of the season.

Lamesa thumped the locals with points to spare in a previous game at Lamesa but the Steers have proved tough as a boot in their own fieldhouse. Only Midland has measured them here. Since that time, the Steers have come up in the world. They took championship honors in the Odessa tournament, a show in which Lamesa also was entered.

If the Longhorns can halt Big Leon Blair, they stack up fairly even against the visitors. Blair is the Tornados' leading scorer. He gets plenty of help from Glenn Morris, too.

The main event goes on at 7:45 p. m. A preliminary game between reserve teams of the two schools starts at 6:30 o'clock.



BANFF, Alberta, Canada—Shirley Cane tries out the new chair lift at Mount Norquay near here, the first in the Canadian Rockies. The lift is 3,000 feet long, and when skiers get to the top they have a vertical descent down Mount Norquay of 1,280 feet. The town of Banff is at right corner, and Mount Rundle, 9,600 feet high, is in the background.

Kentucky Leads National Poll, Bills Second

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (AP)—Kentucky is the new No. 1 basketball team of the nation, replacing St. Louis University in the third weekly Associated Press poll of sports writers and sportscasters.

A 24-point victory involving the magic name of Notre Dame sent the Wildcats out front for the first time. Kentucky has won 14 and lost 1. St. Louis has a 13-1 mark.

Forty-three different schools were mentioned by the 71 participants in first place ballots. The other No. 1 votes were divided among Oklahoma Aggies with 4 and Western Kentucky, Illinois and Stanford, with one each.

Back of Kentucky and St. Louis came the Oklahoma Aggies, who avenged an earlier loss by thumping DePaul of Chicago, 37-26.

Illinois, which handed Minnesota its first loss after 12 straight, 45-44, edged into fourth place ahead of the Gophers.

Western Kentucky (16-1) knocked out the unbeaten Division by Eastern Kentucky, 42-40, slipped two pegs from fourth to sixth.

Then came Villanova (12-1) and Hamline (14-0), the nation's only unbeaten major team, seventh and eighth, respectively.

Stanford moved into the top 10 in the poll, based on games played through Saturday night, by downing San Jose State and Pittsburgh to make it 17-2 for the year.

San Francisco, a 56-49 victor over Arizona, dropped one place to tenth. Stanford is the only new face in the top 10. It ousted Utah which was upset by Brigham Young twice in three days.

Others receiving votes were: Texas 4, and Baylor 2.

Legion Romps On WG, 49-20

Led by Frank Hardesty, who found the range for 20 points, the American Legion cagers romped on Western Geophysical, 49-20, in the feature YMCA basketball league game at the Howard county Junior College gymnasium Monday night.

Still unbeaten in circuit play, the Legionnaires gave evidence that they were getting rougher than ever by toying with their victims.

In other games, Forsan nudged Safeway, 46-22, with Cowley and Fairchild leading the fight while Grapette was surprised by Stanton and lost, 25-19. Bill Avery was the big gun in that one with 15 points.

Sports In Brief

FOOTBALL
Cleveland — Paul Brown of the Cleveland Browns signed a new contract as coach of the all America Conference football club extending through 1955.

Columbus, O. — Carroll C. Widows, backfield coach at Ohio State, named head football coach at Ohio University.

GOLF
PHOENIX, Ariz. — Jimmy Demaret of Ojai, Calif., defeated Ben Hogan of Hershey, Pa., in playoff for Phoenix Open golf title, 67 to 70.

BASEBALL
Signed: Don Johnson and Clarence Marshall, New York (AL) pitchers; Fred C. Hunter, Sr., Chicago (AL) scout; Ralph Albers, Boston (NL) pitcher; Jack Weisenberger, Boston (NL) infielder; Pete Castiglione, Pittsburgh (NL) infielder.

TECH HERE WEDNESDAY HCJC Hawks Take On Odessa Wranglers Again Tonight

Howard County Junior college's Jayhawks start a week of major activity tonight, taking on the Odessa Wranglers in a return Western Zone conference game in Odessa. The local collegians return to the court Wednesday night, tangling with the strong Texas Tech frosh on the local hardwoods. Friday, they play Clarendon Junior college in another league go here.

Coach Harold Davis is anticipating plenty of trouble with Odessa. The Hawks nudged the Wranglers, 44-43, here last weekend but had to come from behind in the last two minutes of play to turn the trick. Goals by Bill Fletcher and Paul Deatherage swung the issue.

The Ector county team is short but fast. That speed all but torpedoes the Hawks last time out.

The Tech bunch lost recent games to Wayland college (46-35) and Hardin-Simmons first year forces (51-48). Judging from the closeness of the scores, the locals are in for a rough evening Wednesday. Wayland has beaten the HCJC three times this year, the last time by 13 points. HSU's fish blasted the locals early in the season by a more decisive margin than they were able to beat Tech.

Jim Parks and Jimmy Eddins are the standouts for the Lubbock team.

Bill Fletcher, a former sunset (Dallas) player, is pacing the HCJC offense, which has been good

enough to propel the Hawks to six wins in 14 starts this year. Fletcher has hit the hoop for a total of 176 points. His average stands at 12½ points. The tall freshman has made good on 22 of 48 attempts from the foul line.

Horace Rankin has built up a 12 point average with a 166 point aggregate. Other players and their point total include: Delmar Turner, 118; Don Clark, 108; John Lewis, 66; Gil Barnett, 32; Frank Dunn, 26; G. W. Kenemer, 6; Paul Deatherage, 4; and Ted Pa-chall, 1.

The HCJC team as a whole, has averaged 50 points compared to 50 for the common foe. The Hawks have scored 703 points, the oppo-

sition 730. From the foul line, the locals have hit just short of half their chances, 111 of 227.

Jury Selection Slow In Border Death Case

BROWNSVILLE, Feb. 1 (AP)—Selection of a jury in the trial of Michael H. Byars, 28, proceeded here today. Byars is charged with murder in the death of his wife.

Only three jurors were selected yesterday. Mrs. Juanita Byars, 40, died Aug. 10. Her body was discovered on a blazing bed in the couple's airplane hangar apartment at the old municipal airport.

Wildcats Upset By Duquesne

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (AP)—Hamline held the line alone today—the nation's only major unbeaten college basketball team.

The St. Paul school's 14-0 record stood by itself in the perfect class after the defeat of Villanova last night by Duquesne.

The Dukers stunned Villanova, which had won 12 straight starts, 65-37, at Pittsburgh in the feature game of a riotous evening's play.

Purdue upset Illinois' Western Conference leaders, 55-53, at Lafayette and Butler scored its first victory over Notre Dame in seven years, 68-54.

Otherwise, play ran true to form with Kentucky, the nation's new No. 1 quintet in the Associated Press poll, leading the parade.

Adolph Rupp's Wildcats opened a heavy week of Southeastern Conference activity by humbling Vanderbilt, 72-50.

Minnesota supplanted Illinois, its conqueror last week, at the head of the Big Nine by defeating Northwestern, 61-40. Western Kentucky won over Kentucky Wesleyan, 80 to 74.

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Looking 'Em Over

by Tommy Hart

Two former Longhorn baseball leaguers have drawn pink slips from the Lamesa WT-NM league club along with two other athletes who graded the 1948 Lobo roster.

Getting their walking papers were Chet Zera, who hurled for the Sweetwater Sports in 1947; Sam Malvica, one-time San Angelo infielder; Eddie Skrabacz, outfielder, and Lew Worsham, catcher.

Zera is the lad who threw that flutter ball at the Big Spring Bronces in the waning days of the 1947 season. His variation of the dippy do almost cost the Hooses the Shaughnessy playoff series with the Sports. He was with Bill Gann's gang a few weeks in '48 but couldn't find the plate and a Lamesa club desperate for pitchers took him back on the roster.

Malvica always had had eye sight. Otherwise, he might have been one of the great players of our time. He was a place hitter, a brilliant defensive man and possessed the baseball moxie that would have carried him to the top.

HOW ABOUT AN OUTFIELD OF HANEY, MENDEZ AND MARTIN? Jay Haney, who is to assume the managerial reins at Lamesa, if all goes well, married Geraldine White of Lamesa. Sportscribe Perry Roberts of that city recalls. Jay is now 27 years of age. The one-time Big Springer hit .251 for Tulsa in Texas league play last season.

We'd like to see an outfield composed of Haney, Ace Mendez of the 1948 Broncs and either Bobby Martin or Doug Harkey in action some time.

LELAND CRISMAN EARNS TRIAL WITH SOONERS Leland Crissman of Midland, one of the Longhorn league's top flingers last year (he won 19 games), will get a chance to strut his stuff with the Oklahoma City Indians this spring.

Cris joined the Tribe after the season opened last year. He opened with Marshall in the East Texas (Lone Star) circuit but had trouble with his control and he management decided to farm him out. He was a lot of ball player at season's end.

Harvil Jakes, the Midland fly chaser, will also be taken to camp by the Sooners.

OKLAHOMA PREP PLAYOFFS MAY BE ABOLISHED State high school football championship playoffs may be halted in the state of Oklahoma. The prep elevens up that way have been campaigning for the state title for the past five years.

The situation in Texas could have the same fate unless the coaches take it upon themselves to de-emphasize the sport and build up interest in other kinds of athletics.

Members of the Texas Coaches association are now carrying on a major campaign to have spring training restored. Their prospects for success are far from bright, since the Texas Inter-scholastic league seems determined to enforce the rule.

Few Texas high school football teams did better at the gate last season than Wichita Falls. The Coyotes played to 102,685 customers in 11 games.

Players of the All America Redheads, a girls' basketball team that works in here every now and then, earn a minimum of \$5,000 each a year, according to a recent figure. The lasses play about 172 games every season.

Defenseman Jack Johnson of Kansas City in the United States Hockey League, recently scored three goals and three assists—six points—in a game, and all came in the final period.

Demaret Wins Phoenix Duel

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 1 (AP)—Jovial Jimmy Demaret made a change in his method of gripping the putter and yesterday won top money in the \$10,000 Phoenix Open Tournament. He scored a three-stroke victory over Ben Hogan in an 18-hole playoff.

Demaret, with the help of two putts sunk from nearly 30 feet, shot an under par- 67 over the country club course.

Since changing his grip, Demaret hasn't finished lower than third in tournaments. His play has netted about \$6,570 during the month of January.

The Phoenix Open result was a reversal of the finale of the Long Beach, Calif., Open last week when Hogan bested Demaret in a playoff to break the 272 tie. Sunday the two men finished with totals of 278.

It was about six weeks ago, Jimmy said, that he made the grip change at the urging of fellow professional George Fazio. He formerly took a grip and then regripped when starting back for the putt. Now when Demaret takes a grip, he holds it.

He also holds the \$2,000 first prize money given the winner of the local tournament, plus 25 per cent of the gate receipts from the play-off. That, according to Bob Goldwater, tournament chairman, amounted to nearly \$300 more.

Hogan took \$1,400 second money and 25 per cent of the gate. With this match, Bantam Ben, who does his golfing out of Hershey, Pa., but lives in Fort Worth, Tex., said goodbye to competitive golf for a while. He's going back to his Texas home to attend to some personal business, but will definitely rejoin the professionals at the Masters' Tournament in Augusta, Ga.

TRI-COUNTY LOOP MEET SET SUNDAY

Directors of the Tri-County Independent baseball league will hold their first business meeting of the year here Sunday but, contrary to cards sent out by President Jack Lamb, the session will be held at the Settles hotel. The conclave opens at 2 p. m.

Lamb originally planned to hold the parley at the Daily Herald office, where the league was formed a year ago.

The league's chief executive said he hoped an eight-club league could be formed this year. Six teams made up the circuit in 1948. League champion was Forsan, which defeated Howard County Junior college in the playoffs. HCJC had won the first half title.

Other members of the league were Ackerly, Coshoma, Knott, and Colorado City. Lamb said he thought two teams from Colorado City might enter this year and Stanton was a possibility.

The entry fee might be doubled so that a banquet for all players in the league can be held at season's end, Lamb said.

During the 1911-1912 basketball season, only one of Kentucky's nine opponents scored over 20 points, while the Wildcats were held under that figure only once while winning them all.

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Hickson Upsets Junior Champ

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Forsan Kin Attend Averitt Funeral!
FORSAN, Feb. 1 (Sp)—Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Averitt and Sue, Bob Averitt and Mrs. Foy McClelland have returned from Coleman where they attended the funeral of Mrs. C. A. Averitt, 75.
Mrs. Averitt was buried Wednesday afternoon in the Coleman cemetery, following her death in Lubbock in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cal Dunn.
Survivors include the above mentioned and one other son, Cal Averitt.

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**SUL ROSS ALSO WINS
A&M Grabs Top Ribbons At Show**

FORT WORTH, Feb. 1 (Sp)—Texas A&M College grabbed blue ribbon honors in the Southwestern Dairy Judging Contest for senior agricultural students at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show.
The general livestock judging contest for Junior A&M and teachers colleges was won by Sul Ross State of Alpine.
Winners were announced at a dinner last night.
Louisiana State University and Texas Tech tied for second in the dairy judging, Southwestern Louisiana Institute of Lafayette, La., was fourth and University of Arkansas was fifth.
Highest individual scorer was Earl Edwards of Texas A&M. A. W. McDonald of Southwestern was second and George Piller of Texas Tech was third.
Highest scoring team in the Jersey division was Tech and Edwards was top individual scorer. Highest team in the Guernsey judging was Arkansas and high scoring individual was A. W. McDonald.
Second in the contest for Junior A&M and teachers college students was Murray State School of Agriculture of Tishomingo, Okla. John Tarleton College of Stephenville was third. Sam Houston State Teachers of Huntsville, fourth, and North Texas Agricultural College fifth.
High individual scorer was Jack Longbotham, of Sul Ross. Other members of the Sul Ross team were Don Everatt and Eddy Martin.
High scoring team in the beef cattle division was Murray State; Sul Ross in the dairy and sheep classes, and John Tarleton in the hog division.

Harold Steck Wins Top Honor For Sales Work

Recognition for outstanding sales work for his company has come to Harold P. Steck, local representative of the Fidelity Union Life Insurance company.
Steck has received a silver cup, suitably engraved, denoting his membership in the "Top 12 Club"—for having ranked in the top dozen of Fidelity Union representatives during 1948.
He also has been advised that he has attained membership in the company's "Million Dollar" club and will receive, at the next convention, a diamond ring in recognition of that sales record. Steck attained membership in his company's "President's Club" for sales made the first half of the year.

'FM', Video Film Shown To Members Of Radio Club

Motion picture sound films explaining fundamentals of "FM" (frequency modulation), television, and showing operations of a major broadcasting studio were screened for members of the local amateur radio club, at their meeting Monday night. The pictures were presented through courtesy of J. C. Webb.
"Hams" continued work on their club transmitter, which they are setting up to have in readiness for any communication emergency. They are working in conjunction with the disaster relief committee of the Red Cross.
Attending Monday night's meeting were Andy Jones, president; Bert Coffey, Roy Martindale, Otto Richardson, Bob Lebkowsky, Leonard Lyon, Maurice Rupp, Hal Cupp, Dick Smith and Horace Hassan.

Lions Defer Meeting Until Thursday
Regular meeting of the Lions club will not be held Wednesday noon, Avery Falkner, vice-president, announced Tuesday.
The meeting is being skipped in order to have regular session Thursday at 7:30 p. m. when the club entertains the football squad at the annual banquet at the Settles.
Tonight several members of the club will accompany new members to Odessa for an installation at the hands of Melvin Jones, founder of Lions International.

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ODESSA SPEAKER — Ralph Bradford, Washington, D. C., former Texan and executive vice-president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, is to be the speaker for first annual banquet of the Odessa chamber of commerce Thursday evening. Bradford is to speak on "Let's Make America Safe." The meeting is to be in the Odessa high school building.

MARKETS
NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (Sp)— Cotton futures at noon were 15 cents a bale lower to 15 cents higher than the previous close. March 32.71, May 32.48 and July 31.47.
NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (Sp)— A slow and easy trading pace in the stock market today was accompanied by mixed prices. Changes among the leaders were held within less than one point range. Both steel and motors for the most part were unchanged to higher, but oil slipped slightly.
LIVESTOCK
FORT WORTH, Feb. 1 (Sp) Cattle 1,400; calves 600; fed steers and yearlings made up most cattle receipts; few sales around 1.00 lower for two days; most off more; other classes cattle and calves in small supply and fully steady; medium and good beef steers and yearlings 18.00-22.00; common lots 16.00-17.50; beef cows mostly 12.25-17.00; canners and cutters 10.00-15.00; bulls 15.00-20.00; good fat calves 22.00-24.00; plate and medium calves 19.00-22.00; stocker cattle and calves very scarce.
Hogs 700; butchers steady to 25 cents above Monday; sows steady to 50 cents higher; feeder pigs unchanged; good and choice 190-230 lb. butchers mostly 21.00; top 21.25; good and choice 18.00-19.00; 20.75; sows 16.00-17.00; feeder pigs 10.00-17.00.
Sheep 1,500; slaughter lambs and feeder lambs steady; other sheep scarce; medium and good wooled slaughter lambs 22.00-30.00; good choice 28-30; slaughter and feeder lambs 20.00-21.00.

Insurance Suit To Hidalgo County
A suit for a subrogated claim, filed in 70th district court by the National Automobile and Casualty Insurance company against R. W. Byrd, was ordered transferred to Hidalgo county, home of the defendant, in a trial by jury Monday afternoon.
Court was recessed following the ruling until next Monday, at which time the criminal docket will be tackled.

Taxpayers Rush To Pay Levies

Big Spring property owners made a rush on the city hall tax windows and the postoffice yesterday to send collections on current assessments above the 90 percent mark. C. E. Johnson, tax collector reported this morning.
Although payments received by mail still were being tabulated at noon, payments and discounts already had reached a total of \$169,289.14. That represented 90.42 percent of the \$187,198.82 listed on the current roll. Payments last year amounted to 90.24 percent of the roll.
A few more payments are expected to arrive by mail during the next few days. Those postmarked before midnight Jan. 31 will be accepted without penalty, while all payments made during February will be subject to a penalty of one percent.
Heaviest period of collection was in October when a discount of three percent was allowed. Payments during that month totalled \$109,603.55. Payments dropped to \$29,547.23 in November, the two percent discount period, and to \$10,901.56 in December when one percent discount was in effect. January payments tabulated up to noon today amounted to \$19,216.18.

Tax payments at the Big Spring Independent School district were so heavy Monday that it was impossible to arrive at a total Tuesday. Last reports showed \$249,000 collected on a \$290,000 roll. That was Saturday. However, a large number of persons paid Monday and the office force was swamped with payments by mail. It may be Thursday before all these can be receipted and final collection figures tabulated.

Lions' Banquet Tabs Available At Door

Person who have not obtained tickets to the Lions' club football banquet at the Settles hotel Thursday evening can obtain them at the door, Committeeman John Dibrell said today.
It would be wise for interested parties to make reservations in advance, however, Dibrell added. That business is being handled by Dan Conley, another member of the committee.
About 63 players and managers of the high school will be honor guests at the banquet, along with coaches, school officials and their wives.
Tonto Coleman, famed football and track coach at Abilene Christian college, will serve as principal speaker. A musical program is also planned.
The event will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Eagles Lodge Given Charter

A Big Spring Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles was organized Monday night in ceremonies conducted at the Settles hotel, which were attended by state officials of the order and by visitors from neighboring lodges.
Charter for the Aerie listed 110 names.
Officers are Chester B. Shrader, junior past worthy president; Leonard L. Miller, worthy president; Roy Bell, vice-president; W. R. Yates, chaplain; Peter Harmonson, treasurer; Richard C. Fitzgerald, worthy conductor; C. R. Godkin, secretary. Other officials are D. E. Weatherly, Jess Odom, Jim Hartley, John Cathey, and Ross Abernathy.
Ritualistic work during the ceremony was performed by a degree team from the Odessa Aerie, while the new Aerie was officially launched by Lee Cross, San Antonio, state director for the order in Texas. V. R. Kidd, field director from Kansas City, Mo., was here for the ceremonies.

Business Failures Drop Off To 136
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The union leaders are fighting among themselves about which union should furnish these extra, needless men. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers have even threatened a strike. You may not be interested in this dispute of these two unions, but you would be vitally concerned if these groups succeed in putting through this featherbedding scheme, because it would mean a slowing up of the improvement program of the railroads—of which the diesel is the outstanding symbol.

Diesel crews are among the highest paid railroad employes—real aristocrats of labor! Their pay is high by any standard. Granting of these demands, therefore, would mean that the railroads would be paying out millions in unearned wages to those in the very highest pay brackets.

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You know how much the diesel has meant to you in increased speed, comfort and convenience. The railroads have many more of them on order for even greater improvement in service to you. But needless drains of money, such as this present demand of the unions for needless men on diesels, reduce the ability of the railroads to spend money on better service for you.

Proud as the railroads are of the diesel, it is only a small part of their improvement program. Since the War, literally billions of dollars have been spent on improvement of tracks and stations, on new passenger and freight cars, as well as on diesel locomotives, and on the many other less conspicuous details of railroading that contribute to improved service.

Feather-Bedding Means Less Service To You
But brazen feather-bedding schemes like the one now proposed would, if successful, divert large sums of money from our present improvement programs. Even worse, they make improvements like the diesel worthless, by making the cost of their operation prohibitive.

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OMAHA, Feb. 1. (AP)—An army of snow moving equipment into the bulldozer operators, truck drivers and mechanics moved into the snow-covered cattle country of Nebraska and South Dakota today.

Headquarters of the Fifth Army's operation snowbound estimated 1,500 men were following 350 pieces

Most of the men who will operate and service the bulldozers, snow plows and trucks are civilians. Only a handful—perhaps 50—are Army officers who will supervise the job, said a Fifth Army spokesman.

Late yesterday, a party of ranking Army and government officials returned from a flight over the stricken area.

Over one section they related, they flew for 35 minutes at 200 miles an hour without spotting a single road. Ranch after ranch showed no sign of life.

"After what we've seen," said Assistant Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray, "I wouldn't be prepared to argue that there was any one alive down there."

Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, chief of Army engineers, nodded assent.

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DEFIES COMMUNISTS — Gen Hsueh Yueh (above), new governor of Kwantung province, has said he would lead China's four southern provinces, Kwantung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Fukien, in a last ditch stand against the Communists. (AP Wirephoto).

Queuille Bit Skeptical On Stalin 'Peace'

PARIS, Feb. 1. (AP)— French Premier Henri Queuille says it is "really necessary" that Stalin's statement on peace Sunday "be translated into facts."

Queuille's statement, yesterday the first by a western leader on the Russian prime minister's statement, said:

"Of course, if we can find in Stalin's statement a point of departure for consolidating the peace, all France would rejoice. If, now we could reach a solution of the conflict of Berlin, there is no Frenchman who would not be happy."

"But what is really necessary is that such a declaration be translated into facts."

Stalin said he saw "no obstacles" to lifting of the Berlin blockade if the west would postpone setting up a western German state pending a meeting of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' Council and removed their counter-blockade.

Queuille's position is similar to that expressed by U. S. officials commenting recently on what has been termed a Russian peace offensive.

Cold Wave Mishaps Make Train Arrive 11 Hours Late

DALLAS, Feb. 1. (AP)—A Missouri-Kansas-Texas train from San Antonio to Dallas was 11 hours late yesterday. Here's why:

A draw bar connecting two freight trains loosened between Buda and Manchacha, two small towns between San Marcos caused delay to passenger train: 2 hours.

Frozen switches at Austin, delay: Two hours.

Engine slipped driving tires near Waco. Delay: Four hours.

Sewer burst at Waco, washing out one of the tracks. Another delay.

Were passengers mad?

"Nope," said Conductor Newman. "There was nothing we could do to start the train. We relaxed and had fun. We even got off the train and threw a few snowballs."

Revenue Stamp Sales Show Big Increase Over January '48

AUSTIN, Feb. 1. (AP)— Revenue stamp sales on cigars, liquor, wine and beer jumped \$78,318 in January compared with the same month last year.

Decreases in sales of cigar stamps and beer stamps were more than offset by increases in liquor and wine stamps, State Treasurer Jesse James reported.

Total stamp sales in January were \$3,057,358. A year ago they were \$2,981,040.

Railroads, Unions Near Settlement

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. (AP)— A settlement proposal reportedly was ready to be made by representatives of the nation's railroads today as they resumed wage and hour negotiations with officials of 16 non-operating unions.

The unions, if unable to reach settlement, can legally call a strike of the 1 million non-operating employees. However, they have been negotiating with the carriers the last three weeks in an attempt to settle the dispute. Both sides have reported "progress."

GETS OLD NAME CHRISTODOULOU

DETROIT, Feb. 2. (AP)— With the help of an obliging court, Constantine Christodoulou became "Christer" and now is again Christodoulou.

Probate Judge William F. Cotter permitted the first change six months ago and the second yesterday.

It was because Christodoulou pleaded that his father in West Virginia "kidded" him about the new name as "high-toned" and so he wanted the old one back—for keeps.

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