

## Four Killed When Trains Hit Head-On

NEW BRAUNFELS, Dec. 11. (AP)—Four train crewmen were killed near here late last night when two passenger trains collided head-on and exploded into flames. Nine other persons were injured.

The two trains ran together 10 miles south of here at 11:43 p. m. (CST), the locomotives stacking on top of each other and front cars telescoping.

Clearing of the wreckage was hampered by the intense heat from the burning trains. Railroad officials said they hoped to clear the tracks by mid-afternoon.

Dead were Jack B. Coleman, fireman of Waco, about 28; George W. Stainthorpe, a train carman from San Antonio; Engineer Roy Callaway, about 60, Smithville, and Will Maney, porter, of San Antonio.

## No Hike Made Yet On Tank Wagon Prices

Burning oil prices had advanced at plant here Thursday, but tank wagon prices on gasoline continued steady.

Cosden Petroleum Corp. announced a cent and a half advance in quotations as plant on kerosene, Diesel and tractor fuel oils. Its structure on all grades of gasoline remained the same.

At noon Thursday none of the bulk dealers had received notice of advances on tank wagon prices for gasoline, although all expected it momentarily.

Markets were shifting on gasoline and most operators were awaiting moves by majors before adopting any new courses on price structures to stations, which would in turn be reflected immediately to consumers.

Only change in gasoline prices this week, despite a 50-cent increase in crude prices was a half-cent raise by Sinclair on grade No. 3 gasoline. Regular and ethyl quotations were not affected.

The Cosen quotations on burning oils were to be effective Friday morning.

## Oilmen Plan Conservation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—A two-pronged drive by the petroleum industry to encourage conservation of fuel oil and supply more of it to shortage areas was in the making today.

At the same time, Interior department officials announced that no government rationing of petroleum products is contemplated immediately, even though Congress should make such a step possible.

C. Girard Davidson, assistant secretary of the Interior, told a judiciary subcommittee yesterday that the department is willing to await the outcome of the industry's voluntary program. He expressed hope this would cut consumption by 10 per cent.

The committee is considering an Administration bill which would give the government power to allocate critical scarce materials. A spokesman for the American Petroleum Institute said the oil industry plans to conduct an extensive advertising campaign asking fuel oil users to use all possible conservation methods. He called it an "educational" program and said that it will get underway immediately.

PLANS SHELVED  
LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 11. (AP)—The United Nations has shelved plans to establish an information office in Cairo, scene of demonstrations against the U. N. decision to partition Palestine.

## JUNIOR SENATOR READY

## MacArthur-O'Daniel Ticket Proposed For Race In '48

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—W. Lee O'Daniel, junior Senator from Texas, cottons to the suggestion he said has been made that he run for vice-president on a ticket with Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

But he said it would have to be proven to him that "the rank and file of American citizens desire me."

O'Daniel said he was urged to run for vice president in a letter from George Armstrong, Fort Worth oil man, who said "such a ticket would sweep the country."

The Texas solon said the ticket would have to be that of a third party, which might be designated as the Jeffersonian Constitutional party.

Armstrong also enclosed in his letter to O'Daniel a copy of a letter he had written to Karl Crowley, Fort Worth, outlining

The northbound train, the Katy Flyer, was en route to Kansas City and St. Louis. The southbound train, the Katy Limited, was en route to San Antonio.

Both trains were heavily loaded with Christmas mail. An estimated 1,800 sacks of mail burned and another 1,800 were saved. Mail sacks were found 300 feet from the tracks.

Several thousand dollars in currency shipments were recovered by Deputy Sheriff V. E. King of Comal county. A platoon of National Guardsmen from New Braunfels guarded the wreckage and mail.

No water was available and flames were fought with chemicals.

The accident occurred on a single straightline track. No block signals are used along that part of the line and trains pick up orders from points along the line, officials said.

Within an hour, 18 police from San Antonio were at the scene, as well as crash trucks and ambulances from Randolph, Stinson and Kelly fields, and the municipal airport. Brooke Army general hospital sent ambulances.

The trains carried a total of 42 passengers.

## CATTLEMEN COMPLIMENTED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 11. (AP)—The joint U. S.-Mexico commission to combat foot and mouth disease today complimented cattlemen of Tuxpan, Veracruz state, for requesting slaughter of 10,000 of their animals to prevent spread of the infection.

## CHAINED CABBIE FREED

Cab driver Albert Huesman, 25, chained to this tree by holdup man in Louisville, Ky., watches as Detective John Meeks, back to camera, saws him free. Uniformed Patrolman Thomas Humphreys holds the chain. (AP Wirephoto).



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READY FOR RESCUE WORK — A Sikorsky R5 Helicopter is loaded into a Fairchild C-82 Packet in Westover Airfield, Chicopee, Mass., prior to take-off for Goose Bay Airfield in Labrador for rescue work on a large Army C-54 transport plane which crashed with a reported 29 persons aboard. (AP Wirephoto).

## TWENTY-THREE PERISH

## Only Six Survive Labrador Air Crash

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass., Dec. 11. (AP)—The U. S. Air Transport Command announced today there were only six survivors of the 29 American military men aboard the huge transport plane that crashed in Labrador's icy wilderness Tuesday midnight.

A doctor who landed at the wreckage eight miles north of Goose Bay reported that 23 were killed in the crash.

Names of the survivors and dead are being withheld pending receipt of a complete report.

A space has been cleared within a half mile of the scattered, charred wreckage.

The huge transport plunged flaming to earth in forested, hilly country that could not be reached by air or ground for nearly 24 hours.

A rugged rescue party traveling overland with dog-sleds reached the wreckage last night—but first reports of the survivors came only after the landing of a radio-equipped helicopter.

Stormy weather hampered communications even though only eight miles separated the scene of the wreck from the Goose Bay airfield where the rescue operations are being directed.

It wasn't until daybreak that the first word came from Goose Bay. It was a terse message reading only: "Believe there are some survivors."

A hard, driving wet snow has prevented any large-scale air rescue but a helicopter carrying doctors and medical supplies landed within a half mile of the scene.

Communications were meager because of the stormy weather. Just before the report that some may have survived the crash came from Col. Paul A. Zarman at Goose Bay, another message said two persons had been sighted from the air at the wreckage.

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# Truman Insists On His Price Curb Plan

## Bond Fixed For Martin At \$20,000

## Robbery Suspect Is Arraigned In San Angelo

Bond of \$20,000 was fixed for William Larry Martin, 29, when he was arraigned Wednesday in San Angelo before U. S. Commissioner Jesse Couch on a charge of bank robbery.

Martin entered a plea of "not guilty because of insanity" at the time of the act.

His trial is to be heard at Abilene in Judge T. Whitfield Davidson's court, next term of which is set for the second week in April of 1948. Martin was arraigned at San Angelo following a charge filed here by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. San Angelo is the nearest point with a U. S. commissioner.

The count alleged that on or about Dec. 5 Martin "by using and exhibiting a firearm fraudulently and without consent of an employe of the State National Bank of Big Spring obtained from said employe approximately \$2,149 in lawful money of the United States of America."

Martin was removed from the Howard county jail to the county jail at San Angelo by Deputy Marshal Eugene Williams and two guards. He was arrested near here last Friday afternoon, 55 minutes after a lone gunman had stuck up T. S. Currie, Jr. at the State National bank and fled with an amount calculated at \$2,149. Sunday night he was removed from the Howard county jail to the Big Spring Hospital for treatment of slashes on both arms. Martin suffered from loss of blood. He had left several farewell notes in his jail cell.

## British, Soviets Agree On Pact

LONDON, Dec. 11. (AP)—The British board of trade announced today that agreement had been reached on all the main points of a British-Soviet trade pact, now under discussion in Moscow.

J. Harold Wilson, British board of trade president who returned from Moscow talks yesterday, reported to Prime Minister Attlee today on the negotiations. He is expected to make a statement in the house of commons later.

Tass, the Soviet news agency, reported earlier today that agreement had been reached on all main points.

British experts in Moscow will work out the details of the pact under the direction of Sir Maurice Peterson, Britain's ambassador to the U. S. S. R.

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## Snow Falls Over North, West Texas

Snow flurries fell over north and west Texas this morning and sleet was reported as far south as Austin as cold weather blanketed the state.

Heaviest reported snow fall was at Seymour, where an inch and a half fell. Low temperature there this morning was 28 degrees. The snow was melting by mid-morning.

Snow melted as it reached the ground at Lubbock, Abilene, Fort Worth, Dallas and Wichita Falls.

Last Rites Set For Texas Oilman

LONGVIEW, Dec. 11. (AP)—Last rites were to be held today for Rogers E. Lacy, 63, millionaire oilman who died at his home here Monday afternoon.

Lacy had been in ill health since suffering a heart attack Sept. 29. He founded a fortune in the East Texas oil discovery of 1931 and expanded until he was considered one of the richest men in the state at the time of his death.



ROMANCE DENIED — A formal statement was issued in Shanghai by Madame Sun Yat-Sen denying Washington columnist Drew Pearson's radio broadcast that she was involved in a romance with Gerald Tannebaum (above) of Baltimore, Md. (AP Wirephoto).

## Amendment To Aid May Cost Fifty Million

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—The House today approved an amendment to the \$500,000,000 emergency foreign aid bill which might make the program cost the United States \$50,000,000 more through use of relief abroad of surplus foods bought up by the government.

The amendment, approved by voice vote, was offered by Rep. Jack V. Anderson (R-Calif.). It would compel government agencies, chiefly the commodity credit corporation, to sell surplus products for foreign aid at prices which CCC officials have estimated would cost a \$50,000,000 loss on present holdings.

That estimate does not take into account citrus fruits, in which Anderson is interested, and which may be brought later by the ICCA in accordance with government price support programs.

Anderson's amendment came up at the start of perhaps the final day of House action on the emergency aid program. Supporters of the bill have said they consider it "over the hump" and are driving for a vote on passage.

## Talks May End Strike In Rome

ROME, Dec. 11. (AP)—A general strike directed by leftists closed down all but vital public services and railroads in Rome today, but government and labor leaders were reported to have agreed on broad general lines which might end the multiple walkout.

The chamber of labor, which called the strike in protest against unemployment, estimated 500,000 workers were made idle. It was the first general strike in Rome in a quarter century.

The government-labor conference at the treasury ministry lasted five hours. Later today Giuseppe Di Vittorio, secretary of the General Italian Confederation of Labor, the executive committee of the Rome provincial chamber of labor, which would have to approve any agreement.

## British Block Gates

JERUSALEM, Dec. 11. (AP)—Jews and Arabs battled today in Jerusalem's old walled city in a continuation of the Holy Land strife which has taken 153 lives in 12 days.

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## President Sees No Possible Substitute

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—President Truman insisted today that anything short of the 10 points he proposed to curb living costs will be inadequate to do the job of keeping prices down.

Asked at his news conference about the four-point Republican "substitute," Mr. Truman said there is no substitute and he wants his program carried out to the letter. He added that he is insisting on everything necessary to lower the cost of living.

While not commenting directly on the Republican proposal to permit voluntary industry-wide agreements to allocate scarce commodities under a relaxation of the anti-trust laws, Mr. Truman indicated strong opposition. He said the anti-trust laws will be enforced to the limit as long as he is President.

He repeated this statement later, adding there will be no relaxation of the anti-trust laws while he is President if he can prevent it.

Responding to questions, Mr. Truman said all of his ten points, including recommendations for stand-by powers to impose selective price and wage controls, will be covered in legislation to be proposed by the Administration.

He said these proposals will be submitted in a couple of days. Asked whether his program involves police-state methods, which he had mentioned before in a news conference, Mr. Truman said police-state methods are involved only when they are carried out by a dictator.

If Congress authorizes such measures, he added, that would be a free government approach to the problem.

Republicans have made much of the police-state method reference by the President several weeks ago. At that time, he said any plan which called for mandatory controls of the economy could be so defined.

He said then, too, that these methods were adopted in wartime as an emergency measure.

Mr. Truman's second reference today to an intention to enforce the anti-trust laws to the limit came in reply to a question whether the laws could be relaxed to permit oil producers in the New England area to pool their resources.

The President had no comment on an accusation last night by Harold E. Stassen, candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, that "insiders" in the government are profiteering in the purchase and sale of commodities.

He said he has not seen news stories on Stassen's speech in Doylestown, Pa.

Mr. Truman said the long-range Marshall plan for European recovery will be submitted to Congress soon. He added that it probably will be transmitted instead of delivered in person because it may require a couple of hours to read.

He brought laughter when he remarked that he does not believe the legislators would want to hear him that long although they, themselves, often listen to each other for that length of time.

MEET POSTPONED  
AUSTIN, Dec. 11. (AP)—The West Texas Industrial Safety conference, scheduled for Midland in January, has been postponed. A. F. Allen, president of the Texas Safety Association announced today.

## Local Stock Prices Hit Torrid Pace

What probably was an all-time peak for a butcher yearling here was tacked up Wednesday at the Big Spring Livestock Commission weekly sale when J. S. Morrison, Star route, Stanton, received 29 cents a pound for a calf.

The animal, still sucking and in unusually good flesh, weighed 820 pounds and brought \$237. With the nurse cow at side, Morrison received \$431 for the pair. Swift bid in the cow and an Angelo packer bought the calf.

Other fat butcher calves ranged from 25.00-25.50 in a sale that found bidders contesting at a torrid pace as 750 head of cattle went through the ring.

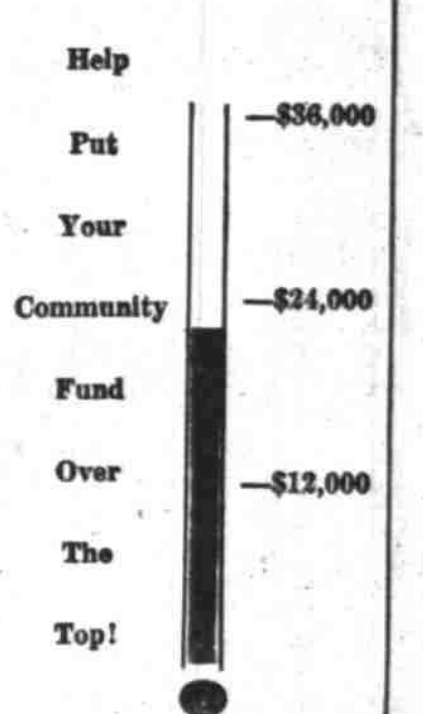
Steer calves went through from 24.25 to 25.20; fat cows up to 20.00; stocker cows at 14.00, stocker heifers 21.00-22.00 and stocker calves from 22.00-25.00. White faced cows and calves moved out up to \$150 per pair. Butcher hogs were quoted to 26.25.

## Women Will Model Citrus Peel Dresses

WESLACO, Dec. 11. (AP)—A national fruit, flower and vegetable style show tonight will highlight the annual anniversary celebration which opens today.

Twenty-seven young women will model dresses and suits made of citrus peel, beet, carrot and corn particles and of flowers such as the bougainvillea and poinsettia.

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small truck at a Lebanese bus and a taxi on Kingsway highway. The explosion was followed by bursts of shots.

A Jew was killed and another was wounded in a bomb attack on a Tel Aviv-Jerusalem bus convoy near Beith Dagan.

Four Arabs armed with pistols broke into the magistrate's court in the Arab city of Jaffa, held up the watchman and left with four rifles, ammunition and other articles, an official source said.

In the old city of Jerusalem an Arab was slain by bullets and his mother was killed when she rushed to his assistance, an official report said.

Several hundred families already have fled the walled area, which in normal times has a population of about 20,000 Arabs, 2,500 Jews and 4,000 others of mixed nation-



**Defiant Berries**

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (U.P.)—Mrs. J. J. Hoy says her strawberries don't care about the weather. On a day when the weatherman predicted snow, Mrs. Hoy found green berries and flowers in her small strawberry patch.


**Set In Their Ways**

GOSHEN, Ind. (U.P.)—History repeated itself exactly in the municipal election here. R. R. Roth, Republican, defeated L. T. Martin, Democrat, by the same majority as Frank S. Ebersole, Republican, had defeated Harry Rippey five years before. The majorities both times were 1,089 votes.

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**AT TEDDY'S GRAVE**—Ronald Williams (left) Richard Wasmund and Scoutmaster Philip Wagner of New York City sprinkle earth from grave of Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., upon grave of his father during annual Boy Scout pilgrimage to Oyster Bay.

**ALWAYS A CRISIS**

**History Shows Odds Against New War**

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK—If anybody is betting on chances of war on a basis of past performances, the odds now are against it.

There are more examples in American history of serious international arguments having been settled peacefully than there are of those that culminated in war.

As against six declared wars in which the United States has been engaged since the Revolution, there have been ten "times of tension" which ended calmly.

War talk has been prevalent during much of the country's existence.

The colonies had barely got going as a united government when it looked as though they might have to have muscles against France. That was in the 1790's, when the revolutionary French government tried to get America to take its side in its conflict with half a dozen European powers and Britain.

When the U. S. refused to intervene the French began to hit at American shipping and demanded a loan as appeasement. All America took up the cry of Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, ambassador to France: "Millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute."

Gen. Washington was beckoned from retirement to command the hastily forming army. American seamen armed their merchant ships and there were numerous skirmishes at sea.

War clouds grew blacker and even his bitterest political enemies announced their support of President John Adams' foreign policy. Abruptly, in 1799, the new French dictator Bonaparte offered a "peace treaty."

There was another close call in 1846 after the Democrats had elected James K. Polk president on a virtual war platform sloganized as "Fifty-Four Forty or Fight."

Under the terms of the Louisiana Purchase, the U. S. claimed it had rights to all northwest territory right up to the 54 40' latitude at the Alaska border. The British had long maintained a counterclaim, and when discussions got nowhere war talk began to mount. Finally, however, an agreement was reached putting the Oregon boundary at the forty-ninth parallel, its present border.

America had three other brushes with the British. In 1863, John Bull grew apoplectic over the "wanton insult" given by U. S. Marines who stopped a British steamer carrying two Confederate envoys on their way to Europe. President Lincoln hastily put an end to the war-like noises by releasing the envoys.

Also during the Civil War the British built and loudly applauded the successes of the famed Confederate cruiser Alabama and other vessels which preyed on Union shipping. Northern hot-heads were all for taking on the British too. And the feeling was reciprocated. Throughout the early part of the Civil War Britain and France both appeared eager to step in the struggle against the "up-start Yankees." Historians say the Northern victories at Gettysburg and Vicksburg, however, convinced them they were backing a losing cause.

In 1895, when Britain allegedly violated the Monroe Doctrine in the Venezuela-British Guiana boundary dispute which had been going on for more than half a century, President Cleveland accused her of "willful aggression." He threatened to "resist by every means" any British appropriation of mineral-rich lands which the U. S. regarded as Venezuelan. In that case a "get tough" policy paid off because the British public, recalling from the "unthinkable horror" of war, put pressure on their government to arbitrate.

Waving the big stick helped produce peace in several other delicate situations.

When Napoleon III tried to set up a French empire in Mexico during the Civil War and was slow in removing his troops Union veterans oiled their guns for action. Napoleon, sick of the whole Mexican business anyway, ordered the army home.

Twice a show of strength averted what might have developed into out-and-out shooting with Germany. In 1889, when a German consul hoisted his flag on Samoa—over which the U. S. had joint claims as a protectorate—and when German sailors trampled the American flag in the streets, President Cleveland rushed warships to the scene.

The willingness of the U. S. to intervene in a matter involving a remote little island—plus a hurricane which put both naval forces out of effective action—are believed to be factors which led the German Chancellor Bismarck to agree to a joint protectorate over Samoa by the U. S., Germany and Britain.

Thirteen years later Theodore Roosevelt saw red when German warships blockaded Venezuelan ports to enforce a claims settlement.

T. R. charged the Germans with trying to get some control over the approaches to the Panama Canal, then building, and he ordered Adm. Dewey to be ready for action on an hour's notice. Roosevelt then demanded arbitration at the threat of war. The German emperor backed down hurriedly.

There had been tense moments in 1891, too, when a Chilean mob killed two American sailors in Valparaiso and injured several others. This argument was settled when the Chilean government apologized

and paid \$75,000.

Relations with Mexico were strained during World War I. In 1914 the U. S. intervened against the new revolutionary government there and the Navy even held Vera Cruz for several months. But that did not develop into declared war, nor did the crisis in 1916 when President Wilson sent troops under Gen. Pershing to search out the bandit Pancho Villa who had raided the town of Columbus, N. M.

Bookies trying to establish odds on war or peace would not find the whole answer in what happened in the past, however. It's always easier to figure what made the last war "inevitable" than to tell what the current situation really portends.

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Applicants converged on her six-room house. They flooded her rooms, lined up outside, and rang the telephone incessantly.

With the aid of the local newspaper and radio station, Mrs. Kuhn then invited Ann Arbor residents to make rooms available in their homes and register them with her. Offers poured in.

She invited homeless persons to register and began directing the most needy to the places available.

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**SELF SCULPTURE** — Playwright Sidney Kingsley puts finishing touches on a self sculpture while his wife, the former Madge Evans, watches in their home at Oakland, N. J.

**MASS PRODUCTION**

**'Tailor Made' Home Packaged On Truck**

MIAMI, Fla. — A novel method of house assembly here is helping to keep Miami at the top of the list in postwar home construction. In developing Essex Village in suburban Hialeah, Thomas P. Coogan, regional vice president of the National Association of Home Builders and president of the Florida Home Builders Association, has put his assembly ideas into mass production that has been yielding an average of two homes completed daily. The \$7,000,000 development will include 600 homes, 70 two family houses and 112 apartment units, the latter for rental. There also will be a \$400,000 community shopping center to meet the needs of the 3,000 persons who will reside in the development. Carpenters on this job don't need a saw, a square or a rule. They are strictly hammer-and-nail men. All the sawing and measuring is done in an assembly yard, where power equipment turns out the lumber needed with a minimum of labor and a maximum of speed. The procedure is not pre-fabrication, but it employs similar time-saving principles. After the home buyer has chosen from one

of the nine home designs, the four walls are put together in the assembly yard, so that no adjustments or trimmings are necessary. As each wall is completed, it is hoisted on to the side of a truck. When four walls are aboard, off the truck goes to the site. The concrete foundation has been poured and has hardened. One by one, in a period of less than half an hour, the four walls are unloaded by a hoist, bolted to the foundation, and fastened together. Next the rafters go in, and the roofers follow. The exact amount of lumber required for partitioning has been delivered, cut to measure. The gables, too, are pre-assembled and delivered complete. Financed through FHA and G. I. loans to veterans, the dwellings sell for \$6,700 for two-bedroom homes and \$7,500 for three-bedroom units. Veterans are able to buy the houses, including refrigerator, stove and hot water heater, without a down payment. Almost 200 homes are now occupied and 250 more on the construction schedule are spoken for.

**Mineral Rights Suit Is Filed at Kountze**

BEAUMONT, Dec. 11. (AP) — A title suit to clarify mineral rights and title to approximately 1,700 acres of land on the edge of the big thicket in Hardin county has been filed in district court at Kountze. The plaintiffs are L. L. Williams and George P. Kirkpatrick of Beaumont and the H. M. Truhart heirs of Houston. A. M. Huffman of Beaumont, attorney for the plaintiffs, said. Clarification of title is being sought primarily to permit oil development, Huffman said. The land is now unoccupied except for a hunting camp belonging to the plaintiffs.

**Greece Repairs Its Lighthouses**

ATHENS (AP) — To help bring Greece's coastline back to its pre-war condition the navy group of the American Mission for Aid to Greece is encouraging the Greek navy in a project to rebuild and rehabilitate lighthouses. Cmdr. H. L. Jukes of San Francisco, engineering technical officer, says the navy group has approved an order of the Greek admiralty to buy \$224,750 worth of lighthouse equipment from Sweden. During the war navigation aids were neglected or ruined by the Germans. Greece's extensive coastline has about 400 major lights.

**New Mitchell County Agent Is Busy Meeting 4-H Boys**

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 11.—Mitchell county's new agricultural agent, Joe W. Cowan, transferred by the Texas A&M extension service from Ozona to here on Dec. 1, is busy meeting with 4-H boys. Current accent will be placed on boys' club work, he said, in view of the annual Mitchell Boys' Livestock show here on Jan. 26-27. Cowan succeeds Ted Roensch, who left Nov. 1 to manage an Arkansas cattle ranch. He is a native of Anson, Texas and became a 4-H club boy at the age of eight and determining then

that he would some day become a county agent. Cowan has served in that capacity since 1942 when he was graduated from Texas A&M, where he also completed work on his masters' degree. He has served in Bexar county under H. A. Fitzhugh, in Mills and Concho counties before going to Ozona. Because boys lived at such distant and separated points while he was at Ozona, Cowan organized "Club Town," so that the lads carried out their feeding projects jointly at the fair grounds. Cowan's boys, in various places, have tied out several champions.

**AT COLORADO CITY**

**Aldermen Propose Change In Charter**

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 11.—City aldermen have adopted unanimously a resolution calling for an election proposing a change in form of the city government.

The board went on record favoring a change to the city manager type of government under a board of commissioners. It was indicated that a referendum on the question would be called as soon as committee members can work out a proposed new city charter.

Mayor Peter Martin, elected last spring, offered his resignation as superintendent of public works at the meeting. This job, which is usually held by the mayor, carries with it virtual city managerial duties.

The mayor said ill health induced him to relinquish the works directorship. He was injured near London in World War II in a train wreck following a German bombing. Martin is to continue in other majorly duties, which includes being judge and head of the council.

Colorado City is incorporated under the general statutes of Texas. Aldermen said this week that a change to the manager form had been contemplated for several months. Compton Pritchett is to act as superintendent of public works during the interim until the voters have an opportunity to pass on the form of government issue.

**Borger Drug Store Destroyed By Fire**

BORGER, Dec. 11. (AP) — The City Drug store on Main street here was gutted by fire which started about 2:30 a. m. today. Damage was estimated at \$75,000. Al Levine, owner of the "Alls House of Fashion" shop nearby, said his shop was a total loss because of water and smoke damage to clothing. He made no estimate of damage but said the racks were loaded with goods.

**C-C At Big Sandy Takes First Action**

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 11.—First official act of the newly organized chamber of commerce at Big Sandy was to endorse the U. S. 80 Highway association and to name a director for that town. L. A. Chapman, local chamber manager and secretary-treasurer for the central division of the association, has announced here.

He was advised by John W. Prothro, secretary of the Big Sandy chamber, that the highway matter was the first official act of the new organization.

**Denmark Studies Alcohol And Crime**

COPENHAGEN (AP) — Denmark has decided systematically to examine the influence of alcohol on crimes. The investigation launched by the minister of justice, will last four or five years.

**To Try Again?**

DECATUR, Ill. (AP) — Safe crackers who broke into the Decatur Scrap Iron and Metal company used an acetylene torch hanging on the wall to burn the lock of the safe. They didn't find any money but took the acetylene torch.

**Russia Expands Health Resort**

MOSCOW (AP) — The Ministry for Construction of Heavy Industry Enterprises is expanding the facilities of the famed Caucasian health resort, Kislovodsk. The project calls for construction of a hospital-rest home looking out on Mt. Elbrus, the highest peak in Europe; building an open air theater, and tapping seven famous springs, eighteen kilometers away from the sanatorium for their health-helping waters. Just before the war the resort was accommodating upwards of 224,700 persons a season.

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**Fights Hiring Of Negro Policemen**

ATLANTA, Dec. 11. (AP) — A lawyer who wrote the later-revoked charter for the anti-Negro, anti-Jewish Columbians, Inc., today represented an undertaker in a suit to stop the city of Atlanta from hiring eight Negro policemen. The attorney, Vester M. Ownby, alleged in a suit filed in behalf of G. Herbert Yarn that the constitutional rights of white citizens would be violated because they would have to pay the Negro officers but could not get protection from them. Superior Court Judge E. E. Andrews set January 5 for the city to show cause why a restraining order should not be issued.

**Car-Truck Crash Kills Four Men**

SHEPHERD, Dec. 11. (AP) — A car-truck collision near here early last night killed four men and injured two women and another man. Dead were C. W. Carswell, 42, of Cleveland and three Negroes who live near here, Clifford Deblow, 17, Albert Brown, 52, and Albert Spears, 50. Miss Millie Webb and Mrs. Alice Burt Young, Cleveland high school teachers, were seriously injured. Less seriously hurt was W. V. Bobbitt, also of Cleveland. All three were riding in the car with Carswell.

**Rabbits' Appetite Balks Scientists**

BERLIN (AP) — German medical research has been drastically hampered by the lack of experimental animals such as guinea pigs, rabbits and monkeys. Recently, the Central Health Administration in the Russian zone appealed to Germans to donate rabbits to experimental laboratories, but Germans in these tough times apparently prefer to eat them. Only one man came to the Robert Koch Institute, one of Germany's best, and offered a grown rabbit and five young ones for 175 marks, a black-market price.

The Robert Koch Institute is one of the few laboratories in Germany which has facilities for producing serum against rabies. However, the shortage of rabbits needed to make the serum is so great that it can deliver the serum only if it is compensated with a rabbit.

**McLeod Wins Honors**

Stewart N. McLeod, Big Spring, is among those on the honor roll announced by Dean E. J. Howell of John Tarleton at Stephenville. All three of the male students on the 90 honor roll are veterans, and 35 of the 73 on the 80 honor roll are veterans.

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## Rainbow Girls Plan Program

At the next meeting of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls will have a Christmas tree and caroling. It was decided Tuesday night.

Donnie Roberts, worthy advisor, presided at the business session. Betty Adams, past worthy advisor of assembly 17 of Wichita Falls, was a visitor.

Those present were Mrs. Bernard Lamun, mother worthy advisor, Sue Craig, Lynelle Engle, Marilyn Miller, Joyce Howard, Martha Eppler, Jean Meador, Eva Smith, Tommie Ann Hill, Marilyn Martin, Joyce Beene, Marlene Burnett, Cienna Heen Potts, Betty O'Brien, Gwen Oglesby, Doylene Gilmore, Jean Robertson, Charlotte Williams, Nita Jo Hill, Lillian Rowe, Billie Sue Leonard, Rebecca Rogers, Billie O'Neal, Jan Masters, Elizabeth McCormick, Doris Jean Clay, Donnie Roberts, Kitty Roberts, Mary Morgan, Peggy Lamb, Ann Crocker, Joan Beene, Janelle Beene, Susan Houston, Lynn Porter and Quepha Preston.

## Rebekahs Initiate Three New Members

Initiation was held Tuesday night at the Big Spring Rebekah Lodge 284 for Elmo Walker, Opal Walker and B. D. Walker.

Plans were made for the Boy Scout council banquet that the lodge will serve Thursday night. The Christmas program and tree were planned. It will be held at the IOOF Hall on Dec. 19 for lodge members and their families. Della Herring will be in charge of the program.

Those present were Johnny Burnam, Frances Butcher, Lela Shankie and Elvora Shipp from Stanton; Lona Crocker, Ruth Wilson, Katherine Allen, Imogene Neff, Beatie Cummings, A. Knapp, A. F. Gilliland, W. C. Cole, Mary Cole, Judy Kehre, Geneva Pickle, Jessie Edens, Hazel Nichols, Della Herring, Ola Ruth Barber, Jennie Kimbrough, Nancy Shankie, Ethel Johnson, Louella Edison, Maggie Bird, Nannie Adkins, Julia Wilkerson, Eula Pond, Amanda Hughes, Tracy Thomson, Rosalee Gilliland, Evelyn Rogers, Beulah Hayworth, Gertrude Watson, Iris Lanham, A. J. Allen, Lucille Jones, Tessie Harper, Billie Barton, Maggie Richardson and Lois Forestry.

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## Nancy Philips Is Feted With Tea And Luncheon

A tea Wednesday afternoon and a luncheon Thursday complimented Miss Nancy Philips, bride-elect of Garth Jones.

Mrs. M. H. Bennett was hostess to the tea in her home. The party rooms were decorated with arrangements of gladioli. The table was laid with lace centered with gladioli in a flat silver bowl with the candle holders attached to it. Other table appointments were the silver service. Mrs. G. H. Wood and Mrs. J. Y. Robb served.

Those attending were Mrs. W. W. Inkman, Mrs. Lewis Price, Mrs. M. K. House, Sr., Mrs. M. K. House, Jr., Mrs. Obie Bristow, Mrs. Vance Lebkowsky, Mrs. G. H. Wood, Mrs. J. Y. Robb, Mrs. Tommy Hutto, Mrs. Mike Phelan, Mrs. Morris Patterson, Joyce Croft, Mrs. Howard Schwarzenbach, the honoree and her mother, Mrs. Shine Phillips, and the hostess.

## Edie A. Eastham Is New Member Of Lodge

Edie A. Eastham was initiated into the John A. Kee Rebekah Lodge Tuesday night at the regular session.

Beatrice Bonner was elected deputy.

Beatrice Viergege noble grand, presided over the business. Approximately 35 members attended.

## Events OF THE COMING WEEK

- THURSDAY LOTTE MOON YWA meets at the church with Marie Hayes presiding at 8 p. m.
- XYZ CLUB will have a Christmas party at the Settles hotel with Mrs. A. A. Marchant, Mrs. Morris Patterson, Mrs. O. C. Lewis and Mrs. Bill Horn as hostesses at 7:30 p. m.
- BERTHA BECKETT CLASS of the First Baptist Church is having a Christmas party at the church at 7:30 p. m.
- XYZ will have a Christmas party at the Settles hotel with Mrs. A. A. Marchant, Mrs. Morris Patterson, Mrs. O. C. Lewis and Mrs. Bill Horn as hostesses at 7:30 p. m.
- HOMEMAHER'S CLASS of the First Baptist Church will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. E. G. Hill, 1115 E. 15th, at 7:30 p. m.
- FRIDAY WOODMAN CIRCLE meets at the WOW hall at 8 p. m.
- HAPPY STITCHERS SEWING CLUB meets with Mrs. J. C. Pierce, 802 Bell at 2 p. m.
- HAPPY GO LUCKY SEWING CLUB will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Allen Wiggins, 1701 E. 17th at 7:30 p. m.
- RUTH, MARY MARTHA and BARBARA REAGAN CLASSES of the First Baptist Church are having a Little Moon Christmas party in the church parlor at 7:30 p. m.
- BLUEBONNET CLASS OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH will have a Christmas social in the church parlor at 7:30 p. m. Each member is to bring any article of new clothing for any age boy or girl.
- SATURDAY SUNDREAMS OF THE EAST FOURTH BAPTIST CHURCH will meet at the church at 3 p. m.
- SUNDREAMS OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH will meet at the church at 3 p. m.
- HOWARD COUNTY HD CLUB COUNCIL will sponsor a party honoring the 4-H club boys and girls at the Crawford hotel at 10 p. m. All 4-H boys and girls are invited. The Home Demonstration club is also sponsoring a party in honor of the Home Demonstration club women at the Crawford hotel at 9 p. m.
- ROUNDELEY DANCE CLUB will have a formal dance at the Settles hotel at 9 p. m.

## Missionary Union Led By Mrs. Smith

KNOTT, Dec. 10 (Sp1)—Mrs. Hershel Smith led the opening prayer at the Bible study of the Woman's Missionary Union at the First Baptist church Monday afternoon. The subject of the lesson was "Growing in Grace."

Attending were the Rev. and Mrs. Lee Vaughn, Mrs. H. R. Caffey, Mrs. Hershel Smith, Mrs. Lee Burrow and Mrs. J. T. Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kemper had as their Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alired, Jack Mundell and Mr. and Mrs. Son Ditto.

Mrs. Meedy Shortes is visiting relatives in El Paso.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Don Rabbery and family were Mrs. Gayle Honey and sons, and E. W. Buckner of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Gist had as their Saturday guests Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sinclair and family of Odessa.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Dement were the Rev. Carl Robinson of ACC, Abilene, Merle Faye Tate of Colorado City, Mrs. Gary Tate of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tate and family.

Mrs. Eula Browley who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Dorothy Peugh and her brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Peugh and family left last week for Fort Worth, where she will visit relatives.

Merle Faye Tate of Colorado City was a recent visitor of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tate and family.

Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sample were their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riddle and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kendrick of Big Spring, Wanda Lee Robinson and Alice Merle Chapman.

## Ackerly Visitors

ACKERLY, Dec. 10. (Sp1)—Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien Bowlin had as their recent guests Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Greaves of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis White visited relatives in Paducah over the week end.

Mrs. Charley Price of Center was a recent visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Bowlin and Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien Bowlin were business visitors in Lubbock Monday.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Criswell and family were Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Criswell of Ralls.

Mrs. Ben Beckmeyer of Garwood, Mrs. Nellie Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Church of Houston were recent visitors in the homes of Beckmeyer families here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Adams were in Abilene on business Saturday. Bartlett Hodge and sister narrowly escaped injury Friday when their car overturned on a narrow grade as they were returning from the ball game at Flower Grove.

## Plans For Party Are Made Wednesday

The Ladies' Home League of the Salvation Army planned a Christmas party for Dec. 17 at the Dora Roberts Citadel Wednesday.

Gifts will be brought to the party to be given to three families on Christmas.

Those attending were Mrs. T. E. Sanders, Mrs. Miller Russel, Mrs. Jake Trantham and Milton, Mrs. Dorothy Trantham and Earlene, Mrs. Jess Chapman and Janice, Mrs. Arline Murphy, Mrs. Lodie Smith, Mrs. Grace Tynes and Mrs. Oly Sheppard.

S. D. Hartman who is a chief gunner's mate in the Navy is visiting with his mother, Mrs. G. W. Martin.

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## Buy Appropriate Toys, Playthings For Children This Christmas

AUSTIN, Dec. 11. — Attention Mama and Papa Santa Claus: You're wasting time battling through Christmas crowded toy departments if you aren't buying the appropriate playthings for your children.

That is the opinion of a University of Texas education professor who has spent many years studying toys and observing children at play, and who is ready to help you with your shopping.

Miss Sallie Beth Moore, director of the University nursery school, says the first rule of toy shopping for pre-school children should be: "Get a sturdy, washable and interesting toy to suit the child's age."

The father who gives his three-year-old son an electric train may as well admit he bought it for himself, because the child is too young to understand its mechanism and

play with it. A toy is not suitable for a child if he cannot play with it without adult assistance, says Miss Moore.

As specific toy suggestions she lists:

Ages 2 to 3—Trains and trucks, wooden, and preferably wheeless, with plenty of space to load and unload; hammer toys (wooden mallet attachments); puzzles, wooden and washable with only about 6 to 8 pieces; blocks; dolls; art materials including easels, finger paint, clay, scissors; books and a little table and chair.

Age 3 to 6—the same toys as those for the 2-and 3-year-olds, plus a truck large enough to sit on; wooden animals and people; large blocks; puzzles with 10 to 24 pieces; and work bench with a real hammer, saw and nails.

Backyard toys for climbing can be built by the father—slides, painted wooden crates and hollow blocks made from closed-in boxes.

Duties of the parent relative to the child's play are: to furnish the right toy, a place to play and a place to keep toys—then let the child play on his own level of maturity, Miss Moore urges.

She suggests that parents put away some of the numerous toys the youngster will find under his tree and bring them out one at a time later, replacing toys of which he has already tired. Removing toys from the child's sight for about a month and then again presenting them makes the child think he has a new toy; thus he never tires of the same ones, says Miss Moore.

## Well-Balanced Diet For Christmas Day

AUSTIN, Dec. 11. — You'll be "overstuffed and undernourished" after your Christmas dinner unless you watch that menu, says University of Texas home economics professor Jet Winters.

The well-balanced diet for Christmas day and every other day should include the following:

Milk—1 pint for adults, 1 quart for children; vegetables—three servings with one leafy vegetable; fruits—two servings, one raw and preferably citrus; whole grain products or those made with enriched cereals—two servings; cheese, eggs, meat, dried beans, or peas — one serving of any two; water — 2 quarts, adults; 1 1/2 quarts children.

## Wynona Springfield Is Gold Star Nominee

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 11 — Wynona Springfield, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Springfield, Buford community, has been selected as the 4-H club girl Gold Star nominee for 1947.

Her outstanding project has been clothing, according to Mrs. Mary R. Drummond, home demonstration agent. Her other achievements include leadership, recreational direction, food, gardening, poultry and home improvement demonstrations.

In 1948, Wynona plans to enter the dress review contest at College Station when 4-Hers stage their annual state round up. During this year she attended 4-H camps at Big Spring, Christoval and the state meeting at College Station.

## Young Married Couples Have Buffet Supper

The young married couples of the Big Spring A&M Club were entertained with a buffet supper Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce Frazier in Bryan, according to word received here.

Fall leaves and red berries decorated the tables.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Boykin, Sr. and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Cagle of Rice University in Houston.

## Peasants Are Hard On U. S. Tractors

WROCLAW, Poland (U)—Tractors are taking a severe beating at the hands of Polish peasants in Lower Silesia.

An agricultural expert estimated from 40 to 60 per cent of the 2,500 tractors supplied by UNRRA are now out of operation.

He blamed inefficient operation and sloppy repairs by peasant operators.

## Red Oscar

TOKYO (U)—Guess what's the big movie smash hit in Tokyo now. No, it isn't American. It's "Rock and Flower," a Russian effusion on the life and love of a sculptor. The film won last year's Stalin prize.

## Friendship Class Exchange Gifts

Gifts were exchanged at the Christmas party given for the members of the Friendship class of the First Baptist Church in the home of Mrs. Chester Cluck Tuesday night.

The party rooms were decorated with a Christmas motif. The decorated tree was in the living room. The refreshment table was laid with lace and pine burrs, flanked with red candles and red and green lights.

Mrs. Jack Smith gave a Christmas reading. The group sang "Silent Night" and "White Christmas."

Attending were Mrs. Joe Tuckness, Mrs. Harvey Wooten, Mrs. Clayton McCarty, Mrs. Jack Haynes, Mrs. Herk Agee, Mrs. Vernon Logan, Mrs. T. R. Rose, Mrs. Fred Thompson, Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. A. L. Fampill, Mrs. John Knox, Mrs. J. D. Elliott, Mrs. Wayne Pearce, Mrs. T. J. Clark and Mrs. Ray Smith.

## Beta Sigma Phi To Buy X-Ray Unit

The Exemplar Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi voted to join with the other chapters of Beta Sigma Phi in Texas in their effort to buy a mobile tubercular x-ray unit at the meeting Tuesday night.

The chapter has one year to raise the money and its quota is ten dollars per member. This x-ray unit will be a complete laboratory and will tour the state.

The program for the evening was, "China Today." Mrs. Roxie Dobbins spoke on, "China's Aspirations and its Leaders," and Mrs. Paul Darrow gave a talk on "China's Education."

Attending were Mrs. Roy Childers, Joyce Croft, Mrs. Paul Darrow, Mrs. Roxie Dobbins, Nell Rhea McCrary, Evelyn Merrill and Mrs. C. A. Murdock, Jr.

## Protestant Leaders It Topic At Club

A continuation of the study of the great protestant leaders was held at the Park Methodist Study club Wednesday night.

Mrs. W. A. Laswell lead the study and Mrs. Abbey Anderson conducted the business session.

Plans for a party for the study club on Dec. 17 in the home of Mrs. W. D. McDonald were made. The members also planned a party for the Sunday school on Dec. 23 at the church.

Those attending were Mrs. Gould Winn, Mrs. G. L. Bryant, Mrs. Joe Dorton, Mrs. Joe Faucett, Mrs. Abbey Anderson, Mrs. H. N. Robinson, Mrs. W. D. McDonald, Mrs. J. B. Myrick, Mrs. Bob Eubank, Mrs. W. A. Laswell, Mrs. G. C. Graves and Sue Dorton.

## Film Council To Meet In Ted Phillips Home

The local chapter of the film council of America will hold its monthly meeting tonight at 8 p. m. in the home of Ted Phillips, 1408 11th place.

The topic for demonstration and discussion will be the splicing and care of 8 and 16 mm movie film. A locally made movie on football will be shown.

## Roundelay Dance Club To Have Formal Dance

The Roundelay Dance Club will have an annual Christmas formal dance at the Settles Ballroom Saturday night beginning at 9 p. m. Leonard King and his orchestra will furnish the music.

The dance is for members and their guests.

R. E. McKinney is in charge of arrangements. The ballroom will be decorated with a yuletide theme.

## Bluebonnet Class To Have Social

The Bluebonnet Class of the First Christian church will have a Christmas social in the Church parlor Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Each member is to bring any article of new clothing for any age boy or girl. They will pack a box to be sent to the Juliette-Fowler Orphan's home.

## Scout Committee Will Hold Meet

Annual meeting of the Big Spring district Boy Scout committee will be held tonight at 7:30 in the IOOF Lodge hall at the former Bombardier school.

Charles Watson, program chairman, said members of all districts and unit committees and all unit leaders and their wives and husbands have been invited to attend.

Principal speaker will be W. R. Postma, Scout executive for the South Plains Council, Lubbock.

The business agenda will include installation of a district committee chairman and other officers for the coming year.

## Mrs. Jack Smith Gives Program At Study Club

Mrs. Jack Smith read an article by Henry Van Dyke entitled "Only Then Can You Help" at the Child Study Club Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Cecil McDonald.

Mrs. Joe Pickle was co-hostess to the Christmas party.

Mrs. George French read a Christmas poem.

The club voted to set aside \$25 to buy play equipment for the West Side Recreation center, and accepted the resignation of Mrs. H. W. Wright as a member at the business meeting.

## Mrs. D. F. Bigony Gives Social

Members of the auxiliary of Post Office clerks were guests at a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. D. F. Bigony Wednesday afternoon.

Yuletide games were played as entertainment.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Alden Thomas, Mrs. Grady McCrary, Mrs. Glen Petefish, Mrs. Hugh Potter, Mrs. Orbin Daily and Mrs. Bigony.

The club will meet with Mrs. Daily in January.

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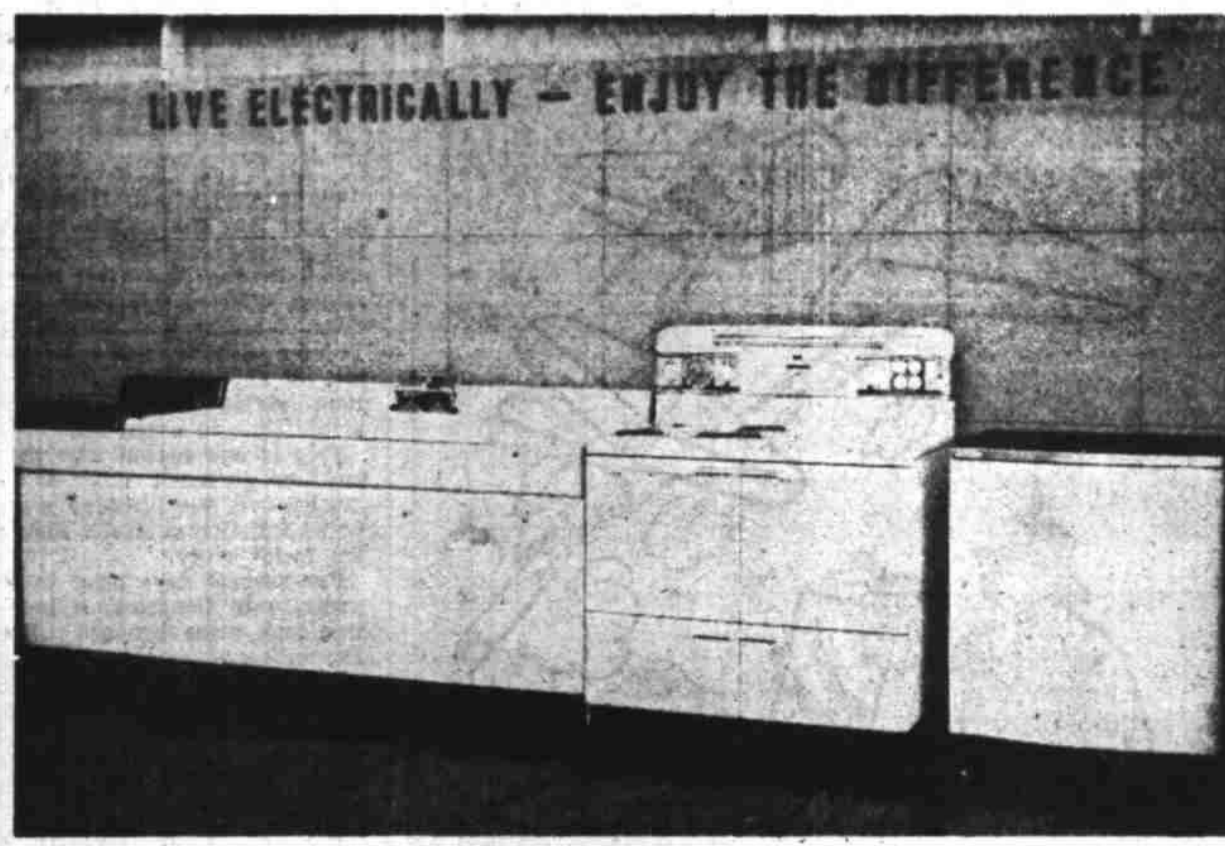
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**GLIMPSE OF CONVENIENCE** — For a quick look at the conveniences, which no longer be considered luxuries, offered for the modern kitchen, Texas Electric Service has attractive displays in its show rooms at E. 4th and Runnels. Here may be seen the new electric ranges, sinks, cabinets, etc. with all the labor and time saving devices that take the element of drudgery out of cooking. The public is invited to see these displays at Texas Electric Service. (Jack M. Haynes Photo).

## Grain Movement Is Over Peak

Movement of grain for the 1947 season is about over the top. E. T. Tucker, owner of the Tucker Grain company reports.

Although it is late, there is still some demand for small grains, he reports, with several farmers still purchasing wheat seed for a try at spring pasturing or a wheat crop next June.

There is a brisk demand for oat seed, which may still be planted with reasonable assurance of a stand, and many are asking for abuzzi rye seed. The latter crop has been catching on rapidly in this sector, particularly for sandy land farms, following experimentation by Soil Conservation district demonstrators.

Value of the grain crop coming to market has dropped sharply this season in the wake of drouth, heavy cotton plantings and other factors. So far, the dollar total points in the neighborhood of about \$350,000, but only about \$225,000 of that is Howard county milo, the balance having come from Martin, Dawson and Mitchell counties. Prices have been strong, reaching \$3.80 cwt last week.

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**CHANGED THEIR MINDS**  
BOSTON (UP) — City Registrar Michael J. Manning reports that of the approximately 11,000 marriage licenses he issued during the past year, 500 were returned, unused.

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# Why Not Civil Service Of Our Own?

Voters of Big Spring are called upon to decide at the polls next Tuesday whether or not this city should institute a set of civil service regulations for its policemen and firemen.

The theory of civil service is a commendable one, and progressive government should be toward perfection of that theory. But because the theory is good there is no reason, in the Herald's opinion, for people to be stampeded into putting a stamp of approval upon a specific set of regulations without first being convinced that this will work like it should work.

Two proposals are involved in next week's election. One of these has to do with establishing wage scales for firemen and policemen, and since the city of Big Spring already has a salary system that provides higher starting pay and a higher maximum pay than that to be submitted in the referendum, the Herald feels that the salary principle is not one to be concerned about. The administrators of our city government, with the consent of the people, have demonstrated their willingness to pay as solid a salary to employees as the budget will permit. There is reason to believe they will continue to do so, through good times and bad.

The other proposal has to do with setting up an intricate set of civil service regulations. It should be borne in mind that the entire program is a product of the last session of the Legislature, and that the proposed procedure is set up on a statewide basis without consideration of the problem of individual towns. Indeed, the calling of the election itself was made mandatory by the legislative act.

Key of the proposed civil service setup would be a civil service commission, whose three members are to be appointed by the city commission. This administrative body, in turn, would name a director of civil service.

The Nation Today—James Marlow—

One would not question the sincerity of the city commission in its appointment of a civil service group, but the bare truth of the matter is that the more responsibility that is delegated down to various committees and commissions, the more possible it is for politics to enter into government functions.

Indeed, the state legislation stipulates not one single qualification to be required of members of the civil service commission. It does seem that a group which would have such high responsibility in administering jobs for policemen and firemen would have to be insured as being an able, efficient and completely conscientious and competent group.

Various terms of the civil service procedure are clouded with loopholes that might muddy up the whole well-meant procedure. It is intended that firemen and policemen be advanced solely on merit, but provision is made for an exception to this if a "valid" reason exists. If a "valid" reason is presented in one case, it could be presented in another, until the whole theory of the program breaks down.

The Herald is proud of the charter system under which Big Spring is operating, and thinks all citizens of the town similarly are proud. It believes that all the benefits of the state-drafted civil service program can be put into effect—as indeed, many of them already have—by our own city government. In other words, this city can perfect a civil service system of its own, to meet its own problems, and tailored to fit its own needs.

Our firemen and policemen are men of high public responsibility, are deserving of the best treatment this city can give them. The Herald believes we can give them fairer treatment on our own initiative without high public responsibility, are deserving of system that might not stand the test of time.

# "EXPLAIN FREE COMPETITION TO ME AGAIN, WILL YOU?"



Hal Boyle's Notebook

## Books For Christmas

NEW YORK, (U.P.)—Everybody likes to cuddle up with a good book.

But the problem at Christmas is—what book to send? Unless you've gone duck hunting with your boss a lot of times, for example, you should be chary of sending him "How to Disappear for an Hour" or "It Beats Working." It never is wise to count on an employer's sense of humor.

Just to help Santa Clause along we've again compiled our annual check list of literary offerings and suggest for:

- Doris Duke—"A Woman of Property."
- Any housewife—"The Egg and I."
- Rita Hayworth and Orson Welles—"House Divided."
- Andre Vishinsky—"The Quiet Hour."
- Secretary Marshall—"The Moneyman."
- Mohandas K. Gandhi—"The Robe."
- The people who saw flying discs—"Nothing So Strange."
- Princess Elizabeth—"Proud Destiny."
- Tommy Manville—"Ordeal of the Union."
- Richard—"Knock on Any Door."
- Truman, Stalin and Attlee—"Gentlemen's Agreement."
- Ex-Postmaster Bob Hannegan—"Do You Know Your Baseball?"
- Your mother-in-law—"An Adversary in the House."
- John L. Lewis—"The Big Haircut."
- Maj. Gen. Meyers—"War as I Knew It."
- Johnny Meyer—"I Remember Distinctly."

Hirohito—"Admiral Halsey's Story."

Mayor Curley—"The Proper Bostonians."

Peggy Hopkins Joyce—"Marriage is for Single People."

Andre Gromyko—"Back Home."

Joe Louis—"The Harder They Fall."

Secretary Snyder—"The Treasure Bag."

Errol Flynn—"Wolf Story."

Professor Einstein—"Romping Through Mathematics."

Henry Wallace—"The Left Hand is the Dreamer."

All presidential aspirants—"Spring in Washington."

Mrs. Dwight Eisenhower—"My Three Years With Eisenhower."

Margaret O'Brien—"Age Cannot Withstand."

The nightwatchman at Fort Knox—"Free Gold."

Thomas E. Dewey—"Great Expectations."

The College of Surgeons—"Inside U. S. A."

Salvador Dali—"Slightly Out of Focus."

Senator Taft—"Where I Stand," by Harold Stassen.

Harold Stassen—"How to Figure the Odds."

Gargantua—"People Are Funny."

Winston Churchill—"The Saxon Charm."

Post-War Profiteers—"Big Fat."

Shirley Temple—"Second Growth."

J. Parnell Thomas—"Villany Detected."

Gypsy Rose Lee—"Behind the Silken Curtain."

Washington Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

# Truman Gives Cabinet A Voice

WASHINGTON. — It used to be said that the Roosevelt cabinet served only as a rubber stamp for the President; that it seldom debated important questions. Whether true or not, the Truman cabinet has become just the opposite, with the President giving his cabinet members ample time to sound off.

This is one reason why there has been so much rumor of disension over the President's proposed inflation controls. Here is the inside story.

For several days prior to the war took place between Leon Keyserling of the economic council and White House Counselor Clark Clifford on one side, with two cabinet members—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson and Secretary of Commerce Averell Harriman—on the other. The two cabinet members were dead set against government price controls; the two White House advisers were for them.

The argument finally came to a head at the last full cabinet meeting before Congress convened. "Well, Clint," said the President, addressing his secretary of agriculture. "You and Averell aren't going to like this, but we're going to come out for controls."

Harriman and Anderson argued briefly; finally asked: "Well, can I have a look at the speech before it's made?" "Certainly," replied the President. A meeting was set for the next day at which all members of the cabinet who would be required to enforce inflation controls could take a crack at the text of their Chief's speech.

At this meeting, Harriman and Anderson went over the text sentence by sentence, chiefly wanting to soften the impact of the message. But no final changes were made, and a second meeting was set for the next day.

ing was set for the next day, Sunday, to put the speech in final form.

At 10 a. m. Sunday, Attorney General Tom Clark, acting Secretary of the Interior Oscar Chapman, Clark Clifford, assistant to the President John Steelman, together with Secretary of Commerce Harriman and Secretary of Agriculture Anderson all gathered in the cabinet room.

They remained there for four hours until 2:05 p. m.—having read over almost every sentence in the message to Congress.

Truman opened the meeting. "Now we're going to read it through first," he explained, shuffling the pages of his speech. "Then we'll read it through a second time page-by-page, and you can make suggestions."

He read the whole speech without interruption. Then he came back and read the first page a second time. No faults were found. But beginning with the second page, the suggestions began to pour in, chiefly from Averell Harriman, with Anderson backing him up.

The Secretary of Commerce is hesitant and slow in public speaking, but at this closed-door session of the cabinet, he was eloquent and eager. "Now, can't we change this, Mr. President?" he suggested, or "Let's take that out."

Some of the Harriman points were well-taken and accepted without argument. However, most of them were vigorously opposed by Clark Clifford. In fact, Clifford took over the chief job of refuting Harriman and did a good job of it. Few of the others backed Clifford up.

speech since Harriman read it over the day before and the addition didn't make him happy.

Though critical of the steel industry for raising prices, Harriman contended that he could get the steel moguls to accept voluntary controls. He also argued that it was a mistake to ask for price controls of any kind, and proposed that this paragraph be lifted in toto out of the speech.

"ME-TOOING" TAFT  
Clark Clifford vigorously disagreed. The meeting struck a complete deadlock. Finally the President stepped out of the room for three minutes. When he came back, acting Secretary of the Interior Oscar Chapman, who hitherto had said little, picked up a copy of the Washington Post, marked it with a pencil and handed it to Truman.

"I just happened to read Mr. Taft's statement on inflation, Mr. President," he said. "And it looks to me that if you take that paragraph on price control out of your speech, you'll be accused of simply me-tooing Senator Taft. Otherwise, his proposals are much the same as yours."

Truman picked up the newspaper and carefully read the marked portion. Harriman jumped up and read the paper over the President's shoulder.

"That's right," Truman agreed. That ended the debate. The President stuck by his original position. The paragraph on price controls—the most important part of the speech—remained in his message to Congress.

Later, Secretary Harriman, as the man in closest touch with business and on the theory that the cabinet operates as a team once a decision is taken, was given the job of defending the controls which he did not want during hearings before Congress.

# Labor Is Beginning To Roar

WASHINGTON, (U.P.)—Organized labor, like a giant that's been fairly quiet for a while, is beginning to roar.

What it is doing, and threatening to do, will in time affect the whole country, including Congress.

To get what it wants, labor is acting in two directions, both tied in together: political and economic. Like this:

1. Political—the CIO and AFL and the railroad brotherhoods are going to take an active part in the 1948 elections.

2. Economic—the CIO will demand higher wages to meet higher living costs.

Take the political side first—Four years ago the CIO set up the political action committee to get out the vote of CIO workers.

It was credited with being a strong force in the election of President Roosevelt and a Democratic Congress that year, 1944. But the CIO-PAC wasn't considered so powerful in the 1946 elections when a majority of Republicans won control of Congress.

It was this Republican controlled Congress which passed the new Taft-Hartley law last spring. Labor union leaders everywhere vowed vengeance for this.

At the CIO convention in Boston last October Jack Kroll, head of the PAC, promised a PAC drive in 1948 surpassing anything PAC has done so far.

At the same time last October the AFL was holding its convention in San Francisco and took a step it had never tried before.

It decided to set up a political arm of the AFL.

Yesterday William Green, president of the AFL, pledged the league to a "house-cleaning in Congress."

Nineteen of the nation's 21 big railroad workers' unions, called brotherhoods, one month ago set up a political body of their own for action in the 1948 elections.

They called their organization "railroad labor's political league."

Now take the economic side—When the war ended business wanted price controls removed and labor wanted the government's wartime control of wages ended.

Both got what they wanted. This left business free to boost prices as high as it wished. It

left labor free to get wage raises as high as it could force employers to pay.

Prices, meaning living costs, kept going up and are still going up. Food prices now are the highest in history.

Since the war the CIO has won two rounds of wage increases. Now it wants a third round to offset the steadily rising living costs.

This third round will be cancelled out if business, claiming the wage boosts mean higher business costs, hikes prices some more to offset the wage hike.

Labor won't gain in that deal but the ones who will suffer most cruelly, the ones who are suffering most now, are the country's non-organized people.

What can be done? Congress could set up price controls and, maybe, cut taxes to give people more money.

But business wouldn't stand idly by if anything like that happened unless Congress set up wage controls again, too. And labor doesn't want wage controls.

So the CIO, by its wage demands, is putting a big problem up to Congress and to business, too.

Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

# Treaty Is Step Toward Peace

With Red Russia everywhere fiercely pressing her world revolution for the establishment of communism, the U. S. Senate has made a momentous contribution to Western Hemisphere security, and consequently to global peace, by ratifying the Inter-American Defense treaty which was framed last summer at Rio De Janeiro.

Under this historic pact the countries of the new world would stand together to fight off attack against any one of them. Senator Tom Connally, one of the framers of the agreement, describes it as "a long step in the direction of guaranteeing the safety and security of the American republics from aggression or attack by any power outside this hemisphere."

This agreement isn't aimed at any particular nation. It is aimed at aggression, from whatever source. However, it is significant that the American ratification comes at a tense moment in the fight against communist aggression.

In Hollywood—Bob Thomas

# Film Capital Cleans Its House

(This is the last of three articles on censorship of Hollywood films.)

HOLLYWOOD, (U.P.)—The motion picture industry is mightily worried about the possibility of more outside censorship and is taking steps to prevent it.

In the past couple of weeks Hollywood has been making rapid moves toward what might be considered putting its own house in order. Evidence: the banning of gangster movies; the firing of "unfriendly witnesses" cited by the House un-American affairs committee. The rest of the job is up to the industry's unique self-regulating body, the production code administration.

The PCA's trained staff checks the synopses, scripts and finished product of all films produced by its members. The reviewers have to be hep to all kinds of slang, foreign and domestic, and even

the treaty must be ratified by two-thirds of the nineteen nations which signed it at Rio. Three already have approved and the rest, most of whom have been waiting to see what action Washington would take, are expected to follow quickly.

Of course the chief strength of this treaty lies in the solidarity which it creates, rather than in the material resources which can be contributed by the smaller nations.

So much for the western world. But what about western Europe where communism has been pressing for the kill against the French and Italian governments?

Tension between Russia and France suddenly tightened and both took "fighting" action which came as close to severance of diplomatic relations as could be without the actual breaking of Moscow cancelled the Franco-Soviet trade talks, and both countries expelled each other's reparations missions.

France not only booted out the 12 members of the Soviet commission on the ground of "subversive activities in France" but recently expelled 19 other Russians on charges of interfering with the French strike situation.

France's internal crisis, however, eased materially. The French General Confederation of Labor—which is dominated by the communists—ordered the 2,000,000 strikers back to work today. This was in response to a government ultimatum to the strikers to get back on the job by today. The capitulation came after the communists had declared their intention of defying the order. In short, the bolsheviks backed down.

In Rome, too, there was a slight easing when the communist-led chamber of labor cancelled its ultimatum to inaugurate a general strike in the capital and province unless the government acquiesced in the Red program.

All in all, the situation in western Europe was rather brighter for democracy.

ways reflects on the whole industry and in the future the PCA will probably discourage film purchase of "sensational" novels. No matter how well lauded they are for the screen, they always bring criticism.

RAY'S SCRUTINIZED  
(CHICAGO (U.P.)—University of Chicago scientists are using a B-29 superfortress to help solve the mysteries of cosmic rays.

Dr. Marcel Schein of the Institute for Nuclear Studies, one of three institutes in the university's new \$12,000,000 atomic research program is conducting his experiments in co-operation with the Navy and Army Air Forces. The B-29, equipped with a laboratory, can reach an altitude of 40,000 feet.

## Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. French coin
4. Smallest amount
6. Chum
11. Feminine name
12. Permit
14. South American river
15. Write poorly
17. Biblical hunter
19. Attention
20. Army
22. Football position
23. Keyhole
25. Put on
26. High card
28. On the ocean
29. Support for furniture
30. Revoked
32. Horse of a color

DOWN

1. Otrdie
2. Formerly
3. Inexorable
4. Statute
5. Closed curves
6. Indian mulberry
7. Musical composition
8. Taunts
9. Perfect golf
10. Making excuse
11. Division
16. Mountain in Alaska
17. Myself
21. Course grass
24. Summons publisher
25. Beheaded
26. Brazilian macaw
27. Kind of thermometer
29. Toast
31. Nibs
32. Minute orifice
33. Red
35. Message by wire
37. National
38. City in Ohio
41. Rose-red dye
42. Climbing apparatus
43. Bird
44. Old Chinese coin
47. Extremely
48. Hint
50. Building site
52. English letter
53. Serve the purpose

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2. Inexorable

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2. Formerly

3. Inexorable

4. Statute

5. Closed curves

6. Indian mulberry

7. Musical composition

8. Taunts

9. Perfect golf

10. Making excuse

11. Division

12. Myself

13. Course grass

14. Summons publisher

15. Beheaded

16. Brazilian macaw

17. Kind of thermometer

18. Toast

19. Nibs

20. Minute orifice

21. Red

22. Message by wire

23. National

24. City in Ohio

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Broadway—Jack O'Prinn

# Downey Likes Shuteye Program

NEW YORK — Morton Downey and I have engaged in a great deal of pidgin Gaelic these evenings of our Broadway servitude, and as we indulged in a few brief comealleys and be-gorras to start the conversation, we got down to the business at hand, which was an after-theater sandwich and cup of coffee.

I had expressed a little puzzlement concerning the shift in the Downey loyalties from his afternoon radio *faas* to a near-midnight spot as he warbles ballads and gentle Irish hollerings from 11:30 to 11:45 each night over the nationwide Mutual network.

"I used to be the ladies' delight," he said, "but the ladies these days are a bit more practical. They've turned to the radio commentators as 'Will Russia?' or 'Won't Russia?'"

"But now I put a lot of folks to bed gently, soothe their nerves, claim their frightened tropical minds, settle their ulcer-bent stomachs."

"Between eleven and midnight," he said, "the listener is regaled, or I should say disturbed, by such questions from the radio commentators as 'Will Russia?' or 'Won't Russia?'"

"Diver Also Miner"

CALUMET, Mich. (U.P.)—Lawrence Michel is in his 22nd year in an individual job. He is a professional diver for a copper mine, whose workings are beneath the surface of a lake. Michel's most recent work has been in Lake Superior, supervising repairs to huge water intake pipes at the Calumet and Hecla Copper Company's water works.

Delayed Flight

FORT WORTH, (U.P.)—Mrs. Wanda Mae Spoerl has just received an air-mail letter mailed in Gary, Ind., Jan. 12, 1938.

## WORD-A-DAY

By BACH

## MENDICANT

(men-di-kant) ADV. PRACTICING BEGGARY; REDUCED TO BEGGING.

Now he wants an after-dinner cigar.

These Schedules are furnished by the Radio Stations, which are responsible for their accuracy.

Where To Tune In: KBST, ABC-TSN, 1490 KC; WBAP-WFAA, NBS, 820 KC; KRLD, CBS, 1680 KC.

THURSDAY EVENING		
8:00	7:45	10:00
KBST-News	KRLD-The Jack	KBST-News
KRLD-Bush	KRLD-Mr. Keene	KRLD-News
WBAP-Super Club	WBAP-Burns and Allen	WFAA-News
8:15	8:00	10:15
KBST-Allie Roth	KBST-Music of Manhattan	KBST-Memory Lane
KRLD-Jack Smith Show	KRLD-Dick Haynes Show	KRLD-In My Opinion
WBAP-Evening Melodies	WBAP-Music Hall	WFAA-Tex. Fish & Game
8:30	8:15	10:30
KBST-Melody Queen	KBST-Music of Manhattan	KBST-Oems for Thought
KRLD-15	KRLD-Dick Haynes Show	KRLD-Hillbilly Hit Parade
WFAA-Barry Wood Show	WBAP-Music Hall	WFAA-Waddell-Orran
8:45	8:30	10:45
KBST-Darts for Douch	KBST-Darts for Douch	KBST-Dick Jerns
KRLD-Crime Photographer	KRLD-Crime Photographer	KBST-Hillbilly Hit Parade
WBAP-Show Stoppers	WBAP-Show Stoppers	WFAA-News
9:00	8:45	11:00
KBST-Hourly News	KBST-Hourly News	KBST-News
KRLD-Reader's Digest	KRLD-Reader's Digest	WFAA-News
WBAP-Bob Hawk Show	WBAP-Bob Hawk Show	KBST-Orchestra
9:15	9:00	11:15
KBST-Henry Morgan	KBST-Henry Morgan	KBST-Hillbilly Hit Parade
KRLD-Reader's Digest	KRLD-Reader's Digest	WFAA-La Salle Orch.
9:30	9:15	11:30
KBST-Serenade	KBST-Serenade	KBST-Orchestra
KRLD-Lyrics Is There	KRLD-Lyrics Is There	KBST-Hillbilly Hit Parade
WBAP-Edith Carter	WBAP-Edith Carter	WFAA-Moonlight Sonata
9:45	9:30	11:45
KBST-Orchestra	KBST-Orchestra	KBST-Dance Orch.
KRLD-CBS Is There	KRLD-CBS Is There	WFAA-Moonlight Sonata

# WOUNDED VETERAN COLLAPSES IN TRY TO REACH HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

ALEXANDRIA, La., Dec. 11 (AP)—Peter Polydoros, 24-year-old wounded veteran of World War 2, will have a Christmas reunion with his family here for the first time in 18 months.

Polydoros was a patient at a California veterans administration hospital. Because he wanted to be with his family on Christmas, he said, he left the hospital without leave and started

the long overland journey. His wounds were more incapacitating than he thought, he said, and he collapsed in a hotel at Orange.

Officials of the disabled American veterans arranged for his transfer to the Veterans Administration hospital here.

Now, DAV officials say, if Polydoros cannot go to Mobile for Christmas they will bring members of his family here.

# Given Three Year Suspended Sentence Here

Jesus Hernandez, charged with assault with intent to murder, was given a three year suspended sentence in a trial by jury completed in 70th district court Wednesday afternoon.

Hernandez was attempting to level a pistol on Curtis Crittenden, a local policeman, last Nov. 14. Crittenden pushed the gun hand away and the pistol never fired.

Manuel Reyes, charged with burglary, heard himself acquitted by a jury that deliberated 34 minutes.

In other cases which required no jury action, E. Hughes, Charles Crawford, Fred C. Zimmerlee and Edward L. Kelly all received prison sentences while James Jackson drew a suspended term.

Hughes drew a five-year sentence in the state penitentiary on a burglary count. He had been accused of entering C. L. Kirkland's house Nov. 22 and taking a quantity of clothes.

Kirkland himself recognized part of his belongings on Hughes while on an eastbound train and notified Nolan county police, who made the arrest.

Crawford, who allegedly was at the wheel on a local taxicab when James Falter was robbed west of town Oct. 23, was sentenced to five years' confinement. He had been charged with robbery by assault.

Zimmerlee drew a like sentence after entering a plea of guilty to the charge of theft. He allegedly stole an automobile belonging to Bruce Hogue here last Nov. 15 and was picked up several days later in Mason.

Kelly, accused of forgery, was sentenced to three years' confinement by Judge Cecil C. Collings.

Jackson entered a guilty plea to the charge of swindling and drew a two-year suspended term.

The jury which heard the Reyes and Hernandez cases were dismissed for the remainder of the current term. Other criminal cases were continued during the next term.

# Two Are Held As Theft Suspects

Two Latin-American youths were in the custody of Jake Bruton, county juvenile officer, this morning for investigation of thefts on the north side of town.

The two boys were picked up by city police Wednesday afternoon. Several articles, including a set of silverware, pen and pencil sets, a necklace, bracelet and shoes, were recovered by police. Bruton said several other items, which the boys apparently took from residences on the north side, were recovered this morning.

# Home Gets Husband

TOKYO, (AP)—A Japanese girl unlucky enough to be bombed out of her home, got herself a man these days—if she's lucky enough to have a home that wasn't bombed out in the war.

# CRIMINALITY? House Group Reports Possible Violations In Revenue Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP)—A House appropriations subcommittee today turned over to the justice department and other Federal agencies an investigator's report that "a condition which may embrace criminality exists in the Boston office" of the internal revenue bureau.

The subcommittee, headed by Representative Canfield (R-N.J.), suggested "appropriate action" by the attorney general, the treasury department, the internal revenue commission and the civil service commission.

The committee also sent a printed copy of its hearings and record to Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, because funds of that

agency were said to be involved. There was no formal committee report, only the transcript of the secret hearings being made public.

The subcommittee investigation was based on a report of Robert E. Lee, chief of the committee's investigating staff, that "a review of the evidential material" appears to indicate in the Boston office:

1. A disregard for trust funds.

2. Lack of proper control and supervision over various collections from outside charitable and political organizations, including the March of Dimes and the Jefferson Day dinners.

3. That the civil and criminal sections of the Hatch Act may have been deliberately and consistently violated by the office of the collector at Boston, Mass.

The March of Dimes, which handles contributions for the aid of infantile paralysis victims, is sponsored by O'Connor's organization. Jefferson Day dinners are annual affairs of Democratic party members. The Hatch Act, to which Lee referred, restricts political activity by Federal employes.

# AAF To Start New Program

The U. S. Air Force will begin on March 1 at Randolph Field another 12 months Aviation Cadet Training program for potential flying officers. Capt. C. V. Goyer, commander of the local U. S. Army recruiting station, announced this morning.

This program is open to enlisted men currently in the service, reserve officers and members of the Enlisted Reserve corps, officers and enlisted men of the National Guard and to qualified civilians.

To qualify, the applicants for Aviation Cadet Training must be unmarried citizens between the ages of 20 and 26½ years, must have completed at least half the credits leading to a college degree or be able to pass an educational examination given by the Air Force and must be physically qualified.

Additional information on the program can be obtained at the recruiting office.

# Allergy

COPENHAGEN (AP)—In Denmark you can't slip on a banana peel, because the Danes haven't seen bananas since the beginning of the war. But Miss Else Plough, 37, slipped on a lemon peel, breaking her leg for the sixth time in her life.

# Weather Forecast

Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy today; tomorrow, and Friday, warmer; Friday, high today 40, low tonight 30, high tomorrow 45.

Highest temperature this date, 80 in 1939; lowest this date, 14 in 1917; maximum rainfall this date, 37 in 1941.

EAST TEXAS: Cloudy through Friday. Occasional rain in south and central portions and light rain or snow in extreme north portion. Occasional rain near the coast tonight and Friday. Continued cold with lowest temperature 28 to 32 degrees in north-west and extreme north portions and 34 to 40 in central portion tonight. Moderate north and northeast winds on the coast.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Minimum cold with lowest temperatures 20 to 24 in Panhandle, 24 to 30 on South Plains and 28 to 30 in west Texas tonight.

TEMPERATURES

City	Max.	Min.
Abilene	44	23
Amarillo	40	23
BIG SPRING	46	31
Chicago	41	24
Denver	39	13
El Paso	32	30
Fort Worth	41	24
Galveston	40	46
New York	44	30
St. Louis	33	27

Sun sets today at 5:42 p. m.; rises Friday at 7:31 a. m.

# Markets

COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (AP)— Noon cotton prices were 20 cents to \$1.10 a bale lower than the previous close. Dec. 26-30, March 26-30 and May 20-22.

LIVESTOCK

FT. WORTH, Dec. 11 (AP)—CATTLE: 1,800; calves 1,300; fairly active and steady; calves slow; best kinds about steady; others weak; most medium and good steers and yearlings 20.00-26.00; good choice yearlings 27.00; odd lots plain steers, yearlings and heifers 15.00-19.00; butcher cows mostly 14.00-16.50; good fat cows 17.00-18.50; bulls 12.00-16.50; good and choice slaughter calves 20.50-25.00; common and medium calves 14.00-19.50; stocker steers, yearlings and calves 16.00-22.00; 300-500; active and steady; top 28.50 paid for good choice 200-300 lb butchers; good and choice 160-195 lb. 28.00 - 29.25; good 150 lb butchers down to 24.00; cows 24.50-25.00.

SHEEP: 1,500; killing classes steady; good fat lambs 22.50; medium grade shorn lambs 17.50; medium to good ewes 8.25-10.00; yearlings and feeder lambs scarce.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (AP)—Selective demand dropped individual stocks today although many market leaders drifted to lower levels.

The buoyant rally of Wednesday ran into some aftereffects, but the market closed after a fairly active start but fractional irregularity ruled near midday.

Wall Street declined to view three straight rising sessions as a technical comeback. Reinvestment purchasing by those who had sold for income tax purposes served as a bolstering influence. Many customers cashed in or held aloof to await further inflationary moves by Congress.

Occasional gainers included International Harvester, Oliver Corp., Caterpillar Tractor, Bethlehem Steel, Mexican Telephone, Electric Power & Light, Kennecott, Johns-Manville, J. C. Penney, Texas Co., Santa Fe Interimittent loss were U. S. Steel, Continental, General Motors, Chrysler, United Aircraft, Westinghouse, Dow Chemical and Montgomery Ward.

Bonds were narrow.

LOCAL MARKETS

No. 2 Milo \$3.50 cwt. FOB Big Spring No. 2 Kaffir and mixed grains \$2.45 cwt. Eggs candied, 72 cents dozen, cash market; cream 72 cents lb.; butter 83 cents lb.; hens 18-22 cents lb.

# Public Records

WARRANTY DEEDS

Ray Parker et ux to T. H. McCann et ux, Lot 8 Block 2 Central Park add. \$6,250.

C. M. Weaver et ux to C. L. Gooch, BE-4 Sect 14 Blk 32 Trp. 2-N T & P \$11,925.

IN 70th DISTRICT COURT

Josephine W. Yand et ux, Wallace J. Yand, divorce granted. Maiden name of Leiberruth restored to plaintiff.

NEW VEHICLES

Jack York, Ford coupe.

Allan Higgins, Ackerly, Nash brougham.

O. B. O'Daniel, Coahoma, Oldsmobile sedan.

Jess Oden Box, Studebaker sedan.



# ATTORNEY HITS OUTLAWING OF BEAUTY TREATMENTS IN HOME

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 11 (AP)—Attorney General Tom Watson says women in Florida may give each other manicures, shampoos and permanent waves to their hearts' content—and they don't have to be in a beauty shop to do it.

Watson yesterday declared that Executive Director Ethel Manning of the State Board of Beauty Culture placed an "absurd" interpretation on the beauty culture law when she said home beauty treatments are illegal.

Miss Manning announced Saturday she has distributed posters to all beauty shops in Florida warning that the practice of beauty culture outside a registered establishment is punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, regardless of whether the practitioner is paid for the service.

The Attorney General said in a statement that he had received many letters "protesting" this claim of illegality, and added that officers of the beauty culture board "have no authority" to interpret the law governing their agency.

Miss Manning commented she was unable to understand how she could enforce the law without interpreting it, and added she considered "a lot of sand is being raised about nothing."

# Library Friends Will View Films

Members of the Friends of the Howard County Library study group will view films and slides of scenes in Alaska at a meeting tonight in the YMCA headquarters. The session will begin at 7:30 p. m.

The pictures will be projected by Dr. R. C. Trueblood, who collected the series in Alaska.

The meeting is open to the general public, and persons interested are invited to attend. Mrs. Irene Meier, chairman of the study group, said.

# Details Are Released On Art Exhibit

Details of the third all-West Texas Annual Art Exhibition at Abilene Jan. 19-30, 1948, have been announced by A. M. Carpenter, H-SU, Abilene, exhibits director.

All West Texas artists, other than those residing in Taylor county, are eligible to submit two entries. All work must be original in design and execution, and students may not compete. Entries may be in oil, tempera, water color, wash, pastel, sculpture, graphic art, including etching, lithograph, charcoal, pencil, pen and ink, etc.

Prize awards, posted by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and Friends of Art, will total \$305. Entries will be screened by a jury of admittance and awards.

Those submitting prints will be responsible for transportation to and from Abilene, should enclose a card giving the name of the artist, address, title of picture, and if it is for sale, the price. Complete information may be had by writing to Carpenter.

# Strike Doesn't Stop Abilene Newspaper

ABILENE, Dec. 11 (AP)—The Abilene Reporter-News continued to publish as usual today despite a strike of union printers which began Tuesday night.

A 14-page afternoon edition followed an 18-page morning newspaper yesterday and a 16-page paper was published this morning.

Members of the editorial and advertising staffs and company executives made up an emergency force in the composing room.

# Charged In Shooting, Cremation Of Man

SAUSALITO, Calif., Dec. 11 (AP)—George Kasolias, 68, today was charged with shooting his nephew, then cremating the wounded man on a gasoline fired pyre.

Kasolias, who lived on a houseboat in San Francisco bay, was arrested yesterday after a 90 minute stand against some 75 policemen, sheriff's deputies, state highway patrolmen and guards from nearby San Quentin prison.

Law Andreas, Syracuse's brilliant basketball coach, is putting in his 34th season at that post.

# ANSWER AWAITED

# U. S. Demands Soviets Halt Reparations

LONDON, Dec. 11 (AP)—A firm United States demand upon Russia to halt the removal of reparations from eastern Germany confronted Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov today and upon his answer may hinge the success or failure of the Big Four conference here.

Molotov's reply may be made at today's meeting (10:30 a. m. EST), at which the council is expected to turn its attention directly to the question of reparations—a matter which has stymied agreement for a week on a dozen other issues related to Germany's economic unification.

Authoritative government sources said that Molotov was also expected to give his reaction to reports that the U. S. and Britain have reached a tentative agreement revising last year's pact for economic fusion of the American and British zones of Germany so as to give the U. S. control over economic and financial policies.

British informants said the new arrangements, effective Jan. 1, probably would "open the way for a new line of attack" on the western powers' policy in Germany.

The informants declared that economic and financial control in the merged zones would be in direct proportion to each country's contribution to a common budget. This would mean that the U. S. would assume virtually complete economic and financial control over the two areas, as American negotiators have agreed to take over all of Britain's dollar commitments, the informants said.

The jury which heard the Reyes and Hernandez cases were dismissed for the remainder of the current term. Other criminal cases were continued during the next term.

The Syracuse cross-country team finished the dual meet season undefeated.

"A VALUABLE PRIZE IN EVERY PACKAGE!"

THE OLD-TIME pitchman had to convince his customers that they were getting something for nothing.

And he could always find customers—hopeful people, who wanted to believe him.

All of us have some degree of this very human failing—wanting to trust to luck—hoping things will come the easy way. Even when we know they won't.

Those who are really smart may keep hoping for luck—but they go right ahead working out a good, sound plan to cushion unexpected emergencies and provide ultimate financial security. They save money regularly.

Most smart people know that the easiest and the safest way to save money today is by buying U. S. Savings Bonds where they work or where they bank—through the Payroll Savings Plan or the Bond-A-Month Plan.

And there is a valuable prize in every package. Every Bond you buy will increase one-third in value in ten years.

Even an old-time pitchman couldn't have resisted a proposition like this.

Save the easy, automatic way— with U.S. Savings Bonds The Big Spring Herald

Impressive cameo ring for men. \$19.50

She'll love this matched Carmen bracelet and locket set. \$12.95

Lovely diamond ensemble at a special thrift price. \$49.50

Today's 17 jewel BUltra in latest fashion. \$42.50

GRUEN Vari-Thin model for men. Styles for women too. \$37.50

Stunning three diamond engagement ring in 14K gold. \$69.50

Man's ELGIN with 21 jewels and 14K gold case. \$62.50

Man's 3-pc. Jewelry Set. Handsome in design, collar pin and watch chain. Gift boxed. \$4.95

FREE ENGRAVING Immediate Service At NATHAN'S

Seven superb diamonds feature this exquisite duette. \$149.00

Nationally Advertised Silverplate. We feature a wide selection of the famous names in silverplate that you've heard so much about. Choose from many lovely patterns. 24.75 up.

WEEKLY TERMS ARRANGED

The Christmas Window Shopping Parade starts at NATHAN'S SEE THE MOST DAZZLING WINDOWS IN TOWN

Nathan's Jewelers "Big Spring's finest Jewelers" 221 Main Big Spring

# City Is Back To Normal As Gas Break Repaired

## Mishap Paralyzes Area For 13 Hours

Big Spring eased back to normal Saturday night after a break in a gas transmission line hampered and partially paralyzed domestic and industrial activities here for 13 hours.

Gas was turned into the mains at 6:50 p. m. and south side customers gained immediate relief. That on the north side and outlying sections lagged slightly behind. Forsan and the oilfield had gas again at 10 p. m. and Coahoma before midnight.

The interruption occurred at 5:40 a. m. when an eight-inch line, designed for 800 pounds pressure, shattered just west of the Martin-Howard county line and east of the Valley View community.

James A. Davis, Fort Worth, president of Empire Southern Gas company, who came here with Pat Kenney, vice-president, on learning of the break, said the line was operating under 450 pounds pressure at the time.

A 20-foot section shredded, severing this area from the source of supply in Andrews county.

Effects were not immediately felt as gas remaining in the line below the break flowed on into Big Spring, but by 7 a. m. practically all fires had sputtered out. Blasting a small crater when it went out, the break was spotted from the air and crews immediately dispatched from Big Spring to launch repairs.

Meanwhile, commercial operations slowed and industrial activities came almost to a halt. Householders had their routine disrupted as many went without breakfast or ate it cold.

R. L. Tollett, president of Cosden Petroleum Corp., said that the refinery shifted quickly to its reserve of plant gas to maintain circulation and clear stills before shutting down. By 10 a. m. flares were barely flickering.

The Texas & Pacific sent out two locomotives from the roundhouse which by their steam pressure dwindled. Laundries, ready fired for the day, managed a few minutes run in some instances. Some cafes made up their first urns of coffee but were caught before the heavy breakfast rush started.

Hospitals temporized with hot plates to furnish warm meals to patients on special diets, but convalescing patients and staff members generally made out on cold cuts and sandwiches. At the Big Spring State hospital, Dr. A. M. Bowden, superintendent, said that cooks had finished preparing a large quantity of meat before the gas failure, and this, together with milk, cheese, bread and vegetables made it possible to get by nicely.

Fortunately, schools were not in session but Howard County Junior college carried on by utilizing two buildings which use fuel oil, and by pressing a portable butane unit into operation.

Fortunately, too, the weather was balmy. From a low of 53 degrees, temperatures rose rapidly to 61 at 10 a. m. and to a maximum of 70 degrees during the afternoon so that the home heating situation did not become acute. Stores operated without normal heat, but despite a chill, there was no suffering.

The Herald, its type metal pots "frozen," was not able to begin composition until 8 p. m. Saturday.

Bakeries knocked on wood, for the disruption could not have happened at a "better time," according to one baker. His shop had finished a 22-hour run of production for the Saturday rush and had shut-down since no bread is produced for Sunday delivery. With gas in the lines last night, bakery buildings were being brought to proper temperature for normal resumption of bread-making.

So far as could be ascertained Saturday night, the restoration of service was accomplished smoothly. Since 10 a. m. Champ Rainwater, manager for Empire Southern Gas company, had crews, supplemented by city and Texas Electric Service workers, making house to house calls to warn residents to turn off all outlets. Lines were cut off at the meter in instances where no one was at home, and up to midnight Saturday calls were coming in from those who returned later and could not understand why they had no gas.

All during the day the radio carried notices of the disruption. Hundreds of calls were answered at the downtown offices, and a special bulletin was broadcast as gas was cut in at the north gate. Big Spring was without gas for the first time in 17 years Saturday. Shortly after natural gas came to Big Spring, the city exhausted the Howard-Glasscock supplies during the winter of 1929. In January 1930 a line was started to intersect with West Texas Gas company transmission lines in Martin county and in September this supply was tapped.

Although a high-pressure regulator stuck during the winter of 1936 and produced a dozen minor fires and one explosion in which no one was injured, the city has never been without gas since 1930. Kenney and Davis, who helped install service here originally, said that the section of pipe apparently was "the weakest link in the chain," although it showed no effects from corrosion. They as-

## MOVES KITCHEN TO BACKYARD

A little thing like no gas did not stop Mrs. F. A. Farquhar, 405 W. 5th, in planning and executing her luncheon Saturday. Mrs. Farquhar simply moved her kitchen to the backyard and carried on over a campfire. For lunch she had boiled black coffee, Dutch oven biscuits and all the trimmings. Mr. Farquhar, W. E. Simmons and others came in to share in the old fashioned feast.

## Ground Broken For Reservoir At Grapevine

GRAPEVINE, Dec. 6. (AP)—The Grapevine reservoir, a \$1,000,000 project designed to check soil erosion in north Texas and afford Dallas and its suburbs a new source of water, was a reality today.

Ground was broken for the reservoir in formal ceremonies yesterday. John W. Carpenter, Trinity improvement association president, turned the first earth with a silver spade, then a three-handle spade was used by three mayors: Jimmie Lee Denton, mayor of Grapevine; J. F. Ross and Son ranch of Goodlett, Imperial Knight, champion bull of the show, brought \$1,400.

The reserve champion topped the female sale at \$1,650. The animal, Gentle Annie 40, was entered by E. W. Moutray of Baird. Moutray also entered the champion female, Gosamer 12th, which sold for \$1,400. Rexie Cauble and Ed Simpson of Big Spring both attended the show and sale.

Col. Henry Hutchings, Jr., southwestern division engineer for the U. S. Army Corps of engineers, dedicated the dam and reservoir, saying: "I know of no dam and reservoir more fully justified by necessity and economics."

Hutchings said work would soon be started on the Lavon dam in Collin county and later on the Lewisville dam in Denton county. The Grapevine dam will spread two and one-half miles across Denton creek basin.

Hutchings said \$1,500,000 was available for first construction work on the Grapevine reservoir.

## Tributes Paid W. R. Settles

Final tributes were paid Saturday afternoon to W. R. Settles, pioneer West Texas rancher and whose philanthropies here left many monuments to his memory.

The Rev. R. Gage Lloyd, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated at the church rites and burial was in the City cemetery.

Mr. Settles died Friday morning after a long illness. Coming to West Texas as a ranch hand in the 1880's, he saved his money, married in 1894 and began a ranching venture which he and Mrs. Settles enlarged to 10 sections. Brisk leasing in 1926 and discovery of oil on the land in 1928 brought the couple great wealth which was used in financing many projects, among them the 15-story Settles hotel. Mr. Settles had been in ill health for the past seven years, and seriously ill for a year.

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## PLANS MUST BE MADE

### City Promises Four Buildings To Be Set Aside For Exhibits

Big Spring city commissioners Tuesday gave their assurance that four warehouse buildings at the former Army Airfield will be made available for livestock and agricultural exhibits and other similar events, provided interested organizations complete definite plans within the next two weeks.

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Rites were to be held Monday at the Sparkman-Brand Funeral home at 4 p. m. in Dallas.

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Big Spring city commissioners discussed the proposed civil service law for firemen and policemen Tuesday afternoon, but the commission as a group decided against taking a public stand on the question.

The civil service law and a minimum wage proposal for firemen and policemen will be presented to city voters on Dec. 16.

Commissioners present at yesterday's meeting indicated that they would take no part in any active campaign either for or against the measure, but that they would urge a good turn out at the polls.

In other action Tuesday, commissioners authorized the city manager to discontinue operation of the typhus control working crew. The typhus control ordinance will remain in effect, however. City Manager H. W. Whitney recommended that the working crew be disbanded, since an estimated 98 percent of its original objective has been completed.

Under the program the city has kept the crew in operation to offer rat proofing service to owners of commercial buildings for costs of only sufficient funds to meet expense of materials.

The city manager was instructed to advertise for bids before a new contract is issued for oils and greases for city use.

Commissioners approved appointment of Otto Appleton as a member of the police force.

## No Hike Noted In Gas Prices

Although it was expected momentarily, there had been no significant advance in tank wagon prices on gasoline here Tuesday morning.

In the Houston area gasoline advanced one and a half cents per gallon on the strength of general acceptance of the Sun Oil posting of an increased 50 cents per barrel on crude oil. It was conceded that it was only a matter of time until the advance is reflected in prices to consumers at the pump.

Tuesday morning Sinclair had received word of half a cent increase on third grade gasoline, but none on regular and ethyl. Others were expecting word during the day on new schedules across the board.

## MATTER NOT CLOSED

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Big Spring eased back to normal Saturday night after a break in a gas transmission line hampered and partially paralyzed domestic and industrial activities here for 13 hours.

Gas was turned into the mains at 6:50 p. m. and south side customers gained immediate relief. That on the north side and outlying sections lagged slightly behind. Forsan and the oilfield had gas again at 10 p. m. and Coahoma before midnight.

The interruption occurred at 5:40 a. m. when an eight-inch line, designed for 800 pounds pressure, shattered just west of the Martin-Howard county line and east of the Valley View community.

James A. Davis, Fort Worth, president of Empire Southern Gas company, who came president, on learning of the break, said the line was operating under 450 pounds pressure at the time.

A 20-foot section shredded, severing this area from the source of supply in Andrews county.

Effects were not immediately felt as gas remaining in the line below the break flowed on into Big Spring, but by 7 a. m. practically all fires had sputtered out. Blasting a small crater when it went out, the break was spotted from the air and crews immediately dispatched from Big Spring to launch repairs.

Meanwhile, commercial operations slowed and industrial activities came almost to a halt. Householders had their routine disrupted as many went without breakfast or ate it cold.

R. L. Tollett, president of Cosden Petroleum Corp., said that the refinery shifted quickly to its reserve of plant gas to maintain circulation and clear stills before shutting down. By 10 a. m. fires were barely flickering.

The Texas & Pacific sent out two locomotives from the roundhouse before its steam pressure dwindled. Laundries, ready fired for the day, managed a few minutes run in some instances. Some cafes made up their first runs of coffee but were caught before the heavy breakfast rush started.

Hospitals temporized with hot plates to furnish warm meals to patients on special diets, but convalescing patients and staff members generally made out on cold cuts and sandwiches. At the Big Spring State hospital, Dr. A. M. Bowden, superintendent, said that cooks had finished preparing a large quantity of meat before the gas failure, and this, together with milk, cheese, bread and vegetables made it possible to get by nicely.

Fortunately, schools were not in session but Howard County Junior college carried on by utilizing two buildings which use fuel oil, and by pressing a portable butane unit into operation.

Fortunately, too, the weather was balmy. From a low of 33 degrees, temperatures rose rapidly to 61 at 10 a. m. and to a maximum of 70 degrees during the afternoon. That the home heating situation did not become acute. Stores operated without normal heat, but despite a chill, there was no suffering.

The Herald, its type metal pot "frozen," was not able to begin composition until 8 p. m. Saturday.

Bakeries knocked on wood, for the disruption could not have happened at a "better time," according to one baker. His shop had finished a 22-hour run of production for the Saturday rush and had shut-down since no bread is produced for Sunday delivery. With gas in the lines last night, bakery buildings were being brought to proper temperature for normal resumption of bread-making.

So far as could be ascertained Saturday night, the restoration of service was accomplished smoothly. Since 10 a. m. Champ Rainwater, manager for Empire Southern Gas company, had crews, supplemented by city and Texas Electric Service workers, making house to house calls to warn residents to turn off all outlets. Lines were cut off at the meter in instances where no one was at home and up to midnight Saturday calls were coming in from those who returned later and could not understand why they had no gas.

All during the day the radio carried notices of the disruption. Hundreds of calls were answered at the downtown offices, and a special bulletin was broadcast as gas was cut in at the north gate.

Big Spring was without gas for the first time in 17 years Saturday. Shortly after natural gas came to Big Spring, the city exhausted the Howard-Glasscock supplies during the winter of 1929. In January 1930 a line was started to intersect with West Texas Gas company transmission lines in Martin county and in September this supply was tapped.

Although a high-pressure regulator stuck during the winter of 1936 and produced a dozen minor fires and one explosion in which no one was injured, the city has never been without gas since 1930.

Kenney and Davis, who helped install service here originally, said that the section of pipe apparently was "the weakest link in the chain," although it showed no effects from corrosion. They as-

## MOVES KITCHEN TO BACKYARD

A little thing like no gas did not stop Mrs. F. A. Farquhar, 405 W. 5th, in planning and executing her luncheon Saturday. Mrs. Farquhar simply moved her kitchen to the backyard and carried on over a campfire. For lunch she had boiled black coffee, Dutch oven biscuits and all the trimmings. Mr. Farquhar, W. E. Simmons and others came in to share in the old fashioned feast.

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The greater part of the lake will be Denton county, though the dam site is located near here in the northeast corner of Tarrant county.

Carpenter said completion of the Benbrook dam in Tarrant county, and dams at Grapevine, Lavon and Lewisville would control waters of the upper Trinity.

Dallas and the park cities expected to get 135,000-acre feet of water storage at Grapevine. Temple of Dallas, Edgar Deen of Fort Worth and Floyd Deacon of Grapevine.

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T. M. McColister, who spent 66 years of his life in the grocery business, retired a few months before Pearl Harbor and turned his attention to a huge orchard, principally pear trees, which he often climbed to pick his fruit. Members of the family recalled how he climbed one of the trees shortly before his 95th birthday, fell and then went back up to pick another basket.

"Work never hurt anybody," he said.

Born in Carroll county, Ga., he did most of the work when his father went away with a Confederate regiment. He moved to Bonham when he was 27 and married the former Louise Bell Lovelace in 1880. The family moved to Dallas in 1923.

Surviving are two sons, Ira L. McColister, Dallas, W. L. McColister, Big Spring; a daughter, Mrs. Glen King of Twitty, Texas. John McColister had worked as a carpenter and contractor.

Rites were to be held Monday at the Sparkman-Brand Funeral home at 4 p. m. in Dallas.

## City Takes No Election Stand

Big Spring city commissioners discussed the proposed civil service law for firemen and policemen Tuesday afternoon, but the commission as a group decided against taking a public stand on the question.

The civil service law and a minimum wage proposal for firemen and policemen will be presented to city voters on Dec. 15.

Commissioners present at yesterday's meeting indicated that they would take no part in any active campaign either for or against the measure, but that they would urge a good turnout at the polls.

In other action Tuesday, commissioners authorized the city manager to discontinue operation of the typhus control working crew. The typhus control ordinance will remain in effect, however. City Manager H. W. Whitney recommended that the working crew be disbanded, since an estimated 98 percent of its original objective has been completed.

Under the program the city has kept the crew in operation to offer rat proofing service to owners of commercial buildings for costs of only sufficient funds to meet expense of materials.

The city manager was instructed to advertise for bids before a new contract is issued for oils and greases for city use.

Commissioners approved appointment of Otto Appleton as a member of the police force.

## No Hike Noted In Gas Prices

Although it was expected momentarily there had been no significant advances in tank wagon prices on gasoline here Tuesday morning.

In the Houston area gasoline advanced one and a half cents per gallon on the strength of general acceptance of the Sun Oil posting of an increased 50 cents per barrel on crude oil. It was conceded that it was only a matter of time until the advance is reflected in prices to consumers at the pump.

Tuesday morning Sinclair had received word of half a cent increase on third grade gasoline, but none on regular and ethyl. Others were expecting word during the day on new schedules across the board.

## MATTER NOT CLOSED

### Trustees Reject Addition For Kate Morrison School

Bid for moving and remodeling an army surplus building into a double unit for six classrooms at the Kate Morrison school was rejected by the board of trustees of the Big Spring Independent School district Tuesday evening.

Only one bid, that for \$24,539.24, was received. It was submitted by Suggs Construction company.

## FIRST BONUSES ARE REPORTED

First of the major year-end bonuses announced in Big Spring was that distributed by the First National bank Wednesday.

All officers and employees of the bank received checks amounting to ten per cent of their annual salaries. The First National annually has distributed Christmas-gift bonuses to all its personnel.

## Receipts For Schools Top Disbursements

Receipts have outdistanced disbursements for the Big Spring Independent School district for the first three months of the fiscal year, regular monthly statement received by the trustees Tuesday evening shows.

Receipts totalled \$222,800, not including a \$42,000 carry-over from the previous fiscal year. Disbursements aggregated \$143,089 for the period, or a balance of \$79,710 in favor of receipts. This, with the beginning balance, left the balance as of Nov. 30 at \$122,084.

Current taxes contributed the bulk of receipts, accounting for \$148,000, or more than 70 per cent of the revised total. Only \$34,900 of the \$206,000 expected from the state per capita apportionment has been received to date, thus leaving total receipts about half of the anticipated amount for the year.

Of the total disbursements so far, the vast bulk has been for instructional service, or a total of \$107,500. Of this amount \$92,496 has gone for classroom teachers, \$8,819 for principals, supervisors and administration supervision, a total salary consideration of \$101,315 for instructional purposes.

Capital outlay accounted for \$7,100 on converting four buildings for athletic plant improvements. There also was \$310 for re-roofing the administration building, and \$1,726 for capital items for the band.

Under interest and sinking fund \$1,000 in bonds had been retired, \$6,705 in interest on serial bonds paid. During the year \$11,600 more in bonds will be paid, \$7,838 more interest.

## Robbery Suspect Is Turned Over To U. S. Marshall

U. S. Deputy Marshall Red Williams arrived from San Angelo today to take custody of Wm. L. Martin, who allegedly robbed the State National bank of over \$2,100 here last Friday and was captured within 55 minutes after he left the scene in a taxicab.

Martin for the past two days has been confined to a local hospital where he was taken following an attempted suicide. Martin slashed himself with a razor blade after writing several farewell notes, then changed his mind at the last moment and called for help.

Martin will be confined to a federal cell in San Angelo and probably face trial in a federal court.

## Argument Of Counsel Set In Reyes Case

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Suggs, who later appeared before the board at its request, answered questions about the proposed project, and in the end no decision was reached in the matter. His bid did not cover heating, plumbing and electrical work.

The board, however, kept the matter under advisement.

A decision was reached to proceed with completion of plumbing and flooring of two small buildings at the athletic plant, the cost estimated not to exceed \$850. A decision on type of exterior finish for these structures was due to be reached at the next meeting.

Bids on this phase ranged from \$900 for one type of stucco to about \$2,550 for rock veneer.

Steps were taken toward adjusting salaries of five elementary school principals, possibly percentage wise in relation to basic advances for classroom teachers.

The principals were contracted originally for \$2,700 for 10 months. At the same time, the board also voted to increase the rate for one member of the coaching staff from \$2,400 to \$2,800 per annum, effective Dec. 1, on account of the assumption of additional duties in the wake of resignations from the coaching staff. In this direction, the board was to face prospect of seeking a new head coach, Pat Murphy submitting his resignation effective Feb. 1, 1948, to enter private business. Resignation of J. B. Neely as an assistant coach was accepted. He previously had left to take a position with the Veterans Administration.

Other fiscal matters were discussed, but action held back pending an election contest appeal, now under consideration at the court of civil appeals in Eastland. During the evening, the board posed for its official photograph.

## Annual Anson Christmas Ball Is Scheduled

The annual "cowboy's Christmas ball," immortalized in poem, will be perpetuated again this year with four evenings of dancing at Anson. Dates are Dec. 20-24.

Originally, the ball was held in 1885 at the Morning Star hotel, and old timers remember many of the names mentioned in the postcard account of the affair. Among them was the late "Windy Bill" Wilkerson, father of Bert Wilkerson of Big Spring. He was the caller for the event.

Hundreds of people, young and old, return each year to Anson to dance the old time steps of the Virginia reel, square, waltz, heel and toe polka, new shoes, and the schottische. A grand march is led by young couples of pioneer families of the Jones county area, and prizes are awarded each evening for the best old time costumes. Music this year will be furnished by the Bogan Rhea string band.

## Library Group Slates Program

An educational program to be conducted Thursday night by the Friends of the Howard County Library discussion group will be open to the general public, Mrs. Irene Meier, chairman of the group, has announced.

The session is to begin at 7:30 p. m. in the YMCA headquarters. Films and slides of scenes in Alaska will be shown by Dr. R. C. Trueblood. The film series collected by Dr. Trueblood probably will be of interest to a number of local citizens, and all are invited to attend the meeting, Mrs. Meier said.

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