

SOOCHOW CREEK DESERTED — Soochow creek, usually teeming with Chinese small boats, is deserted here for the first time in years as boatmen abandoned it as Chinese Communist troops advanced on Shanghai, shown in background. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Shanghai).

YMCA Building Fund Nearing Half Way Mark

With the YMCA building campaign fund pressing the half way mark, Cliff Wiley, general chairman, was hopeful Friday that the permanent home project was swinging into full stride.

Estimates at noon were that there was approximately \$19,000 raised, and pledged toward the \$40,000 program. A number of prospect cards were still unreported, said the chairman, and he appealed to workers to complete contacts as rapidly as possible.

Two days of effort had increased the YMCA fund from \$12,000 subscribed informally in previous effort, by approximately \$7,000, according to reports from campaign headquarters. Women workers have shown a substantial edge over the men representatives thus far.

BASIC SCIENCE BILL IS SIGNED

AUSTIN, April 28. (AP)— Gov. Beauford H. Jester signed the basic science bill today, saying he hoped it ended a "long and sometimes bitter legislative battle."

Demos Will Accept T-H Amendments

WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP)— House administration leaders said today they would accept certain amendments to their Taft-Hartley repeal bill to save it from defeat by Republicans and southern Democrats.

They claimed a minimum of 210 votes for a modified version of the Lesinski bill as a decisive vote approached—possibly late today but probably not until tomorrow.

Normally, that total would be enough to send their bill to the Senate. The measure would repeal the Taft-Hartley Labor Act and replace it with a union-backed measure modeled after the 1935 Wagner Act.

But opponents still publicly claimed an edge in voting strength.

DAYS DEATHLESS 503
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SOME AMERICANS LEAVE Shanghai Escape Gate Is Closing

SHANGHAI, April 28. (AP)— The escape gate from communist threatened Shanghai began closing slowly today.

For foreigners, the last ships were preparing to get underway. For the Chinese, land routes were coming under Red troop domination.

Airplanes still took out refugees over land and sea.

The American liner President Wilson, likely to be the last liner down the Whangpoo this afternoon, is expected to call here for some time, said a spokesman.

Those Americans who elected to stay in Shanghai—some 1,500 of them—are now here come what may.

One small U. S. Navy craft during the afternoon took a few stragglers down the river to the hospital ship refuge. Navy sources hinted that may be the last boat out.

Big naval craft moored down the river, out of range of Communist shore guns, may depart tonight or tomorrow, one naval officer said.

British warships still are in the Yangtze and Whangpoo but the British are not undertaking emergency evacuations.

People who leave Shanghai from now on will move mostly by air. Both the American Northwest Airlines and Pan-American still are running regular flights and some special planes to the United States, Manila and Hong Kong.

The approaching Communists appeared to be at least 30 or 40 miles away in mid-afternoon although they took Soochow (Wuhsein), about 50 miles west of Shanghai, early yesterday. Their advance may be slowed down because they still have not sufficient forces ferried across the Yangtze to handle the various drives which are developing.

The new plant not only houses the general offices, but it also contains display space, an electric kitchen, garage, and warehouse storage. It is located adjacent to the Cap Rock locker plant, west of Stanton on U. S. 80.

Approximately 400 ministers, delegates and visitors of the West Texas District of Assemblies of God churches will conclude their 19th annual meeting tonight at the Municipal auditorium.

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House Passes Second G-A School Measure

\$50 Million Bill For State Depts. Sent To Calendar

AUSTIN, April 28. (AP)— The House today passed the minimum foundation school bill, second of the Gilmer-Aikin measures on second reading, 97 to 18.

Another major piece of legislation was sent to the calendar by the House Appropriations Committee. It was a bill appropriating \$50 million dollars for state departments during the next two years.

Debate of the third and final school reorganization bill was expected to begin later in the day.

The departmental money bill was recommended for passage by the appropriations committee after a sharp fight by economy forces to slice it by \$5 million as recommended for passage, the departmental bill calls for a 16 per cent increase over current expenditures.

A substitute measure by Rep. William A. Miller of Houston, calling for heavy cuts, was turned down 11 to 7.

The House has finally passed and sent to the Senate two of the major money bills that must be approved before final adjournment. They were the judiciary and eleemosynary measures. The college money bill is still in the House committee.

All the big-money measures and numerous others are still hung up in the Senate Finance Committee.

Cap Rock Co-Op To Hold Open House At Stanton Saturday

STANTON, April 28.—Open house in its new \$75,000 office building will highlight the annual meeting of the Cap Rock Cooperative here Saturday.

The new plant, occupied first a week ago, will be open for inspection from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m., the latter being the time for beginning of the annual business meeting at the Stanton high school auditorium.

Most for the occasion will be O. B. Bryan, superintendent. Other staffers who will join in welcoming members and visitors are Euel Ferguson, general manager; Ray Simpson, office manager; Winifred Connell, secretary; Gene Hardy, billing clerk; Bobby Yater, billing clerk; Sammy Houston, material clerk; Valton Land, line superintendent; W. A. Ringener, maintenance foreman. Crew members are A. A. Baker, foreman, Chick Renfro, A. R. Les, Kent Barrett and W. A. Braves.

Members will receive annual reports and elect directors at the annual parley.

When the decision was announced, the CAB said the order was in keeping with a policy to lessen competition for Pioneer, which was given several extensions and a five year extension as a feeder line. The CAB rulings, however were to be subject to final review.

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MAY TAKE POST — Curtis E. Calder (above), utilities executive, may take the post of Secretary of the Army, formerly held by Kenneth Royal, it was disclosed in Washington. (AP Wirephoto).

FEDORA FACES RETIREMENT FRIDAY AS 'STRAW HAT DAY' IS SET HERE

It won't be against the law, but it will be definitely contrary to style to sport the old fedora after Friday.

Friday is "straw hat day" in Big Spring, the calendar marker which signals retirement of somber homburgs, heavy snarbrims and other assorted felts of a hard winter.

Big Spring haberdasheries are displaying a wide assortment of cooler, lighter and more comfortable straws, limitless in style and color. These range from the conventional types, in both open and close weave, to the rugged pieces which lend themselves to the Western upswing on the brim. Moreover, there are chapeaux fitted to almost any pocket book.

The range in quality is from the coarser straws to the imported Panamas with delicate kid-like texture. Bands are flashy, too, giving an extra dash to the summer top-piece.

HEAVY DAMAGE REPORTED Hailstorms Strike West Texas Towns

Jolting hail storms struck several West Texas communities last night and early today.

Hardest hit were Kermit and Big Lake. In each case, the hail, rain and wind were the worst in local history.

The hailstorms took the weather spotlight from Victoria and in South Texas, where the swollen Guadalupe river was climbing to dangerous heights.

Every roof in Big Lake was damaged and all west windows knocked out. Big Lake is 68 miles west of San Angelo.

Big Lake's new elementary school and gymnasium were severely damaged by water. Broken windows allowed the soaking 3.25-inch rain to pour into the building.

The usually-dry Big Lake, near the town of Big Lake, was full of water for the first time in more than ten years.

Meanwhile Kermit in West Texas counted damage in the thousands of dollars after the city's worst hail, rain and wind storm in history.

The storm struck Kermit late last night. New houses escaped without broken window panes. Hundreds of house tops were damaged. Some downtown plate glass windows were smashed.

Big Spring and area soaked in showers ranging from a quarter to an inch Wednesday night.

The U. S. weather bureau reported .23 of an inch and the U. S. experiment farm measured .20.

Ackerly estimated half an inch, Stanton about a quarter of an inch with Central Martin county getting upwards of an inch. Telephone communications to Forsan and Garden City were disrupted by the rain and booming electrical displays and no reports on rainfall in that sector were available.

Conahoma had two brisk showers at 10 p. m. and 2 a. m., leaving water standing Thursday. No communications had been received from the Chalk and Vincent areas, but Vincent had a hard shower at 10 a. m. Wednesday that left terraces brimming with water.

Planting over the area was halted after several days of intense effort.

JUST TOOK TIME FOR BIT OF SLEEP

SEATTLE, April 28. (AP)—After sheriff's deputies, neighbors and her frantic mother combed the neighborhood for her, they found two-year-old Suzanne McNeese yesterday.

She was catnapping behind the living room davenport.

Talks With Reds Reach Stage Of Final Decision

Russians Expected To Reply Soon To Western Questions

WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP) President Truman said today he believes the Russians are acting in good faith in their new moves toward lifting of the Berlin blockade.

The President told a news conference that if he didn't think the Russian feelers were advanced in good faith, the United States would not be continuing conversations on the matter.

These conversations have now reached the stage of final decision with Russia controlling the next move.

The Soviets were expected to reply soon to the questions raised by the Western Powers on whether their only condition for ending the blockade is western agreement to a meeting of the council of foreign ministers.

The Western Powers already made known their willingness to join such a meeting, once Berlin conditions are restored to normal.

What they are trying to nullify now is the point that Russia does not insist on suspending the organization on non-Communist Western Germany pending the session.

The British - American-French note is reported to have asked the Soviet government to declare officially whether it stands firmly on the blockade lifting proposal released by the Tass news agency in a Moscow dispatch Tuesday.

This proposal represented Russia as being willing to abolish the restrictions on service transportation between Berlin and the western zones of Germany. In exchange, the Russians were said to want a meeting of the big four foreign ministers council to discuss all outstanding German issues involving the four powers.

American authorities appear to be generally convinced:

1. That the Berlin blockade is now hurting Russia more than it ever harmed the West; that the men in the Kremlin must have realized that the success of the air lift in supplying Berlin has become a symbol of western power all over Germany. The Russians therefore are believed to have decided to end the blockade.

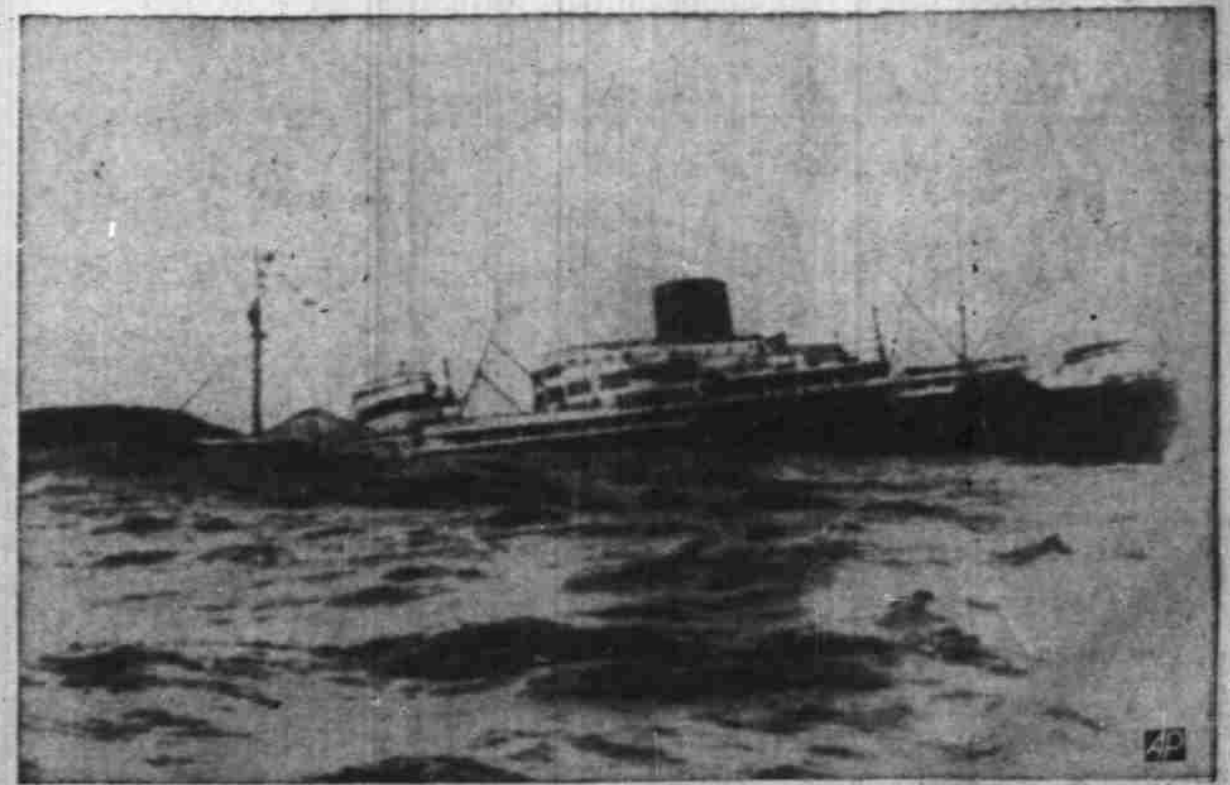
2. In thus trying to close out the losing deal the Russians are nevertheless anxious to salvage some advantage for themselves.

Balch Memorial Rites Set Friday

Memorial services will be held here Friday at 1 p. m. concurrent with military rites in the Wood cemetery, near Milwaukee, Wis., for Raymond C. Balch.

The memorial rites will be conducted in the family home at 207 Bell street since his mother, Mrs. C. R. Balch, and other relatives, were unable to go to Wisconsin for the services there. Rev. Marvin H. Clark, Trinity Baptist pastor, will officiate here and a girl's duet will sing. Raymond C. Balch died in a veterans hospital at Tomah, Wis. His father, Ramsey Balch, and uncle, C. C. Balch, are enroute to Milwaukee for the military rites.

Next Monday Is **\$\$\$DOLLAR DAY\$\$\$** In Big Spring
Big Spring Stores will have Special Values and Shoppers Can Benefit. For Full Details of These Offerings See **SUNDAY'S HERALD**



BRITISH LINER SINKS OFF BRAZIL — Waves break over the sinking British luxury liner Magdalena off the entrance of Guanabara Bay in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro. The liner went down shortly after this picture was made. The 17,500-ton ship of the Royal Mail Line en route home from her maiden voyage, went aground. She was being towed to Rio when she sank. At least 97 of her crew of 237 were rescued. The liner's 350 passengers were removed from the ship soon after she ran aground. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Rio).



Home Manufactured Feed Gains Friends By Backed Quality

Home manufactured feeds—with an unconditional guarantee—are finding increasing favor in the Big Spring area. Processed by the Tucker and McKinley Grain company with the most modern machinery and with best materials, chick starter, laying mash, growing mash and 18 per cent dairy feeds are being marketed in printed material bags. Consumption already is approaching the two in a week mark. Best materials are used according to rigid, state-approved requirements and only dehydrated meal goes into the poultry products.

There were 25 home runs hit with the bases filled in the American League in 1948, an increase of 10 over the previous season.

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COMFORTABLE KITCHEN—A few of the many appliances that go to make the modern kitchen an efficient and comfortable place to perform homemaking duties. Modern ranges, refrigerators, coolers and other items are but a part of the wide range of quality appliances Brooks has available to housewives of this area. (Jack M. Haynes Photo).

Snug Fitting Visor Walker Special Offer

The Kar Visor, a new line of equipment which serves the purpose of the name implies is the latest addition to merchandise stocks at the Walker Auto Parts, located at 409 East Third street.

The Kar Visor differs considerably from other types of attachable automobile visors because it has the appearance of being an original part of the car itself after installation. It is expected to become an exceptionally popular item as summer approaches.

Walker Auto Parts also is installing a new head surfacing machine in its automotive machine shop, which is the largest in Big Spring. This equipment will enable the local firm to provide even better precision service in that department.

The Walker automotive machine shop makes a specialty of crankshaft grinding, piston grinding, block repairing, etc., while in the merchandising department dozens of nationally known brands among parts, tools and accessories. The firm handles such items as Sherwin-Williams auto paints and DuPont Permatex and Hobeco automotive chemicals.

Walker's also maintains a complete stock of garage and services station equipment, and the firm can furnish a rebuilt motor for virtually any make or model of automobile.

Magic Number In Grain Is 7078

The magic number in grain sorghum planting, on the basis of results last year, seems to be 7078. That's the tag for a new type combine milt developed at the Chil-

licoque experiment station and propagated additionally by the Lubbock and Amarillo stations with some rather remarkable results.

Two factors appear to be stimulating the rapid popularity of this grain — unusual drought-resistant qualities and possibly softer grain. At any rate, on the strength of the showing in this area, Tucker-McKinley Grain company has laid in a big supply of this much-sought after grain, and with farmers ready to put plows into the ground, calls are multiplying.

In Martin county last year Dr. Lee Rogers made 725 pounds per acre with 7078 when all other types failed to head. Similar examples were reported in that area, and south of Stanton one producer got 1200 pounds per acre when other grains failed to make. Willis Winters doubled the yield on other grain patches with 7078 — and plans this year to put his entire feed acreage in the variety.

But that doesn't mean other varieties are not in heavy demand, for they have long records of performance. Hence, Tucker & McKinley have adequate stores of certified Caprock, Martin, and Plainsman milt as well as Texas milt, the famous old goose-neck variety. Other seed offerings include sweet and regular sudan; red top cane, early begira, corn and black-eyed peas.

Smart new posture and executive chairs, which serve to give the modern office that modern look, are available at the Thomas Typewriter and Supply, 107 Main street. The chairs were built for comfort but blend perfectly with the latest in office furniture.

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Four Big Points Listed By Royal

Four major selling points of the new Gray Magic Royal typewriter, handled and serviced by the Thomas Typewriter and Office Supply of Big Spring, are stressed by Eugene Thomas, proprietor and manager of that concern.

1. Finger-Flow keys, designed to cradle your finger tips.
2. Clean ribbon change. Users can switch ribbons without soiling hands, a service offered exclusively in the new model.
3. Removable cylinder. With the thumb and finger of one hand, the user can lift the cylinder free of the carriage when he cleans it. The removable cylinder is another exclusive feature of the Gray Magic Royal machine.
4. "Magic" Margin. Most revolutionary of all the changes at the

new machine is its facility for setting the margin where desired, at the flick of a finger. The user needs simply to place the machine in the desired position, punch the lever and the margin is set.

The soft, grey tone of the new machine banished glint and glare so common with other typewriters. Thomas asks that shoppers come and see for themselves how Royal has bettered the best, how Royal has succeeded Royal as the world's number one typewriter.

The new machine can be seen on display at the Thomas store, located at 107 Main street in Big Spring.

Fort Worth Woman 'Mother Of Year'

NEW YORK, April 25. (AP) — The American mother of the year is a tiny, 60-year-old Kentucky-born woman, the wife of a postal worker in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Pearle Owens Gillis was named last night by the National Mothers Committee of the Golden Rule Foundation.

Mrs. Gillis raised six children of her own, and helped educate eight others. The family she raised and helped educate now is engaged in many fields, including radio and college teaching.

Health Bill Has Civil Rights Plan

WASHINGTON, April 25. (AP) — The administration's national health insurance bill has a civil rights provision.

The bill says that in carrying out the program "there shall be no discrimination on account of race, creed or color."

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Big Spring Flower Lovers Attend Garden Club's Show And Silver Tea

Big Spring flower lovers had an opportunity Wednesday to display and view beautiful spring blossoms at the local Garden Club's spring flower show and silver tea held in the Episcopal Parish House following the regular business meeting. Proceeds from the tea will be used to pay expenses for the flower judging show to be held in the Settles Hotel May 3-4.

Many attractive and unique arrangements were on display. Types of flowers included most of the spring varieties which can be grown in this area and many people who attended the show expressed their surprise at the large number of flowers already in bloom. Mrs. Robert E. Lee, local artist, added to the display with several colorful paintings. One of the outstanding attractions was a bird nest arrangement by Mrs. J. E. Hogan.

General chairman for the flower show and tea were Mrs. J. C. Daugherty, who presided at the register, and Mrs. Cliff Wiley, Mrs. J. D. Benton presided at the tea. Mrs. D. M. Penn, Mrs. Myrtle Lloyd Wasson and Mrs. J. W. Burrell formed the refreshment committee.

During the regular business session, final plans were made for the

judging school. Mrs. D. M. Penn reported on the work that has been done on the new girl scout hut which has included the planting of shrubs. Mrs. J. C. Daugherty reported on the District One Convention which was held in Hereford April 8-9. Mrs. Ross Boykin was elected pilgrimage chairman and Mrs. J. E. Hogan, yearbook chairman.

Members and guests who attended the show and tea were: Mrs. Ted Phillips, Mrs. G. B. Hale, Mrs. Walter L. Phillips, Mrs. J. W. E. Boyd, Mrs. David Elrod, Mrs. J. O. Vineyard, Mrs. G. Frankin Dillon, Mrs. A. C. Bass, Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Mrs. Lowell Baird, Mrs. Ray Boren, Mrs. T. A. Thigpen, Mrs. Albert Dillon, Mrs. Elmo Wasson, Mrs. R. R. McEwen, Sr., Mrs. J. D. Stittler, Mrs. Robert Stripling, Mrs. M. J. Stewart, Mrs. H. C. Stipp, Mrs. Hack Wright, Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. Charles Watson, Mrs. W. N. Norred, Mrs. Otis Grafe, Mrs. D. S. Riley, Mrs. John L. Dibrrel, Mrs. G. E. Fleeman, Mrs. J. E. Hogan, Mrs. R. E. Power, Mrs. W. E. Demmie, Mrs. Larson Lloyd, Mrs. L. E. Phillips, Mrs. Opal Davis, Mrs. J. C. Pickle, Mrs. Dempsey Agee, Mrs. Jennie M. Brown, Mrs. R. P. Kountz, Mrs. Olen L. Puckett, Mrs. J. C. Lane,

Mrs. Cooper Brown, Mrs. W. J. Garrett, Mildred Young, Mrs. E. L. Barrick, Mrs. Robert E. Lee, Mrs. A. V. Young, Mrs. V. Van Gieson, Mrs. J. F. Skalicky, Mrs. Frank B. Wilson, Mrs. J. D. Benson, Mrs. J. W. Burrell, Mrs. Ross Boykin, Mrs. D. M. Penn, Mrs. J. C. Daugherty, Mrs. Lloyd Wasson, Mrs. John A. Coffee, Mrs. S. R. Nobles, Mrs. Marvin Sewell, Mrs. George H. Vineyard, Mrs. J. D. Elliott, Mrs. J. E. Hardesty, Fannie Stephens, Mrs. B. L. LeFevre, Mrs. J. Gordon Bristol, Mrs. J. T. Brooks, Mrs. C. D. Wiley, Mrs. R. L. Tollett, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Mrs. B. D. Boswell, El Paso, Mrs. Shina Phillips, Mrs. Ralph W. Baker and Mrs. M. J. Stratton.

RIBBON RAMBLINGS

By MILDRED YOUNG

Big Spring high school students are now in the process of becoming professional autograph hunters. It's that season of the year again when the "El Rodeo" is the main topic of conversation and the chief occupation of its many fans.

Bound in a blue and gold ranch design, the publication is dedicated to Mrs. Erma Steward, annual sponsor. We think Mrs. Steward is a good choice. Theme for the year is sports. This idea is carried out in a very attractive manner.

One of the most interesting features we noticed was in the senior section. A nice name is given with each senior's real name and list of honors. In the senior section, we found: Kelley "Sticky" Lawrence, the bachelor's wife; Jimmie "Honey Child" White, who's quite the farmer; Billy Bob "Shorty" Watson, who seems to enjoy wearing bow ties; Culin "Snor" Grigsby, Jr., who headed the 1948-49 student body; Mary Louise "Louie" Porter, who is better known in this office as "Little Porter"; a student council member, Neta "Undie" Underwood, a class favorite in 44-45; Joe "Stud" Jabor; Virginia "Ginger" Costello, an all-around person and well-known volleyball team member; Quepha "Squeaky" Preston, a hard working member of the physical education department; Jerry M. "Bandmember" Williams, this year's drum major; Charles "Chubby" Jones, the postman in the senior play; and Joann Tanner, who is known as "Tant."

There's nothing like a nick name. Reminds us of dear old college days when for some unknown reason, we carried the name of "Hootch" or the days on the Vernon Record, when we were known as "Sleeping Beauty." Every now and then, we are called by one of our latest titles, "Orphan Annie." There's just one thing we have never figured out, most people manage to have only one nick name at a time, but we manage to carry around a collection of, at least, a half a dozen, none of which seem to have anything in common. Oh, we forget one of our present names is "Torchy."

It will probably always be a mystery as to how nick names get started, but most of us answer to them and even like some of them even if we pretend we don't. Having no middle name (Thank Goodness!) I really wouldn't know, but most people seem to like any nick name a little better than their unknown-to-the-public middle name. If we dared, we would print a few initial hidden names. For instance, do you know what the H. in Alsie H. Carleton represents? We think you'll have fun out of some of our friends if you will make a habit of finding the meaning of those plain initials found in so many names. Incidentally, is the R. in R. Gage Lloyd, a secret?

Mrs. E. D. Merrill Serves As Club Hostess

Mrs. E. D. Merrill entertained the members of the Wednesday Friendship Luncheon club in her home, 1500 Gregg, Wednesday.

Various arrangements of roses comprised the decorations.

Present were Mrs. C. E. Talbot, Mrs. A. M. Bowden, Mrs. W. F. Cook, Mrs. C. E. Johnson, Mrs. L. E. Eddy, Mrs. A. C. Hart and Mrs. E. D. Merrill, the hostess.



IN OPERETTA — Three of the characters in the operetta, "Tom Sawyer," enjoyed recently by Coahoma school patrons, are shown above in typically Sawyeryan pose. They are Skeet Williams, Jimmy Hale and Norman Speers. More than a score of fifth and sixth grade students participated under the direction of Mrs. Ed Robertson in the musical adaptation by Theodosia Paynter from the Mark Twain epoch. Photo by Jack M. Haynes.

College Delegates Leave For El Paso

Eleven representatives of Howard County Junior college left for El Paso today to attend the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association meeting which will convene this afternoon and continue through Saturday night. Local delegates include: Dick Clifton, president of the press club, Leroy Christoffer, Ernest Potter, Henry Thames, T. D. Weaver, Don Alexander, Bill Hammack, Margaret Cowan, sponsor, Betty Mason, editor of the college paper, El Nido, Jenny Miller, editor of the college annual, Jayhawk and Erma Jean Slaughter.

Garden City Girls Attend Program At Texas Tech

Six students of the local homemaking department attended the open house at Texas Tech, Lubbock, Saturday. Those making the trip were: Lue Low, Wanda Wilkerson, Helen Hightower, Bonnetta Cox, Pat Mason, Ruby Joyce Venable, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Haynes and their instructor, Mrs. H. L. Lovell.

"Maturity" was the lesson-subject for the day's study at the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Methodist parsonage Monday afternoon. Mrs. L. W. Hamilton was elected chairman of the nominating committee, with Mrs. D. W. Parker and Mrs. T. E. Ashbill as assistants. Mrs. D. W. Parker will entertain the club at the next meeting. Attending were Mrs. J. A. Haynes, Mrs. D. W. Parker, Mrs. T. E. Ashbill, Mrs. L. W. Hamilton and Ms. A. T. Mason.

A study on stewardship, based on the book, "Partnership with Christ" occupied members of the Presbyterian Missionary Society meeting Monday afternoon. Present were Mrs. E. M. Teale, Mrs. J. C. Cunningham and Mrs. A. C. Durrant.

Mrs. P. W. Cunningham conducted the Bible study for the W.M.S., which met at the church Monday afternoon. Announcement was made of a book review to be given at next Monday's meeting. Attending were Mrs. Cal Pruitt, Mrs. K. L. Gillispie, Mrs. A. Wade.

Folders describing Camp Tonkawa at Buffaloe Gap were distributed at the Monday night meeting of the Garden City Girl Scouts. Plans were made for the fly-up ceremony and the awarding of badges. At the meeting were Anna Mary Gray, Georgia Lee Rich, Kerney Sue and Connie Scudday, Sandra Wilkerson, Phyllis Durrant and Mrs. L. W. Hamilton.

Mrs. Marshall Cook was hostess to the Double Deck Bridge club Monday evening, when Mrs. Dan Houston scored high. Mrs. Glenn Riley low and Mr. A. R. Cox binged. Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Houston, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Cox, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gibson, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Cook.

Lucille Morgan and Tom Thanton of Lubbock spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Underwood of Fort Worth were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Underwood.

Mrs. Tom Carter is in a Dallas hospital for treatment.

J. G. Nichols Home Scene Of Party

KNOTT, April 28 (Sp)—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Nichols entertained with a party in their home Friday evening. Games were entertainment and refreshments were served. Attending were Doris Jackson, Charlotte Nichols, Genevieve Hughes, Evelyn Roberts, Helen Ruth Clay, Fay Williams, Darrell Jackson, Oliver Nichols, Jr., Kenneth Large, Spot Cockrell, Robert Beal, Joe Beall, Landon Burchell, Sonny Myers, Pee Wee Shortes, Billy Wayne Cockrell, Louis and Aldon Hayes, Thomas Romine, Billy Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Hughes, Charles Ray Gibbs of Big Spring, Sammy Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson, Neva Jean and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Clay, Mrs. Joe Myers and Nona Fay Bonner.

Knott Rebekah lodge 14 met in regular session Thursday evening. Present were Fannie Johnson, Ena Coker, Lella Clay, Ola Motley, Gertrude Hill, Maurine Hanks, Dorothy Iden, Lola Myers, Fannie Glass, Jewell Smith, Nora Gaskin and P. P. Coker.

Rush Week Begins

Rush Week activities of the Epistol Sigma Alpha Sorority began Wednesday evening when members and guests gathered at the home of Leatrice Ross to hike to the J. J. Balch country home for a wicker roast and bluejean party. W. E. Eubanks was the chef for the evening.

There will be a costume party tonight in the home of Jamie Bilbo, 412 East Park. Dinner will be served.

Those present were: Bo Bowen, Ruth Webb, Minnie Earle Johnson, Leatrice Ross, Edna Shannon, Mary Ann Goodson, Myrtle Franklin, Jackie Hatcher, Leta Cowley, Pat Shannon, Stella Mae Wheat, Doris Eubanks and Dorothy Day.

Hartwells Notes

HARTWELLS, April 28 (Sp)—Mrs. John Friddy of Stanton reviewed the book, "David, The King," here Sunday.

Robert Burchett spent Saturday evening with his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hale of Big Spring. Bobby Burchett was a guest of Evelyn McKaskle Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Murphree, J. C. and Robert Burchett visited recently in the M. G. Burchett home. The Rev. T. L. Pond of Tarzan visited Thursday afternoon with J. T. Gross.

Joyce Burchett was a Saturday evening guest of Melba Burchette. Evelyn McKaskle visited in Texas Tech, Lubbock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Britton Hull of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gross Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Murphree was a business visitor in Lubbock recently.

Oneta Chapman of Big Spring spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Bill McElvain and family. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burchett visited the J. H. Burchette Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Algie Smith spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Barmore and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gross.

To Be Hostess

Mrs. J. D. Jenkins, 407 Bennett, will be hostess to the Firemen Auxiliary Friday at 3 p. m.

Mrs. W. D. Green Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. W. D. Green was named honoree at a pink and blue shower at the regular meeting of the Palmette club in the home of Mrs. M. L. Kirby, 305 Owens, Wednesday afternoon.

Games were entertainment and refreshments were served.

Mrs. F. D. Williams will entertain the club in her home, 206 W. 6th, at the next meeting.

Those attending were: Mrs. L. P. Trammell, Mrs. E. W. York, Mrs. C. C. Aaron, Mrs. Bob Wright, Mrs. R. C. Fessler, Mrs. T. M. Malone, Mrs. L. W. Smith, Mrs. F. D. Williams, Mrs. Doyle Grice, the honoree, Mrs. Green, and the hostesses, Mrs. Kirby.

Those attending were: Mrs. Stella Dement, Mrs. Nell Everly, Mrs. Irene McCulston, Mrs. Jo McCullough, Mrs. Sue Williams, Mrs. Opal Hammons, Mrs. Lillian Slaughter, Mrs. J. A. Magee, Mrs. Smith, Gillie Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Stella Prescott, Mrs. Elnora Davidson, Mrs. Zula Barber, Mrs. Leola Davidson, Mrs. Ollie Carr, Mrs. W. C. Newton, Mrs. Bonnie Cross and Pat Cross.

Mrs. Dan Scott Named Honoree

Pink and blue formed the color scheme for the refreshments and decorations when Mrs. Wilma Whitaker, Mrs. J. D. Rowland and Mrs. Marvin Hayworth entertained with a gift shower for Mrs. Dan Scott in the Whitaker home.

Those attending were: Mrs. Stella Dement, Mrs. Nell Everly, Mrs. Irene McCulston, Mrs. Jo McCullough, Mrs. Sue Williams, Mrs. Opal Hammons, Mrs. Lillian Slaughter, Mrs. J. A. Magee, Mrs. Smith, Gillie Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Stella Prescott, Mrs. Elnora Davidson, Mrs. Zula Barber, Mrs. Leola Davidson, Mrs. Ollie Carr, Mrs. W. C. Newton, Mrs. Bonnie Cross and Pat Cross.

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LEGION LETTER

By KAY BUGG

The state convention will be held in Fort Worth this year on August 5, 6, 7. State Commander Bill McGraw requested at the state executive meeting last week in Austin that each post make an added effort to bring the membership up to last year's high. At present we are short 14,000 members. There will be another six weeks extension on the membership drive to be conducted by W. F. "Bill" Trallie who is chairman of the state membership committee. Commander Alvin Thigpen stated that the Aerial Roundup in Austin was very successful. Amarillo was the winner in the Roundup with 231 new members. While in Austin Buddy Thigpen had a wonderful two hour ride aboard the Ship Commodore.

The Senate has passed legislation advancing the deadline for filing prisoner of war claims from July 3, 1950 to March 1, 1951, moving deadline for filing of report by Commission from March 31, 1949 to March 1, 1950. Although the Commission was authorized in July, 1948 no personnel ever has been appointed to act as commissioners.

Yet organizations again at cross purposes on legislation of importance to War II veterans. This issue involves whether or not readjustment allowances under GI Bill for unemployed should be continued beyond present July 25, 1949 expiration date. Alaska jobs will be plentiful this year but most of the hiring will be done on-the-spot in Alaska. Army construction contracts have just been awarded for work in Anchorage and Fairbanks areas. Hiring season will be from mid-May to mid-July. Veterans should note that living costs in

Alaska are high, work seasonal and there is no family housing available. For information on specific Alaska jobs in a particular line of work, write Alaska Territorial Employment offices in any of the following places, Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau, Ketchikan, Wrangell, Cordova or Kodiak. For some jobs in Washington, D. C. vets without any job experience can take current Civil Service test for "printing plant worker" pay \$2,288 to \$2,745. Applications are available at first and second-class post offices. Veterans Administration has compiled for the first time "fact sheet" on benefits available to peacetime veterans whose service did not include any wartime service. There will be a teen age party at the Legion clubhouse Friday evening 29 April. Next meeting for the square dance club will be 5 May. The new square dance class which started last Tuesday seems to be going along very nicely. Anyone who wishes to get in this class and is eligible may still enroll next Tuesday evening 2 May but not after that date. Buddy Lloyd Shurden is the new Sgt-at-Arms for the post. Buddy and Mrs. Harold Steck have as their guests his mother and father Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Steck and his uncle Phil Dale of Greeley, Colo. They plan to be here for about two weeks. Jan Anderson, daughter of Buddy and Mrs. Don Anderson is recuperating from a tonsillitis. Buddy Culin Grigsby has been in Oklahoma City on business the past few days. Mrs. Lee Foster, wife of Buddy Lee Foster, is very ill in Malone-Hogan hospital. The service clubs of Big Spring will send five boys to Boys State this year, but all arrangements have not been made. Legionaires be sure to read your letter about the fireworks celebration. Don't forget the free barbecue and dance 4 June. Buddy and Mrs. Johnny Griffin and son are leaving next week to visit with Mrs. Griffin's parents in Collins, Miss.

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County Singing Convention Draws Large Crowd At Mount Joy Church

KNOTT, April 26 (Sp)—Members of the Howard County Singing Convention met at the Mount Joy Missionary Baptist church Sunday. A large crowd attended the most, including special vocal groups from Lamesa, Big Spring, Center Point and Vealmoor. The next convention date has been announced for Oct. 23 in the Vealmoor Baptist church.

Maurine Chapman, Mary Sue Smith, Jerry Grah, and J. E. Newcomer attended a regional inter-church meeting in Odessa Saturday. Miss Chapman won first place in shorthand and will attend the state meet in Austin, May 6.

Mrs. Mamie Metcalf and family and Mrs. Bewel Bragg and daughter of Portales, N. M. visited Mrs. Metcalf's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gaskin. Other guests in the Gaskin home were Mr. and Mrs. Grady Gaskin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Gaskin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Claude King and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chapman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kendrick and Janet of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sample Sunday. C. H. Riddle, Jr. of Lubbock spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Riddle, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sample entertained with a domino party Saturday evening. Present were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Roman, Judy, Donnie and Wanda Jean, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Gaskin and R. L. Stallings. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Raymond Chapman and Mrs. Bevel Bragg visited Mrs. Howard Campbell of Big Spring Friday evening.

Mrs. Stewart of Ranger is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. Junior Gaskin.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barnes were Mr. and Mrs.

E. Tito and the hostess.

Wynona Hamby, Howard Woods and Elva Thomas attended church services Sunday evening with Dorothy and Curtis Rasberry.

Buck Drake and Doyle Westfall of Colorado City spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tata. Mr. and Mrs. Needy Allred, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allred, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Allred, Lillian Fay Witt and Mrs. G. L. Wythe and daughter and Buster Shortes have returned from a fishing trip to the Rio Grande.

Sunday guests of Charlotte Nichols were Geleese Hughes of Big Spring, Doris Jackson, Billy Nichols, Kenneth Laska, Spot Cockrell, Robert Beall, and J. R. Newcomer.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Newcomer were the Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Pettus of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pettus of Luther.

Robert Nichols attended the Ackerly Junior-senior banquet in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burrow and family of Ackerly were Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burrow.

LeVerne and Donald Ray Gross of Hartwells visited Saturday in the home of Mrs. Hershel Smith.

Sunday visitors in the L. J. Burrow home were Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Iglehart and family and Bertha Jane Matlock of Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dorn of Colorado City and Mrs. Ola Franklin of Big Spring.

The Rev. and Mrs. Monroe Teeters and Sharon have moved to Greenwood where he has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church there.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burrow were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Franklin in Big Spring Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Key of Vealmoor visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Clay Sunday.

Wilda Rasberry spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of Patsy Gay.

Mrs. J. W. Graham of Ackerly visited her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Don Rasberry Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Drake and Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Gaston of Colorado City were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tata.

Cecil Rasberry attended the singing convention at the Mount Joy Missionary Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Jeffcoats are the parents of a daughter born April 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Seaborn Bonner of Pampa spent the week-end in the W. A. Jackson home.

Milton Gaskin visited Dick and J. S. Clay Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams were Sunday dinner guests of her sister, and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Thomas of Big Spring.

The Rev. and Mrs. Monroe Teeters, Mrs. J. B. Sample, Mrs. Fred Roman, Mr. E. L. Roman, Mrs. T. M. Robinson and Mrs. J. C. Spalding attended Workers conference in Prairie View recently.

W. M. Nichols is vacationing in Hot Springs, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Winterbauer and Sandra of Big Spring visited Sunday with Mrs. W. M. Nichols.

Helen Ruth Clay spent Sunday visiting with Doris Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sample visited Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Smith Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Burks and Isom Burks of Trent spent Monday night with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burks.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Burks were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Burks and family and G. I. Burks of Big Spring.

Margaret Christie Is Club Speaker

KNOTT, April 26 (Sp)—Margaret Christie, county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration on the preparation of food for frozen food lockers at the meeting of the local Home Demonstration club in the home of Mrs. W. A. Jackson Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. E. G. Newcomer reported on the upholstery project completed by Mrs. W. A. Burchell. During the afternoon, the club members listened to the senior class of Knott high school as they presented a program over KBST. Refreshments were served to Mrs. L. C. Mathies, Mrs. E. L. Roman, Mrs. Robert Brown, Mrs. P. P. Coker, Mrs. E. G. Newcomer, Mrs. Fred Parker, Mrs. C. A. Burks, Mrs. Lawrence Wilson, Mrs. Earl Newcomer, Mrs. O. B. Gaskin, Mrs.

Dick Clay, Mrs. Blain Smith, Mrs. Oliver Nichols, Mrs. Hershel Smith, Margaret Christie and the hostess, Mrs. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Newcomer visited recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nichols of Loop.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson were Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson of Vealmoor and Mrs. Clyde Nichols and Yvonne.

Mr. and Mrs. Seaborn Bonner of Dumas and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson and family were Saturday guests in the home of Mrs. John Jones in Big Spring.

Monday night visitors in the E. G. Newcomer home were Mr. and Mrs. S. C. McIlroy of Elbow.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker were her sister, Mrs. Ralph White and son of Coahoma.

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R. W. Jackson and Mr. Eades of Cuthbert visited Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker and sons visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hopper in Fairview.

Mrs. Wolcott Critical

Condition of Mrs. John F. Wolcott, Sr. continues to be critical at a hospital in Temple. She was extremely ill Saturday night, but rallied slightly, according to word from her children, Helen Wolcott and John Wolcott.

Syracuse University's basketball team of 1925-26 won 19 out of 20 contests.

\$192,000 Damage Suit Filed In Death Of Child

LAMESA, April 26 (Sp)—A \$192,000 damage suit has been filed in 106th district court here as an outgrowth of the accidental death of Betty Lee Kee, 12.

The child's father, J. D. Kee, filed the suit yesterday against George W. Tucker, a contractor, and the West Texas Gas Company. The child was killed Nov. 19, 1948.

The petition charges negligence in allowing a cleaning block be used to clean a gas line to shoot from the open end of a pipe and strike the child playing in the yard of her home some distance away, forced through the line by air pressure. Betty Lee died several hours after the accident.

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Seven Members Are Named By Home League

Seven newcomers were accepted as members of the Ladies Home League of the Salvation Army during the regular meeting in the Doris Roberts Citadel Wednesday evening, with Capt. Bettie Harrison presiding.

The newcomers are Mrs. Lillian Smith, Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. Emmett Richardson, Mrs. E. R. Richardson, Mrs. Lucille Roemer and Mrs. Gertrude McPherson.

Announcement was made that Mrs. N. Stallcup is leading with 28 points and Mrs. Keith second with 24 points in the membership drive contest which closes Monday, May 16. The winner will be presented with a 64 piece dinner set. During the afternoon, work was completed on clothing and layettes for needy mothers; progress was made on the hook rug project for the Veterans hospital and on sheets and pillow cases for the Salvation Army dormitories.

Refreshments were served to approximately 70 attending persons.

Fall Fractures Hip

Mrs. J. W. Pittman, 512 E. 15th street, was under treatment at the Big Spring hospital Thursday morning after suffering a fracture of the hip in a fall at her home. She was removed to the hospital in an Eberley ambulance. Mrs. Pittman is the mother of Mrs. Amos R. Wood and Mrs. Denver D. Dunn.

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Looking 'Em Over

by Tommy Hart

Freddy (Trompoloco) Rodriguez of the Big Spring Broncs, perhaps the Longhorn league's most popular pitcher, from the standpoint of gate appeal, says the competition at Dallas was rough, mighty rough. Roddy had to try and stick with a club that had nothing but veterans and was farming out hurriers right and left.

He wasn't given much chance of showing his stuff and, rather than gamble on him and ante up \$3,000 to Big Spring, Bobby Goff of the Dallas club returned him to the Broncs.

The nine innings he worked against Roswell the other night was the first time he had gone the route since last baseball season, but he was stronger in the late innings than when he started. From the fifth inning on, he had all the Roswells, including Manager Bob Crues, taking half cuts.

Rod weighs about 20 pounds more now than he did at the end of last season. Obviously he is set for a big year.

Freddy was delighted at the news that Big Spring was to get Al Valdes, a veteran catcher from the Havana club. Rod says Valdes boasts a good throwing arm and knows how to handle pitchers, the two big requirements of a catcher.

Pat Stasey, the local straw boss, was expecting Bert Hernandez, the rookies second baseman, to hit his stride along about June 1 and develop into the top keystone in the league. Nok, Hernandez is out of the lineup and will be favoring that injured digit for some time. Stasey can only hope it isn't the beginning of a cycle.

BASEBALL SEASON TO RUN ON AND ON

Most every one should know by now that a post season playoff will take place between the champions of the Longhorn and Rio Grande Valley leagues. From all indications, baseball will continue in these parts until the third week in September.

There are many who still think the Longhorn circuit could have done better by arranging a series with the titlists in the Sooner State league.

Eddie Jacome, the ace of the Vernon pitching staff last year is now doing business in the Class B. Southeastern league.

Johnny Jones, the Ballinger right fielder, attended TCU last year. He's a Fort Worth boy, signed by Manager Charles English, himself.

Lou Dawson, the Cats' third sacker, hails from Waxahachie, Paul Richards' home town.

Ted Squillante, the New Yorker playing center field for Ballinger, stands at the plate in a manner suggestive of Joe DiMaggio. Wears his cap like Giuseppe, too.

OLD COAHOMA DIAMOND A HAZARD FOR LEFT FIELDER

Coahoma's Bulldogs have moved their diamond in that East Howard county town from the old site near Highway 80 to a spot north of the tracks.

In the old location the left fielder was always in danger of getting run down by a car when he went back for a fly ball.

D. L. Raven, the Knott manager, says the Shaw triplets, Franklin, Delano and Roosevelt who are now 11 years old, are going to make good ball players some day. All three of them make the Knott workouts day in and day out and never miss a game.

COACHING APPLICANT OWNS LAND NEAR HERE

Ed Cherry, the personable Richmond man who applied for the local coaching job (and almost got it), owns considerable land immediately south of here along with his brother, John Cherry, of Big Spring.

Ed wanted to move back to West Texas for a number of reasons. For one thing, he did not think the climate in South Texas is conducive to his wife's health.

Littlefield Discovered High Jumper

In U Of T Intra-Mural Track Event

AUSTIN, April 28. (AP)—The keen eyes of Texas Track Coach Clyde Littlefield are responsible for the discovery of Bob Walters, Texas high jumper who broke the record at the Kansas Relays last week.

Walters leap of 6 feet 8 3/16 inches at Kansas was the best of the outdoor season.

The double-jointed 6-footer was working out for the school's intra-mural track meet in 1947, his freshman year when Littlefield spotted him.

"He was running around the track in a pair of tennis shoes," Littlefield said. "The tremendous spring in his legs attracted me and I took him over to the high jump pit to see what he could do. I knew nothing of his background, but he seemed to handle himself well."

Actually Walters' high-jumping started in his senior year at Jeff Davis High School in Houston, where he was drafted out of a physical training class for the track team. He took up high jumping with only mediocre success.

Walters worked out only a few weeks in 1947 but reported at the start of the 1948 season. His top jump that year was 6 feet 5 inches.

This year, Walter has won high jump in four of the six meets he has participated in and tied with Olympian Vern McGrew of Rice in two others.

Littlefield attributed Walters' success this year to learning how to train, how to compete, and how to relax.

"He also has developed form and his timing is better. Bob has also learned to get his back leg out of the way when he is coming down," Littlefield said Walters uses the "stomach" roll form of jumping.

Part of the local surprise at Walters' meteoric leap at Kansas may be accounted for by his participating only in the high jump. Walters is also a good pole vaulter and has cleared 13 feet 1 1/4 inches this year.

However, running back and forth between the events tires him out and also keeps him from undiverted

concentration on either event, local experts say.

Walters' winning height at Kansas was the best jump ever made by a University of Texas athlete and was only 1-18 inch under the best recorded by Southwest Conference jumper — turned in by McGrew in the Olympic Trials last year.

The Drake Relays at Des Moines, Iowa this week end is Walters' next jumping assignment. The record there is 6 feet 8 inches, held by Pete Watkins of Texas A&M.

Walters has left his vaulting pole behind. He has his eye on becoming the first jumper to win titles since Oklahoma's Shelby turned the trick back in 1928.

Standings

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
Big Spring	1	0	1.000
Roswell	1	0	1.000
Odessa	1	0	1.000
San Angelo	1	0	1.000
Vernon	0	1	.000
Stevewater	0	1	.000
Midland	0	1	.000
Ballinger	0	1	.000

CLUB	W	L	PCT.
New York	7	2	.779
Cleveland	6	2	.750
Detroit	5	3	.625
Chicago	5	3	.625
Philadelphia	4	3	.571
Boston	4	3	.571
St. Louis	2	4	.333
Washington	2	4	.333

CLUB	W	L	PCT.
New York	5	3	.625
Pittsburgh	5	3	.625
Brooklyn	4	4	.500
Boston	4	4	.500
Chicago	4	4	.500
Cincinnati	3	4	.429
St. Louis	3	4	.429
Philadelphia	3	4	.429

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
Dallas	13	1	.929
San Antonio	11	1	.917
Shreveport	7	5	.583
Fort Worth	7	5	.583
Tulsa	6	6	.500
Beaumont	4	8	.333
Houston	4	8	.333
Oklahoma City	3	12	.200

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
Albuquerque	5	3	.625
Burger	4	1	.800
Alamogordo	4	1	.800
Lamesa	4	3	.571
Paducah	4	3	.571
Lehock	2	5	.286
Chevy	2	5	.286
Abilene	0	5	.000

CLUB	W	L	PCT.
Brooklyn at New York—Branca (3-0) vs. Jones (1-1)			
Boston at Philadelphia—Starkford (1-1) vs. Thompson (0-0)			
Cincinnati at Chicago — Hallenberger (1-1) vs. Duhel (0-0)			
Pittsburgh at St. Louis—Munier (0-1) vs. Chesson (0-1)			

CLUB	W	L	PCT.
New York at Washington—Lopa (3-0) vs. Swanson (1-0) vs. Scarborough (0-1)			
Philadelphia at Boston—Fowler (1-1) vs. Harris (0-0)			
St. Louis at Detroit—Carver (1-1) vs. Gray (0-0)			

Only 5,134 fans attended the first Orange Bowl game in 1953; more than 80,000 now see the annual contest.

Ramos Stops Vernon, 6-0, In Abbreviated Contest

Wee Julio Ramos fashioned a four-hit shutout as Big Spring turned back the Vernon Dusters, 6-0, here in the Longhorn baseball league's opening game Wednesday night. The contest was limited to 4 innings because of rain and wet grounds.

Ramos was in hot water in two of the five heats he labored but on each occasion he settled to throw third strikes past the last two batters to face him.

Lloyd Trip, classy Vernon flinger, pitched well enough to win an ordinary game despite the 11 hits he gave up in the abbreviated contest. However, what breaks there were favored Big Spring.

The threat of rain and a cold wind from the northeast held the crowd to 1,200. All were holding tightly onto their rain check when it began to look as if the two clubs were going to have to stop as early as the third. A light drizzle began to fall and some of the patrons decided they had had enough then and there.

Not until Felix Gomez, who had fanned three times, hit a prodigious home run as the leadoff man in the sixth did Umpire Tony DeFate call a halt to the proceedings. And Gomez's round tripper had to be wiped off the books. It came off Hosesa Blanco, who had speared Trip in the fourth.

Little Carlos (Potato) Pascual hit one out of the lot that did go in to the records, however. He connected with one of Trip's speed balls in the fourth that sailed over the wall in left center.

Pascual, who had a single in addition to his four-master, divided hitting honors with Ace Mendes and Ramos, himself in a hitting mood.

The Hoses jumped into the lead in the first round with a four-run outburst, sided no little by the obvious nervousness of rookie Charles Manassas' field. Manass can get the job done, as he proved later, but he was too jumpy at the beginning and let two hoppers get away from him.

DIAMOND DUST—Among the visitors at the game were Hal Sayles, president of the Longhorn league, and Lou Baker of Clyde, who helped organize the local club.

The Vernon relief tosser was Hosesa Blanco and not John Blanco, the Bronc ex. Carlos Pascual turned in the fielding gem of the night when he went in front of Cookie Vasquez at short to field Lou Ehlinger's ground ball and sizzled a throw to first. The rubber-legged Justo Apizaco had to



STARTS — Two shutouts in the first two games he pitched this season is the record for Mel Parnell, Boston Red Sox hurler who held the Washington Senators scoreless in a 2-0 game in his latest no-run feat. (AP Wirephoto).

dig to get the throw... The Big Spring outfielders had only one chance between them all night, so complete was Ramos' mastery. Apizaco robbed Cotton McCaskay of a base hit in the third when he made a swipe at a daisy cutter and held onto it, beating the Vernon giant to the bag by a step.

AB	R	H	PO	A
Shlinger	0	1	1	0
Gonzales	0	1	1	0
Scherling	0	1	1	0
McCaskey	0	1	1	0
Smith	0	1	1	0
Moore	0	1	1	0
Simons	0	1	1	0
Manass	0	1	1	0
Trip	0	1	1	0
Blanco	0	1	1	0
Totals	30	4	13	0

Errors: Simons, Manass & Ramos; runs batted in, Mendes, Pascual, Valdes, Bas; two base hits, Mendes, Ramos; home run, Pascual; stolen bases, Vasquez 2, Valdes; left on bases, Vernon 7, Big Spring 8; bases on balls, off Trip 2, Ramos 2; struck out by Trip 3, Blanco 1, Ramos 1; hits and runs, off Trip 11 and 4 in 3 1/2 innings; losing pitcher, Trip; umpires, DeFate, Dorothy and Dykes; time, 1:33.

Pitchers Shine As Dallas, Ships Ring Up Texas League Victories

Associated Press Staff

A couple of pitchers stood out in the Texas League last night—in the role of batters.

Pinehitting pitcher Roy Sanner doubled home two runs to give Dallas a 4-3 decision over Tulsa and pitcher Gale Pringle broke San Antonio's seven game winning streak with a single that gave Beaumont a 1-0 win over the Missions.

San Antonio had stretched its string to seven by downing the Exporters, 6-4, in the first game of the twin bill. In the nightcap, Pringle went all the way, gave up only eight hits and in the tenth inning singled Marold Danielson home with the only run of the game.

Shreveport won again last night, defeating Houston, 5-2.

Fort Worth and Oklahoma City were rained out.

The same teams meet again tonight, with Fort Worth and Oklahoma City playing a double header.

Sanner's double in the eighth gave Dallas his 13th victory in 14 starts.

Tulsa took a two run lead in the first inning and the Oilers led, 3-2 going into the eighth. That's the inning the pinehitting pitcher came through.

Charlie Grant's two-run homer circuit clout paced San Antonio's victory in the first game of its twin bill.

Three unearned runs in the first inning gave Shreveport a lead it held all the way.

New Champs Will Grab Off Drake Relays Crowns

DES MOINES, April 28. (AP)—An entire new set of champions will parade to the victory stand in the university section of the Drake relays.

Only the speedy Texas A&M mile team will be back to defend a university relays title tomorrow and Saturday. And the Aggies may be dethroned.

The University of Texas, its squad riddled by injuries, isn't able to try for repeat championships in the 440, 800, the distance medley and the four mile relays.

The Aggies won last year in 3:15.2 and have done 3:17.1 this year. But Missouri won the mile at the Kansas games in 3:16.5.

Burl Thompson, Minnesota sophomore, and George Kadera of Texas A&M are rated top contenders in the discus. Thompson has a mark of 169 feet, 2 5/8 inches and Kadera has done 169-2.

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RODRIGUEZ DUE FOR HILL WORK

Big Spring is set to lead with its ace, Fernando (Trompoloco) Rodriguez, if the weather permits them to face Vernon in the second game of their Longhorn baseball league series at Steer park tonight.

Rodriguez spent spring training with the Dallas Eagles. He won ten games after joining the Hoses in mid-season last year. On one occasion, he went 18 innings against Vernon in 1948, in his initial 1948 appearance against the Dusters, he shut them out.

Bob Huntley, the Vernon manager, may counter with Carl Carter, a 1948 veteran, tonight. Kickoff time for the contest is 8:15 p. m.

The University of Mississippi has scheduled 20 basketball games for the 1948-49 season.

Steers To Run This Weekend

Wayne Bonner, Big Spring high school track and field coach, is planning to take his entire squad to the Abilene Invitational meet, which takes place this weekend.

The Abilene show will be the last meet before the State meet in Austin, which occurs the first weekend in next month.

Four members of the local team are eligible to compete in the Austin show. They are Cleone Russell, who won regional honors in the 880-yard run, and members of the mile relay team, which finished third in that event at Abilene last week. Russell runs anchor on that team.

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Convention, So Quiet Few Knew It Was Here, Nevertheless Good

Closing out a four-day convention here today is the West Texas District Council of the Assemblies of God Churches. Approximately 400 delegates have registered for the 19th annual conclave at the city auditorium.

Because of the nature of the convention, not too many Big Spring people have been aware of it, for there were no parades, no pranking, no fanfare associated with the ordinary convention.

Yet it is the sort of gathering that Big Spring and any community should be proud to have. In a sense it has embodied some of the spirit of the old time camp meetings. The whole core of the thing is spiritual revitalization and moral uplift.

It is therefore with pride and appreciation that Big Spring takes note that it has been honored with the presence of these delegates. Not only will we be better for it, but the good that has been accomplished will radiate out from here over most of the great West Texas area through messengers who are not given to restraints in spreading the good news.

At Least One Lesson Is Clear In Today's Tragedy Of China

It is difficult to assess the role of Chiang Kai-shek in China and contemporary history. Whether he is a Cincinnatus, called from self-imposed seclusion by a sense of duty, or a Napoleonic character never content to operate from behind the scenes is perhaps less a topic for debate as the significance of his return to lead the fight against the onrush of the Chinese communists.

Chiang emerged from his ancestral retreat voicing a line most calculated to give him an ear in these quarters. The collapse of China, he said, would most surely lead to a third world war. Similarly, Wilam G. Bullitt, former ambassador to Russia, told the Texas legislature that by allowing Russia (the Chinese communists) to conquer China, "We are making certain the coming of a third world war."

This may be true, but it is late in the day to retrieve anything out of the fire, let alone turn the tide. It is apparent now, as

it has been for months, nothing short of a miracle can prevent China from being over-run by the Reds. True, they are Chinese Reds, but in political ideology, red is red and red is Russian.

The tragedy has been that China's leadership never rose to the challenge after a heroic and an unforgettable stand against the Japanese. The United States found it most difficult if not impossible to deal successfully with Chiang. It might have been cheaper to have smarted at tribute to internal corruption than to face the current consequences. But there was no assurance that it could or would have changed the complexion.

Whatever else we learn from this historic struggle we ought to see clearly what can happen to a nation when too many in power are more concerned about their own skins than the preservation of the nation.

Nation Today—James Marlow

Soviet Blockade Move Is Tacit Recognition Of West's Strength

WASHINGTON, (AP)—IT'S LIKE AN INTERNATIONAL game of tit-for-tat. The cold war, it's been called.

The Russians haven't been winning it. They started strong. Now the West is strong. So it's time for a Russian move.

That's why their talk of calling off the Berlin blockade is no surprise. You can almost chart their moves by the timetable of events.

When the war ended the United States, Britain, France and Russia divided Germany into four zones, each occupying one.

And, although Berlin was in the Russian zone, they agreed that each of the four nations would occupy one sector of Berlin.

To supply their troops and the Germans in their sectors of Berlin, the western powers had to send the supplies through the Russian zone.

The idea behind the four-power occupation was that someday they'd let the Germans set up their own, new government.

BUT NOW THE TIMETABLE STARTS.

By the end of 1947, after several big meetings, it became clear the four wartime Allies couldn't agree on the kind of government they wanted for Germany.

The Russians wanted, generally, a centralized government. The other three nations wanted one that was fairly decentralized.

In the decentralized kind a new Hitler or a revolutionary group like Communists would have a tougher time grabbing control.

So early in 1948 the three western powers began talking of setting up a separate German government in their zones of Germany. The Russians didn't want that.

The Communists grabbed control in Czechoslovakia in February, 1948. On March 1, 1948, the western European countries announced plans to set up a military alliance to defend themselves against attack.

They signed the alliance on March 17. On March 20 a meeting between the representatives of the U. S., Britain, France and Russia broke down at Berlin. The Russians walked out.

Meanwhile, the Marshall Plan was ready. Communists all over Europe de-

nounced it.

IT STARTED APRIL 3 BUT ON APRIL 1 the Russians threw a blockade on Berlin. It wasn't a complete blockade. But it made it a little tougher for the U. S., Britain and France to send supplies into their sectors of Berlin.

On June 7, 1948, the three big western powers agreed on setting up a provisional German government in western Germany. This angered the Russians more. In the meantime, the three western powers and Russia had argued about the kind of money to be used in Berlin.

It must have been a blow to the Russians when on June 11, 1948, the Senate passed a resolution which in effect said the U. S. ought to take part in a military alliance with western Europe.

On June 18, 1948, the three western powers announced they'd reform the money in their zones. And—on June 19 the Russians slapped a real blockade on Berlin. Since then the western powers have had to supply their sectors of Berlin with an airlift.

In the months that followed, this country, Canada and the western European countries huddled over the military alliance they'd set up for protection against Russia. The Atlantic Pact, it's called now.

THIS MADE IT CLEAR THE RUSSIANS weren't winning the cold war. And in February a representative of this country and a representative of Russia began talking about the Berlin blockade.

On March 15 the western powers announced they were ready to sign the Atlantic Pact. Three days before that, with the world full of news of the pact, the Russian representative in the UN talked again with the U. S. delegate about the Berlin problem.

On Monday it was announced the Germans had cleared the decks for setting up a new government in the western zones. And this week Russia began talking publicly of lifting the Berlin blockade.

They may think by this they'll block setting up the new government but the western powers say they'll go ahead with the government anyhow.

Broadway—Mark Barron

Footlight Fan Resents New York Talk About 'Dying Of Theater'

NEW YORK—A Broadway theater enthusiast named Arthur William Row became indignant the other day. So he wrote a letter to the editor of "The New York Times," a natural course which many indignant New Yorkers follow.

Mr. Row was sore because of the many New Yorkers who gather in discussions

to bemoan "the dying of the theater." Mr. Row correctly pointed out that the theater has been an "invalid" for more than 500 years, but keeps surviving, because a few hardy souls persist in the belief that it will always survive.

He quoted as an example the fabulous Helen Westley, once a director of the New York Theater Guild and also a brilliant character actress both in Broadway and Hollywood productions.

Mr. Row said that at the beginning of the Washington Square Players which later blossomed into the New York Guild was a result of Miss Westley getting indignant one day when she and a group of actors, playwrights and scenic artists were discussing the state of the falling theater.

Mr. Row said: "It took the scintillating Helen Westley to bring them up sharp. She characteristically pounded the table and said, 'Here we are, a lot of disgruntled actors out of a job—so what? What are we doing about it? Precisely nothing, as usual, so let's step on it—and begin right now!'"

That was the beginning of a great theater group, and it is heartwarming to see Mr. Row's tribute to Miss Westley as the indignant instigator of such an artistic movement. Miss Westley was a brilliant actress and her offstage personality was as colorful as any of the hundreds of characters she played.

Today's Birthday

ANGELA ENTERS, born April 28, 1907, in New York City. From a childhood in poverty she has become a "one-woman theater."

As a mime, she gives short sketches without scenery and without dialogue. She has been called the "What-is-it" of the theater. She got her start by borrowing \$25 to rent a theater and print handbills which she mailed to names picked by chance from a telephone book. Within a year (1927) she was a hit. As a painter she has had several exhibitions in New York and Europe. The Metropolitan Museum of Art bought her "Spain Says Salud." She wrote "First Person Plural" (1937) and a play, "Love Possessed Juana" (1939). She designs, cuts and fits her own stage garments.



Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

Vandenberg Sets Pace In Grilling Of Men Who Are To Implement West Pact

WASHINGTON—Terse, urgent questions affecting our hopes for peace came boiling to the top the other day behind the closed doors of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Answering them, the men who must implement the North Atlantic Pact were kept under steady fire for 4½ hours.

Big, bull-voiced Sen. Vandenberg set the pace, but each senator got a load of questions off his chest. They combed the pact's fine print for pitfalls and loopholes, and searched for hidden meanings between the lines. As a result, many tough problems were plowed up.

The chief targets in this verbal shooting gallery were Secretary of State Acheson, Secretary of Defense Johnson and ECA Ambassador Harriman. They talked brilliantly, but not quite enough, to please the senators.

"I can't be offhand and free about information that involves other countries," Acheson retorted impatiently, when pressed for details.

Johnson also buttoned up during a barrage of questions on atomic energy from Sen. McMahon of Connecticut. The queries were based on secret information which McMahon had learned at the Pentagon, and Johnson objected to going into detail in front of committee clerks. This caused McMahon to declare that he wouldn't support the pact if he couldn't get the information he wanted.

"If the price of the senator's vote," bristled Johnson, "is my violation of what I consider the security of the nation, then we may have to forego the senator's vote."

THOMAS TOO STEEP To add to the turmoil, the meeting was interrupted 13 times by rollcall votes on the Senate floor. This kept the senators straggling up and down stairs to the Senate floor until 71-year-old Sen. George Thomas finally snorted in disgust:

"By God, I can't go up and down those stairs any more!"

Another problem was how much to tell the press. Vandenberg was against issuing any release until the Secretary of State formally presented the military program to Congress. The Michigan Republican warned, however, that "Drew Pearson has a dictaphone hidden in here."

Later, Chairman Tom Connally stamped angrily into the meeting after a trip upstairs to vote. "Somebody has already leaked the amount of the proposed military aid," he thundered. "Some newspaperman told me the figure and asked if that was correct."

Following this incident, it was agreed to release an outline of the \$1,130,000,000 plan to help rearm the North Atlantic Treaty nations. Here are other highlights of the meeting.

Sen. Vandenberg wanted to clarify the important question of whether the pact was just another old-fashioned military alliance or a genuine instrument of collective security. He pointed out that the U.N. charter recognizes the right of nations to "collective self-defense" in case of attack.

The charter, however, adds in Article 51: "Measures taken by members (of the U.N.) in the exercise of this right of self-defense shall be immediately report-

ed to the Security Council." Does this mean, Vandenberg asked, that the treaty nations must report their secret defense plans to the Security Council—where Russia has easy access? This was something none of them wanted to do, but Sen. Pepper of Florida warned that the pact, itself, promised to abide by the U.N. charter.

Secretary Acheson explained, however, that the only "measures" we are obliged to report to the Security Council are whatever measures must be taken jointly—after an armed attack occurs.

ONLY ARMS TO EUROPE? "What I want to know," chimed in Utah's scholarly Sen. Elbert Thomas, "is what do you mean by the rearmament of Europe? One thing Europe knows how to do is arm. The idea of supplying arms seems archaic unless we give them our best bombs and techniques. But if we do that, I am against the whole program."

The aim of the Atlantic Pact is to bring about an atmosphere to make arms unnecessary. If we are not going to teach the processes of peace, we may as well quit now, because the world knows all the processes of war," Thomas also warned against building up a "United States Army of Europe." Sen. Fulbright of Arkansas, on the other hand, argued that composite army would be more effective than several miniature armies.

Another question, raised by several senators, was whether to furnish Europe with American-made arms or help the treaty nations manufacture their own arms. If the United States tries to produce all the armament needed for the Allied world, the production and logistic problem, it was argued, would be terrific. But, on the other hand, plants built in Europe would be easy prey to the Russians and might be turned against us. No one had a ready answer for this.

Before Sen. George walked out, he was in a negative mood toward anything that cost more money. And warned that every move we made in Europe only implicated us deeper. Many senators were also angry with the administration for pushing the arms program before the treaty is even ratified.

Acheson's reply was that the arms program was the only logical way of implementing the pact. Averell Harriman reported that the Marshall Plan had saved Italy from disintegration and had stiffened the upper lip of other western nations. All they needed now was the arms, he declared, to make a strong stand against any aggressor.

MERRY-GO-ROUND Wealthy oil heiress Perle Mesta, social arbiter for the Trumans, will shortly be rewarded by an appointment as first lady ambassador to either Denmark or Luxembourg. (Mrs. Mesta used to be a Republican.)

Hollywood—Bob Thomas

Claudette's Bangs Are Conspicuous By Absence

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Another Hollywood landmark has bitten the dust, figuratively speaking. This time it's Claudette Colbert's bangs. She has abandoned them for her role as a Japanese prison camp inmate in "Three Came Back." It will be the first time in 17 years she has appeared without them on the screen.

The film town seemed to be getting more self-conscious. Of the 23 bigtime pictures shooting here, three were about Hollywood.

Charlie Chaplin and Mary Pickford, who have lived the film business these many years with their stormy control of United Artists, almost sold out. But they reneged at the last moment and more lively years for US are assured.

Another edict of full production ahead came out of reactivated Warner Brothers, and two horse operas were put into the works there. At least one star, Alexis Smith, was on suspension.

Some of Selmick studio's property was on the auction block this week, and David O. was soon to be off to Europe to see his potential bride, Jennifer Jones. Having raised \$301,000 for its own needy, big-hearted Hollywood now pledged \$448,000 for Jewish relief.

One of the biggest stories of the month involved nothing scandalous, but the fact that a former child star (Shirley Temple) was now eligible to vote.

'Around The Rim—The Herald Staff'

Reappearance Of 'Flying Disks' Again Touches Off Speculation

It was interesting to learn from an Associated Press dispatch Monday that our old friends, the "flying discs," are back again with us. They were seen at San Diego by no fewer than twelve persons, and it is a foregone conclusion that they will be reported at various other points in the country within the next fortnight.

As when the discs first were sighted two years ago, speculation once more is running rife as to their nature. The theory of mass hypnosis, advanced by some psychological wiseacres at that time, is pretty generally discredited today. According to this theory, people bedeviled by the strains and stresses of modern life, with the threat of atomic war forever hanging over their heads like the sword of Damocles, began to see non-existent things and to communicate their visions to their neighbors. This, of course, was only a polite way of calling a large segment of the American population insane. The theory collapsed when discs eventually were reported by unimpeachable witnesses—scientists, airplane pilots, high-ranking Army officers and other qualified observers.

Although the Army repeatedly has denied that it possesses any weapon remotely like the flying disc, it has made a carefully study of the phenomena, and is satisfied that the odd objects are not hallucinations. In other words, those who have reported seeing a flying disc really saw something—what, the Army is not prepared to say. However, Army men are reasonably certain that no foreign power—Russia, for example—has stolen a march upon us.

Considerable attention has been devoted to the hypothesis that the discs are re-

flections from mirrors manipulated by mischievous boys, or from airplanes, or ground vehicles traveling at great speeds. This undoubtedly at first thought is the most likely explanation, but it falls to pieces when subjected to close scrutiny. The discs have been seen many times under circumstances which entirely ruled out the possibility of reflections, while the uniformity of their appearance, the apparent purposefulness of their flight, and the fact that they are seen only at comparatively rare intervals, all point to the existence of something very solid and substantial.

One group of diehards continues to maintain that the flying discs actually are spaceships, bearing visitors from another planet. If this is true, it would seem that the aliens had plenty of time in which to make up their minds whether they wish to make contact with us. A more sinister possibility is that they may have established a base in some unknown part of the world and merely are awaiting reinforcements from home before they set out to conquer this planet.

It even has been said that spaceships have been visiting the earth for untold thousands of years, but that their highly intelligent occupants have not bothered to make themselves known to mankind, for the simple reason that they do not think it worth the trouble. This supposition certainly is far-fetched; yet we really know so little of the universe in which we live that it might well prove to be the correct one. After all, when we consider the record of mankind on this planet, it is easy to see why our hypothetical visitors from across space would regard us as a race of ignorant, bloody barbarians. — R. G. MACREADY.

Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

West Cautiously Optimistic Over Soviet Offer To Lift Blockade

THE WESTERN ALLIES ARE MOVING cautiously (though hopefully) to make sure they are seeing a real oasis and not a mirage in the startling Soviet offer to lift the German blockade.

The Russians have stated their willingness to abandon the blockade if the democracies in turn will end their counter-blockade and agree to a meeting of the council of foreign ministers to consider the whole German question. It was the Muscovites who ended the foreign ministers council some 16 months ago by walking out on it.

The western powers—America, Britain and France—are prepared to agree, provided the Russians have no further conditions up their sleeve. This caution is inspired by the fact that, by striking coincidence, the Soviet offer comes as the other three allies conclude the agreement for the establishment of a new German republic out of the three western zones, with Russia holding out its eastern zone.

THE WESTERN ALLIES ARE ASKING themselves: "Can Moscow's offer be a trick to disrupt the formation of the German government so that Russia can get complete control of a unified German regime which would include the Soviet zone?" Both, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U. S. military governor in Germany, and U. S. Ambassador Robert D. Murphy, yesterday expressed wariness over the Soviet offer lest there be any doubt regarding it. They have made it crystal clear that they are going ahead with the creation of the new anti-Communist German republic. Gen. Clay declared that even if the Russians lift the blockade "it will have no effect whatever on the West German government."

"We are going ahead with our plans," he said.

A tremendous strike toward the rehabilitation of western Europe would seem to

have been made in the agreement to establish this government. The date for its inauguration has been set for July 15. The accord naturally ignores Russia, which occupies close to one-third of the old Reich. Here it should be well noted that the western German leaders aim at a united Germany eventually. They hope a prosperous west German republic will be so attractive to their countrymen in the Soviet zone that a union of the two will be brought about. That could well be, for the Germans are a determined people.

IN ANY EVENT, THE CREATION OF the republic not only will go far towards restoring the morale of the beaten Germans, but bids fair to give a big boost to the ailing economic situation in western Europe. As this column has emphasized so often, prewar Germany was the keystone of European economy. She can approach that mark, and perhaps equal it again, especially if the eastern zone can be added to the republic.

It must not be overlooked that a great industrial Ruhr lies within the West German state—one of the richest industrial areas in the world. The Ruhr remains under international control but eventually will revert to Germany.

Will this encourage the growth of a new militarism in Germany? The Allies have created safeguards against that. While the military governments will end when the republic is inaugurated, the three western powers will appoint civilian high commissioners who will exercise control over western Germany's foreign affairs, foreign trade and various other fields.

Of course there's another way of looking at the Russian offer to lift the blockade. It could be that the Soviet finds she is being hurt more than she is hurting the western Allies by continuing the blockade. It won't be long before that point is cleared up.

Notebook—Hal Boyle

Mars' President Finds Jarring Note In Music Of The Spheres

NEW YORK (AP)—IN A VAST MANSION on Mars the president of that planet sat listening to the music of the spheres—the melody made by the stars in their courses.

But into the universal symphony came a jarring sound.

"Again that discordant note!" he exclaimed. "This time I'm going to do something about it. It's been ruining my concerts for the last 10,000 years."

So he called his wise men together. They reported:

"Sir, the jarring noise comes from an obscure planet known as the earth, our neighbor in this constellation."

THE PRESIDENT HAD HIS LEADING explorer, Rado, brought to him.

"Rado," said the vexed chieftain, "trot down to earth and see why that flyspeck in the sky is out of tune."

Exactly a year and a day later Rado returned to Mars.

"Well, what is the earth like?" asked the president.

"It is a beautiful globe, washed by soft seas," said Rado. "It is capped at both ends by mountains and wide fields covered with a cool white substance known as snow. And between the caps are green fields and towering cities full of living things."

"Why is it out of tune then?" said the president crossly.

"I think it is the people."

"What in the name of the milky way, are people?"

"There are two forms of life that move about," said the explorer. "One kind is people. The other kind is animals. The people have enslaved some animals and driven the rest into the wilderness."

"How savage!" cried the president. "That explains the discordant note."

WORD-A-DAY
By BACH

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She's certainly in a hurry to get him to the altar!

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Prosecution Gets Coplon Documents In Espionage Trial

WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP)—Federal Judge Albert L. Reeves denied today a defense motion to prevent the prosecution from using papers taken from Judith Coplon in her trial on espionage charges. Judge Reeves also denied a defense motion for a mistrial, and another to expunge from the record an FBI statement telling what was in Miss Coplon's purse when she was arrested March 4 in New York with Valentine A. Gubitchev, a Russian.

The FBI agent who made the arrest said the purse contained:

1. A statement telling of efforts to obtain a top secret FBI report.
2. Background statements concerning espionage service.
3. More than 30 sheets of paper known as data slips containing extracts from FBI reports on internal security matters and suspected espionage agents in this country.

The agent, Robert R. Granville, filed a sworn statement yesterday in justification of the March 4 arrest of Miss Coplon and Gubitchev without a warrant.

It was part of the government's reply to a defense motion to bar the prosecution from using the seized papers in Miss Coplon's trial here on espionage charges. She and Gubitchev, a suspended Russian employe of the United Nations also are under indictment in New York on espionage conspiracy charges.



QUITS "BATTLESHIP ROW"—The troopship Chilton moves out of Shanghai with nearly a battalion of U. S. Marines aboard. The ship left "battleship row" in a move to avoid any possibility of incidents such as involved four British warships on the Yangtze river. The Chilton moved to the mouth of the Yangtze northeast of Shanghai. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Shanghai).

Motion To Quash Indictment Against Slusser Overruled

A motion presented by the defense this morning to quash the 70th district court indictment against Philip C. Slusser, charged with sodomy, was overruled by Judge Paul Moss and testimony was to be started at 1:30 p. m. Jury was selected at noon.

Attorneys for Slusser had contended that technical defects had been found in the indictment, stating that allegations against Slusser were vague and indefinite to such a degree that said accusations failed to appraise the defendant of the nature of the offense for which he was charged.

The defense also contended that the allegations failed to allege the manner and means used by the defendant in committing the alleged offenses and emphasized that improper wording was used in the document, along with several misspelled words.

Slusser is accused of molesting three minors, ranging in age from 15 to ten years of age. Only one of them was in court this morning. Authorities said they had been not able to locate the other two.

In sworn statements, the youths said Slusser made improper advance to them both at his home and in his car on lonely country roads.

Final Dance Set

Hoyle Nix and his band will furnish the music for the final Chaparral Club square dance to be held May 9 in the American Legion Hut. Club officials are asking that all members try to attend this final session.

Blast Injures Two

ODESSA, April 28. (AP)—An explosion at their home here has injured Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vance. Both were badly burned by the blast yesterday.

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CRMWA Prospects Reported Bright

J. H. Greene, Big Spring chamber of commerce manager who returned Wednesday from Austin, said this morning that he is encouraged over prospects for passage of legislation affecting the Colorado River Municipal Water district.

Due to some unforeseen delays, action must be taken in a short time to be cleared in this session of the legislature. However, Greene said all legislators whose districts are in the area are working energetically, and they are confident that action will come before the session ends.

Greene went to Austin Tuesday where he joined City Attorney Malvern McDonald and City Manager John Wilson of Odessa to confer with legislators.

Southern Soft Coal Owners To Bargain With Lewis Alone

WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP)—Southern soft coal operators today broke away from the rest of the industry and prepared to negotiate a separate contract with John L. Lewis if necessary.

The board of directors of the Southern Coal Producers Assn. voted to remain away from further operator meetings—at least for the time being.

Southern president Joseph E. Moody said his directors believed they had formulated a definite policy for negotiating with Lewis and the United Mine Workers this time. The other operators, meeting here yesterday and today, have not yet reached that stage, he said.

Moody already has asked Lewis to begin negotiations for a contract to replace the one expiring June 30. Lewis has not yet replied.

The other operators, meantime scheduled a meeting later today to consider Lewis' new contract strategy—a gentle plea for a settlement without a strike this summer.

Erza Van Horn, temporary chairman, said, "No conclusions were reached," at yesterday's meeting.

Foot-Mouth Battle Reported Costing \$2 Million Monthly

LAREDO, April 28. (AP)—The foot and mouth disease vaccination program in Mexico costs over 2 million monthly but gradual progress has been made against the livestock malady says the co-director of the joint U. S.-Mexico Foot and Mouth Disease Commission.

The official, Maj. Gen. Harry H. Johnson, addressed the Rotary Club here yesterday.

Johnson reported the foot and mouth disease quarantine line had been held some 370 miles south of Brownsville.

Six Texas Counties Removed From Pink Bollworm Regulation

WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP)—The Agriculture Department yesterday removed six Texas counties from the area regulated against the pink bollworm. It added two Texas counties, Crockett and De Witt.

The department said Brazoria, Chambers, Harris, Jefferson, Liberty, and Orange were removed.

TAKE FIRST LOSS

WACO, April 28. (AP)—The Aggie frosh dropped the Baylor freshmen baseball team out of the undefeated ranks here last night beating the Cubs 5 to 3.

Wounded War Vet's Farm Is Rebuilt

GENE AUTRY, Okla., April 28. (AP)—An Oklahoma World War II veteran, who lost a leg in combat, today had an 80-acre model farm—one that was rebuilt by 450 men in a day.

The men, with 75 pieces of machinery, arrived at James Cross' farm near here yesterday. That was before daybreak. By nightfall, they had rebuilt his house and barns, fenced the acreage, planted a new orchard, constructed a pond, and made other improvements.

Cross, who is married and the father of three, acquired the farm after selling his automobile the government gave him. He hopes to start a dairy herd.

Veterans groups, the Ardmore Chamber of Commerce, machinery firms and agricultural companies and agencies co-operated in the work.

Park Funeral Rites Set Friday Here

Body of Joe L. Park, Alpine, was en route here Thursday for final rites Friday at 5 p. m. at the Nalley chapel.

Park, who was born in Big Spring had been express agent at Alpine since February. He had been ill, but not seriously, before a heart attack claimed his life Wednesday.

He was on the Santa Fe Presidio express run for a number of years and was stationed at Weolaco before coming to Alpine approximately three months ago.

No word concerning survivors was available immediately. The Masonic lodge was due to be in charge of the services.

Legion Attacked By DRT On Flag Issue

FORT WORTH, April 28. (AP)—Daughters of the Republic of Texas leveled their historical guns at the American Legion today and fired a broadside of bitter words for suggesting that captured Mexican battleflags be returned to Mexico.

Fort Worth's Van Zandt Chapter, DRT, called the Legion's executive committee action in Austin last Sunday "interference in a period of history that is not its concern."

WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Cloudy to partly cloudy, scattered afternoon and evening showers in Pecos, South Plains and east of Pecos River this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperatures.

EAST TEXAS—Cloudy to partly cloudy, scattered showers in north and central portions this afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperatures. Moderate to occasionally fresh southeasterly winds on the coast, becoming westerly this afternoon and tonight.

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Whether an experienced seamstress or a comparative beginner, you will like this service. The patterns are extremely easy to follow with the complete and simplified step-by-step sewing guide that is provided. They are hand cut and manufactured in conformance with standard measurements set by the U. S. Bureau of Commerce. They are guaranteed to equal in cut and fit the name brand patterns that sell at higher prices.



Be sure to watch the pattern fashion from day to day and see how selections are provided for all sizes, for all age groups, for all occasions of wear. In addition to dressy types, there will be designs for practical house frocks, aprons, pinafores, undies, etc. Plus, easily-made garments for the tots and girls.

Remember, a different style daily, starting next Sunday, in **The HERALD**

\$49,019 JOB EXPECTED TO BEGIN WITHIN 30 DAYS

Bids Awarded For New Airport Terminal Here

Tentative contracts totalling \$49,019 for construction of a new terminal building at the Big Spring Municipal Airport were agreed upon...

Service Co. quoting the lowest figure, \$3,790. Other electrical bids were submitted by Tally and Worthan, Petty Electric Co., W. K. Jennings, D&H Electric Co., and Power.

Such approval is regarded as a mere formality since the CAA already has made an offer of Federal assistance on the project. Acceptance of the offer will be forwarded to CAA simultaneously with proposed contract figures.

The new terminal will be located south of the No. 1 hangar where the airport manager's office is located. The structure will be 128-feet long and 56-feet wide, with exterior walls of redwood and stucco.

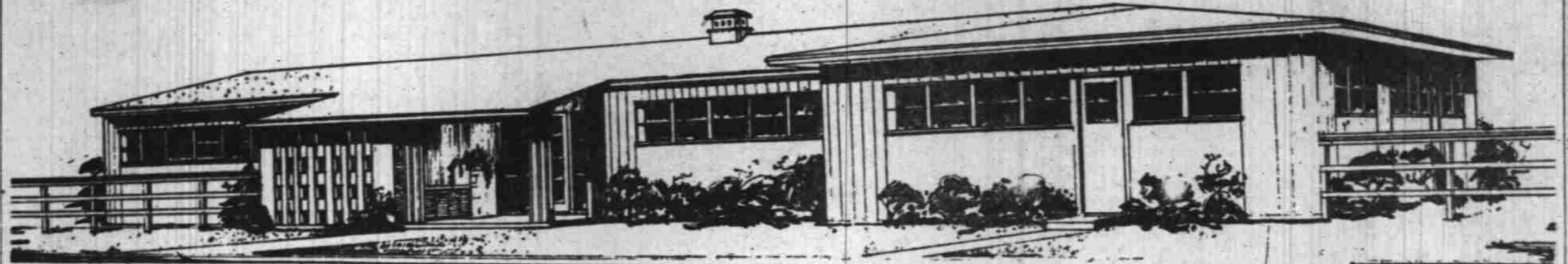
Plans and specifications were prepared by Puckett and French of Big Spring.

The Communist radio in Peiping boasted two Nationalist armies, the 20th and 99th, had been wiped out. Two towns, Ting, 85 miles west of here, and Chingtai, 60 miles southwest of Nanking, were captured.

Rep. J. F. Gray of Three Rivers sought to put teachers salaries on a sliding scale which would vary according to changes in cost of living as shown by U. S. Bureau of Labor statistics.

Gilmer-Aikin Forces Holding Edge In Fight

AUSTIN, April 27. (U.S.)—Gilmer-Aikin forces held a decided edge today as they steadily beat down proposed amendments to the second of the school bills.



Architect's Drawing of the New Terminal Building to be Constructed at Big Spring Municipal Airport.

'I'D LIKE TO GO BACK,' SAYS MAN

Hid Ten Years In Cubicle

NEW YORK, April 27 (U.S.)—A shy, shy-bearded man of 33, dug out after 10 years of fantastic solitude in a dank cubbyhole, yearned today to return to the tomb-like cubicle in which his mother sealed him when war broke out.

She asked a neighborhood woman to go and care for her son—whose only contact with the world was a hole in the top of his tomb, through which he was fed.

down the thin plaster wall that sealed Makushak off, and lifted him back into the world.

Shoeless, filthy, his clothes in rags, Paul Makushak, one-time college student, stood on wobbly legs and blinked into the unaccustomed glare of electric lights.

With crowbars, police bashed down the thin plaster wall that sealed Makushak off, and lifted him back into the world.

Several books on shorthand lay on a makeshift shelf. Makushak said he liked to practice shorthand to while away the time.

The map told a strange story of voluntary exile since 1939—when his mother sealed him off from the world with a wall of wood and plaster at the outbreak of World War II.

about the draft. That was in 1917, wasn't it?"

He said he didn't believe in violence, and added "I don't know" when asked if he would have gone in the Army.

His father, who runs a tailor shop in the same building, said he never knew the man was imprisoned in the house.

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He had previously worn. Today he wore a white sport shirt and navy dungarees.

Neither Ambassador J. Leighton Stuart, 72, nor members of his staff or household, were molested by the Red soldiers. They entered his bedroom and awakened him.

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Churchill Asks Retaliation On Chinese Reds

LONDON, April 26. (U.S.)— Winston Churchill angrily told the government today it ought to have aircraft carriers in China waters for "effective power of retaliation" against Chinese Communists who attacked British warships.

Churchill called the shelling of British warships on the Yangtze an "atrocious outrage" and accused the government of "throwing the whole burden" of responsibility on naval commanders in China.

He said he never shaved for the decade he was in the cubbyhole but occasionally clipped his whiskers with a pair of shears he kept there.

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ELDERLY PATIENTS AT HOSPITAL WILL WELCOME OLD EASY CHAIRS

If you have an old easy chair around the house, up in the attic or out in the garage, that you are not using, there's a needed place for it.

Dr. A. M. Bowden, superintendent of the hospital, said that any gifts of easy chairs will be warmly welcomed. Old rockers, upholstered chairs—anything of that type is needed—but of course they should be in usable condition.

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SHERIFF ON STAND Call Five Witnesses In Hester Trial

CLEBURNE, April 27. (U.S.)—Five states witnesses testified today in the murder trial of Arthur Clayton Hester, admitted slayer of his guardian, 70-year-old Dr. John Lord.

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Young Fire Heroine To See New Home

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YMCA Campaign Gets In Stride

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T-H Fight Goes To House Floor

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