

## Tax Payments Lag Markedly, City Reports

Meanwhile, County And School Receive Better Collections

Unless there is a definite increase in response at the city hall, the per centage of delinquent taxes may take a jump this year, it was indicated at the tax office Tuesday.

Discount plans offered by the county and independent school district has boosted their percentage collections but has militated against the city. Either it has created impression among taxpayers that they have cleared all their obligations for the current year, or it has drained them of tax funds, city officials opined.

Deadlines for payment of all current taxes—whether county, state, school or city—is Friday evening. Meanwhile, prospective voters were rallying to appeals to acquire poll taxes. Tuesday noon the total had jumped to 2,081 polls plus 80 exemptions. It was a gain of around 200 over the previous day. However, the figure was approximately 30 under the same date two years ago.

## Rumania Gets Purging From New Leaders

BUCHAREST, Jan. 28 (AP)—M. Malaxa, wealthy Rumanian munitions magnate, was placed on trial today on a charge of aiding and abetting last week's Iron Guard revolt.

The trial started as Premier General Ion Antonescu, from a sickbed, gave orders to his newly formed military government to take whatever steps were necessary to insure the maintenance of order throughout the country.

Soldiers, still on duty in Bucharest streets, were instructed to shoot on the spot, with no questions asked, any person found possessing a machine-gun.

Police said that the Iron Guard mayor of one provincial town had confessed he and his wife killed and robbed 80 persons.

Army headquarters announced that weapons already confiscated from captured rebels and their headquarters included 666 machine-guns, 128 sawed off shotguns, 2,644 rifles, 1,964 revolvers and some bayonets.

In a drastic move to prevent the flight of rebel leaders, the government ordered all Rumanian passports cancelled.

Malaxa's house, which had been taken over by the Iron Guard, was one of the most badly damaged during the revolt.

In a raid on the home of former Vice Premier Horis Sima, leader of the Iron Guard rebels, communist documents were said to have been found.

Official circles still insisted that Sima was under arrest, but Iron Guard associates say he is in flight.

## 14-Year-Old Boy Found Murdered

PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 28 (AP)—The nude and apparently beaten body of Reginald David (Billy) Wallace, 14, who had been missing from his home here since last Sunday, was found hanging by a piece of insulated wire from a tree on the bank of a refinery reservoir today.

County officers declared the boy could not have committed suicide because one hand was wired to a belt around his waist.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wallace, the boy's parents, said they last saw him Sunday afternoon. They said he changed his clothes and left home, walking in the general direction of the reservoir.

Officers said there were wounds on the head and legs. The condition of the body, they added, indicated it had been hanging from the tree since Sunday.

A coroner's inquest will be held later.



WILLKIE MEETS CHURCHILL IN LONDON—Wendell Willkie (left) shook hands with Prime Minister Churchill in London, Jan. 27, and had lunch with the British war leader. In center is Eddy Gilmore of the Associated Press London staff. (AP Photo by Radio from London).

## Ever-Popular Willkie Takes London's Scenes In Stride

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP)—Wendell Willkie visited the House of Commons today and sat in the distinguished visitors' gallery during an opposition attack on the government's suppression of the Daily Worker, communist party organ.

Caught earlier in the first air raid of his London visit without the steel helmet he brought from the United States, Willkie also got into the house without a gas mask—ordinarily required equipment for all entering there.

Attendants explained that he was allowed to enter without his mask because he is "only a temporary resident of London."

While Willkie sat in a front row of the almost empty gallery for half an hour, Laborite Aneurin Bevan told the house that the suppression of the Daily Worker was driving the opposition to war underground and that soon Britain would need "a gestapo" to combat such opposition.

There was no recognition of Willkie's visit from the floor.

Before going to Commons, Willkie visited the Bank of England and met Montagu Norman, the bank's governor. A crowd gathered outside observed when he left.

Members of his party said "nearly every mayor in England has written or wired asking him to pay his town a visit."

He was leaving St. Paul's Cathedral after inspecting bomb damage there when air raid sirens—first heard in London since Thursday—sounded their cry.

Unperturbed, Willkie entered an automobile and proceeded to the Bank of England, where he was met by a band in full robes and introduced to Montagu Norman, the bank's governor.

Neither of the men went to a raid shelter.

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## Mexicans To Form New Political Party

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 28 (AP)—Plans for a new political party to join independent groups in one compact organization were reported today by Emilio Madero, who headed the unsuccessful presidential campaign of General Juan Almazan.

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## NYA Center's Chief Arrives In Big Spring

Plans Made For Opening Of New Training Camp

Hugh Carrington, formerly of Austin, has arrived here to assume his duties as assistant supervisor of the resident center scheduled to be opened here this weekend.

He came here Monday with Oris M. Cosby, Jr., area supervisor for NYA, and the two were preparing to confer with city officials at the commission meeting Tuesday evening on contracts for food supplies at the center. Carrington said that purchases were to be contracted through the city to insure local purchases.

E. M. Treadwell, San Angelo, will be shop foreman for the Big Spring center and Henry C. Wakefield is chef. Supervisor for the unit has not been named.

First of 50 boys for the center are due to arrive here Saturday, said Cosby, and all are due to be on hand by Sunday evening.

For the time being, only wood-work and metal shops will be operated, but center enrollees may get further instruction in cooperation with the school's national defense training program.

If the resident NYA load is large enough, then the center personnel may not be assigned to the airport terminal building job, which now has had footings poured. However, the boys will spend half a day on construction work as well as half a day in instruction.

## Big Spring '41 Safety Record Is Near Top

AUSTIN, Jan. 28 (AP)—Four Texas cities of between 10,001 and 25,000 population went through 1940 without a traffic fatality. Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., state police director, announced today. They were Corsicana, University Park (Dallas), Bryan and Sweetwater.

Denison, Brownwood, Pampa, Big Spring, Terrell, Highland Park (Dallas) and Borger had only one traffic death each.

Population, fatalities, and the death rate per 100,000 population in some cities between 10,001 and 25,000 other than those with perfect records follow:

Denison, population, 15,581; fatalities, 1; rate per 100,000 population, 6.42.

Brownwood 13,398, 1, and 7.46.

Pampa 12,995, 1, and 7.75.

Big Spring 12,804, 1, and 7.82.

Secretary Morgenthau bluntly told the senate foreign relations committee today that Great Britain, Greece and China "can't continue to fight" unless congress enacts the administration's British-aid bill.

He also testified today that British orders for 2,000 fighting planes were being held up for lack of dollar exchange.

The secretary of the treasury told the senate foreign relations committee that London's war material purchases virtually had stopped in December.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP)—Secretary Morgenthau said today that "mentally" he had charged off "some time ago" Britain's debt to the United States from the last war, a debt which now stands at \$5,728,821,000.

The treasury secretary, appearing before the senate foreign relations committee in behalf of the administration's British-aid bill, made the statement in response to a question by Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich) who said:

"I suspect you are prepared to charge those (British debts of the last war) off for keeps, aren't you?"

"Anytime," Morgenthau replied. "I did some time ago—mentally."

Specific figures were not mentioned but treasury records show that the net amount owed by Britain on the principal of World War borrowings is \$4,125,000,000. Unpaid interest brings the total to \$5,728,821,000.

The British-aid bill would authorize President Roosevelt to make war materials available to Britain without immediate payment and, in effect, leave an account owing to a post-war settlement.

Morgenthau testified prior to questioning that the fall of France had added heavily to Britain's liabilities and detracted greatly from her resources.

Presenting figures to show that the empire could pay for the orders already placed but has not "the dollars to take care of their additional needs," Morgenthau said:

"One vital factor in this drain of assets was the collapse of France last summer. The French had at least as much as the British in gold and dollar assets in this country; these resources were available, together with the British, to pay for purchases here in the first nine months of the war.

"When the French collapse

## English Claim Big Troopship Safe In Port After Reported Torpedoing Off West Africa



LORD HALIFAX VISITS WALLACE—On a tour of the capitol, Lord Halifax (left), new British ambassador, dropped in for an informal chat with Vice President Wallace who took time out from his duties as presiding officer of the senate.

## Speaker Selects House Committees

AUSTIN, Jan. 28 (AP)—Howard Hartzog, veteran representative from Port Lavaca, today was named chairman of the house revenue and taxation committee, and Rep. W. O. Reed of Dallas chairman of the appropriations committee.

With the selection of committees by Speaker Homer Leonard, the house was ready to begin work on legislation. Senate committees were named 12 days ago.

Leonard chose Rep. Dewitt Kinard of Port Arthur as chairman of the committee on congressional and legislative districts; Houston McMurry of Henrietta, constitutional amendments; Walter A. Ferguson of Overton, education; Harvey J. Shell of Gregory, game and fish; G. H. Little of Amarillo, highways and motor traffic; Lester Clark of Breckenridge, oil, gas and mining; and Augustine Celaya of Brownsville, state affairs.

Other committee heads are: agriculture, W. R. Chambers of May; banks and banking, B. J. Leyendecker of Laredo; claims and accounts, Henry G. Lehman of Giddings; commerce and manufacturing, Otis E. Lock of Zavalla; common carriers, George F. Howard of Houston; conservation and reclamation, Grady Roberts of Munday; contingent expenses, Lonnie Alsop of Carthage.

Counities, William Calvin Montgomery of Houston; criminal jurisdiction, Dallas A. Blankenship of Dallas; engrossed bills, W. W. Bridgers of El Paso; enrolled bills, H. F. Howington of Comanche; examination of comptroller's and treasurer's accounts, E. J. Cleveland of Buda; federal relations,

Omar Burkett of Cisco; insurance, Jeff D. Stinson of Dallas; interstate co-operation, Clayton Bray of Longview; judicial districts, Dorsey B. Hardeman of San Angelo; judiciary, C. H. Glimmer of Rock Springs; labor, James M. Heflin of Houston;

Liquor traffic, John J. Bell of Cuero; livestock and stock raising, Pat Dwyer of San Antonio; local and uncontested bills, P. L. Crossley of Eastland; military affairs, James E. Taylor of Kerens; municipal and private corporations, G. E. Nicholson of Port Neches; penitentiaries, Clinton Kersey of Bridgeport; privileges, suffrage and elections, J. E. Winfree of Houston; public health, A. J. Vale of Rio Grande City; public lands and buildings, M. F. Smith of Pleasanton;

Public printing, W. J. Bailey of Winnsboro; representation before the legislature, Jim Pace of Gainesville; rules, G. C. Morris of Greenville; school districts, Joe Skiles of Denton; eleemosynary and reformatory institutions, M. A. Bundy of Wichita Falls.

## Greeks Continue To Gain Ground

ATHENS, Jan. 28 (AP)—Tank-led Italian counter thrusts and low-flying attacks by planes which some observers believed to be German were said today to have failed to stop Greek gains in central Albania.

The Greek high command declared four Italian tanks were destroyed and others driven back. "About 90 prisoners and some automatic weapons" were reported captured. The high command said the Greeks pushed on into some of the positions from which the Italians attacked.

A government spokesman said last night the Italian attempt yesterday to regain lost ground was the second hard counter attack repulsed in two days.

## Huge Empress Of Australia's Harbor Secret

21,833 Ton Vessel's Radio Messages Heard In Miami Last Night

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP)—The British press association reported today that the British liner Empress of Australia is "safe in port."

The announcement failed to give any details concerning the whereabouts of the ship, previously reported by radio to have been torpedoed 200 miles west of Dakar, French West Africa.

Naval circles said the port where the Empress of Australia is berthed could not be disclosed for "security reasons."

The 21,833-ton vessel, reported in service recently as a troop transport, called for help in a dramatic series of terse messages to Tropical Radio at Miami, Fla., last night, then went silent.

It was 10:36 p. m. (EST) when Tropical began to receive urgent signals over the 36-meter radio band. Then came this message: "SSS (code for submarine attack). De GFSS (from Empress of Australia). Torpedoed. Now down by bow. All Hebeons over to port. Can't get on any other channel. Twelve valves (English term for tubes) now off. About 200 miles from Dakar. Deck awash."

Tropical intercepted this message at 10:58 p. m.

"Being" shelled again. 15:30. 18:20."

The figures evidently indicated the exact position as 15 degrees 30 minutes north latitude, 18 degrees 20 minutes west longitude.

The ship's transmitter, Tropical said, had been operating poorly, and at 10:55 p. m. it sent a few dashes indicating preparations to send, then abruptly became silent.

Tropical's operator thought that at one time he had picked the word "troops" from the Empress of Australia but he couldn't be sure because of the poor reception.

The Empress of Australia, 588 feet long, brought King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to this continent for a visit in 1939 and apparently was used as a troopship after the outbreak of war.

## Not-So-Pleasant Bedtime Story

DELPHI, Ind., Jan. 28 (AP)—This is a bedtime story about what the Charles Robertsons did when their farmhouse caught fire.

The couple and their two small children were upstairs in bed at the time.

They tore one of the beds apart, threw the mattress to the ground and, one by one, jumped out on it, landing unhurt.

The house burned down.

## Weather Forecast

WEST TEXAS: Increasing cloudiness in north portion to and occasional thunderstorms in south portion tonight and Wednesday, and rain or snow over north portion late Wednesday; rising temperatures.

EAST TEXAS: Fairly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Wednesday; somewhat warmer in the interior. Wednesday. Moderate to fresh northeast winds on the coast.

LOCAL WEATHER DATA

Highest temperature Monday, 43.

Lowest temperature today, 33.

Sunset today, 6:16 p. m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7:43 a. m.

Rainfall in 24 hours ending at 8:30 a. m. 1.34.

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Wednesday - Cash with Order

Buy - Sell - Trade - Rent On This  
**BIGGEST BARGAIN!**

## With Big Sendoff - Another Draftee Group Leaves

Big Springers turned out en masse to give local and Stanton men a hearty send-off as they started by special bus for the Lubbock induction station, from where they will go into one year's military training under the selective service act.

James Brooks, principal speaker for the occasion in pointing out the training program's chief objective said, "This time you are preparing for peace." The community, he added, was even prouder of the men than they were of the fact that they were going to serve.

Brooks, a captain of the old 117th supply train, Co. D, 42nd Division in the World War, predicted that the training would be good for the recruits and that they would be happy that they availed themselves of the opportunity to go. Timely preparation would have prevented a need for the country to go into war, Brooks stated, while reciting the reasons for the boys going to the war of 1914-18.

Theo Thomas, draft board member, made a brief talk and presented the men with their papers. A. W. Crocker was put in charge of the group with Charles Heavel second in command.

In addition to the men in charge, the list of local trainees included Santiago Abreo, Earl Dean Jenkins, Cecil Marvin McCollough, Dewey Wilson Kerr, Jack Wayne Hungerford, Joseph Samuel Day, Willie Albert Sundry, Ricardo Rosales Marquez, Daniel Martin Bearden, Jr., Elmer Alonzo Buckles, Calvin Burt Young, Desmond Kermit Armstrong, Roy James Low, Jack Julius McCleanahon, Thurman Alfred Proctor, Merritt Lee Morrison, M. A. Denton, Sidney James Moody, Leonard Vance Morgan, Charles Ross Everett, William Walter Smith and T. L. Miller.

Roy Andrew Phares was registered with a Kern county, California, board but upon his request was sent to camp with the group from Big Spring, his home. Phillip Conway Slusser is to be inducted from the Houston station, although he is registered with the local board.







# Five Big Spring, Three Colorado City Youths Capture Titles In District Golden Gloves Fight Tournament Here

## Full House Sees Fast, Hard Matches

Five Big Spring and three Colorado City lads were crowned champions of the district Golden Gloves tournament at the municipal auditorium Monday night. A full house of spectators were on hand to watch a series of matches that took credit for being one of the fastest and most thrill-packed shows that has been presented to Big Spring sports fans in some time.

Clifton Patton, Big Spring, copped the heavyweight title; J. W. Coates, Big Spring, was held over from last week's meet to take light heavyweight honors; Brady Piper, Big Spring, took the middleweight department; James Cooper, Colorado City, took the nod in the welterweight division; Charles Watson, Colorado City, picked up the lightweight championship; Blackie Patton, Big Spring, won the featherweight belt; Jimmy Harrison, Colorado City, was awarded the title in the bantamweight division; and Ynez Yanez, Big Spring, marked up the title in the flyweight ranks.

## Golf Veterans Fall By Way

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 28 (AP)—The big-time professional golf stars of last year will have the past performance "finger" pointed at them when the 41st Western Open golf championship gets underway at the Phoenix country club Friday.

After the first three tournaments of the winter trail, not one of the 10 stars who accounted for all 23 P. G. A. medal tournaments of 1940 had entered the 1941 winner's circle. For Big Johnny Bulla, wily little Leonard Dodson and the veteran Johnny Revolta were the long shot victors in the year's first three events.

Bulla knocked over the \$2,500 first money in the Los Angeles open. Dodson, garrulous product of the Ozarks who'll wager on anything, defeated Ben Hogan and Dutch Harrison in the Oakland open, and Revolta, the curly haired scrapper from Evanston, Ill., outplanned Harry Cooper to take the San Francisco match play title.

Of the 10 big stars of 1940 who are slow in getting started, Jimmy Demaret of Houston will be on the biggest spot in the western event. He's the defending champion. Through 1940 he won six tournaments, but hasn't been able to get going this winter.

## 14 FALSE ALARMS

CHICAGO, Jan. 28 (AP)—The man that Chicago firemen would like most to get their hands on—a fire alarm bug—went back to work yesterday, turning in 14 false alarms in two and one-half hours.

Friday he pulled 19 false alarms in three and one-half hours. Six companies answered the first box today, but only one engine was dispatched to the others. Streets were slippery with snow and the going was treacherous for the heavy trucks.

## Eat Breakfast At Wacker's

### Breakfast

One Egg, any style, two strips Bacon, Buttered Toast and Coffee.

15c

### Special Breakfast

Choice of Fruit Juice, one Egg any style, Bacon, Sausage or Ham, Buttered Toast with Jelly and Coffee.

25c

## Wacker's

Lunch Dept. Good Food Well Prepared

## Plenty Power Promised In '41 Mile Runs

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (AP)—Although Glenn Cunningham has "retired" to a job as athletic director, the spiked shoe brigade feels this track season may turn out to be the one that will produce more miles run better and faster than ever.

In Glenn's place there are four or five men of virtually equal caliber, all of whom can run the mile fast and any one of whom is likely to win it on any given date.

In the Wanamaker mile which opens the Madison Square Garden season Saturday, for instance, there will be these five starters: Walter Mehl, who won in Boston three nights ago in 4:09.7, the fastest mile ever run so early in the season;

John Munsick, winner of the Sugar Bowl race, winner in Boston two weeks before, and second to Mehl.

Lee Macmillan, New York U. sophomore who placed third in 4:10.2, fastest time of his career and fastest mile for age (20) ever run.

Chuck Fenske, bounced around in the rear-guard jockeying in Boston and not quite in condition, but still the man who put together a string of eight straight victories last winter.

Paul Moore, formerly of Stanford, lone question mark in the group and a man who never has run indoors, but with 4:11.5 his best credit outdoors.

Cunningham's announced retirement, incidentally, didn't quite "take" among the men who quote him, especially since they read that Glenn pulled a tendon a couple of weeks ago.

They argue that if Cunningham pulled a tendon he must have been training, and it was training he must be planning to run, and if he's planning to run—well, then "Old Man Mile" may be back to protect his Garden record of 4:07.4 which Fenske tied a year ago.

## Folger Offers Set Of Knives

Currently, the Folger Coffee Company is offering a handsome matched knife set, made by the Cataraugus company, for only 25c and a piece of the tin band from a Folger coffee can.

This set of matched kitchen knives is made up of a large utility knife with a six inch blade and a paring knife. The set is unusual, for it carries a lifetime guarantee. Knife blades are chromium plated yet hold a keen edge indefinitely. Handles are shiny black, grooved to fit the hand snugly.

Folger's local representative explains that all orders can be addressed to the Folger Coffee Company, Box 456, Kansas City, Mo. He also points out that the coupon in the Folger ad in this issue of the paper shows February 15 as the last day for use of the coupon.

So anyone taking advantage of this remarkable knife offer should act quickly.

## LOCOMOTIVE, CAR PLUNGE INTO RIVER

OROVILLE, Calif., Jan. 28 (AP)—Wrecking crews toiled today to raise a huge locomotive and baggage car from the bed of the Feather river where they plunged Sunday when the luxurious Exposition Flyer of the Western Pacific railroad crashed into a landslide.

One trainman was believed to have lost his life in the accident. He was James E. Curry, 61, of San Rafael, baggage man on the Chicago-to-San Francisco train. Curry, veteran of 40 years with the Railway Express Agency, was on his regular run.

## Steers Will Play Lamesa 5 Tonight

Big Spring high school's basketballers resume their stride in the district 3-AA cage race tonight when they invade Lamesa for a set-to with the Lamesa Tornados.

Coach John Daniels' quintet copped a close game from Colorado City's basketballers last week, thereby indicating that Big Spring might be starting back into winners row in court wars.

In the beginning of the current season the Steers were not slated to do too much in the conference scramble—and didn't—but following the show with Colorado City

last week, Coach Daniels said his boys were beginning to show a little promise.

Lamesa was defeated by the local lads earlier in the season, and were up to last week, the only district crew that had been forced to take a back seat to Big Spring.

James Fallon, Ed R. H. Weaver were the Herd's scoring threats in the engagement with Colorado City. These two cagers, plus the potential threat of Blake Talbot and the stellar guard work of Horace Bostick, may again turn the tide in Big Spring's favor.

## Tate, Riviere Back From 'Bush-Beating Journey

Jodie Tate and Tink Riviere, co-owners of Big Spring's 1941 baseball club, returned Monday from what Riviere called a "bush-beating" expedition.

"We have a bunch of good prospects lined up and some definite contracts already signed, but will hold back closing all our deals with boys until after we get a chance to give them a good once-over," Tate said.

The franchise holders expect to move into Big Spring Tuesday or Wednesday of this week. By the first of April they intend to be moving into spring training.

Four lads have been signed up so far by Tate and Riviere in addition to those who came with the franchise. T. J. Kimbrough is a 19-year-old Beaumont lad who has seen a small amount of service with Rayno, La., of the Evangelical league in the shortstop berth.

John Henry Key is a lefthanded pitcher from Liberty. He is 23 years old but has never been in professional ball, although he has had several years experience in semi-pro outfits. His younger brother, Frank, has signed up with Tate and Riviere. He is listed the same as John Henry in the matter of experience and is an outfielder. He tips the scales at a husky 180 pounds and is 20 years old.

J. L. Haney, another recruit, played under Tate at Lamesa but was out most of the season because of illness. Tate said he could play outfielder and catcher but was slated to be made into a pitcher. Tate predicted "great things for this boy."

VICHY, France, Jan. 28 (AP)—Admiral William D. Leahy, United States ambassador to France, said in a statement today that "it is my personal opinion that the British government can and will prosecute the present war to a successful conclusion."

## Leahy Believes Britain To Win

"I have noted that Belgian newspapers have published a statement that the American ambassador to France is of the opinion that the British will be defeated in the present war."

"I should like, in the interest of truth and accuracy, to take this opportunity to state that the above mentioned report, published in Belgium, is completely false, and that it is my personal opinion that the British government can and will prosecute the present war to a successful conclusion."

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28 (AP)—A handsome, former international rowing champion assigned to work out a nation-wide physical fitness program declared today

## FORMER ROWING CHAMPION SUGGESTS PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAM AS DEFENSE ITEM

that "we are so far behind Germany in physical training right now that I'm afraid of what would happen if we're called upon to prove ourselves."

"Our young men play a bit of football in school, then go out to work, marry and start getting fat," asserted John B. Kelly, whose husky conditioned frame, despite his 51 years, displays adequate reason why he scored over the world's best scullers around 1920.

To combat a situation which Kelly said best was illustrated by the "great percentage" of rejections for physical reasons of selective service eligibles, he intends to seek national utilization of public school equipment, after regular class hours.

Doctors and physical education teachers would be enlisted to direct the mass exercises under the tentative program which Kelly, Philadelphia's democratic chairman, has drawn up. Already he has requested an "adequate appropriation" from President Roosevelt, who recently named him head of a physical fitness drive.

"The time has come to place less emphasis on the brain and more on the body," said Kelly. "As fast as we can build institutions, they are being filled up with physically incapacitated people."

"We are going backward all the time because our people are getting lazier."

Over a story about Gene Englund of Wisconsin leading the Big Ten basketball scorers, Keith Brehm of the Racine Journal-Times wrote this caption: "There'll always be an Englund—Wisconsin hopes." So say we all.

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## Major-City Loop's First Tilts Tonight

Initial games of the Major-City basketball loop get underway tonight at 8 o'clock in the high school gym. First on deck is a contest between Crystal Cafemen and Empire Gammen.

At 9 o'clock Vaughn's Doughboys tangle with City's Service, and at 10 Phillips Tremen and Montgomery Ward take up hostilities.

According to present standings, the Tremen are slated to be the most promising quintet in the loop, with the Doughboys running them a close second.

Week's Major-City schedule: January 28 Crystal Cafe vs. Empire Gas, 8 p. m.

Vaughn's vs. City Service, 8 p. m.

Phillips vs. Wards, 10 p. m.

Vaughn's vs. Empire, 8 p. m.

Phillips vs. City Service, 9 p. m.

Wards vs. Crystal Cafe, 10 p. m.

## Knott News

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Wheelis arrived in Big Spring from Brownwood to spend the weekend with Mrs. Wheelis' parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Mason. They have just returned from a trip that took them to Wichita Falls, Fort Worth and Dallas. They will make their home in Abilene.

Rev. E. E. Mason was honored by Floyd, made a business trip to Sweetwater Sunday.

Evelyn Robinson and Leeroy Holliday of Lamesa were married at 8 o'clock Friday night in the home of Rev. E. E. Mason, with Rev. Mason reading the single ring ceremony. The couple will make their home in Lamesa.

Rev. E. E. Mason was honored with a birthday dinner in his home at 504 Ayloff St. Sunday. The day marked his 60th anniversary. He remarked that he did not consider himself old and that there was still time for that later. A gift was presented and those enjoying the dinner were Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Irene Morton of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Wheelis, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Jr., Donald and Twila Frances, a grand daughter, Noragene Taylor, a grandson, Richard Byrd and Miss Lora Farnsworth.

Donald and Twila Frances Phillips of Knott spent Saturday night in Big Spring with their grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Phillips.

## Crude Production Decreases Slightly

TULSA, Okla., Jan. 28 (AP)—Daily crude oil production in the United States decreased 15,498 barrels to 3,590,340 for the week ended Jan. 25. The Oil and Gas Journal said today.

California production declined 16,900 to 605,250; Louisiana, 2,450 to 269,400; Michigan, 355 to 40,250; and Texas, 3,900 to 1,837,900.

Illinois increased 1,225 to 324,425; eastern fields, 300 to 111,800; Kansas, 200 to 199,400; Oklahoma, 3,500 to 392,000; Rocky Mountain states, 2,050 to 97,200; and East Texas, 1,825 to 378,925.

# Sports

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## Big Leaguers Will Go To Camp Early

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (AP)—The scent of wide open races in baseball's major leagues has aroused seven clubs to the extent of advancing their 1941 spring training programs ahead of last year's schedule.

Cleveland, Boston and Chicago, in the American league, and St. Louis, New York, Boston and Pittsburgh, in the National, have arranged to get to work earlier this season.

In addition, Jimmy Wilson, new manager of the Chicago Cubs, will call his entire squad together at Catalina Island February 26, instead of last year's setup by which Gabby Hartnett took one session Feb. 23 and another February 29. Thus most of the Cubs also will have an earlier start.

The New York Giants will set the spring training machinery in motion February 14 at Miami, Fla.; the Brooklyn Dodgers will open the next day at Havana, Cuba; the Cleveland Indians will swing into action Feb. 17 at Fort Myers, Fla., and all except two clubs will be underway before the end of next month.

The Detroit Tigers, American league champions, will summon their battersmen to Lakeland, Fla., March 2 and the rest of the squad March 9. Last year, the camp opened February 25.

The Philadelphia Phillies, perennial National league tailenders, will start March 1 at Miami Beach.

Nine clubs will train in Florida this winter, one less than last year. Cincinnati's world champions will set up shop at Tampa again February 24; the St. Louis Cardinals will convene at St. Petersburg the same day; the New York Yankees, who also train at St. Pete, will start on the 23rd; the Boston Red Sox, on the 24th at Sarasota; and Washington, at Orlando, Fla., Feb. 20, five days later than last year.

The Boston Bees, at Bradenton, Fla., last year, will share the Texas scene at San Antonio with the St. Louis Browns. The Bees will start February 20 and the Browns, February 27.

Southern California will have four camps. The Chicago White Sox will be at Pasadena, where the first squad will be due February 23; the next day Pittsburgh will take over San Bernardino, and the Philadelphia Athletics will move into Anaheim. The Cubs will be at Avalon on Catalina.

## FRENCH TROOPS RIOT

VICHY, France, Jan. 28 (AP)—A riot by French troops stationed at Maison Caree, Algeria, in which six persons were killed and many wounded was reported here today. Three of those shot fatally in the random firing were said to have been women.

Authorities have arrested nearly all of the ringleaders of the disturbance, it was reported.

## Tech Council May Select Coach Today

LUBBOCK, Jan. 28 (AP)—The Texas Tech athletic council may recommend a new football coach today.

The council, which met for eight hours yesterday, resumes its sessions with prospects of reaching a decision on the man to take the place left vacant through resignation of Pete Cawthon.

Meanwhile, Cawthon announced he was going to Philadelphia this weekend and probably would confer with owners of the professional football team there concerning a coaching job. He will attend a sportsmanship dinner given by the Philadelphia sports writers.

Cawthon also said he may go to Moscow, Idaho, to discuss a possible application for the University of Idaho coaching post vacated by dismissal of Ted Bank.

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# Driver's License Law Needed

Not many of the tasks confronting the legislature are more important than that of rewriting the driver's license law so as to make it a more effective aid to traffic safety. In Texas, as in practically all other states, lawmakers have accepted the basic principle of the license plan, which is that the operation of an automobile is a privilege and not a right; that the privilege, furthermore, should be reserved to those who show themselves worthy of it. Between the principle itself and the framing of a law to give full effectiveness to it, there are difficulties which are not easily surmounted.

One of these has to do with the procedure by which an incompetent autist may be deprived of his license. The existing procedure is uncertain and cumbersome. One of the worst features of it is that an autist who receives a suspended sentence for drunken driving, or some other offense cannot be deprived of his license. The courts have held that since there is no final judgment in a case in which sentence is suspended, the autist must be allowed to retain his license. The condition arising out of that decision can be corrected by legislation, and one of the provisions of the pending bill would correct it.

A more troublesome problem is that of suspending a license pending court action. Under existing provisions, it is not difficult, as a rule, for a law-violating autist to escape suspension or cancellation of his license. The bill now pending would give the state highway patrol much broader authority than it has. In this respect it is similar to the laws in effect in most other states, which authorize highway officers to suspend, and in some instances to cancel, drivers' licenses.

We believe that it would be unwise to give the public safety department the authority to cancel a license, but that the authority to suspend licenses should be conferred, with proper safeguards. The right of the autist to take the matter into the courts should not, of course, be abridged.

So far, the driver's license system in this state has been little more than a registration of autists. Those who do not obtain licenses are able, too often, to get by with it. There is need of a law that has some sharp teeth in it. In every state where a strong law has been enacted there has been a reduction in traffic accidents.

### Washington Daybook—

## Tux, Black Tie Lose Ground In Washington

By JACK STINNETT  
WASHINGTON—Footnotes for future historians:

Opening wedge of what might be the political death of the "tux and black tie"—at least at presidential electors' banquets—was hammered home by James H. Hammond, Columbia, S. C., lawyer and one of that state's electors.

Unhappy at the thought of going so formally informal, Mr. Hammond informed the committee that he would not attend in any such garb. In part, Mr. Hammond protested thus:

"As Prometheus from his rock, with the moths plucking out its vitals, hangs my tux and tie. To the ambitious waiter, who never hopes to be the head, I relegate my tux and tie.

"Where has democracy gone in such stringent regulations as tux and tie? All of us have howled democracy! Liberty! Freedom! and during the campaign there was no mention of tux and black tie.

"The every echo of our opponents still rings back: 'Regimentation'—as though they were forewarned of tuxes and ties. Was there a fifth or fifteenth columnist in our ranks who betrayed to our enemy the advance plans of this banquet, where, all dressed up as 'chorus Johnnies,' we should be lined up in our tuxes and ties?"

Under such a flood of indignation, the banquet committee wilted like a wigg collar on a sultry night and the number of electors who followed Mr. Hammond's bold, but unstarred, front probably would have been described by Emily Post as "shocking."

### TWO FOR ONE

A lot less frivolous in the matter of smearing a president, in what Sen. Tom Connally smilingly described as West Virginia's apparent effort "to make two senators grow where only one grew before."

West Virginia is almost notorious in the matter of providing contests for senate seats, but the boys thought up a brand new one this time.

Here's how it happened: Sen. Matthew M. Neely was elected governor of West Virginia. He was to take office at noon, January 13. Outgoing Governor Homer Holt was to relinquish office when Governor Neely took over. Governor Neely pulled a political trick one. He took the oath of office at midnight January 12 and a second later appointed Dr. Joseph Rosier, former president of the National Education Association, to succeed him as senator. Not to be outdone, Governor Holt, who already had appointed Clarence E. Martin, former president of the American Bar Association, to succeed Neely, not once, but in two proclamations—issued a third, dated "a moment after 12, midnight, January 13."

### IT'S NO. 6

Five times before in its history as a state, West Virginia has hatched up contests for seats, but Senator Connally's committee on privileges and elections admits that this state is the all-time no. 6 hatcher. It's up to the committee to make a recommendation and then it's up to the senate to seat whom it pleases. But what a problem!

What gets me is that although Governor Neely and ex-Governor Holt are reportedly mad as hops at each other, their appointees, who undoubtedly are going to be most personally affected by outcome of the contest, are affectionate cronies and to all outward appearances are having the time of their lives.

They sit together on one of the divans at the back of the senate chamber. They swap jokes and laugh over each new quip their situation gives rise to. No friend

### Man About Manhattan—

## Night Court Dramas

By GEORGE TUCKER  
NEW YORK—It is a pity that night court no longer attracts the visitors it did back in the nineteen twenties. It is one of the most interesting shows in town, a show that costs nothing and one that goes on all the time.

But nobody goes anymore. For some reason it has become passe. There used to be times when the court showed to packed galleries every night in the week. Those were the days when it was "fashionable" to attend, and to be seen there, and to discuss it with your friends. The newspapers kept photographers there to spot the celebs as they came in. Often the drama that went on there made Broadway look sad.

Night court is just like any other court, with the exception that it is held after dark. Only minor disorders are heard, and that the routine is enlivened by magistrates who know how to play to audiences as well as any actor.

One of the best color stories ever written was called "Night Court." It was such an eloquent piece of writing that Christopher Morley included it in his collected essays and wrote an interesting explanatory footnote to it. The story was about a girl who had been brought into night court charged with loitering on the street. She hadn't done anything wrong. But she was lonely, and she craved excitement, and she permitted herself to be caught by a policeman and taken into court. She knew she would be fined. That didn't matter. The excitement of, for once, being the center of attention, of

### Hollywood Sights and Sounds—

## Censors Get Tougher

By ROBBIN COONS  
HOLLYWOOD—Take it from the men whose studio job it is to guard the movies from production code violation—Joe Breen is getting tougher, rather than relaxing vigilance, on the studios.

Sample: The script specified a set representing a hideout cabin for gangster chief Edward Arnold where he kept an "arsenal." Entusiastic prop-men stocked it with guns, all visible. Al Beach, who hawk-eyed Metro's product from within, saw the set-up and removed quantities of guns, making it a grade-B arsenal but acceptable under the code, which doesn't like unnecessary display of firearms.

This is for a picture called "Roosty," the title deriving from the character name of the gangster boss, played by Gene Reynolds. But there's a story in the leading lady, Veda Ann Borg, who plays the gangster's moll.

Veda Ann had a contract and was getting frequent assignments when, a couple of years ago, she was in an automobile accident and her face was badly disfigured. Two months later, after some plastic surgery, she reported to the studio that she was "These were very nice," she says, "but they told me frankly I couldn't photograph any more. Financially, they (Warner Bros.) were wonderful to me—paid up my contract just as if it had been renewed for six months. I used the money for more plastic surgery, and here I am."

She's a new person with a new face (it will stand close-ups), a new coiffure—golden blonde instead of red—and, to judge by reports, approaches one, but that he is introduced to the other. You would think they were that old team of Damon and Pythias.

Whoever heard of such a screwy contest!

having all eyes riveted on her—her one moment of importance—was compensation enough for the fine.

Well, you do see people like that. You see all sorts of shades and shadows, and some are vignettes of the really hard side of life. There was one old man with a convincing whine and white hair who had been brought in for begging. It was his third offense. It had been proved that he was a heavy property owner, that he had money in two banks, and was able to take care of himself. After this they sent him up for a severe spell.

There was, too, a boy and a girl, from Harlem, who had attempted to settle their quarrel by tossing a little acid at one another. When the girl missed with the acid she used a razor on the boy's arm. He was grinning. He wasn't mad. "Jes a little scrap, judge—one of them things," he said.

There were two brothers who would not speak. Suddenly they lunged at each other. The cops quickly squelched these goings-on, and the magistrate demanded what the trouble was. The cop said he had found them fighting in the street. They never did tell what the fight was about, at least not while I was there. They were taken away and placed in separate cells.

In all, an evening's "bag" will show about twenty or thirty cases. Many of them are interesting in the extreme. A few develop sensationally, and sometimes people who are on the "wanted" list for major crimes turn up in night court for the silliest of counts. They never get away.

It would be interesting to report that the change had opened the way for a new type of characterization, but she says it isn't so. "I never was the school teacher type," she reports. "They're still giving me sexy roles."

It's a funny story, by the way, that Director Harold S. Bucquet tells about why he no longer strikes—up—conversations with strangers on trains.

"I love diners," he says, "and I always feel sociable in them. So the train is passing through some wonderful desert country and I say to a solid businessman opposite me, 'Wonderful country—if it only had water!'"

"He says, 'So would hell be—if it only had water,' and shuts up. I keep quiet from there on in."

Angela Blue may not know it, but Dance Director Hermes Pan calls her the "best dancer" of all the girls he's worked with. . . .

Twice-told tale: Chapter 1—The Marx Bros. are riding high. Chapter 2—The Marx Bros. are sinking. Chapter 3—The Marx brothers are washed up and are going to separate. Chapter 4—The Marx Bros. "Go West." Chapter 5—The Marx brothers are not washed up any more—they're going to repeat in "Big Business."

### CHARGE PRICE FIXING ON LIGHT BULBS

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 28 (AP)—Suits accusing 12 companies of unlawfully restraining competition in the electric light bulb industry have been filed in United States district court here.

The complaints, charging the companies entered into a combination to fix prices were filed in the name of William F. Smith, acting U. S. attorney for New Jersey. The government sought a court order breaking up the alleged combine.

## Herald Serial Story by Allen Eppes

# MAGIC SPRING

Chapter Nine  
Lunch With The Boss

"I'm afraid," David remembered saying, "that the pipes which used to bring the water down from the spring are all rusty and clogged. But I'll see what I can do."

David now turned an invoice sheet and went on with his checking. Mr. Powers breathed deeply. "Nothing more fragrant than the odor of clean lumber," he said. And then: "By the way, I've just gotten hold of a very good book on reforestation. I thought you might like to read it, since our talk the other day about the time when all the trees would be felled."

"Thanks," said David. "I would like to read it." He grinned. "I had a dream the other night, in which I was wandering through a huge tract of land on which was nothing but endless tree-stumps. And all at once I seemed to hear a voice saying, 'Please plant a new tree every time you cut down one of us. It sure got me to thinking.'"

"I've seen just such a tract of land in reality," Mr. Powers said. "I tell you, come on up to the house to lunch with me! I'll give you the book, and you can have a look at the rejuvenated tennis court. Margo's been getting it in shape. May be you two can get in a set or two."

"Are you sure it won't interfere with Margo's plans?" David asked. "Having a guest for lunch on such short notice?"

"Certainly not," said Mr. Powers. "But I'll get telephone her that I'm bringing you with me."

"All right," said David. "Thanks. I would like to see that book—and I reckon my tennis is pretty rusty. I haven't played for a mighty long time."

A short time later he was in the lumber plant office. He had just begun a typed tabulation of the shipment of lumber he had been checking out in the yard, when the telephone rang.

"For you, David," said someone who answered it.

"Thanks," said David. He walked over and took the receiver. "Hello!" he said.

"David, this is Polly. I'm calling you from the tearoom. Could you come here for your lunch today?"

"I want to talk to you for a few minutes."

David was on the verge of saying he would be there, when he remembered Mr. Powers' invitation.

"Gosh, honey," he said, "I'm sorry. Mr. Powers has asked me to go up to his house for lunch."

"Oh!" said Polly.

"He's got a book on reforestation he wants me to read," David went on. "We're both interested in that sort of thing, you know."

"Yes, I know," said Polly. "And then: 'All right; what I've got to talk over will keep.'"

"Couldn't I come over to your place this evening?" David asked.

"Of course," said Polly, "unless Margo Powers dates you up."

Tonight At Eight

That, David thought, didn't sound a bit like Polly. The slight tinge of sarcasm he detected in her remark wasn't characteristic of Polly—not a bit.

"There's no danger of that," he said. "Girls like Margo don't date up smalltown guys like me."

"No?" Again that tinge of sarcasm. "I'm afraid you don't know very much about women. But I'll look for you around eight."

"I'll be there!" David assured. "Can't you tell me now what's on your mind—and then discuss it in detail this evening?"

"I'd rather not," said Polly. "Not over the telephone."

"Okay, then—Tonight at eight," David hung up the receiver and went back to his typing. Something was bothering Polly. He could tell by the tone of her voice. It was probably the same thing that had been bothering her the other evening out at the Inn. He worried him. He wished that he hadn't told Mr. Powers that he would go up to the house for his lunch hour. . . . He would much rather lunch at the tearoom, and find out what was on Polly's mind. He was even tempted to break the engagement, ask Mr. Powers if he could make it some other day. And yet he didn't like to do this. After all, Mr. Powers was his boss, and he was trying to be kind and helpful.

Finally he forced himself to put everything out of his mind but the work at hand. He finished the tabulation just as Mr. Powers came out of his private office to say that Margo was expecting them at twelve-thirty sharp.

And presently he was seated in the long, paneled dining room of the Powers house up on the hill.

"I personally selected every piece of oak that went into those panels," Mr. Powers said with pride. "A lot of people go to Europe and buy the paneled walls of some castle, but not Andy Powers."

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## One Old-Time Prospector Still Hunts Wealth In Texas Hills

By Associated Press

Their ranks have thinned out the past two or three decades, but there remains in Texas at least one member of the clan of old-time leather-booted prospectors.

R. A. Deace of Austin labors unceasingly in the pursuit of riches he believes are hidden somewhere along the rock crevices of the state's mountain regions.

"That's gold in them thar hills," he says, and means it.

Sixty-two years old and chasing elusive caches of ore and jewels from South Africa through South America, Mexico and western states of the union since he was a youth, Deace is firm in his conviction that he soon will locate a heavy-bearing vein in the hill country of central Texas.

pre-cambrian push-up, a gold and silver-bearing geological formation which I have prospected from South and Central America north through Mexico. It pre-dates most of the other push-ups and usually contains ore.

The old Spanish mines in Texas, no doubt, were located in such outcroppings. There is one likely-looking place near Llano which I am now working."

The husky, rough-clothed veteran then paused a moment, glanced ceiling-ward, and added:

"I believe that lease has been mined and there's a lot left. It has an intriguing history. The man who originally worked it, I am told, became very wealthy and finally mysteriously disappeared."

Deace has had to fight in the

courts for his lease-holdings and recently won a favorable ruling from an appellate court.

The deep-tanned prospector says he believes he is the lone remaining member of a numerous brotherhood which years ago roamed the expanses of Texas in search of hidden wealth.

Mining companies, using highly-trained geologists and scientific apparatus, still are scouting regions in West Texas.

These skilled experts, Deace says, have almost completely replaced the old-time prospector with his divining rod and trust in luck.

"So far as I know," he declares, "I'm the only one left. There used to be a bunch of us out west, in Colorado and thereabouts, but I haven't seen any of the gang in years."

### Life's Darkest Moment



### Doing Good Turn, Cop Detects Theft

DALLAS, Jan. 28 (AP)—Five Ellis county youths asked Ed Regan to give a little push so they could get an automobile started.

But Regan happened to be a deputy sheriff and he discovered the automobile had been stolen. The youths are now in jail.

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In  
"RHYTHM ON THE RIVER"

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### QUEEN Today and Wednesday

WYOMING

with LEO CARRILLO and RUTHERFORD

### Scout Leaders Meet Tonight

Boy Scout leaders of Big Spring will discuss current and long range plans at a meeting called for 7:30 p. m. today in the chamber of commerce offices.

Dr. W. B. Hardy, district chairman, was due to outline his plan for closer institutional relationship through definite programs of troop good turns.

Leadership training, due to start Feb. 17 with a course in "Introduction to scouting," will be outlined by Woodrow Wadczek, leadership training chairman. Two other parts of the elements course—troop operation and camping—will be offered during the year.

From W. C. Blankenship, advancement chairman, scouts were to learn of plans for a Court of Honor session on Feb. 4.

Also to be talked at the meeting are plans for observance of Boy Scout anniversary week, beginning Feb. 8 when scouts everywhere in the nation will join in a rededication ceremony. District leaders, scoutmasters and troop committeemen have been urged to participate in the parley.

### Here And There

J. W. Beasley was enroute back to San Antonio Tuesday to face a felony complaint for swindling by bogus check. He was taken into custody here Monday evening by the sheriff's department.

A California man, who formerly operated a travel bureau here, was being detained by police at request of the state highway patrol. The patrol held traffic complaints against him, officers said.

Starting Wednesday, the tax collector's office will be kept open at noon to facilitate the payment of poll and other taxes. Incidentally, it was erroneously stated that those who became 60 "after" Jan. 1, 1940 were entitled to permanent exemptions. The statement should have read "before" Jan. 1, 1940.

Hot checkers are paying off most merrily these days, according to Constable J. F. Crenshaw. Around \$500 has been paid in on this account this month, he said. One man who signed a complaint against another was then informed the office had two bad checks on the complaining witness. Flustered, he also paid off.

L. N. Sterner, Brownsville, suffered a slight head injury Monday evening when the car in which he was riding was in collision with a truck piloted by A. L. Cothran in the 900 block on Gregg. Property damage was severe, but Sterner was the only casualty.

Assistant State Fire Marshall Olive has returned to Austin after making investigations of the destruction of Airport Inn by fire a month ago. His findings were not divulged.

Joe Montalango posted \$1,000 bond Monday evening on a charge of assault with intent to murder. He was arrested and charged by Constable J. F. Crenshaw. Montalango was charged with cutting Romingus Garcia in a bar-room brawl in the Mexican quarter of town Saturday night.

Slot machines, slipping in here and there, had all slipped out by Tuesday, thanks to a pretty thorough canvass by the sheriff's department. This included machines at private businesses and at clubs.

Gulf-North Port Lines Discontinued

HOUSTON, Jan. 28 (AP)—The Clyde-Mallory line definitely has decided to withdraw from steamship trade between Gulf and north Atlantic ports. J. Russell Wall, director of the Port of Houston, announced today.

Wall was informed of the decision in a letter from L. D. Farmelee, executive vice president of the AGWI line, operators of Clyde-Mallory service.

Errol Flynn's Expect Stork

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 28 (AP)—Errol Flynn's wife, Lilli Damita, also of the screen, expects the stork in May.

"We didn't want anyone to know until now," she told close friends.

### RADIO LOG

Tuesday Evening

5:00 News: Paul Pendarvis Orch.  
5:30 Sunset Reveries.  
5:45 Happy Rambler.  
6:00 Milton Lewis, Jr.  
6:15 To Be Announced.  
6:30 Sports Spotlight.  
6:45 News.  
7:00 Anson Weeks Orchestra.  
7:15 Singing Strings.  
7:30 Ned Jordan, Secret Agent.  
8:00 Mystery Hall.  
8:30 Morton Gould Orchestra.  
9:00 Raymond Gram Swing.  
9:15 News: Art Kassel Orch.  
9:30 Off the Record.  
10:00 News.  
10:15 Goodnight.

Wednesday Morning

7:00 Musical Clock.  
7:30 Star Reporter.  
7:45 Morning Devotions.  
8:00 News.  
8:05 Musical Interlude.  
8:15 Musical Impressions.  
8:30 Keep Fit to Music.  
8:45 What's Doing Around Big Spring.  
9:00 Organ Melodies.  
9:15 Piano Spotlights.  
9:30 Backstage Wife.  
9:45 Easy Aces.  
10:00 Neighbors.  
10:15 Our Gal Sunday.  
10:30 Songs of Carol Leighton.  
10:45 News.  
11:00 News.  
11:05 Dr. Amos R. Wood.  
11:10 Musical Interlude.  
11:15 Let Me Forget.  
11:30 "11:30 Inc."  
12:00 News.

Wednesday Afternoon

12:15 Curbetone Reporter.  
12:30 Francis Craig Orch.  
12:45 Cotton Yield and Acreage.  
1:00 Cedric Foster.  
1:15 Gall North.  
1:30 Radio Garden Club.  
1:45 What's In A Song.  
2:00 Edna O'Dell Songs.  
2:15 Weights and Measures.  
2:30 El Paseo Troubadours.  
3:00 News: Markets.  
3:15 All Request Program.  
3:45 Johnson Family.  
4:00 Roy De Wolfe, Piano.  
4:15 Crime and Death.  
4:30 Trojan Horses.  
Wednesday Evening  
4:45 American Family Robinson.  
5:00 Baylor University Program.  
5:30 Songs by Lowry Kohler.  
5:45 Garden City Orchestra.  
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.  
6:15 Selective Service.  
6:20 Engineer's Defense Training.  
6:30 Sports Spotlight.  
6:45 News.  
7:00 Roger Busfield.  
7:15 Henry King Orchestra.  
7:30 Boake Carter.  
7:45 Ed Mayehoff.  
8:00 Songs of Billie Davis.  
8:15 State Wide Cotton Program.  
8:30 The Five Wise Guys.  
9:00 Raymond Gram Swing.  
9:15 News: War in the Air.  
9:30 Lone Ranger.  
10:00 News.  
10:15 Goodnight.

### Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Have: Scotch  
4. Any of various stars  
8. Idle talk  
12. Prepare for battle  
13. Dramatic musical work  
14. Racine  
15. Lick up  
16. Theme  
17. Room  
18. Very cold  
19. Ice runners  
20. Take up again  
21. Fragment  
22. Seating for use  
23. Accounting  
24. Paths of points moving according to some law  
25. Sword handle  
26. Run  
27. Head  
28. Thrive

DOWN

31. Italian river  
32. Beak  
33. Vipers  
34. Street urchins  
35. Emerald-green  
36. Arcuate of copper  
37. Steps for crossing a fence  
38. Write  
39. Speed contests  
40. Spirited  
41. Horses  
42. Sacred Mohammedan city  
43. Kind of leather  
44. Cl. of monks  
45. River bottom  
46. Age  
47. Artistic symbol of the faithful dead  
48. Boy  
49. Fish

### Recreational Man Promoted

Appointment of Malcolm Bridges, city-WPA recreational supervisor, as an area supervisor to serve Howard and Midland counties, was announced here Tuesday by Hadron F. Malone, district recreational supervisor.

Bridges will continue to be stationed here and be in charge of recreational activities in addition to overseeing those at Midland. He likely will name a leader in each county as manager to facilitate his administration of the program.

The extension of work for Bridges was necessitated due to resignation of Luis A. Cure, Midland, to accept a post with C. I. T., according to Malone. Because workers are being shifted to the Brownwood and Abilene areas, immediate replacement in this area was not practical, said Malone.

### Public Records

**Building Permit**  
Tom Currie to move a house from 105 W. 22nd street to 2000 Main street, cost \$25.

**Marriage License**  
J. D. Kendrick, Stanton, and Evelyn Sample, Knott.

**Beer Applications**  
Hearing set for Feb. 2 on application of S. W. Windham to sell beer at 2401 Scurry street.  
Hearing set for Jan. 31 on application of Walter Woodson to sell beer at Coahoma.  
Hearing set for Jan. 30 on application of L. W. Jester to sell beer at 112 Main street.

**New Cars**  
Mrs. Sterling Foster, Sterling City, Ford coupe.  
Will P. Edwards, Oldsmobile coupe.  
L. B. Barber, Foran, Ford sedan.

### Seventeen Cars Derailed On SP

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 28 (AP)—Seventeen Southern Pacific box cars were derailed, five overturned and a quantity of freight spilled when an axle on a box car loaded with potash broke at Sullivan, four miles west of Luling, early today, according to H. D. Beckelman, chief clerk for the superintendent of the railroad.

The accident delayed a passenger train from Houston. It arrived here at 8:45 a. m., two hours and 15 minutes late.

### Livestock

**FORT WORTH**  
FORT WORTH, Jan. 28 (AP)—S. Dept. Agr.—Cattle, salable 1,600, total 1,700; calves salable 700; total 800; common and medium beef steers and yearlings largely 7.00-10.00; good few offerings upward from 10.00 with mixed yearlings topping at 11.50; beef cows 5.00-7.00, old head higher, canners and cutters 3.50-4.75; bulls 5.00-6.50, few 6.50 and better; good fat calves 8.50-9.50, choice scarce, common and medium lots 6.50-8.25, culls 5.25-6.50; good and choice stock steer calves up to 11.00; stocker and feeder steers and yearlings 7.00-10.50.

Hogs, salable 1,700, total 2,000; top 7.75; good and choice 190-300 lb. 7.50-7.75; good and choice 160-185 lb. 7.15-55; common light lights down to 4.50; pigs steady, 5.50 down; packing sows steady to 25c lower, 6.50 down.

Sheep, salable 800, total 950; medium grade woolled fat lambs 9.00-25; shorn lambs 7.50, shorn wethers 4.50; woolled ewes 5.00; good shorn ewes 4.10 with cuts at 3.15; feeder lambs 8.25 down.

### Preakness List To Be Announced

BALTIMORE, Jan. 28 (AP)—A list of 54 three-year-old thoroughbreds eligible for the 51st running of the \$20,000-added Preakness Stakes at Pimlico May 10 was announced today by the Maryland Jockey club.

The list includes the cream of the crop of last year's juveniles and all the colts considered likely contenders for three-year-old honors this year.

Heading the Preakness candidates is Calumet Farm's Whirlaway, 1940 two-year-old champion and currently regarded the outstanding three-year-old prospect.

Also among the top-ranking candidates are the Wheatley Stable's Bold Irishman, Woodvale Farm's Our Boots, Alfred G. Vanderbilt's New World, C. S. Howard's Porter's Cap and R. W. McIlvain's Bushwacker.

### More Cooperation Planned By Axis

ROME, Jan. 28 (AP)—Italian circles indicated today that military, economic and diplomatic cooperation between Germany and Italy was reaching a more intense phase in preparation for a joint onslaught intended to drive the British from the Mediterranean and set them back in North Africa.

Two spring offensives are in prospect—against the British in Africa and the Greeks in Albania—as a preliminary to a sudden surprise attempt to invade the British Isles themselves and thereby end the war this year as the Nazis are planning to do, these informants said.

### Magic Spring

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ers—Me for the wood of my own country."

Margo laughed.

"Suppose you forget wood for a little while, Dad," she said.

"Surely you and David had plenty of contact with wood down at the plant. Let's talk about something else."

"All right," said her father. "I guess I do talk business too much. Go on, you two youngsters, and talk about what interests you. I'll apply myself to the tool."

"But I like to discuss business with you," said David. "I'm all wrapped up in my work. I like it."

"That's fine, my boy! But we mustn't bore our hostess!"

"Hurry and finish your lunch, David," said Margo. "I want you to have a look at the tennis court. Dad said we might have time for a set."

"I'd like to," said David, "but I just remembered I haven't any tennis sneakers."

"Dad has some around some place," said Margo. "You can wear his."

"He'd be lost in them," Andy Powers laughed. "He couldn't even keep them on."

"Oh, darn!" said Margo.

"Ask me for tennis some other time," said David, "and then I'll come prepared."

"I will," said Margo. "Don't worry!"

Margo Begins

However, as soon as the lunch was over, she insisted that David see the court, whether they played or not. And they went out a side door, down through a beautiful sunken garden, and across a stretch of velvety lawn.

"There!" said Margo. "Isn't it a beauty?"

"Gosh!" said David. "It sure is. Darned if I don't believe I'll take off my shoes and play in my stocking-feet."

"I tried to have the court made exactly like one I once saw on the French Riviera," said Margo. "All I needed was a view of the ocean. I had to be content with a view of our lily pond!"

David looked at her.

"It must be pretty wonderful to have seen so many places," he said. "You must have stored up a lot of memories for your old age."

"Perhaps," said Margo. "But sometimes I wonder if people like you haven't stored up a lot of memories also—maybe memories that are a lot more worthwhile than mine."

"I wouldn't know about them being more worthwhile than yours, Margo," David said. "But I've got a lot of memories, all right. They aren't backed by a lot of color and fun, though. I'm afraid most of them would strike you as being pretty drab."

Margo dropped down upon a bench near the tennis court.

"Sit down," she invited. And when David had taken a place beside her, she said: "From what Dad tells me, you've spent most of your life looking after other people."

"Oh, well, that was nothing,"

### Starvation For Belgians Near, Hoover Asserts

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (AP)—Belgians, living on a food ration little more than one-third that of Germans and Britons, are facing imminent starvation, says Former President Hoover.

Hoover, chairman of the national committee on food for the five small Democracies, said in a statement yesterday "major food supplies to maintain any Belgian ration will be non-existent in a month."

Hoover said the present "theoretical" daily ration for each Belgian was one-half pound of bread, two ounces of sugar, about one and one-half pounds of potatoes and half an ounce of beans and peas.

"This ration, however, is no longer effective," he added, "since only 60 per cent of meats and fats and 20 per cent of potatoes are distributed. Beans and peas are practically exhausted. Consequently today's actual ration is not much more than one-third that in Britain and Germany."

### U. S. Aircraft Output Up

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP)—The nation's aircraft industry reported today that it produced \$544,440,000 worth of airplanes, engines and propellers last year, more than double the 1939 production.

Col. John H. Joutet, president of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce, Inc., said that if the output of accessories branches were added in, total production reached \$925,000,000.

Plant facilities are being expanded for a "vastly greater" output in 1941, Joutet said. He noted that airplane factory space had been increased from 7,410,133 productive square feet last year to 12,654,500 square feet this year, with 15,965,951 additional square feet under construction. Engine and propeller plants are being expanded in similar fashion, he added.

Walter D. Fuller, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, delivered a generally cheerful report on the progress of the industrial defense program in general.

Fuller told the women's patriotic conference on national defense, in session here, that "a survey of hundreds of manufacturers with defense contracts shows that on 93 per cent of these contracts, industry will meet or beat specified delivery dates."

### Army Accepts Five Men From Vicinity

Two Big Spring and three Comahoma men have been accepted into the regular army for a three-year term of service, according to information received by Sgt. Troy Gibson, Big Spring recruiting officer.

Johannes E. Nall of Big Spring has gone into the air corps and will be stationed at the West Coast school. ALON A. Weaver, Big Spring, is detailed to the field artillery at Fort Bliss.

The three Comahomans, Harry L. Phinney, Robert L. Adams, and Troy D. Farrar, have gone to Mather field, Calif., where they will serve with the air branch.

### Gypsy Rose Lee Seeks Divorce

CHICAGO, Jan. 28 (AP)—Strip tease dancer Gypsy Rose Lee wants a divorce from the man she twice wed in 1937.

Under her married name of Mrs. Arnold H. Mizzy, the entertainer who now is appearing at a north side theater cafe, filed suit in superior court yesterday on grounds of conviction.

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### Damage Cases Are Settled

Two agreed judgments totaling \$200 were entered in 70th district court Tuesday as the tribunal prepared to take up a damage claim filed by the Rev. A. B. Lightfoot against the City of Big Spring.

United Employers Casualty Co. paid off \$125 each to Juanita Welch, et vir and to Madeline Waldrip, et vir, both of whom had sued to set aside compensation board awards.

Vyron Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis, Foran, was awarded \$3,000 damage from the Continental Oil Co. in a verdict returned Monday. Damages totaling \$47,000 had been asked.

The Rev. Lightfoot, suing individually and as next friend for his son, Stanley, sought damages from the city in the amount of \$4,335, charging city negligence, was responsible for the boy suffering a broken leg at the city park last year while playing around a barbecue pit.

J. B. McKinney was given leave to amend his petition in his damage suit against J. J. Bruce, and J. H. Thames, individually and as next friend for his son, Willie, was granted his motion for a non-suit against R. F. Welker for damages. Valma Ray McNew was granted a divorce from Jack McNew.

### Los Angeles Drivers Called 'Inhuman'

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28 (AP)—From a motoring standpoint, says Police Chief Arthur C. Hohmann, Los Angeles' 1,500,000 residents constitute "the most uncontrolled, inhuman population in the United States."

The chief made the statement in an address opening a special training school for 100 policemen in 1940, 592 persons died in city crashes, an increase of 11.3 per cent over 1939.

### How King Keeps Warm In Denmark

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (via Berlin) Jan. 28 (AP)—King Christian shows his nation how to keep warm through a cold winter when coal is scarce.

Asked by a woman how he managed at the age of 70 to take daily horseback rides even in the bitter cold, the Danish sovereign replied: "I put old newspapers inside the overcoat of my uniform. That way I keep warm."

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