

Our School Problem

\$200,000 In Bonds All District Can Safely Handle

(This is the fourth in a series of articles dealing with conditions in the Big Spring school system, presented in connection with the bond issue to be voted on Friday, March 25.)

The proposal of \$200,000 for additional classroom units for the Big Spring Independent School district has raised this question: "Why not a new high school plant?"

There are two good reasons why the present course is being taken. One is cost; the other is that it would not go as far toward solving the crowded conditions where they exist. The board of trustees, after exhaustive study, concluded that \$200,000 was the figure which could be handled on a sound financial basis.

Although a new high school would free the present building for use as a junior high, and in turn take pressure off other schools, it still would leave a backlog of shortage in elementary classrooms. Were the district strained to handle such a load for a high school, the possibility of providing those sorely needed classrooms in lower grades would be indefinitely removed.

It is not to be assumed that the \$200,000 will solve the entire situation of crowding (and resultant half-day sessions). Indeed it will not, but it will make a healthy start and put the district in a position to perhaps solve it later on.

Where will new classrooms be added? The board cannot, at this time, answer that with finality. Residential development and population trends will be strong, influencing factors in the final decision.

POLICE PONDER STRANGE THEFT

City police are thoroughly convinced that it takes little or no motivation for some persons to commit the crime of theft.

That question was repeated several times at the police station Tuesday afternoon following recovery of nine grave markers which resulted in the arrest of two men.

Green, who located the strange loot even before it was reported missing, was inclined toward disbelief at first. The tombstones were hidden under a collection of scrap lumber near the cotton compress. Shortly thereafter, police received a report that an ornament had been taken from a marker at the City cemetery.

Officers then began tracing suspects, and after a brief investigation they nabbed two men and confronted them with the evidence. Theft charges were to be filed Wednesday.

In addition to the ornament that was reported stolen, eight small tombstones were found, which apparently had not been missed at the cemetery, Green said.



"ISN'T SO," SAYS BARBARA — Canada's lovely ice queen, Barbara An Scott, pretends to scold a stuffed animal given to her at a luncheon in her honor at Boston Mass., as she denies rumors of a romance with Ogden Reid, New York newspaper scion, who flew to Boston from Canada with the ice skater. She told newsmen he was "just a family friend." (AP Wirephoto).

DATA PRESENTED TUESDAY EVENING City, County Officials Study Report Of Economic Survey

Big Spring and Howard county representatives, more than two score of them, began absorbing a host of factual information today in the wake of a report meeting on a two year economic survey Tuesday evening at the Settles.

Robert W. French, director of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research, presented the survey data on Howard county as the fruits of efforts of nearly two years of work under cooperative sponsorship by the Texas & Pacific railway company, local chambers of commerce and the West Texas chamber of commerce.

Cramped into the volume of more than 200 pages was factual information on natural, human, and all other types of resources of the county.

Dr. French emphasized that "this is not a book of solutions. The primary responsibility of using it rests with the chamber of commerce and the citizens of a particular community or county. Initiative and planning rests with the community."

Speaking for the Texas & Pacific railway company, J. J. Finnegan, Dallas, assistant to the president, said that his company was happy to have had a part in financing and preparing the survey "in the role of friend and neighbor. We hope that it will be a tool of use in the economic development of this area."

French gave the background on the survey, pointing out the tremendous task of assembling, supplementing and documenting of information; editing it into compact and understandable tables in text. He said that the Howard county survey ranked within the better half dozen of the entire lot of 62 counties in Texas and 23 parishes in Louisiana, along the T&P.

"This is a unique book," he said. "It is encyclopaedic and it is alive. Developments are taking place constantly, and we urge you to correct it, supplement it and keep it alive."

'Peace' Meet Seen As One Of Long Series

U. S. Countering Move By Moscow To Oppose Treaty

WASHINGTON, March 23. (AP)—The "world peace" conference opening Friday in New York is viewed by the State Department as one of a series of moves by Moscow to oppose the new North Atlantic Security Pact and further other Soviet aims.

Officials said today this was why the American government is barring 11 delegates from Europe and South America.

However, 21 from Soviet Russia and eastern Europe are permitted entry, and the State Department explained this apparent contradiction this way:

The 21 are official representatives of their governments, and are entitled to official visas. They are not excludable under immigration laws. The others, however, are not attending the conference as foreign government officials, and are excludable.

The State Department emphasized it is remaining firm in its stand despite an appeal to Secretary Acheson from Dr. Harlow Shapley, Harvard astronomer. Shapley is chairman of the national council of the arts, sciences and professions which is sponsoring the three-day meeting of the Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace.

House Battles Over Vets' Pension Bill

Backers Confident Measure Will Win

WASHINGTON, March 23. (AP)—The House locked in a battle today over whether to leave World War Two veterans out of any veterans' pension plan approved at this time.

Backers of pension legislation, riding high after victory in first voting tests, were confident some pension measure would be passed.

The Rankin bill now before the House calls for \$90 a month pensions at age 65 to veterans of both World Wars One and Two, regardless of their financial needs.

Rep. Huber (D-Ohio) offered an amendment to limit the pensions to World War I veterans and give them \$90 only if they are in financial difficulties.

Rep. Rankin (D-Miss), chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee and author of the original bill, opposed the Huber proposal.

Huber and those backing his idea contended the question of pensions for World War Two veterans can be considered later; that most of them now are young men.

On a roll call vote, the House staged a complete reversal of its earlier stand to shelve the bill. Called up by Rep. Rankin (D-Miss), it provides for payment of \$90 a month to all World War I and II veterans at age 65.

But as the lawmakers got down to business today, the multi-billion dollar Rankin proposal was slated to be stripped of its World War II provisions and limited to World War I veterans.

One amendment was tacked to the Rankin Bill before the House quit work yesterday.

Offered by Reps. Kearney (R-NY) and Hinshaw (R-Calif.), it requires that veterans must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible for pensions.

In debating the bill yesterday the House staged one of the dizziest parliamentary go-arounds in years.

Before it was over, the House had reversed itself once and control of the bill had changed hands twice.

Rep. Carroll (D-Colo) snatched control away from Rankin by moving to knock out the bill's amending clause, a maneuver which would have the effect of killing the bill.

Without a record vote, the House voted 163 to 154 for the motion.

Carroll then made a motion to send the bill back to the Veterans Committee. But Rankin was on his feet demanding a roll call to put the members on record.

This time the house got on the other side of the fence in a fast shift of sentiment and defeated the amendment, 223 to 187. As the debate of the motion became apparent, many members who voted for it came forward and changed their vote.

Meeting On Mass X-Ray Program In County To Be Held

Written invitations to attend a special meeting Friday to study possibilities of conducting a mass X-ray program in Howard county have been forwarded to all clubs and civic organizations and many other groups.



NO NEW FUNDS FOR CHINA — Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex.), (left), chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, pounds the table as he discusses funds for China aid with Major General David G. Barr, chief of U. S. military advisory group to China during the hearing at the capital in Washington, Connolly indicated his committee will recommend no new funds for China this year (AP Wirephoto).

SENATE CONFIRMS BOYD

Everyone Wonders What Lewis'll Do

PITTSBURGH, March 23. (AP)—The nation's coal operators were on the hot seat today, wondering what John L. Lewis would do now.

Would the fiery head of the United Mine Workers allow his 463,000 idle diggers to resume work as scheduled next Monday? Or would he permit their two-week work stoppage to go indefinitely?

The Senate put the answer right up to Lewis last night by confirming Dr. James Boyd as director of the Federal Bureau of Mines in an overwhelming 80-11 vote.

When Lewis ordered all mines east of the Mississippi to shut down for the March 14-23 period he said it was a memorial to miners killed and injured last year.

But he didn't mince words when he declared it would serve, too, as the miners' protest against President Truman's appointment of Dr. Boyd as the man to direct federal mine safety regulations.

Lewis contended that Dr. Boyd, who has been serving without pay since December, 1947, lacked practical experience in dealing with mine safety.

The Senate took up the challenge almost immediately. Its interior committee approved Dr. Boyd 10-1. Then the matter went to the Senate as a whole. Some persons thought that body might not wish to antagonize Lewis during the course of the walkout — that it would postpone action until coal was coming out of the mines again.

But such wasn't the case. The matter came up last night and Boyd was assured of his \$10,000-a-year job.

Boyd said he was gratified. Lewis didn't say anything. And coal operators refused to comment.

DEATHLESS DAYS 467 In Big Spring Traffic

WOULD CREATE DISTRICT CRMWA Bills To Legislature Today

Two measures, creating the Colorado River Municipal Water district and empowering cities to do business with the district, are due to go into the legislative hopper today at Austin.

Final details of the proposed legislation were ironed out Monday at Austin between representatives of interested cities, principally Big Spring and Odessa.

In all probability, the measure will list these two cities as the only members of the original five-city combination which began studies three years ago on a proposal to impound a lake on the upper Colorado River to furnish a joint water supply.

Represented at the conference was Colorado City, by its city manager, Fred M. Boone. Midland's Mayor R. H. Gifford was in on the final phases of the meeting. Previously, Colorado City had been assured of a water supply on Morgan Creek in proximity to

Texas Supreme Court Upholds Union Plea Picketing Lawful

AUSTIN, March 23. (AP)—A union plea that picketing is lawful under the free speech guarantee of the federal constitution was upheld today by the Texas Supreme Court.

The ruling came in the appeal of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 564 (AFL) from lower court judgments granting the Veselco Laundry and Dry Cleaners an injunction to halt picketing by the union.

The decision struck down the part of a law passed by the 50th Legislature barring picketing when no labor dispute exists between an employer and a majority of his employees.

"As reluctant as we are to declare acts of our legislature unconstitutional, it becomes our duty to declare invalid that portion of the statute which seeks to restrict a 'labor dispute' to a controversy between an employer and a majority of his employees," said

Wooten To Attend Jaycee Convention At Galveston

Lloyd Wooten, vice-president for region No. 3, will leave Thursday for Galveston to be in on board sessions in advance of the 32nd annual state convention of the Texas Junior Chambers of Commerce.

Wooten will go from here to Abilene where he will join Jim Brown, executive vice-president of the state Jaycees, for the trip to Galveston. During the weekend the board will begin wading through a maze of contest entries to determine the winners of Texas Jakes (the equivalent of Oscars in the movie industry). These awards are made for outstanding projects.

The meeting continues throughout next week and Wooten expects to return to Big Spring on April 3. As regional vice-president, he represents the cities in mid-west Texas.

Clay In London

LONDON, March 23. (AP)—Gen. Lucius D. Clay, military governor of the U. S. zone of Germany, arrived here by plane today to discuss German problems with the U. S. Ambassador to Britain, Lewis W. Douglas.



CYCLONE HITS TEXAS VILLAGE — Mrs. George Funk rests while hunting through the debris at her Hockley, Texas, home after the village of about 300 population was partly wrecked by a cyclone. No one is injured. (AP Wirephoto).

CORPORAL DENIED ENTRY TO AUSTRALIA

Filipino, Barred From Family, Pins His Hopes On MacArthur

TOKYO, March 23. (U. S. —) Corp. Lorenzo Gamboa is pinning his faith on Gen. MacArthur. The corporal's problem: The Australian government has denied him permission to rejoin his wife and two children in Melbourne. "If Gen. MacArthur only remembers the Filipino boy who cleaned his desk every morning in Port Moresby while the general took his exercises in a corner, may he be able to do something for me," Gamboa said today. More than anything he wants to get back to his Australian wife, Joyce, his four-year-old son, Raymond, and his 26-month-old daughter, Julie. He has never seen

Gamboa joined the U. S. Army in Manila two days before Pearl Harbor. He was an ammunition passer on Bataan. He suffered a serious rupture carrying shells for the big guns. Gamboa was evacuated to Australia Jan. 1, 1942—one of the last army patients to go. There he met Joyce. He went to work in MacArthur's headquarters and worked there all the way to Japan. Then he was discharged in Australia. He settled down with Joyce and Raymond in the Melbourne suburban home of Herbert Cain, his father-in-law, and

worked for the Australian government railways. Months later an Australian immigration inspector notified Gamboa he would have to leave because he was an "Asiatic." His buddies in the American Servicemen's Club suggested he go to the United States and obtain the citizenship to which his Army service entitled him. Gamboa worked his way to San Francisco on a ship. He obtained his citizenship papers. In 1946, he re-enlisted in the Army and came back to Japan to save up money for the time he could go back to Joyce. His enlistment will be up in June. He applied for entry to Australia. A few days ago he was notified by the Australian mission here that he cannot enter the land under—even if he is an American citizen now. As Gamboa sees it, the supreme allied commander is his last resort. "I cannot go to Gen. MacArthur," he said. "I am just a soldier. But maybe the general will hear about the boy who used to clean his desk. Maybe he can help me."

Two Children Die In Blaze At Home

PHARR, March 23. (U. S. —) Angelita and Elvosa Silva, children of Mr. and Mrs. Refugio Silva, died in a fire at their home yesterday. The parents were taken to an Edinburg hospital where their condition was reported serious. They were injured in the blaze which destroyed their home five miles south of here.

Fatal Shooting Is To Be Investigated

HOUSTON, March 23. (U. S. —) Grand jurors will investigate the fatal shooting of William Lee McAllister at the city prison farm here. McAllister, 28, of Mobile, Ala., died yesterday in the city-county hospital where he was being treated for gunshot wounds inflicted last Saturday night. No charges were filed.

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Bishop Sees Closer Union Of American Protestant Churches

EVANSTON, Ill., March 23. (U. S. —) The nation's various Protestant denominations are moving closer together, says Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of New York. Bishop Oxnam expressed his views to newsmen in summarizing the first meeting of the American section of the world council of churches. The delegates from the American Protestant Churches yesterday elected Bishop Oxnam chairman of the conference. "I cannot but believe that the differences between us will become relatively unimportant and will result in increasing unity, both organically and doctrinally," Bishop Oxnam said. "There is a doctrinal base existing now and I cannot help but believe the creedal differences will become less important in the face of the overriding belief in Jesus Christ. We are bringing together all the differences among the Protestant churches and learning the other man's views on what is essential. There is a cross-fertilization going on which is something entirely new in the Christian faith. What we are actually after is the translation of the ideals of our religion into the common practice of our life. The whole concept of the world council and the American section is the put those beliefs into our work life."

Young Father Gets Present

PAW PAW, Mich., March 23. (U. S. —) Young Master Carl Harvey Blake, Jr.—beg pardon, it's Mister Blake—is happily rid of some worries. The 14th birthday of the father and family man helped out immensely yesterday. Gifts poured upon Carl, his 16-year-old wife, Winifred, and their three-week-old child. Kindly citizens deluged the post office here with between 250 and 300 packages, and some were big. Among them were a baby buggy and a case of milk. Postmaster Murray Swindell was astounded—"Nobody ever got that much mail here."

"What the heck will I do with it all?" said Carl. But he was highly pleased at his latest turn in fortune. Since the boy's father's family needs came to light, he has been given a job at a dairy farm where he's "getting along fine" and life looks pretty good.

Judge Rules Reds Don't Have To Talk Against Themselves

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23. (U. S. —) Communists are menaces to a free society but they may legally refuse to testify against themselves, says Presiding Judge William Denman of the Ninth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Their rights should be respected, he argues under "the basic concept of the Constitution that men may not be forced to supply the evidence convicting them of crime." Judge Denman gave his opinion in a dissent to a recent action by his own court affirming jail terms for 10 Los Angeles persons. The 10 had refused to answer questions before a grand jury on the ground they might incriminate themselves.

Edinburg Series

EDINBURG, March 23. (U. S. —) Two of the performers next season on the Edinburg Junior College Lecture and Concert Series will be Margaret Truman and Lauret Melchor.

Sickness At Garland

GARLAND, March 23. (U. S. —) Measles, mumps, chicken pox and whooping cough kept 120 out of 950 students at the Garland Elementary School at home yesterday. Most of the absentees had the measles.

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Skeleton Found In Cottage Of Missing Spinster

WHALEBONE CORNER, England, March 23. (U. S. —) Who put the skeleton in Ada Kent's cottage? Miss Kent, old-time actress, disappeared 10 years ago. Twice since 1939 the cottage at this Essex beauty spot was searched. Not a trace was found of the aged spinster. Yesterday police broke in at the request of a bank where Miss Kent had a small deposit. They found a well-dressed skeleton neatly laid out. On a table was an untouched supper tray and a bottle labelled "poison". Near the body was a volume of Shakespeare, open to "Romeo and Juliet." Was the skeleton that of Miss Kent? How did it get into the twice-searched cottage? Murder, suicide, natural death? The coroner has ordered an inquest which will try to find the answers.

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Lace-trim. 4-gore. Pink, white. 32-40...	Special	288
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3 pockets. Square shirt-tails. Blue...	Reg. 35c	27c
Men's Brown "Tiller" Work Shoes	Reg. 4.50	17c
Composition soles. Leather uppers...	Reg. 3.57	27c
Men's Canton Flannel Work Gloves	Reg. 1.99	33c
Knit wrists. Long wearing. White only...	Reg. 1.99	157
Men's Dressing Twill Shirt and Pants	Reg. 4.50	137
Match collar shirt. Button fly pants...	Reg. 4.50	577
Boys' Cotton Athletic Shirts. Reg. 39c	Reg. 39c	33c
Boys' Quality Cotton Knit Briefs	Reg. 39c	157
Double crotch, elastic top, cotton knit...	Reg. 1.99	137
Boys' Sanforized Sport Shirts	Reg. 1.99	577
Printed jean cloth. Short sleeves. 6-16...	Reg. 1.99	14c
Boys' 8 oz. Blue Denim Dungarees	Reg. 1.99	137
Rough and ready! Sanforized. Sizes 6-16...	Reg. 4.50	577
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Human Misery Reaches Lowest Point In Crowded San Antonio Hospital

(Fourth In A Series)
By J. P. PORTER

Straw mattresses soaked in human filth; a bare cement floor sticky with saliva; three wooden park benches; steel barred windows and grated doors. This is the world for 56 sick men at San Antonio State Hospital. These patients are epileptics with the added affliction of mental illness. Few who come to this ward ever leave except through the portals of death. It is Exhibit "A" among the relics of human misery. Subject to sudden convulsions, these patients make their bed on the floor on mattresses of straw because they have no control over bodily functions. The straw can be destroyed when soiled, like that in a chicken coop. The stench resembles that of a barnyard, but low-paid attendants soon get used to the smell. This ward is a tragic example of the depths to which human decency can fall. It is San Antonio's worst, and exists in the name of state economy. But it is only one of the many blights found throughout the system.



SOAKED IN FILTH — Straw mattresses on cement floor are only beds for more than 200 patients at San Antonio State Hospital. Even if beds were available, say hospital authorities, there would not be enough floor space for them. (Photo by Bain, San Antonio Express.)

San Antonio has one of the most able and competent staffs in the state hospital system, Supt. J. B. Anderson, a former colonel in the Army Medical Corps, sets a pace for his staff that matches his brisk military stride.

Then why the straw mattresses when other institutions handling epileptic patients have found beds and cotton mattresses satisfactory? The simple facts are that these patients in San Antonio sleep on the floor and on straw mattresses because Dr. Anderson has found no substitute for money.

The epileptic patients with whom he is concerned are in advanced stages, in most instances. He doesn't have the staff so spreads his force thin in order to use it more effectively. Space shortages, bed shortages, straw mattresses, are all problems. But there is one other difficulty which makes these minor in

comparison. With less than 40 cents per day to feed each patient, it has been necessary to dig into other funds to provide sustenance. Dr. Anderson frankly admits that his hospital is so overcrowded that there would not be enough floor space to give every patient a bed. Even if the beds were available. Last summer Supt. Anderson measuring all available floor space, found that San Antonio has twice too many patients to meet even the minimum standards (60 square feet per bed) of the American Psychiatric Association. Many of the 2,900 patients at San Antonio should be in other institutions. For example, Dr. Anderson estimates 950 of these are seniles who cannot be improved by mental treatment. Another doctor said there are at least 300 epileptics who should be in a special hospital. Other groups which have no place in a regular mental hospital include about 20 alcoholics, 10 drug addicts, and a few adjudged criminally insane.

It would be improper and untruthful to leave the impression that all of the San Antonio hospital is like the epileptic ward. There are some adequate units, such as modern psychopathic buildings, where many patients live in private rooms, and the clean, well-kept tuberculosis wards. The medical staff is also an asset. The ratio of one doctor to 300 patients is too high, but it is still better than the system-wide average. Five registered nurses, a clinical psychologist, and two social workers raise San Antonio's score. But the staff would have to be doubled to meet desirable APA standards.

HERDED LIKE CATTLE Inadequacy of facilities and equipment is graphically demonstrated three times each day in the central dining room. About 1,000 patients, both men and women, ranging from the passive and quiet to the violently disturbed, of necessity must be herded like cattle to the "feed bins." The quiet, neater patients are sent through the cafeteria-style line first. As soon as the last of this group moves to a table with his metal tray and spoon, another door admits the more troublesome, deteriorated patients. The babble of hundreds of aimless voices blends with the clatter of metal utensils. Shriek commands of the attendants — "Now ladies, stop fighting!" — are lost in the squishing of shoes and bare feet through the litter of food which soon covers the floor. With the arrival of each new group of patients the din builds into a crescendo like that of an approaching tornado. By the time the manic group arrives one, might think the Third Armored Division was maneuvering in the building. This is unpleasant to watch and to hear. Worst is its adverse effect on the patients. A restful and undisturbed atmosphere is important in the treatment of the mentally ill. One meal in San Antonio's dining room can wipe out weeks of careful therapy.

This is a condition over which the present staff has no control. Several years ago it was decided that it would be cheaper to feed the patients in one big dining room rather than break them up into smaller groups. But the panorama of bedlam must of necessity extend throughout the hospital. Those close to the system know that it must be cured first if doctors and attendants are to get the best results in patients. The current legislature has been asked to meet the overcrowded conditions by approving new construction. This would include a new tuberculosis hospital which would handle all such patients from both San Antonio and Austin. This might prevent the mentally ill from overflowing into South Texas jails. Those close to the problem say it would be merely a stop-gap measure.

Perhaps the most enlightening comment on the situation was made by a ward supervisor at San Antonio for 12 years. With the calm of desperation he said: "The jails might not be so bad. At least the patients would get a bed, two decent meals a day, and individual attention. Patients are

NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATOR WILL BE HIS STATE'S JUNIOR U. S. SENATOR

RALEIGH, N. C., March 23. (AP) — Dr. Frank P. Graham, educator and confidant of presidents, will be North Carolina's junior U. S. senator.

Gov. W. Kerr Scott appointed the 45-year-old Democratic president of the greater university of North Carolina at a dinner last night in Chapel Hill. He will succeed J. Melville Broughton who died March 6.

Dr. Graham, a native North Carolinian and one-time history professor at the university, will assume his new duties as soon as the formalities of his certification are completed. There was no doubt in party circles that the Senate would seat him, despite recent criticism of his views on the floor of Congress.

A strong civil rights advocate and consistently a plugger for free speech and assembly, Dr. Graham was attacked in Congress only last month.

Rep. Hebert (D-La.) said the



DR. FRANK GRAHAM

Communist Party had been exploiting the prestige of the University of North Carolina for years through Dr. Graham's activities.

A month previously, the Atomic Energy Commission reportedly overrode its security officials in giving clearance to Dr. Graham as head of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies. A radio commentator had said that AEC had cleared Dr. Graham over the protest of its five-man security board. To that, Dr. Graham replied: "I have always been opposed to Communism and all totalitarian dictatorships."

Man Free On Bond In Death Of Wife

KEMAH, March 23. (AP) — Harold Allred, 23, charged with slaying his 16-year-old wife yesterday, was held in jail at Galveston last night in lieu of \$2,000 bond.

The bond was set by Justice of the Peace Paul Labadie of Dickinson a few minutes after Allred surrendered to him.

Allred, a pipefitter of Kemah, is charged with murder. The young wife, mother of a two-month-old child, was shot once with a .22 calibre rifle.

She was hiding in the bathroom of her sister's home when the door was battered down and the fatal shot was fired. The sister is Mrs. Robert Upton.

Man Near Death Denies Receiving Two Bullet Wounds

DALLAS, March 23. (AP) — Edmund King of Dallas was near death at a hospital here last night from two bullet wounds he denies receiving.

King, 84, a retired steamboat engineer, told police he hurt himself when he fell down in his backyard shop. Doctors took a .45 slug out of his back. They said he was shot once over the heart and once through the left leg.

Mrs. D. A. McDowell, his stepdaughter, found King bleeding in his bed yesterday afternoon when she came home from a beauty shop. The only gun officers found on her premises was a .44 pistol which they said had not been fired for years.

The motor nerves of insects and spiders are on the underside, along the spinal column as are those of higher creatures.

Students Don't Rate Professors Too High

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 23. (AP) — An "evaluation program" in which students graded their teachers got an "A" rating from the University of Michigan administration today but professors, for the most part, had to skip along on "B's."

Fifty of the 410 literary college professors and instructors flunked outright. Only 43 were considered as "superior."

The 11,000 students in 24,000 classrooms gave their instructors an average of 3.0 per cent in teaching ability, or a rating of "B."

Associate Dean Lloyd S. Woodburne of the literary college sounded a warning note in reporting on the student survey. "The long range project," he said, "can be used within three or four years as the basis for appointments, promotions, salary raises—and dismissals."

March To Devote Full Time To Race For Governorship

WACO, March 23. (AP) — Casa March will devote full time after June 15 to his race for governor of Texas in 1950.

He announced his permanent resignation yesterday from the Baylor University Law School faculty. It is effective June 15.

March is the first entry in the race. He was an unsuccessful candidate for governor last year.

Top Brass Will Be Honored At Banquet

SAN ANTONIO, March 23. (AP) — Gen. Walter Krueger, Courtney M. Hodges and Jonathan M. Weinstein will be honored here at a golden deeds banquet April 11.

The occasion is sponsored by the Exchange Club. Prominent Texas and national figures have been invited to attend. Charles Hanaway said yesterday. He is chairman of arrangements.

Gen. Omar M. Bradley, former Postmaster General James A. Farley and Jesse H. Jones have been sent special invitations.

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NANCY comic strip panels with dialogue: 'I THINK I'LL TAKE DAT NICE LIL' DOG FOR A WALK', 'SOZOR TRAINED DOGS', 'I WONDER WHY EVERYONE IS STARING AT ME', 'UNAWARE THAT OAKY HAS LEFT THE PALACE, KING CORBY TOUCHED BY THE CALLER'S GRIEF, IS TELLING WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT THE KASHMIR DIAMOND.'

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MEAD'S fine BREAD

LIL' ABNER comic strip panels with dialogue: 'I ASKED FOR A BRIGHT INTELLIGENT YOUNG MAN TO STEP UP - BUT, I'LL TAKE YOU - AT LEAST, YOU'RE YOUNG', 'STRANGE THINGS ARE ABOUT TO HAPPEN TO YOU YOUNG MAN? - FOR INSTANCE, WHERE'S YOUR WATCH?', 'AM NEVAH HAD NONE - BUT HERE'S YORN, WHACKSTONE - MIGHT'S WELL TAKE YORE WALLET BACK, TOO', 'AN, SINCE WE IS AT IT - TAKE YORE UNDERWEAR, WHILE IT'S STILL WARM - AH NEVAH WEARS NONE, MAHSELF.'

BLONDIE comic strip panels with dialogue: 'WHAT ARE YOU READING, DAGWOOD?', 'SOME SANDWICH RECIPES - AND HERES ONE THAT LOOKS GOOD - LIVERWURST AND SWISS CHEESE ON PUMPERNICKEL', 'I TRIED IT - IT WAS DELICIOUS', 'ONLY I SUBSTITUTED WATER CRESS FOR THE CHEESE - AND I HAD NO LIVERWURST, SO I USED CHOPPED ALMONDS', 'THAT MUST BE AWFUL ON PUMPERNICKEL', 'OH, I DIDN'T USE PUMPERNICKEL - I USED WHITE TOAST'.

ANNIE ROONEY comic strip panels with dialogue: 'I KEEP A-TELLIN' YA - NO - NO - NO! - ME AN' THE BOYS DONT WANT NO PART OF DEAD MAN'S DESERT -', 'WE COULD PICK UP A MILLION DOLLARS - AND -', 'I DONT CARE IF IT WAS A MILLION MILLION! I KNOW WHEN I'M WELL OFF -', 'LIVING ON BEEF BEANS AND BISCUITS RUS-TLING A FEW MANGY STEERS - YOU CALL THAT BEING WELL OFF?', 'LISTEN, CHUM - IF YOU DONT LIKE IT, SCRAM OUT AN' BE A DEAD MILLION-AIRE -', 'GEE, ZERO - DIDYA EVER SEE SUCH A SWELL PLACE TO LIVE? EVERYBODY MINDS HIS OWN BUSINESS AN' NOBODY AINT MAD AT NOBODY'.

MEAD'S fine CAKES

SCORCHY SMITH comic strip panels with dialogue: 'I CAN SEE YOUR BRAIN IS BOILING UP ANOTHER OF THOSE CRAZY SCHEMES THAT LOOKS SO SIMPLE - AFTER IT SUCCEEDS!', 'BUT SOON, WE'LL BE FRESH OUT OF EVERYTHING! WATER, SHELTER, FOOD, FUEL.', 'SYKES IS RUSHING UP YOUR KARACHI HERD OF INDIA'S PRIME MOVERS - ELEPHANTS!', 'MANY MILES BACK, SYKES RUSHES UP THE HARD WAY.'

SNUFFY SMITH comic strip panels with dialogue: 'GIVE ME A BODOUCIOUS SALUTE, FALDYROY. RAY TELL ME WHAT SNUFFY SMITH HAD TO SAY', 'THE WORLD'S GREATEST REVENOGER, RETIRED, IS DEFINITELY NOT INTERESTED IN CAPTURING ANY MORE MOONSHINERS, SIR', 'AFTER ALL - HE IS SNUFFY'S TWIN BROTHER', 'SHUX - WHEN HE HEARS MY PROPOSITION, HE'LL SWOOP DOWN ON SNUFFY QUICKER'N TH' CAT CAN LICK AHINT HER EAR', 'FIDDLE-DEE-DEE', 'VE FERGIT THICKER'N CORN - SQUEEZIN'S, T.T.T.', 'I BET A HOSS IT HAIN'T THICKER'N FOLDIN' MONEY, SNUFFY'.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT comic strip panels with dialogue: 'UNAWARE THAT OAKY HAS LEFT THE PALACE, KING CORBY TOUCHED BY THE CALLER'S GRIEF, IS TELLING WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT THE KASHMIR DIAMOND.', 'DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS STOLEN PROPERTY!', 'OF COURSE, AT THE TIME I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS STOLEN PROPERTY!', 'BUT NOW YOU KNOW!', 'YEP! AND ALL WE GOTTA DO IS FIND SIR OAKY AND GET TH' DIAMOND OUT OF HIS ARMOR!'.

Mister Bregor comic strip panels with dialogue: 'Let's see - I had lukewarm soup, burnt, stringy pot roast, soggy potatoes, tasteless salad, stale pie and cold coffee...'

GRIN AND BEAR IT

The Unseen Audience comic strip panels with dialogue: 'WHY, MAUDE BEEMISH! IMAGINE RUNNING INTO YOU HERE! MY DEAR, YOU'VE BEEN 25 YEARS SINCE I SAW YOU. DID YOU KNOW THAT -', 'S-S-SH! WAIT TILL THIS PROGRAM IS OVER! IT'S THE TRIBULATIONS OF TESSIE', 'YOU MEAN, MRS. GILTEDGE, THAT I AM SUSPECTED OF STEALING THAT PEARL NECKLACE? HOW COULD I STEAL IT WHEN I SPENT THE LAST 18 HOURS AT THE BEDSIDE OF MY BOY, WHO WAS RUN OVER BY A BEER TRUCK?'.

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ST. PAUL, Minn., March 23. (AP) — A male St. Paul lawyer baked a cake yesterday seeking to prove his client's gas stove worked okay.

Mrs. R. Anderson Wins High Score

Mrs. Rhea Anderson, a guest, won high when the Double Deck Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. M. T. Peters, 306 Park, Tuesday afternoon.

Meet Tonight

All members of the High School Square Dancers have been asked to be present at 7:30 o'clock this evening for a short business session.

Churchill in U. S.

NEW YORK, March 23. (AP) — Winston Churchill is due here this afternoon aboard the liner, Queen Elizabeth.

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PRISONER DUBBED SLOT MACHINE

Big Spring police have dubbed one of their prisoners "The Human Vending Machine."

Morehead Is Leader Of Devotional At Brotherhood Meet

G. G. Morehead of the First Baptist Church led the devotional at the North Side Baptist Brotherhood meeting Monday night.

Local Man Collapses While At Work Here

A. Jackson, who collapsed while working in a yard in the 700 block of Johnson street Wednesday morning, is recovering satisfactorily at the Big Spring hospital at noon.

Blood Typing Service To Be Resumed Here

The free blood typing service offered here by the Knights of Pythias lodge will be resumed this evening at the Malone and Hogan clinic.

Rites Today At Midland For Brother Of Local Woman

Services were to be held at the Trinity Episcopal church in Midland this afternoon for Dan S. Harston, brother of Mrs. Lewis Price.

Tax Office Open

The county tax collector-assessor office will remain open during the noon hour every day between now and April 1 in order to accommodate late shoppers for 1949 automobile plates.

WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Cloudy with strong southerly winds today. Widely scattered showers tonight. Cooler Thursday.

MARKETS

NEW YORK, March 23. (AP) — Selling pressure against three stocks dominated the market today.

Visitor In Japan Is Class Speaker

Mrs. Beatrice Hope, who recently returned from Japan, was the principal speaker when the First Baptist Friendship Class met in the home of Mrs. H. J. Agee, 704 West 18th, with Mrs. Clayton McCarty and Mrs. Marion Beam as assistant hostesses.

Lilla Mae Morgan Is Program Leader For Club Meeting

Mrs. Lilla Mae Morgan was the director of a program, "Public Health," when the Spoudazio Forum met in the home of Mrs. Bill Davis Tuesday evening.

Services Set

Special mid-week Lenten services will be conducted by the Rev. Ad. H. Hoyer at St. Paul's Lutheran church Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m.

JAPS TAKE IDEA QUITE SERIOUSLY

TOKYO, March 23. (AP) — It was "be kind to animals day" in Japan yesterday.

ECA To Send Rice To Dutch Indonesia

WASHINGTON, March 23. (AP) — The Economic Cooperation Administration has agreed to finance purchase of \$1,733,000 worth of rice, rice flour and meal.

To Have Visitation

According to an announcement released Wednesday morning, the First Baptist Barbara Reagan Class will meet at the church at 3 p. m. Thursday for the regular weekly visitation.

To Have Luncheon

Announcement is made that the Royal Neighbors will meet in the WOW hall for a covered dish luncheon Thursday. All members are urged to attend as Mrs. Myrtle Carter of Abilene, district supervisor, and Abilene, Lower of North Cowden will serve as guest speakers.

CAB Recommends Granting Of Permits

CAB Examiner Walter Bryan has recommended the granting of three-year permits to Continental Airline for extending service to four New Mexico cities.

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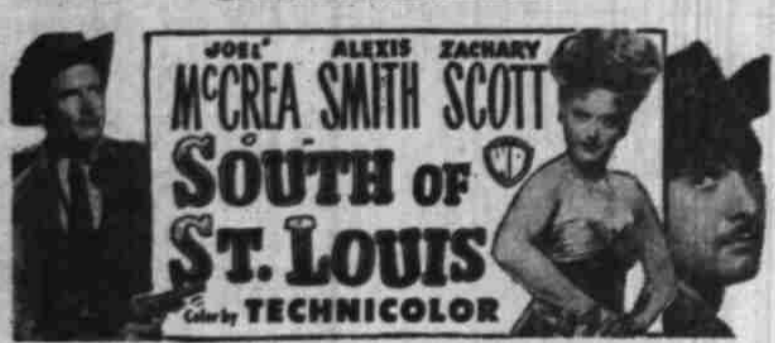
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Bunche Charges Truce Violation

RHODES, March 23. — Dr. Ralph Bunche, acting United Nations mediator, charged today that Britain, Israel and Trans-Jordan all have violated the Palestine truce. Bunche made public a report to the United Nations Security Council describing troop movements by



SAMUEL S. MCCLURE

Funeral Rites For McClure Set Thursday

NEW YORK, March 23. — Funeral services will be held Thursday for Samuel Sidney McClure, 82, who fought his way up from youthful poverty to international literary power.

After services at St. Barnabas hospital in the Bronx—where the aged editor and author died Monday night—the body will be sent to Galesburg, Ill., for burial.

McClure, who retired some years ago but continued writing and traveling, had been a patient at the hospital since last summer.

In 1884, he founded the McClure Syndicate, the first of its kind, to provide fiction for newspapers. In 1893 he established the prosperous McClure's Magazine.

McClure started some of this century's best-known writers on the road to literary success.

He "discovered" Rudyard Kipling, and was a friend of Robert Louis Stevenson. He bought some of Stevenson's writings, and named a son for him.

McClure paid Sir Arthur Conan Doyle \$40 each for his first dozen stories of Sherlock Holmes, and the famous detective first became known to millions through McClure's syndicate.

O. Henry, Jack London, Booth Tarkington, Anthony Hope, and Ida M. Tarbell, biographer of Abraham Lincoln, were among other writers who were aided to early fame by McClure.

Born in northern Ireland, McClure was brought to this country by his widowed mother.

U. S. Won't Pay Reds \$17 Million Bill

BERLIN, March 23. — The United States has refused flatly to pay a \$17 million bill for communications fees between Berlin and western Germany.

The charges are illegal and violate an agreement signed by the U. S. and Russia, an American military government official asserted.

The German post office in the Soviet zone sent the bill for communications dating back to 1945. The Germans also demanded that the U. S. pay \$160,000 monthly hereafter for rent of telephone and telegraph lines. It was hinted the lines might be cut if payment were refused.

U. S. officials declared the bill must have been inspired by the Russians who must clear all communications from eastern German agencies to the western allies.

E. T. Martin, economics official in the U. S. military government, said the Russians and the U. S. agreed in 1945 that the Americans would be granted free communications if they provided 250 miles of cable and arranged to have it installed.

Martin said the Russians agreed to maintain the lines and had done so.

Martin termed the proposed \$160,000 monthly maintenance charge "ridiculous" and said they could be maintained "for something closer to \$1,600, as a guess."

Israel, Lebanon Sign Armistice

EN NAQURA, Lebanon, March 23. — Israel and Lebanon signed an armistice agreement at the customs house here this morning.

The armistice pact, second signed by Israel with one of her Arab neighbors, was hailed by the head of the Israeli delegation as "the beginning of an era of peace and happiness for our part of the world."

Lt. Col. Mordechai Maklef, the delegation head said: "Israel never had any quarrel with Lebanon in the past and sees no reason for any quarrel in the future. The agreement just signed marks the close of an unhappy chapter."

all describing troop movements by Israel and Trans-Jordan as violations. He told newsmen that he considered the recent landing of British reinforcements at Aqaba, Trans-Jordan's only seaport, also was a breach of the truce, although his report did not describe it as such.

The report, based on investigations by UN observers who visited the area, said there was no evidence to support a series of Arab complaints of fighting in that section. Neither, Bunche added, did his observers find any evidence to support the Arab charge that Israeli troops had crossed the Trans-Jordan border.

"Since March 8, Israeli forces at considerably more than normal patrol strength have moved into the area between the Dead Sea and the Gulf of Aqaba in Palestine," occupying positions which they had not held previously, Bunche told the Security Council.

"There never has been anything in the nature of military line in this area," he continued. "It appears that Arab forces in small strength have recently paroled in parts of the area, as have small Israeli patrols, in violation of the truce in both cases."

Israeli troops moved down a road which runs close to Trans-Jordan territory, Bunche said, but the route "runs its whole length inside Palestine" and there was no evidence that they had crossed the frontier.

Britain, which already had garrisoned Aqaba at the request of Trans-Jordan under a mutual defense alliance, moved in more troops by sea on March 13, Bunche said this also was a violation, although it was not mentioned in his report.

Mother Charged In Child Beating Faces Sterilization Soon

LOS ANGELES, March 23. — Georgette Brucks, 21, who pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the beating to death of one of her three children, expects the birth of a fourth child and a sterilization operation this week.

She has been in jail since Jan. 25 and was released yesterday to enter a private hospital. The operation preventing her from becoming a mother again was ordered by Superior Judge Thomas L. Ambrose upon the recommendation of her attorney.

The judge made it a condition of her six-year probation and suspended a one to 10-year prison term.

No Clarification Of Red Ban On News

SHANGHAI, March 23. — The Foreign Correspondents' Club of China has asked Chinese Communists to clarify the Feb. 27 order prohibiting the filing of news from Peiping but has received no answer.

The club a week ago telegraphed Chou En-Lai, No. 2 Chinese Communist, asking an explanation of the ban.

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HAMBURG, Germany, March 23. — Two British plane crashes in two days have added six deaths to the ever-growing toll taken by the Berlin airlift.

The three-man crew of an R.A.F. Dakota were killed last night in a crash near Luebeck. Monday, three members of the crew of a British civilian airlift plane were killed near the Schwesingland airfield.

The airlift fatalities now total 47—28 Americans and 19 Britons.

Odessa Deputy Shot To Death

ODESSA, March 23. — Deputy Sheriff L. E. Lee was shot to death here about midnight and a Mexican prisoner was killed by bullets from another deputy's gun.

The dead Mexican was identified by Sheriff Ernest Broughton of Ector County as Sotero Ledema, 38, of Midland.

Ledema was shot by Deputy Sheriff W. H. Beasley, said Sheriff Broughton.

Deputies Lee and Beasley were booking Ledema for investigation of theft, the sheriff said, when the Mexican grabbed Lee's pistol from its holster and opened fire. They were in the sheriff's office.

Lee was shot three times and died instantly "Lee was shot once through the heart, once through the leg and once through the stomach," Broughton said.

When the Mexican opened fire, the sheriff said, Deputy Beasley drew his pistol. Ledema was shot once through the head and "I'm not sure where he was hit by a second bullet," Broughton said.

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