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## MID-WEST STORMS, FLOODS CLAIM 20 LIVES

### Two Saved After Drifting Four Days in Life Boat

(By Associated Press)  
BROWNSVILLE, May 2.—Tossed about for four days in a life boat in the Gulf of Mexico, Captain E. E. Bailey, navigation officer, and Benjamin Jones, of the motor vessel "M. P." rested in Matamoras, across the international boundary from Brownsville today.

Capt. Bailey and Jones left their six mates on the vessel Saturday night when the ship sprang a leak, and started for aid. They landed yesterday near Washington Beach, Mexico. Coast guardsmen from Galveston and Port Aransas had been searching for the missing sailors for two days. A passing boat towed the "M. P." to Alvaro Obregon, Mexico.

### Lindbergh Lands At Havana Today With Airmail

(By Associated Press)  
MIAMI, May 2.—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh landed at Havana at noon today, after a five hours and fifty-five minutes flight from Nicaragua.

Col. Lindbergh brought seven-day air mail from South American cities for the United States.

### Preston Drug Co. Open for Business

Clarence and J. T. Preston have purchased the drug store known as the Dietz Drug Co., and have opened for business. The store will be conducted under the name of the Preston Drug Company and will operate on a strictly cash basis.

The entire store, especially the prescription department will be restocked. Everything usually found in a modern drug store will be carried and an up-to-date fountain will be run in connection with the drug business.

J. T. Preston is now operating the business but will be joined on May 15th by his brother, Clarence. Clarence is a graduate pharmacist of Baylor University, and for the past year has been associated with the Pipkin Drug Company of Waco, in the prescription department.

The store was purchased from J. T. Elmore, of San Angelo, who has owned it since the time it was purchased from the Strain Drug Co. The store will be open day and night from now on.

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### Commencement Program Is Announced for School

H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the city schools, announced Friday the program for the graduation exercises to be held at the high school auditorium on Friday, May 16. This will be the last program of commencement week.

The first of the series of programs will be held on Sunday, May 11, at which time the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Dr. J. H. Whalen, vice-president of Southern Methodist University, Dallas. This service will be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church. During the remainder of the week programs will be presented nightly at the high school auditorium.

All programs will be free with the exception of the senior class play which will be presented on Tuesday night, May 13. "Oh, Kay!" a three-act comedy-drama will be offered on this date under the direction of Mrs. H. C. Spencer. A small admission will be charged for the play.

### Concrete Work Is Finished On Highway No. 30

The last concrete on highway 30 between Ballinger and San Angelo was poured by L. E. Whitham & Company Friday morning. Rain delayed the work for several days but it was dry enough Friday to resume operations and only a few hours were required to complete the open gap.

The company now only has about five miles of shoulder to grade, sweep the road, paint the black stripe down the center, and place asphalt on two bridges. When this is done equipment will be gathered up and moved to another location.

Considering the weather for the past six months, excellent time has been made on the road construction. December and January brought many delays and very little actual construction was done during that period.

State Engineer G. M. Garrett announced that another mile of concrete was opened Thursday on the west end of the pavement a few miles west of Miles. This opened the concrete to the Miles cemetery and only leaves a gap of two miles, making but a short detour over all good dirt road. This final stretch will be opened as soon as the concrete sets and is strong enough to permit travel.

The exact date for the official opening of the highway has not been decided. A celebration has been planned to be held at Miles by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce and the San Angelo Board of City Development. When the date for the celebration is announced committees will complete the program and invitations will be sent to towns along the highway requesting presence of representatives.

Chas. Cohen, engineer for W. S. Thompson construction company, has commenced work on the new Colorado River bridge at the foot of Seventh Street. A large amount of material is now on the ground as well as practically all machinery to be used. Carpenters are building forms for the concrete piers, and steel cylinders to be sunk to the rock stratum are now in place. Each week additional workmen will be placed on this job until operations are in full swing.

The tourist season in Yellowstone national park opens officially June 20.

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### Kansas Bank is Robbed of \$2,000

(By Associated Press)  
BURLINGTON, Kas., May 2.—Three men robbed the Citizens State Bank of Gribely, near here, today. The bandits escaped with \$2,000 in currency after two of the gang locked bank employees in the vault.

### Letter Says Hoover Not Pro at Heart

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, May 2.—A letter written by Capt. William H. Stayton, chairman of the board of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, was placed in the record of the Senate lobby committee today. Capt. Stayton said he knew President Hoover "is not at heart a dry."

The letter was read after the witness denied that the association bought liquor to be served at a celebration for the candidate for the presidency in 1928. No name was mentioned.

### 25 Scouts Leave For Annual Camp

R. E. Bruce and James Parish left Friday afternoon accompanied by twenty-five Boy Scouts for the jamboree to be held at the Scout camp of the Chisholm Trail Area near Buffalo Gap. The camp site is six miles northwest of Buffalo Gap, near Lake Abilene. The boys strike camp there Friday night and will remain until late Saturday afternoon, returning here about 9:00 or 9:30 Saturday night. They will be joined early Saturday morning by A. B. Stobaugh and Rev. E. W. McLaurin, who will visit the Scouts during Saturday's contests. They were used Friday afternoon to transport the following scouts: Chas. Thorp, Wiley Stobaugh, Graham Fowler, William Woods, J. K. Reasonover, Alfred Zedlitz, Elwood McWilliams, Neal Reese, Wayne Byler, Jack Lynn, Lloyd Thomas, Douglas Jackson, John Crager, Marion Connelly, Frederick Kiechle, Robert Nicholson, Max Wilson, Coy Drennon, Scott Strain, Elwin McWilliams, William Hill, Sam Malone, John Q. McAdams, Fred Wellhausen, Fred Walter King.

The cars and a truck were loaded with groceries and bedding and the Scouts will pitch camp, do their own cooking and "sleep out." The camp has two large buildings which can be used by the lads in case of rain or bad weather. The bus was loaded as soon as school was out and the merry crew left immediately for the camp.

All day Saturday will be spent in contests which will include first aid, signaling, scoutcraft, handicraft, seven events in athletics including dashes and jumping, written examinations on various phases of Scout work, knot tying and other features. The Ballinger troops will have entries in all events and boys have been carefully drilled for several months along the lines in which they will compete.

**LEAVE FOR RACES**  
Burns Holt, local speedster, will leave this evening for San Antonio where he will enter races to be staged on the Alamo City speedway. Oran Dean, it is reported, will leave tomorrow for the same place and with the same purpose. Both of the local men have been forging to the front recently as champions at the wheel.

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### DELAYED AT EL PASO



Frank Goldsborough, 19, took off from Westfield, N. J., airport for Los Angeles in an effort to establish a new junior transcontinental flying record.

### Attempted Jail Break Related by Unknown Woman

(By Associated Press)  
SAN ANTONIO, May 2.—A carefully plotted jail delivery involving the escape of a Florida convict held in the city jail here pending the arrival of Florida authorities, was frustrated today by an unknown woman who gave details of the conspiracy to the police.

The woman said three confederates followed the prisoner here and had formulated intricate plans for a jail delivery at any cost.

Added precaution was taken to guard the prisoner by the police until Florida officers arrive to return him to that state.

### Asks for \$6,000,000 To Cover Deficiency

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, May 2.—President Hoover called on congress today to make available quickly almost \$6,000,000 to cover the deficiency in operation of government departments.

### SAYS FATE WON OUT IN SAN JACINTO BATTLE

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, May 2.—Fate and not military strategy won the independence of Texas from Mexico in the battle of San Jacinto, according to Beaumont B. Buck, retired United States Army colonel.

The tactics of General Sam Houston, commander of the Texas forces, in placing his army within a mile of the soldiers of the Mexican general, Santa Anna, several hours before the battle have never been explained satisfactorily, Col. Buck said. Loss of lives in the battle was insignificant.

### WILL RAISE CUCUMBERS

(By Associated Press)  
JEFFERSON, May 2.—Another proof that Marion county farmers are getting away from the one crop idea of farming is the fact that approximately 95 of them have pledged 96 acres to be planted to cucumbers for marketing purposes, according to figures on record in the chamber of commerce office here.

These cucumbers are to be planted on May 1 or 2, so that the entire crop will be ready to harvest at the same time. A salting station will be set up here to handle the crop. Seed for planting has been furnished by the chamber of commerce.

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### Prison Fire Probe Studied by Governor

(By Associated Press)  
COLUMBUS, O., May 2.—While national guardsmen maintained order at the Ohio state penitentiary, Governor Myers Cooper, set today aside to study the report of his board of inquiry which investigated the prison fire and disaster on April 21.

The governor will decide where the responsibility will be placed for the fire which took the lives of 322 convicts. No indication was revealed as to what action he plans but it is considered unlikely that he will recommend a change in the administrative personnel.

### Plans Delegation To Big Celebration

A plan is being considered by the entertainment committee of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce for the taking to Abilene of a large caravan one day during the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention.

The uniforms of the Ballinger Band have worn out and a problem presents itself in trying to take a brightly appearing musical organization to the big gathering. The committee is considering uniforming the entire delegation in some simple way, which yet will heighten the staging of stunts during the day.

Many local citizens have signified their desire to join the Ballinger delegation and spend an entire day at Abilene during the regional convention. Any delegation needs a uniformed band to lead it, and unless the local band is distinguished by snappy uniforms at Abilene it will not attract much attention, or possibly adverse attention. More than a hundred bands probably will be in attendance and uniforms must be secured for the local musicians if benefit is derived from the excursion.

It has been suggested that clown suits be made for the band and each booster going on the trip furnish a similar suit. Another suggestion is that linen dusters, linen top hats and walking canes be provided for the band and everyone in the parade. This would resemble the minstrels of days gone by and would provide opportunity for everyone to take part in a big street procession.

During the next few days some plan will be accepted and work commenced towards putting the trip over or else the idea of a Ballinger delegation will be abandoned and individuals will make the trip as and when they desire.

The dates of the convention are the last three days in May and Ballinger Day probably will be Friday, May 30.

### 4 Men Held for Chicken Thefts

(By Associated Press)  
TEXARKANA, May 2.—Four men are being held under bonds totaling \$10,000 for action of the Bowie county grand jury in May while officers are seeking leaders in a chicken theft "racket" which they declare has resulted in the loss of thousands of dollars to farmers near here during recent months.

County Attorney L. C. Boswell declares that three of the men negroes, have stated they were paid a weekly salary by a group of white men to carry on hen house raids. The fourth man under bond is George Griffin, white. The negroes declared, according to Boswell, that they were told repeatedly that if they ever "squealed they would suddenly be missing and not come back."

Boswell declared that he believes his investigation will result in several white men being identified as leaders of the alleged theft ring.

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(By Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, May 2.—Angry weather stormed through the Middle West late yesterday, killing twenty persons and injuring many. Property destroyed was valued at \$100,000.

Tornadoes struck Telkamah, Nebraska; Norborne, Missouri and Westby, Wisconsin.

Loss of life in North Dakota, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa was due to electrical storms and high winds. The storms bounded erratically in a territory including nine states. Deaths were reported from seven states. Four persons were killed at Telkamah. Three were drowned near Lake City Minnesota when a cloudburst set water down a ravine on a stalled automobile. Two women died when an automobile skidded near Duluth, Minnesota. Four persons died in Norborne, Mo. The other deaths were scattered throughout Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa.

### TEXAS MAY GET A NEW FEDERAL GAME TRACT

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, May 2.—An inspection which might lead eventually to the establishment of a federal migratory game preserve in Texas is being made by A. C. Martin of the United States agricultural department's bureau of biological survey.

Mr. Martin is going over proposed sites between Brownsville and Corpus Christi. The most important consideration will be food and nesting facilities and the absence of dangers besetting wild life. No purchase could be made before a visit to Texas of a representative of the land acquisition division and the passage of an enabling act by the legislature.

### Will Broadcast Baseball Games

(By Associated Press)  
DALLAS, May 2.—Representatives of Texas League clubs voted to lift the ban on broadcasting of "road" baseball games at a meeting of the moguls held here today.

The only restriction was that games could not be broadcast when played within a hundred miles of the broadcasting station without the consent of owners of both clubs.

### TO BEAUTIFY PARK

(By Associated Press)  
BEAUMONT, May 2.—Assistance of the park department of Beaumont has been tendered to the Texas State Park Board, toward making Kirby park at Evadale, donated to the state by John H. Kirby, one of the most attractive parks in the state.

Kirby announced donation of the park, at the dedication ceremony of the Neches river bridge at Evadale, on April 21. It comprises 26 acres and is heavily wooded with hardwood trees.

### WEATHER REPORT

(By Associated Press)  
All Texas—Partly cloudy unsettled, probably local showers.

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**"Hide-Out," Stirring Picture of College Life at Palace**

College life from an entirely new angle is depicted in "Hide-Out," stirring all-talking drama featuring James Murray and Kathryn Crawford, showing today and Saturday at the Palace.

"Hide-Out" is featured by a charming romance and breath-taking suspense. It gets away from the usual type of college pictures in which collegians are invariably depicted as a gay-hearted pleasure-seeking crew without a serious care in the world.

The picture works up to a smashing climax depicting a great college crew race. The struggle of the conflicting crews, however, is secondary to the spiritual battle raging within the breast of the hero of the picture.

James Murray is ideally cast as Morely Wallace, crack stroke car, alias Jimmie Dorgan, wanted for hi-jacking. Murray gives a performance which will be long remembered.

Always charming Kathryn Crawford appears to exceptional advantage as the heroine of the picture. There is an unusually strong supporting cast including Carl Stockdale, Lee Moran, Robt. Elliott and Eddie Hearn.

Reginald Barker, whose name has long been in the front rank of motion-picture directors, directed "Hide-Out." Lambert Hillier wrote the story, with Arthur Ripley handling the adaptation and Hillier and Matt Taylor the dialogue.

**Dix at His Best in Hilarious Screen Success**

Lauded as one of the most entertaining and enjoyable films Richard Dix has ever made, "Lovin' the Ladies," all-talking comedy romance opens at the Palace Theatre Sunday for a run of three days. Audiences and critics in other cities have acclaimed the film one of the outstanding laugh hits of the year.

The picture brings Dix to the screen at the height of his popularity. Talking pictures have been introduced since his scores of successful silent films, and they have not found Dix wanting. In fact, he is even better suited to dialog films than to silent pictures—the result of extensive stage training.

Curiously enough, "Lovin' the Ladies," gives Dix the first chance he has had in pictures to play a role he originally created on the stage. The film was adapted from William Le Baron's Broadway comedy, "I Love Yop," in which Dix starred several years ago on the New York stage. The play was an outstanding hit during its long run on Broadway and the film is said to even surpass the original.

Dix is cast as an electrician who attempts to break into the smart set. Developments prove to be unusually amusing, giving Dix great opportunity to demonstrate his ability at handling light comedy.

A notable supporting cast is to be seen in the film. Lois Wilson, who will be remembered as Dix's heroine in several silent pictures, is playing with him again and is said to be more appealing than ever. Allen Kearns, stage comedian, Rita La Roy, Renee Macready and Antony Bushnell also are seen in important roles.

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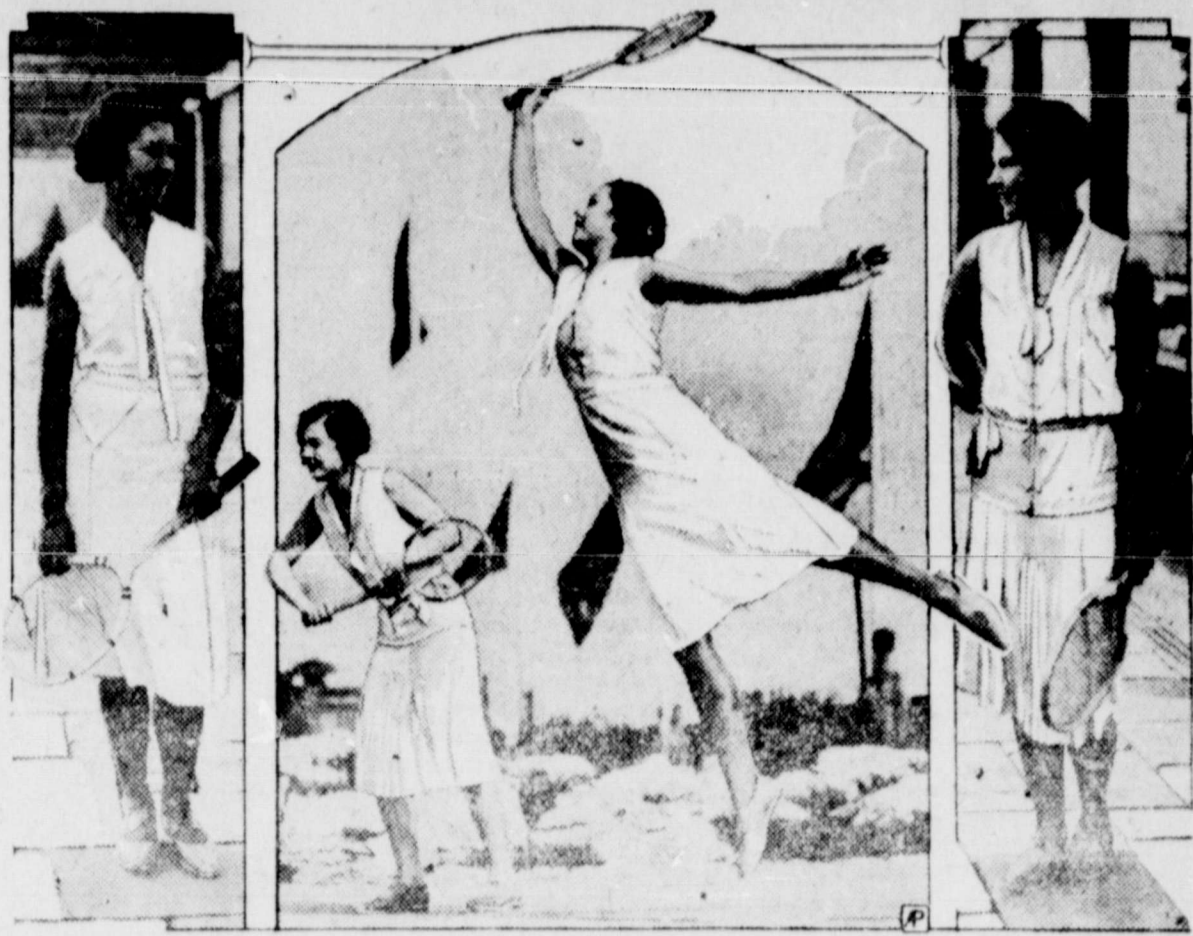
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**Scanning New Books**

**By Richard Massock**  
NEW YORK, May 2.—Books have a tendency to fall into categories and so this month the dour Scots are prominent.

Hugh Walpole, furthermore, makes an excursion into the ascendant field of historical fiction in "Rogue Herries," his contribution to the Scottish lore.

The eminent Englishman draws a picture of a man's soul against the background of early Scotland.

Rogue Herries tried in his life to overcome the inner workings of his mind. A lonely, introspective ruffian, his utter longing for companionship of a stimu-

lating sort drove him into the role of a swaggering, haughty vagabond gentleman, seeking elsewhere what his well-meaning wife failed to supply.

Seemingly more truly infused with the gray, stern life of the moors are two other novels, especially Claire Spencer's "Gallows Orchard," a rising tragedy of a girl stoned to death for disregard of the severe morality of her neighborhood.

Nan Shepherd's "The Weatherhouse," a novel of Scottish women, goes further in the way of dialect and treats partly with characters who were slightly

daft.  
**Money-Loving Hetty**

Hetty Green, "a woman who loved money," is presented in all her eccentricity, avarice, occasional vindictiveness and more frequent common sense and humanity, in a biography by Boyden Sparkes and Samuel Taylor Moore.

The portrayal of the woman who was a financial Titan in the early days of the century is not an endearing one.

But the picture of the principal in a series of law suits, questionable deals and domestic disturbances is lightened by a bit of sententious philosophy or self-revelation that gives a more human aspect to the mysterious woman whose shadow brought

woe to the Wall Street of pre-war days.

Hetty Green was an unflinching source of anecdotes and few seem to have been overlooked by the authors.

**Maladies and Memories**

Three volumes that are entertaining and amusing enough to increase their relative importance are C. MacLaurin's "Post Mortems of Mere Mortals," Don Herold's "Strange Bedfellows," and W. Somerset Maugham's "The Gentleman in the Parlour."

The first is a collection of essays by an Australian doctor, who speculates on the effect physical infirmities had on the great. He discusses Napoleon's cancer and Pepys' functional ailments and suggests reasons for Joan of Arc's visions.

Don Herold's strange bedfellows are the specimens of humanity with whom he has come into contact as a humorist and cartoonist.

His informal autobiography of an Indiana small town boy who made good despite laziness and his bright quips about a life composed of college, bridge and babies are enlivened by his inimitable art.

A typical Herold observation is that:

"Methods of locomotion have improved greatly in recent years, but places to go remain about the same."

Maugham's book is a leisurely traveler's recollections of a warm exotic east of natives and Englishmen and the odd stories he heard under the spell of the pagodas.

**FINE PAID FRIDAY ON BEER MAKING CHARGE**

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams said Friday that Harris Campbell had plead guilty and paid a fine of ten dollars in a beer case.

Mr. McWilliams stated that he was going to work on beer makers and intended to seek everyone who made beer in violation of the law. Last summer the Runnels county sheriff made many arrests for this offense and states that the war is still on and he and his deputies are on the lookout for such law breakers.

**POTATO RECORD BROKEN**

(By Associated Press)  
BROWNSVILLE, May 2.—Valley potato shipments recently set a record for the season when they totaled 136 carloads in one day. This total followed a warning by the potato growers assoc-

iation that harvesting should be slowed up until the recent cold wave in the midwest was less of a factor to the market.

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