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Marshall Before Senate Committee



Secretary of State George Marshall, right, faces the Senate Foreign Relations Committee as the first Administration witness for the plan he conceived months ago and which he described today as "an investment in peace". Seated at Marshall's right is U. S. Ambassador to Great Britain Lewis Douglas and at the committee table, left to right are: Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Senator Tom Connally; Senator Walter F. George; Senator Elbert Thomas; Senator Alben Barkley and Senator Carl Hatch. (NEA Telephoto).

TRUMAN ASKS 39 BILLION 1948 BUDGET

WASHINGTON — President Truman today sent to a Republican Congress which is sure to rip it apart, a "cold war" budget for spending more than 39 billion dollars in the fiscal year 1948.

That is a spending increase of 1-billion 941 million dollars over the current fiscal year. But Mr. Truman called the new budget "even more realistic and hard-boiled than the budget of 1948." He cited the international emergency, rising prices and demands of public interest as factors forcing spending up.

He asked for funds to start new programs which would run into billions of dollars annually in future years—a national health insurance plan, vastly broadened old-age and unemployment insurance coverage, and universal military training among others.

The president estimated 1949 fiscal year receipts at more than 44-billion 475 million and the surplus at upward of 4-billion 800 million. And he said the current fiscal year will end June 30 with a surplus of 7-billion 482 million, making a two-year surplus of more than 12-billion. This is the third consecutive surplus.

These fat surplus estimates were accompanied by anti-inflation warnings that they must go for reduction of the national debt, not tax reduction. Mr. Truman insisted again that his proposed \$40-for-everybody tax cut should be offset by increasing corporation taxes by 3-billion 200 million.

The budget was a boom-time program which foresaw no recession in the next 18 months. For the "cold war," Mr. Truman asked to spend a whopping 18-billion 33 million for national defense and international affairs and finance.

Mr. Truman offered no hope of early relief from heavy government spending.

"The plain fact is," he said "that our budget must remain high until we have met our international responsibilities and can see the way clear to a peaceful and prosperous world."

All budget calculations were based, he said, on present high levels of business activity and incomes, continued full employment and stable prices at about present levels.

"These assumptions," he warned, "presuppose an effective anti-inflation program."

R. O. Monk Gives Neon Sign To Local Baptist Church

R. O. Monk of the Monk Sign Company of Eastland is donating a Neon sign to the Eastland First Baptist church to be erected at the front of the building facing on South Plummer street. The gift was tendered by Monk Sunday and accepted by the congregation. The sign, which will depict "Christ kneeling in the garden," will cost approximately \$500. It will be located in the church yard and will be separate from the building.

Rev. L. M. Chapman, pastor of the Eastland Baptist church, stated Monday morning that it was planned to have the sign installed by Sunday when an outdoor dedication service would be held in the evening just before the regular Sunday evening services.

Mr. Monk is a member of the Eastland Baptist church.

Urges Postage Hike

Ground Broken For Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

Ground was broken Sunday for the Army Chapel which will be moved to Eastland to serve as a church building for Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. The ceremonies were held at the lot on South Seaman street immediately following morning prayer and Holy Communion at 10 o'clock at the Majestic Theatre in Eastland.

The service was led by the Rev. James W. McClain, priest of the mission, and the first spadeful of dirt was turned by Oscar Wilson of Eastland, oldest in membership in the church. Garvin Chastain, of Ranger, senior warden of the vestry, spaded the second shovel and Mrs. Joe Nuesse of Ranger, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary turned the third. The fourth was turned by Bobbie Vaught of Eastland, youngest confirmed member of the church and Father McClain spaded the fifth.

The foundation for the church will be laid the first part of the week and it is expected that the church will be ready for use by Easter.

Following the ground breaking a church dinner was served on the roof of the Connellee Hotel, followed by a mission meeting.

At the meeting the following vestrymen were elected for 1948, Mr. Chastain, Herbert Tanner of Eastland, John W. Ducker of Ranger, Charles Eaton of Eastland, Dr. C. E. Paul of Cisco, Bob Vaught of Eastland, John Ernst of Eastland and Charles Roberts of Cisco.

Delegates and alternates to the diocesan convention in Dallas, January 28 and 29, were also elected. They are Herbert Tanner, Bob Vaught, Jack Lewis, Jr., Dr. C. E. Paul and John W. Ducker. Reports were given by the treasurer, Joe Nuesse of Ranger, and the treasurer of the building fund, Mrs. Charles Eaton of Eastland. Father McClain reported that since he came to the church as priest on the first of July that he has baptized seven persons and 10 new members have been confirmed.

Funeral Rites For Ray Chandler Held This Afternoon

Funeral services for Edward Roy Chandler, 63, who died Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at his home at 103 North Oak Street, Eastland, were to be conducted this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock from the Hamner Funeral Chapel in Eastland with C. E. Moore, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating. Interment was to be in the Eastland cemetery with Hamner's in charge.

Survivors are the widow, two daughters: Mrs. Donald Barham of Stephenville and Mrs. Glenn Jones of Borger; and two sons: Roy Don and Edward J. of Eastland; three sisters, Mrs. Brice Webb of Romney, Mrs. Addie Le Claire of Electra and Mrs. Preston Weatherall of White Deer, and one brother, Lee Chandler of Duncun, Oklahoma; and five grandchildren.

The deceased was born at Brady November 12, 1884, and came to Eastland in 1888. He had been quite ill for some time.

Says No Retail Meat Control To Be Needed

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Agriculture Anderson said today price control probably will not be needed on retail meat sales if controls are put on wholesale meat prices.

Anderson told Senate banking committee that if inflation is to be curbed, "we may have to use limited price control on commodities affecting the cost of living."

But he said he thought controls on meat could be confined to whole sale prices unless "retail prices move out of line with wholesale ceilings."

Marshall Claims Open Mind On Plan Machinery

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George C. Marshall said today he has an "open mind" on the machinery for operating the European recovery program, but insisted on a single administrator subject to state department control.

Marshall opened the second front on his campaign for Congressional approval of the recovery program. He testified before the House foreign affairs committee today to present somewhat the same case he gave the Senate foreign relations committee last week. The administration is asking for a 15 month 6 billion 800 million dollar down payment to get the four-year Marshall program in operation.

While Marshall testified before the House committee, Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman went before the Senate foreign relations committee. Harriman said the Marshall plan would be a factor in maintaining high prices in the United States. But he insisted that the real causes of inflation grew out of the business situation within the nation.

"It would, of course, be easier for us to win our battle against inflation if we could use the goods we are exporting to help meet the heavy demands at home," Harriman said.

Food Industry Query Ordered For St. Louis

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Clark today ordered a federal grand jury investigation into the food industry in the metropolitan area of St. Louis.

A justice department official said the investigation will be concerned primarily with the production, distribution and high prices of milk, but will cover other phases of the food industry.

This investigation is part of the justice department general campaign started late last year to begin action under the anti-trust laws in cases where it could establish violations contributing to the high cost of living.

Insurance Agents Meet In Eastland Tuesday, Jan. 13

A regional meeting of the Texas Association of Insurance Agents will be held at the Connellee Hotel on Tuesday, January 13. It is the meeting of district 11 for which E. E. Freyschlag is the regional chairman. Mr. Freyschlag will preside.

The meeting in Eastland is one of a series of 12 that are being sponsored by the Texas Association for this year. They are insurance educational meetings for agents. The program speakers are Tom Eagleton of Dallas and Willis McVey and Aubrey Reilly of Austin.

Officers of the Association, Melvin J. Miller, president, and Drex G. Foreman, executive secretary, who reside in Fort Worth, will attend and each have a part in the program.

About fifty agents from surrounding towns are expected to attend.

Mrs. Campbell Able To Be Moved From Big Spring Hospital

Mrs. Spencer (W. C.) Campbell, who has been quite ill in a Big Spring hospital, is reported as being able to be moved to her home, at the home of Miss Mattie Leatherwood, her sister, with whom she had been in Big Spring before her illness.

Mrs. Campbell who maintains a home at 1301 South Seaman in Eastland, has been ill eight weeks.

AREA DIRECTORS OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION SUN.

Stassen Testimony Heard



Harold E. Stassen, self-avowed Republican Presidential candidate, testified before Senate subcommittee on speculation, charging that Government "insiders" made over four million in food speculation since the war and that over one million in profits fell to Edwin W. Pauley. Stassen was called before the committee for questioning following a speech in which he made similar charges. (NEA Telephoto).

Becomes Grandmother At Age of Twenty-Nine

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—Mrs. C. A. Brown claims the Houston area title of the youngest grandmother at 29.

Mrs. Brown was married in Iola, Tex., when she was 13 and her daughter, Adia was born when Mrs. Brown was 14.

The daughter, now Mrs. R. S. Millam, also was married at 13. Her daughter, Mae, was born when her mother was 14.

JEW ROBBERS

JERUSALEM (UP)—Seven masked bandits identified tentatively as Jewish underground agents seeking funds for the war with the Arabs robbed Barclays Bank at Tel Aviv of 48 thousand dollars in a bold daylight raid today.

Wotta Night for Jack!



Jack Reed, 24, of Denver, Colo., came home from the New York broadcast show "Break the Bank" with \$5100 in cash, an offer of a new job in Denver, and a three-week, all-expenses-paid honeymoon in Florida. He'll have to supply the girl, which is all right with Jack, who came to New York in the first place to marry Betty Mann, an airline stewardess, shown with him above. (NEA Telephoto).

Fire Forces Ship Crew to Take To Open Life Boats

NEW YORK—Fire in the engine room forced 46 men aboard the Army war dead transport Joseph V. Connolly to abandon ship today, 900 miles east of New York the port of embarkation reported. The men—45 crewmen and one army man—took to open life boats at 3:51 A. M. CST to await five ships rushing to their rescue. The ship was outbound, carrying a cargo of empty caskets.

The Coast Guard said at 10 a. m. that the S. S. Morrison R. Waite had reached the position given by the crew before they abandoned ship, but had not spotted any lifeboats. It continued to circle the area.

Fort Worth Livestock
Cattle 3200. Steers slow, other classes. Medium & good slaughter steers & yrs 22-30. Cows 20-21. Cannons and cutters 11-16. Bulls 16-21. Stocker steers & yrs 20-25.
Calves 1500. Mostly steady. Good & choice slaughter calves 24-28, common & medium 17-22. Stocker calves 20-25.
Hogs 3,000. Steady with Friday. Top 27-50 for common and medium lightweights. Top 27-50 for good choice 200-300 lb butchers. Sows 23.50-24. Stocker pigs 15-20.

Hooper Family Observed Xmas Last Saturday

Observing Christmas Saturday, were Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hooper, 506 South Daugherty Street, and their son Barnett Wesley, and his Japanese bride, who arrived Thursday from Tokyo. Their son Wallace and his wife of Dallas, and their daughter, Miss Dora, who is attending an Oklahoma College.

The observance of Christmas was postponed for the arrival of the bride and groom from Japan. Many of Wesley's Buddies and Buddies with their wives called on the couple to welcome them home. Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hooper, Sr., have called during the past week-end. Young Hooper had been in Japan twenty-seven months and was located in the office building where General MacArthur had his headquarters.

VET FILM WINNER
NEW YORK (UP)—"The best years of our lives," A Samuel Goldwyn film production about the problems of returning war veterans, was voted today the best motion picture of 1947 in the 26th annual poll conducted by the Film Daily, a screen trade paper.

Injured muskrats cover their wounds with hemlock gum, excluding germs and dirt that might cause infection, says F. R. Lancaster, pathologist of the Davey Tree expert Co.

County Singing Convention Held In Cisco

Around 1200 people were present Saturday night and Sunday for the Eastland County Singing Convention held in Cisco at the high school auditorium.

Pirtle Robinson of Ranger, president, expressed his appreciation to the Chamber of Commerce at Cisco and to Stanley Webb and Don Rupe for the hospitality extended the visitors and for their efforts in making the convention the success that it was.

The following quartets were present and gave a fine performance, Ozark - Stamps Quartet from Arkansas; Stamps-Baxter Quartet from Dallas; National Men's Quartet from Fort Worth; Spradlin Family Quartet from Caddo; Bill Huggins Quartet of Brownwood; Abilene Quartet and Eastland Quartet.

There were also a number of song leaders present to direct assembly singing.

The next convention will be held in Eastland on the second Saturday night and Sunday in April.

Meeting To Look Into Tax Cut Bill Postponed

WASHINGTON—A House republican steering committee meeting, which was scheduled to consider the 5 billion 600 million dollar Knutson income tax reduction bill today, was postponed indefinitely because of the illness of Speaker Martin.

Martin is recovering from a mild attack of gripe.

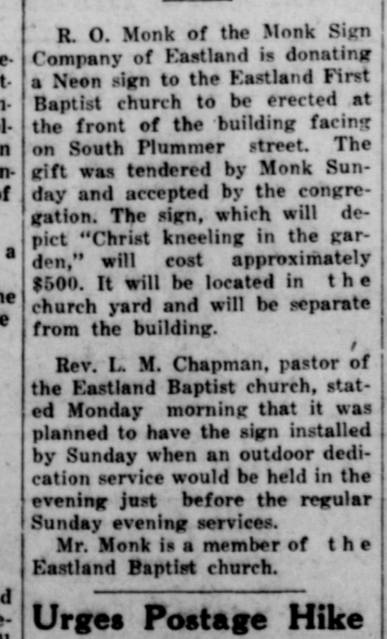
Rep. Knutson predicted that the steering committee would give "full approval" to his bill.

Jack White Will Be Candidate For County Sheriff

Jack White, former Eastland county deputy sheriff under present sheriff J. B. Williams, will be a candidate for sheriff, he told the Eastland Daily Telegram Monday morning. White stated that he would have a formal announcement to make later.

White has been a resident of Eastland county for a good many years. He came to Eastland from Ranger where he was employed by an oil company. He resigned as deputy sheriff December 15, last.

Seize Knives in Smuggling Raid



Cracking down on a well-organized smuggling band, believed to be shipping munitions to Palestine, police seized three trucks loaded with high explosives in New York state, and raided a warehouse in Asbury Park, N. J., where they found 52 cases of combat knives and 50 cases of first-aid materials. Above, Police Chief Leroy Holloway, right, and detective Edward Burke, examine the weapons seized at Asbury Park. (NEA Telephoto).

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, (NEA)—As if the 1948 Congress wouldn't have enough to do in fixing up the Marshall Plan by April 1, a whole mess of 1947 left-overs will have to be handled. Issues which the last Congress didn't settle are more numerous than those they did.

At the end of the last regular session, House Republican Floor Leader Charlie Halleck of Indiana put out a big brag on all the majority party had done. A few days later Executive Director Gael Sullivan of the Democratic National Committee put out his version of the same thing. Nobody caught it then, but Sullivan's ghost writer must have had a bit of pixie in him, for when the two statements are compared line by line today, things like these pop up:

Halleck—The Republican Party has delivered—Sullivan—The Republican Party has delivered—to big business.

Halleck—We have demonstrated that ours is a united party with a sound, forward-looking program. Sullivan—It has demonstrated that it is a united party, with a sound-asleep, rearward-looking program.

Halleck—The era of a rubber-stamp, spendthrift Congress has ended. Sullivan—The era of a statesmanlike, public-spirited Congress has ended.

THERE were a lot more of these deadly parallels that weren't noticed at the time. They're worth citing now, however, as an indication of what to expect out of the next Congress—a lot of bickering and bad-name-calling. It will get worse as election gets closer. The sad fact is that a lot of things which the last Congress did will have to be done over. Rent controls, price and allocation controls of some sort probably head the list. Any idea that the so-called anti-inflation bill passed in the December special session represents the final word on this subject is extremely doubtful.

Many economies claimed by the Republicans will have to be revised by deficiency appropriations. One—for Interior's Reclamation projects—has already been hiked by \$32 million in response to pressure from western Republicans and Democrats.

Republicans have already introduced another tax reduction bill. Another vetoed measure, which will probably be re-hashed, is the bill to create a Federal Science Foundation.

Measures which Congress has consistently refused to pass, though President Truman has asked for them repeatedly and will probably ask for again include: provision for universal military training, increase of minimum wage rates, creation of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission.

THE Senate-passed Bulwinkle bill, permitting railroads to make rate agreements free from possible prosecution under the anti-trust laws, will be before the House. And a House-passed bill to ban collection of poll taxes, as a voting requirement in federal elections, is before the Senate.

Senate and House Foreign Affairs Committee calendars are jammed with unfinished business. Marshall Plan gets priority. Behind it is an unfinished commercial treaty with China, which may be complicated by a full-dress investigation leading to a new Chinese policy.

The St. Lawrence seaway treaty with Canada, hanging fire as an issue for over 10 years, will be revived again. Authority to operate and expand State Department's Voice of America is pending. International oil and aviation policies are pending. United Nations labor, health and trade policies are pending.

And, since the Reciprocity Trade Agreements Act expires at the end of 1948, it will have to be renewed, amended or allowed to die. With both Republican and Democratic national conventions coming in early summer, before congressional adjournment, congressmen's eyes will be pretty much on politics all session. But they have plenty to do, just minding their business.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

BOSTON, (NEA)—When Joe McCarthy and the Yankees and Billy Southworth and the Cardinals were fighting it out in the World Series of 1942-43, who would have suspected that the two greatest managers in baseball would battle for patronage and prestige in Boston five years later?

Yet here they are, and a lively encounter it is going to be. The violent upsurge of the long-limbed Braves under Southworth is the principal reason for McCarthy's return to baseball via the Red Sox.

Until 1946, with the exception of '33, when the Braves drew \$18,855 to Braves Field, the club hadn't had a paying season since George Stallings performed the fabled miracle of 1914.

BUT the trade warmed up when Louis R. Perini, Guido L. Rugo and Joseph Maney took over in 1944. As far back as the oldest inhabitants could remember, one of the Hub customers' main complaints was absentee ownership, something Boston had had nothing else but. They have been fairly happy with Thomas Austin Yawkey in the American League picture, but still the lumber Croesus is a New Yorker.

Here at last on the National League side, Boston had three home-grown and self-made contractors who were willing to spend money.

Perini, Rugo and Maney made their smartest move when they decided to start at the top by bringing in Southworth and giving him something to work with in 1946.

The fans quickly rallied around what for so many years had been a broken-down franchise. Although the Sox got off to a phenomenal running start, the Braves enjoyed their biggest advance seat sale in history while the American League opposition was in the midst of a

15-game winning streak that knocked the race in that wheel into a crooked hat. Playing at night for the first time and making a surprising showing that swept them from last to fourth, the Braves played to 934,000 paid admissions as against the pennant-winning Red Sox' 1,416,000.

Their National League rivals' tremendous gain forced the affluent Red Sox to install arcs for 1947, when the difference between their total attendance at home was no more than 148,545 admissions—1,427,000 for the Red Sox and 1,278,455 for the Braves.

The Red Sox were disappointedly finishing second. The Braves were pleasing performers climbing to third.

That is too close for comfort, accounts for McCarthy and the purchase of Vernon Stephens, Stan Spencik, Jack Kramer and Ellis Kinder by the Red Sox.

The Braves put it all over the Red Sox in football. Boston College playing to 250,000 paid admissions at Braves Field, with the aid of the largest temporary bleachers ever built and accommodating 12,300. Boston University played to less than 50,000 at Fenway Park.

With both clubs improved, an all-Hub World Series next fall is conceivable.

With its populous back area, there is plenty of room for both the Red Sox and the Braves, but the battle for baseball patronage and prestige in Boston will high-light the year of 1948.

Caught in a Tight Labor Market



OUT OUR WAY



Under The Dome At Austin

(Editor's Note: Before he left United Press Dec. 31, 1947 to become executive director of the State Parks Board, Gordon K. Sheare, U.P. bureau manager at Austin for more than 20 years, wrote his final 'Under the Dome' column. In it he reviews the events which transpired during those two decades.

AUSTIN, Tex., (UP)—Twenty or "under the dome at Austin" or the United Press spans an era of interesting happenings and personalities in the big red granite building that houses Texas state government.

It begins with the whirling dervish of the administration of Dan Moody, a youthful, red-headed, liver-voiced bridegroom who had scattered the powerful Ferguson forces in a political battle, based largely on road affairs.

At the head of the State Highway Department, Moody placed S. Sterling, founder of Humble Oil & Refining Company, and one of the state's outstanding business men.

Sterling was bitten by the political bug while heading the highway department and became Moody's successor in 1931. Sterling had battled his way to a run-off election with former Governor "Ma" Ferguson who had led a field of 11 candidates in the first Democratic primary of 1930.

Sterling defeated her in the second primary that was held a month later.

But it was a one-term victory. Ferguson turned the tables on Sterling and took back the office of Governor.

One of the remarkable things about those two elections was that Sterling received almost the same vote in win and to lose. In the run-off primary of 1930, a Sterling vote of 473,361 was easily enough to beat Mrs. Ferguson's 384,402, but in 1932 with 473,040 votes Sterling was behind Mrs. Ferguson who polled 477,044.

That came the return of the administration of "two government—the price of one" which Mrs. Ferguson's friends had prom-

ised, with former Gov. "Pa" Ferguson advising and counseling Mrs. Ferguson.

When she decided that four elections to the office of Governor were enough for one family, C. C. McDonald of Wichita Falls, who had been a wheelhorse supporter of the Fergusons in their campaigns, became a candidate for Governor. He managed to run but third in the opening Democratic primary as two other Wichita Falls entrants, Tom F. Hunter and James V. Allred, went into a fierce campaign. When the votes were counted, Allred led with 297,656; Hunter got 241,099 and McDonald 206,007. Others in the Governor's race that year were Clint Small, Edgar Witt, Edward K. Russell and Maury Hughes.

Allred and Hunter battled to another close finish in the run-off primary, with Allred the winner by 497,808 to 457,785 for Hunter.

It was in the next Governor's race that Texas had a million votes cast for the first time. Allred won his renomination with more than half of these in the first Democratic primary, and no run-off primary was required. Hunter had 239,540 and the other votes were divided among three candidates.

By the time the next campaign rolled along, Governor Allred had been selected for Federal District Judge by President Franklin D. Roosevelt; and there was a big scramble for the Governor's office.

William (Bill) McGraw of Dallas, who was attorney General and Col. Ernest O. Thompson of Amarillo, who was Railroad Commissioner, started off in what at first seemed a two-way race with 11 other trailing entrants.

But soon word began to reach Austin that a former Fort Worth flour salesman with a hillbilly band was getting astonishingly large crowds as a candidate for Governor. What is believed to be the first printed prediction that W. Lee O'Daniel, a man without a voting poll tax record, was likely to win appeared "Under the

MURDER AT MY HOUSE

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THE STORY: I can't find the packet of poison anywhere. It occurs to me that I must have left it in the kitchen after giving some to the cat and that the cleaning woman threw it out. Jeff had promised to get me Avis' maid, Marie Maloney, and she arrives. Madge Narney is given tests at the studio for Avis' part and everyone is enthusiastic about her. Jimmy Peters drives me home. "Madge Narney is the most natural young thing I've seen in this town," I rave. Jimmy disagrees, "she's about the most unnatural girl I know," he says.

XX I SAT up and took notice, remembering how I'd suspected there was something between Madge and Jimmy the morning she came to see me. For Avis Vaughn died. I had thought she was worried for fear Jimmy was somehow mixed into the affair—everyone at the studio knew about his infatuation for Avis. But this crack of Jimmy's sounded as if the shoe were on the other foot. It had all the earmarks of jealousy.

"What's the matter, Jimmy? Did she throw you over for someone else?" Jimmy murmured something that sounded like "nuts." He pressed his foot down on the accelerator and the speedometer registered fifty when we were stopped by the next red light.

"The trouble is," he said slyly, "she doesn't date anybody. Has some freak idea that men would interfere with her career—and nothing is to interfere with that. The girl's career mad."

"That's the wrong attitude," I agreed. "How can she act like if she doesn't live it first?" Jimmy hedged. "She's not altogether to blame for it. It's her mother. She's had Madge in dramatic school and little theater companies ever since she was able to walk and talk. Getting her ready to be a great star. It's all Madge has ever known."

I was still curious. "Did you ever have a date with her?"

"One," Jimmy admitted. "I took her to the Oscar dinner last winter, just after I got out of the Army. She seemed to go for me, too. But every time I called her after that she was busy. Finally I quit. You know a fellow isn't going to run after a girl forever."

And so, I thought, he had gone for Avis Vaughn on the rebound. And I could imagine Avis, for all her preoccupation with Art, still finding time to lead Jimmy on. "Why don't you try again?" I said suddenly. "Madge may feel differently about it now. And I wouldn't wait too long either. If she's the hit I think she's going to be in this picture you'll have a lot of competition."

Jimmy looked at me and grinned. "What are you trying to do, play Cupid?" He grinned some more. "At that it might not be a bad idea."

The funny thing, looking back now, is how closely I came to the motive for our murders in that talk with Jimmy Peters. He had the key to everything and nobody ever asked him. And, of course, he didn't know that what he knew was important.

JIMMY let me out at my driveway and I said goodby to him and went into a transformed house. Heaven knows where Marie, my new maid, had learned the art of homemaking. But somehow, somewhere she had. The place had been cleaned and waxed and dusted from top to bottom; every chair, every cushion, every magazine was invitingly in place; the windows were open to the afternoon breeze; the taffeta drapes rustled luxuriously.

Contentment filled me like a honey-drowsy bee. For just a moment I forgot the nagging worries of the present and let myself drift into a rosy dream of a suddenly tantalizing future. I had this lovely home. I had a promis-

ing career. I could have Jeff Haverson, now that he was free. He had made that clear. Life could be beautiful after all. I thought, as naively as if I were still sixteen. The raucous voice of Marie Maloney broke it up by announcing that dinner was ready. I stepped off my dream train, made a little face of regret, picked up the day's mail that was piled on my desk, took it downstairs with me and read it while I ate. The front doorbell, above, chimed just as I finished the iced fruit dessert and Marie came back from answering it and announced Detective Robert Leiphant.

HE was waiting for me in the living room. He wore the same dark suit he had worn the day I first saw him, he had the same battered gray hat in his hands, and he looked at me with the same cool gray eyes.

I apologized for having kept him waiting, offered him a cigarette, allowed him to light mine, and sat down and waited for him to begin.

"I'm sorry to bother you again, Miss Donn." His voice was brusque in spite of his words. He went on, "We're finding it necessary to check further on a couple who were here at your house the night Avis Vaughn and Art Cleves died. On everyone, you understand." His eyes were on my face. "Miss Donn, you were in a sanitarium just before you came out here to Hollywood. A serious nervous breakdown, I was told. What caused it—overwork? Or something that happened to you?"

The perspiration poured out on the palms of my hands. I clenched them tightly trying to hold on to my self-control through sheer muscular effort. I had never told anyone about that—anyone at all. The only person in Hollywood who could have known about it was Jeff Haverson. Max Hoster had told him. Told him because he wanted someone to know, wanted someone to watch out for me, I suppose, just in case I went haywire again.

And Jeff—Jeff had told the police.

(To Be Continued)

FUNNY BUSINESS



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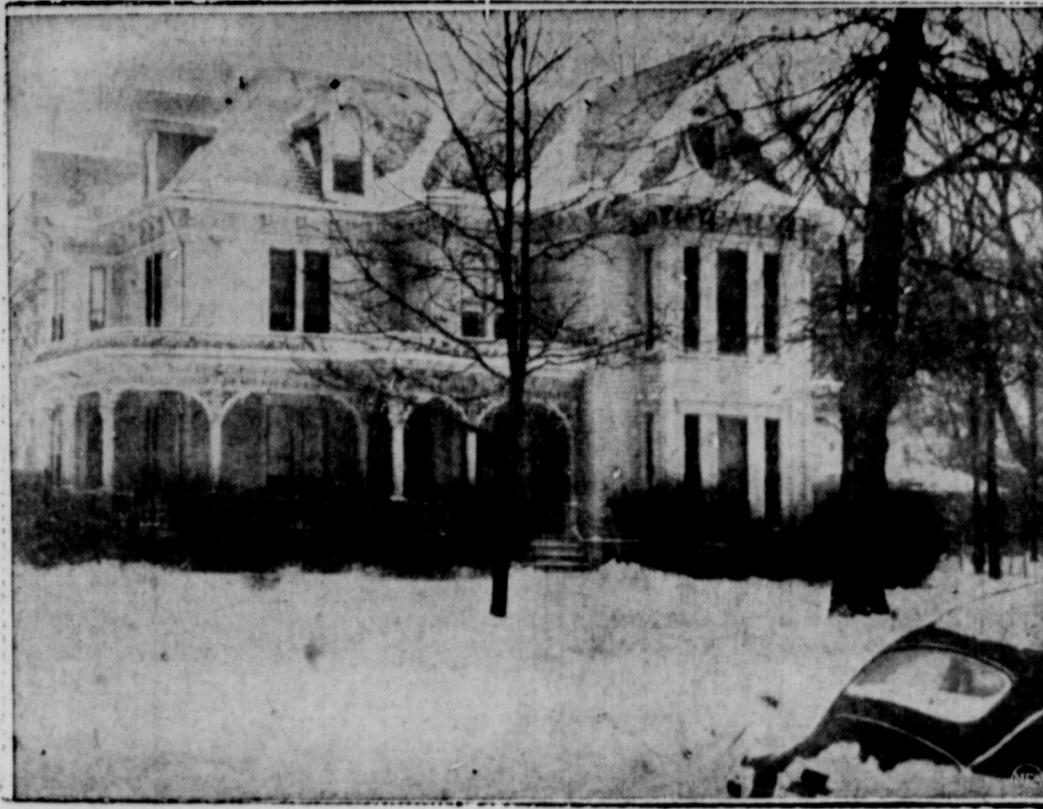
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TURKEY STARTS ON PATH TOWARD TRUE DEMOCRACY

By MENNO DUERKSEN
United Press Staff Correspondent
ISTANBUL (UP).—In Turkey the police still can grab you, slap you in jail and hold you as long as they like without telling you why, filing charges or notifying your family.

But the Turkish parliament is about to pass a law stopping those tactics. That is democracy coming to Turkey.

Leaving the self-confessed dictatorship of Ataturk, the Turks are being fed democracy so fast and in such large chunks they are having trouble swallowing. But they are trying, and they like it. They are clamoring for more.

America's fighting wartime GI's probably never dreamed they were having a hand in the matter, but most political observers here

and America was top-dog in this camp. Turkish political leaders saw what was happening in other nations in the Russian sphere and decided the only way to keep the small Turkish nation independent and free was to make friends with the United States.

America was a land which took her democracy seriously. Turkey, with a one-party system, was practically a dictatorship. Some of her laws still were a hangover from the days of the sultans.

President Ismet Inonu decided that had to be changed.

He began in June, 1945, by suddenly announcing that from then on, all political parties, provided they had no foreign connections like the Communists, were legal. It caught the Turks like a thunderbolt, but in six months they had organized the opposition Democratic party.

Once the new party was born, it grew like a rain-drenched Texas thistle. Tiny, unknown weekly newspapers which backed the new party grew almost overnight into powerful dailies. Big powerful papers backing the old, one-party system began to fade out. The Democrats prepared for the next general elections scheduled for early in 1947 and were sensationally successful.

Leaders of the old People's Republican Party gasped, although they managed to remain in power.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Eastland Telegram is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

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Almost everyone agreed that the president was on the side of the young progressives. Fearing the possibility of a government upset, he made another bid for public popularity by starting his nation once more. Last August, he announced that he was ready to resign as head of the party and to serve his country as a non-partisan president.

The Democrats had demanded that police powers be curbed. The People's party hammered out a police-curb law. It's sure to be passed.

The Democrats demanded complete freedom of the press. Actually, pressure of events of the past two years has practically freed the press already. A newspaper still can be closed by court action for "unreasonable criticism" of the government but, in face of belligerent public opinion, the government would dare use this power only in an extreme case. The newspapers criticize their government daily and freely.

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By Boyce House

I'll never forget when I was given an encyclopedia, a 12-volume set, absolutely free.

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"There will be a small service charge for that. And now," he said briskly, "just sign here."

I did and he shook hands and took a breezy departure as well as my check for \$22.85 for a set of books which I received absolutely free because I was an outstanding citizen.

Elevator Man Goes Up
NEW YORK (UP) — Rudolph J. Thomas started as an elevator operator for the Harlem branch of the Young Men's Christian Association in 1920. As the years went on, the elevator operator rose to desk clerk, then relief secretary, then business manager. Now he has been made executive director — highest post at the branch.

It is against the law to smoke or strike a match in any downtown store in Springfield, O.

Colorado Dude Ranches Scent Banner Year

DENVER (UP) — Colorado dude ranchers are beginning to plan for this year's "biggest season in history" because they said "people in all walks of life have a suppressed desire to be cowboys."

The dude wranglers, who met in Denver, expect the number of people who find ranch life to increase in 1948. Some 50 ranches in Colorado grossed \$2,000,000 during the '47 season.

China Needs U. S. Rice
NEW YORK (UP) — China, the "rice bowl" of the world needs rice from the United States. Lady Winefride Elwes of London told a unit of the National Catholic Community Service Center that the children of China are starving and that "fanatic inflation" has sent the price of rice up \$934 a sack.

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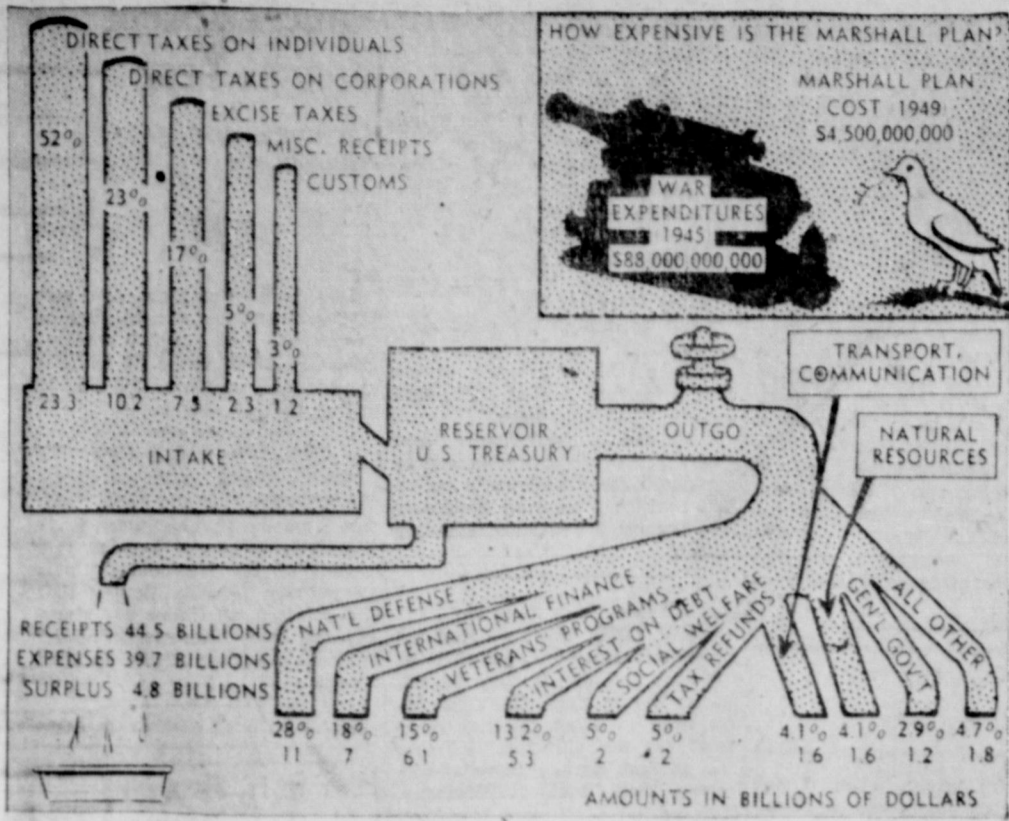
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Truman Forecast 4.8 Bil'on Surplus in Fiscal '49



President Truman's budget for the fiscal year 1949, beginning July 1, 1948, estimates major receipts and expenditures as diagrammed above. Operating like a water system, money flows in from the sources at top left, through the Treasury, and out into the major expense channels, at right below. Figures for these major receipts and expenditures are given in billions of dollars, together with percentages of total. Small chart, upper right, shows Marshall Plan and war cost comparison. (NEA Newschart)

Hogs Eat Coal



It sounds corny but even the hogs are sharing their feed with Europe. On the Ross Bennett farm near Pueblo, Colo., Marie Massarotti, of Pueblo, feeds the porkers a diet of coal mixed with rock salt. Although coal will not fatten the hogs, it's a good conditioner by keeping them free of worms. At \$5 per ton, coal is cheaper than corn at \$4.50 per 100 pounds, and since the hogs prefer coal, it requires less corn to keep them fed. (NEA Telephoto).

AREA DIRECTORS—

(Continued from page 1) were named directors chosen from each city of the Western Division. The representatives of the Western Division agreed to meet at some eastern point, when called upon, to assist the Central Division in formulating its program with the idea that when the Central Division was formed it, in turn, would assist in the formation of an Eastern Division. When the Central and Eastern divisions are formed they, with the Western Divisions propose meet and form a National U. S. Highway 80 Association.

El Paso Meeting On November 23 and 24, last, a meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce at El Paso with representatives of the Western Division of U. S. Highway 80 in Texas. The purpose of this meeting being to inform the representatives from Texas of plans already made by the Western Division for a proposed National U. S. Highway 80 Association; that they, too, would form what is known as a Central Division which includes the state of Texas from El Paso to the Louisiana line. On November 24 the following

officers were elected to serve the Central Division of U. S. Highway Association. N. N. Caddell, Chairman; Hugh Sawyer, Vice-Chairman; L. A. Chapman, Secretary-Treasurer. The Central Division resolved that they, in turn, when called upon, would assist the Eastern Division in organizing. The rules committee, which consisted of Jimmy Greene, manager of Big Springs Chamber of Commerce; Oscar Jones, manager Marshall Chamber of Commerce; Alton Hughes, Manager of Pecos Chamber of Commerce; Delbert Downing, Manager of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, and Cris Fox, Manager of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, met in Colorado City on December 9, last and accepted the constitution to be presented for ratification at the general meeting in Eastland today. At this meeting the Central Division was divided into three zones with Cris Fox heading zone 1, Jimmy Greene zone 2, and Hugh Sawyer zone 3. Zone one extends from El Paso to Bartow; zone two from Bartow to Arlington; and zone three from Arlington to the Louisiana state line. At the executive meeting held in Eastland Sunday afternoon it was decided to create a fourth zone by dividing zone two as follows: Bartow to Trent forming the new zone two and Trent to Arlington forming the new zone three. Route of Highway 80

Following are the towns along the route of U. S. Highway 80 in Texas: El Paso, Ysleta, Clint, Fabins, Tornillo, Ft. Hancock, Menarry, Sierra Blanca, Van Horn, Kent, Toyah, Pecos, Barstow, Pyote, Monahans, Farwell, Odessa, Midland, Stanton, Big Spring, Coahoma, Iatan, Westbrook, Colorado City, Lofaine, Roscoe, Sweetwater, Trent, Merkel, Tye, Abilene, Clyde, Baird, Putnam, Cisco, Eastland, Olden, Ranger, Thurber, Weatherford, Fort Worth, Arlington, Grand Prairie, Dallas, Forney, Terrell, Elmo, Willis Point, Grand Saline, Mineola, Hawkins, Big Sandy, Gladewater, Gregton, Longview, Hallsville, Marshall, Waskam.

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Mrs. Perkins On Program At Club Meet In Abilene

Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins gave a program at a tea for which the book review department and the Hospitality committee of the Abilene Woman's club were sponsored at 3:00 p.m. at the woman's clubhouse in Abilene. "New England in Current Literature" was Mrs. Perkins' subject. Included in excerpts from Garretton Chronicle (Bland), The Paper Babylonians, Through Purple Glass, The Tamarack Tree and others is in Vermont. The program was the same as that given at the Music Study in Eastland last Wednesday.

Former Eastland Woman Heads Aloha Club In Abilene

Mrs. Carl P. Springer, of Abilene, was elected president of Aloha Club for the 1948 and 50 term, at the biennial business meeting of members Thursday in Abilene, at the Woman's club. Mrs. Springer will be installed at the final meeting of the club in the spring, and take up her duties in the fall on Assembly Day. Mr. and Mrs. Springer are former Eastland people, and resided on South Dixie Street.

Wanda June Miller Gift Tea Honoree; Many Gifts Sent

In the article appearing in Sunday's Telegram on the gift tea honoring Miss Wanda June Miller, bride-elect of Thomas H. Dandy, the names of those sending gifts were not complete as some were phoned in after the article was turned in. They are as follows, Mrs. W. S. Adamson of Ranter and Mrs. Carl O'Brien, and Mrs. C. C. Cornelius.

Personals

Cisco people attending the ground breaking on South Seaman for the Holy Episcopal Church, were: Mr. and Mrs. Sutton Crofts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Starr, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Paul and children, Mrs. E. E. Jones and Mrs. Charles Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Womack were in Austin over the weekend attending the 15th annual mid-winter conference of Texas School Executives, and teacher trainers.

The Eastland First Baptist Choir directed by W. G. Womack, presented the Christmas Cantata, at the First Baptist Church in Cisco Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Veon Howard of Orange were visiting Eastland friends Sunday. The Howards formerly lived in Eastland.

Mrs. J. R. Brannan and two children of Breckenridge were visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs.

Dawn Scavenger



Early dawn is the time penniless and hungry Parisians go to the Central Market to scrape up any and all waste for food. This bearded Frenchman considers himself lucky after finding the better part of a cabbage. (By NEA-Acme staff correspondent Rene Henry.)

Safe Now



Mrs. Ruth Lenz and 10-months-old daughter, Margaret, of Dallas, Texas, on a visit to a sister in Pittsburgh, Pa., accepted ride from stranger when unable to locate taxi. Driver assaulted Mrs. Lenz with blackjack and she jumped from moving car with baby in arms. She was treated at hospital for scalp wounds. (NEA Telephoto).

D. J. Cox, and her sister Mrs. I. M. Herring and family, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins is attending a State Board of Education meeting in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fagg were business visitors in Breckenridge today.

Miss Charlie Chambers, who is employed at Carl Johnson's store, has been confined to her home because of illness, but was improving today.

Mrs. R. O. Ballentine of Houston, was an over night visitor in the home of her parents Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cattingham.

Notre Dame's 38 to 7 victory over Southern California wound up the South Benders' first undefeated and untied football season since 1930.

King Motor Will Show New Trucks At 'Open House'

The first public showing in Eastland of the 1948 model Ford trucks will take place Friday, January 16, at an "open house" to be conducted by the King Motor Company.

With the streamlined new trucks—the first post-war products of the Ford Motor Company—as the main attraction, The King Motor Company welcomes the public to its showrooms, service parts and accessory and used vehicle departments.

Open house will be held from 9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. A representative of the King Motor Company will be present to explain the features, especially the

new features, of the trucks on display.

"We arranged an "open house" program for public announcement of the 1948 truck line because we feel that this is the most important, new truck showing in Ford history," said H. L. King. "We are entering the greatest truck market of all times with the widest range models and capacities Ford has ever produced. We expect to receive trucks during the coming months in quantities increased sufficiently to permit us to meet the heavy demand."

Girard Observes 100th Birthday

PHILADELPHIA (UP)—The largest boarding school for boys in the world observes its 100th birthday this year.

On Jan. 1, 1848, Girard College opened its doors to the first 100 students, under the will of Stephen Girard, early American financier. Girard's original endowment of \$6,000,000 has since grown to \$85,000,000, the income of which pays for maintenance of all services rendered the students during their nine years in the college.

Fatherless boys enter between six and 10 years of age and remain until they are 18. The school which is non-sectarian, assumes all costs of a boy's care and education during his life at the college. It offers academic courses leading to college entrance, in addition to trade and commercial training through elementary school and high school to all orphan boys who meet its eligibility requirements.

The present enrollment is 1,300 students and more than 15,000 young men have been graduated since the college's founding.

The school is supervised by a board of directors of City Trusts, of Philadelphia's leading citizens who are appointed for life and serve without pay. The mayor and president of City Council serve as ex-officio members.

President Truman has been invited to participate in the centennial observance by the committee, which includes Gov. James H. Duff of Pennsylvania; Mayor Bernard Samuel, judges of federal, and state and local courts and many well known business and professional men.

Ice cream was first served in the United States by Dolly Madison, says the World Book Encyclopedia. She offered this strange frozen dessert to guests at a White House dinner in 1809.

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About one egg out of every 20 produced on the farm never gets on the table. About 2,000,000 eggs annually spoil or are broken during the trip from producer to customer.

Tobey For Ike



Sen. Charles W. Tobey of New Hampshire, influential Republican who heads the Senate Banking Committee, has declared himself for Eisenhower for President. Tobey is shown in his Senate office, after accepting a directorship in the Draft-Eisenhower League. (NEA Telephoto).

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Something to Sing About



Three-year-old Herbert David leads these three prospective brides from Paris in song in Philadelphia, Pa., after immigration officials told them they could remain in America. They were given 90-day paroles in which to get married after they missed the Ellis Island deadline because their plane couldn't land in a New York snowstorm. Seated is Anne Stiene, 88, engaged to Frank Marker, of Fall River, Mass. Standing are Marthe Donas, 25, who will marry Roy Morrison, Atlanta, Fla., and Herbert's mother; Fernande David, 23, who is off to San Francisco, Calif., and Harold Skeegs.