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Most Of Texas Blanketed By Snow

That Reminds Me
BY FRANK R. JONES

HOST TO SINGERS IN APRIL

Eastland will be host on the second Sunday and Saturday night before in April to the Eastland county quarterly singing convention and it is not too early to begin preparations to entertain a large group of singers. Eastland song lovers who keep in close touch with these conventions assure us that a number of song book publishers—Stamps Quartet Music Company, National Music Company, Stamps - Exeter Music Company and many others—will have representatives in the way of special quartets at the Eastland meeting.

SHOULD THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF EASTLAND BE EXTENDED?

There are those in Eastland who believe that the corporate limits of the city should be extended. They say this is necessary if additional taxes are not to be levied against property with the present corporate limits. To justify their argument for the extension these people point out that many people residing and doing business just outside the city limits get the benefit of the town's paved streets, light, water, gas and police protection without contributing anything towards paying the cost of such conveniences. Dan Childress, member of the Eastland City Commission, expressed himself to the writer as being in favor of extending the city limits. He said that the matter had been discussed at Commission meetings in the past and that City Manager O'Brien had been requested by the Commission to get up data needed for a study of the matter. He did not know, he said, whether the requested data had been gotten up.

FAIRCLOTH AUCTION SALE VALUABLE ASSET TO THIS AREA

Imagine one thousand head of cattle in one bunch. That number is considerably less than the number of cattle that went through the Sig Faircloth Auction Barn at the regular weekly sale last Tuesday. Some of these cattle came from as far away as Midland and all brought good prices. Besides the cattle sold at these weekly sales, numerous other animals such as sheep, goats, hogs and horses, are also sold. These auction sales furnish a market for live stock grown in this area and therefore of double assets.

BANKHEAD POULTRY PRODUCERS ASSN. CARLOAD EGGS

"Bankhead Poultry Producers' Association Ships Carload of Eggs" reads the heading over a news story in an issue of this newspaper published 19 years ago. The Bankhead Association was a county-wide organization organized for the purpose of marketing eggs and thereby encouraging the farmers of the County to produce more poultry. The Texas & Pacific railroad, ever ready to assist in promoting the interest of the towns and communities along its route, were advertising that Bankhead eggs were served exclusively on dinners of their trains. The business was growing; then suddenly the bottom dropped out. It had suffered from an overdose of "rivalry" administered in equal amounts by the three leading towns in the County. At no time since, if our memory serves us correctly, has there been a satisfactory market for eggs in Eastland county.

CONTRIBUTE TO THE MARCH OF DIMES

The National March of Dimes campaign, which has for its purpose the raising of funds with which to fight the dreaded infantile paralysis disease, and which began January 15 and continues through January 30, is headed in Eastland county by Carl Elliott of



Gretchen Merrill of Boston, five times U.S. ladies' senior figure skating champion, and Dick Button of Englewood, N.J., U.S. and North American titleholder, brush up at St. Moritz for Winter Olympics to be held there, Feb. 2-6.

SPORTS

By BETTY HARKRIDER

EASTLAND FIGHTS

The Eastland Quarterback Club and the Cisco Junior Chamber of Commerce held their first boxing bouts in the Eastland High School Gym Saturday night. The Quarterback and the Cisco J.C.'s, are working together this year in promoting these fights and have already had a portable ring built. These fights will be held in Eastland and Cisco. In spite of the cold weather there was approximately 400 people who watched these fights. There were ten close fights and we think these boys did a good job of matching these fights because there were no knockouts. The crowd "booed" some of the decisions.

Bill Taper 80 lbs. from Cisco vs. Tommie Cravin 80 lbs. from Eastland. Taper won decision on 3 rounds; Burry Dean 73 lbs. from Cisco vs. David Massengale from Eastland weighing 73 lbs. Buddie Dean won decision on 3 rounds; Buddy Crodgeton 117 lbs. from Breckenridge vs. Don Miller from Cisco weighing 120 lbs. Buddie Crodgeton won decision on 3 rounds; Joe Knight 154 lbs. from Breckenridge vs. Bill Hays 153 lbs. from Breckenridge. Joe Knight won on decision on 3 rounds; Stubb Rust 130 lbs. from Breckenridge vs. Marshall Wadley from Eastland weighing 140 lbs. Rust won on decision of 3 rounds; Claud Mahaffee 165 lbs. from Breckenridge vs. Dan Boone 165 lbs. from Breckenridge it was a draw on the decision. Elmer Kellam 151 lbs. from Breckenridge vs. Gene Miller 151 lbs. from Cisco Elber Kellam won on decision of 3 rounds; Gene Gata 133 lbs. from Eastland vs. Gene Ott 133 lbs. from Breckenridge Gene Gata won on decision of 3 rounds; Bill Taper 136 lbs. from Cisco vs. Blayton Ott 136 lbs. from Breckenridge Ott won on a decision of 3 rounds.

RANGER BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT FRIDAY-SATURDAY

Stephenville won the Ranger tournament last Saturday night by defeating Eastland 16 to 38. Eastland played Strawn for their first game.

Eastland's second game they played was Woodson. By defeating them 35 to 17 Eastland was in the finals. Woodson's starting line up were: Harvey, Willingham, Lee, Gardner, and Ferrest. Their high point man was Harvey. Eastlands line up was: Johnnie Hicks, Jimmie Mathews, Pat Crawford,

Our Best

PIONEER OF RANGER DIES; FUNERAL WED.

Jack Blackwell, for 42 years a resident of Ranger, died at his home, 929 Vitalious Street about 7 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Blackwell had been suffering with a heart ailment for about a year and had been forced to curb his activities. He had, however, been feeling some better and made a trip to Coleman Saturday. His death this morning was sudden.

Funeral services will be conducted at the First Christian Church in Ranger Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Frank Crow, pastor of the church officiating. Interment will be in Evergreen cemetery with Killingsworth's in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Blackwell was born in Overton, Texas on October 11, 1876. He had lived in Ranger for 42 years and was a member of the First Christian Church and the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Blackwell of Ranger, one daughter, Mrs. V. V. Cooper, Jr., of Ranger, one granddaughter, Mrs. James Horton of Tulsa, Oklahoma and the following brothers and sisters, Jim Blackwell, Jess Blackwell, Robert Blackwell, Jid Blackwell, all of Ranger Mrs. Joe Cheaney of Santa Anna, Mrs. Marsh Woods of Ranger, Mrs. A. R. Lawrence of Ranger and Miss Tea Blackwell of Santa Anna.

Al Fox Receives Slight Injuries Auto Accident

A 1934 model Ford in which four persons were riding, struck a low bridge on Carbon - Eastland highway Sunday night. Al Fox, one of the occupants of the car, was thrown through the windshield sustaining cuts and bruises about the face.

According to Oscar Avery, patrolman for the State Department of Public Safety, who is investigating the accident, stated that the car belonged to Jim Turner.

Rites For Pistol Shot Victim To Be At Norman, Okla.

Funeral services were to be conducted at Norman, Oklahoma, Monday (today) at 2:00 p.m. for Edward Clark Rainbolt, two-and-one half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Rainbolt, who accidentally shot himself while playing with his father's gun, Saturday about 2:00 p.m. at the family home at Sanderson.

The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. June Kimble of Fort Worth and who are formerly of Eastland. He is a great-nephew of Mrs. Lucy Brogdon West Plummer Street. The mother of the child is the former Clara June Kimble of Eastland.

1941 Chevrolet, With 4 Passengers Lands In Ditch

A 1941 Chevrolet coupe driven by Alfred B. Webb, Eastland route No. 1, failed to negotiate an 'S' turn on the Carbon-Eastland highway Sunday night and landed in a ditch on the right side of the road when the driver lost control.

Webb, who was accompanied by a young lady, is an employe of the Texas & Pacific railroad. Neither he nor his companion were injured, according to Oscar Avery, Patrolman for the State Department of Public Safety.

Webb was driving toward Eastland. Has Appendectomy
Miss Betty Reynolds, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. (Fred) Reynolds of Eastland and who underwent surgery Wednesday, Jan. 14, at a Gorman hospital, for the removal of an infected appendix, was reported today as doing nicely.



H. B. PORTER
Judge Advocate General, Uniform Rank, Woodmen of the World

Horton B. Porter, attorney, of Hillsboro, has been appointed a brigadier general and assigned as Judge Advocate General of the Uniform Rank, semi-military organization of the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society, W. C. Braden, its commanding general announced in Omaha, Neb.

Other appointments as brigadier general on the general staff are Dr. James C. Pepper, Easley, S. C., surgeon general, and David P. Kimball, Phoenix, Ariz, chaplain in chief.

Other members of its general staff who are panning the Uniform Rank's national encampment to be held next summer are Major General Edward E. (Blue) Howell, adjutant general; Col. Charles L. Burmester, assistant adjutant general; Col. Charles M. Richards, special duty; Lt. Col. Charles W. Goodwin, disbursing officer, and Lt. Col. James H. Robinson, quartermaster, all of Omaha.

Stephenville Wins Ranger's Cage Tourney

Stephenville won the Ranger High School invitation basketball tournament by coasting past Eastland 40 to 16, here Saturday night.

Cisco overpowered Morton Valley 31 to 12 for consolation honors. Saturday morning Woodson shaded Cisco 32 to 29, Eastland walloped Woodson 35 to 12 and Cisco defeated Strawn 44 to 32. Stanley Williams, Cisco; Ray Graves, Stephenville; Ray Gardner, Woodson; Louis Crossley, Eastland; J. G. Wright, Ranger and Kenneth Strong of Dublin won births on the all-tournament team. Stanley Williams was named the tournament's best all-around sportsman.

Singing Sunday In Eastland Was Well Attended

Considering the weather, a good crowd attended the regular Third Sunday singing at the Church of God in Eastland Sunday afternoon. The program started at the usual time of 2:00 p.m. and a good program was rendered.

Among the singers attending from distant points included delegations from Woodson, DeLeon, Cisco and Ranger.

A committee composed of Rev. W. E. Hallenbeck, Clyde Fisher, Judge R. L. Rust, R. E. Head and J. H. Kendrick was appointed to work on plans and arrangements for the Eastland County Quarterly Singing convention which is due to meet in Eastland in April.

Contract For Work On Highway 80 Is Let For Cisco Area

Projects on which the State Highway Department recently received bids and awarded contracts included the following:

Eastland county—Grading and surfacing on U. S. Highway 80 for 7.2 miles from the Callahan county line to Cisco. The contractor is T. C. Cage of San Antonio and the contract price, \$276,144.

Would Protect Countries From Any Aggression

By United Press

WASHINGTON—Bernard M. Baruch told the Senate foreign affairs committee today that the United States and the Marshall plan countries should mutually guarantee the participating nations against aggression.

"By guarantee, I mean a firm promise to go to war in point of defense if any of them are attacked," Baruch said as the first non-government witness called in the conference hearing on the Marshall plan.

Baruch recommended that a program to stabilize American economy be made part of the Marshall plan. He recommended that Congress forget about tax reduction, set a longer work week, roadblock prices and hold wages where they are.

Baruch recommended that the United States be ready to buy all non-perishable raw materials produced anywhere in the world in the next five years. He recommended that the European countries unite and liberate every productive resource of the continent—with the Ruhr to remain under international control.

Miss Drago's Condition Said To Be Critical

Eastland friends of Miss Wilda Drago, who called to see her at St. John hospital in San Angelo Sunday, say she is putting up a hard fight.

Miss Drago's condition is regarded as very critical. If no further trouble develops, she has a chance to get well her attending doctor stated.

Those from Eastland in San Angelo Sunday to see Miss Drago were: Mrs. C. W. Hoffmann, Mrs. C. W. Young, Mrs. L. J. Kilgore, Mrs. E. R. Gordon, Mrs. J. B. Johnson, Miss Martha June Morehart and Miss Nettie Thornton.

Regular Weekly Live Stock Sale Due Tomorrow

Tuesday, (tomorrow) is regular sales day at the Sig Faircloth Live-stock auction barn at Eastland. Sales start at around 1:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Stock for the Tuesday sales were already arriving this morning, it was stated, and a large number is expected for the Tuesday sales. A large number of buyers are expected, as usual.

Last Tuesday's sales at the barn ran into big figures as did the total amount of cash changing hands in the sales.

Court To Hear Criminal Cases February 9th

District Attorney Everett Grisham stated this morning that he knew of nothing coming up in the courts this week except possibly a few cases in which pleas of guilty were expected.

Judge Davenport of the 91st district court, Grisham stated, would be in Breckenridge on the first Monday in February, which is the 2nd, to hold court, and that a number of criminal cases possibly would be ready for trial in Eastland Monday, February 9.

Fort Worth Livestock

Cattle 2500. Stockers and feeders active and strong, slaughter grades fairly active and about steady. Medium and good slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers 2000-2700. Few good cows around 2000.

Calves 1800. Stockers and feeders active and strong, slaughter classes moderately active, mostly steady. Good to choice fat calves 2100-2600.



Would Organize To Protect Wild Life Over State

By United Press

Two Gillespie County Game and Fish Protective Association, with headquarters in Fredericksburg, has called a State-wide meeting for January 26th and 27th, for the purpose of organizing a State-wide Wild Life Protective Association. General discussions will be had by those in attendance concerning protection and preservation of wild game and fish, building of public preserves for hunting and fishing, relief for the large rancher who is constantly annoyed with the law violator. In short it is an open forum to hear the problems confronting all of Texas and outline a plan of correction.

Tom Martin, Fredericksburg, representative of the 85th District of Texas, has invited the entire House and Senate to attend.

Veon Howards Are Again Residents City Of Eastland

Mr. and Mrs. Veon Howard and children Ted and Jeannie have returned to Eastland from Orange, and have bought the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Jackson, 1310 West Commerce, where they are residing.

Mr. Howard is employed in the office of Pipkin Grocery on North Seaman, his former employment before leaving Eastland. Ted and Jeannie will enter Eastland high school Monday, Jan. 26, as they finished their mid-term at Orange before leaving there.

Ulmer Johnson To Get Degree From State University

Candidates for Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in the University of Texas, January 31 the end of the current semester, total 257.

The list of BBA degree candidates, made public by Dean J. A. Fitzgerald of the College of Business Administration, includes: Ulmer Johnson of Eastland, Harvey Epham and Billy R. Lyles of Dublin.

To Speak At Ranger



Judge Sarah T. Hughes, judge of the 14th District Court in Dallas, will speak in Ranger Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Community Club House. Judge Hughes' appearance in Ranger is being sponsored by the Ranger Branch of the American Association of University Women.

MORE EXPECTED BEFORE BREAK IN WEATHER

By United Press

Blankets of snow, ranging in depth from a trace to around two inches, covered all of Northeast, North-Central and West Texas today with prospects bright that more would fall during the day.

The U. S. weather bureau reported snow on the ground from the Guadalupe Mountains eastward to the Louisiana line and nearly as far south as Waco, where freezing rain and sleet was falling.

The snow had stopped at least temporarily in North Texas this morning. It still was falling in the Panhandle and in the Wink-Salt Flat area of West Texas.

The bureau said it expected the temperatures to remain below freezing in the snow belt throughout the day and tonight and that little thawing would occur.

Pampa's 19 was the morning low, and brownsville reported the top of 53.

The heaviest snow was reported in the Corsicana-Kaufman area where up to five inches was reported on the ground early today.

Wants Landlords Protected Same As The Tenant

By United Press

WASHINGTON—Congress was asked today "not to dangle temptation before landlords" by extending rent control without also protecting tenants who signed "voluntary" 15 per cent increase last year.

The request was made to the Senate banking committee by Ray Sawyer, legislative director of AMVETS. He asked that Congress continue rent control for one year because of the acute housing shortage. Administration officials have requested a two-year extension.

Rep. Javits of N. Y., testifying before a joint congressional committee investigating housing shortage, called on Congress to subsidize private housing.

Chairman Caine of the Senate's rents subcommittee, said his group hopes to be ready by Feb. 5 with a bill to extend rent controls beyond the present Feb. 29 deadline.

Diplomats Of India, Pakistan In Another Meet

By United Press

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y.—Diplomats of India and Pakistan met behind closed doors today to consider a plan for on-the-spot United Nations mediation of the bloody Hindu-Moslem fighting in Kashmir.

There was only an outside chance they would agree and UN Security Council members already were pondering in private possible sterner measures to stop the strife.

Encouraged slightly by news of the end of Mohandah K. Grandhi's fast in New Delhi, UN delegates of the feuding Moslem and Hindu dominions convened a third private meeting on orders of the security council.

The Weather

Cloudy tonight, occasional rain, except snow in extreme north. Tomorrow partly cloudy, occasional rain, except snow in north-east.

Temperatures at 1:30 p.m. today
Maximum 28
Minimum 27
Hour's Reading 28
Precipitation from snow... 15

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, (NEA).—Firing of James M. Landis as Chairman of
the Civil Aeronautics Board points up one of the chief problems
of running a government. This is the difficulty of getting good men
for the top administrative jobs.

President Truman and his cabinet officers are forever talking about
how much trouble they have in finding competent
help. What they want are \$25,000- or \$50,000-a-
year men for \$10,000.

Every once in a while, the President does
persuade some thoroughly competent young citizen to
take one of these tough but thankless jobs. Some
of them are government career boys, like Secretary
of Interior Krug and Atomic Energy Commission
Chairman Lilienthal. They grow up in the business,
know the rackets and fan take the punishment.

Landis was something of a government career
man himself. He had been Chairman of the Securities
and Exchange Commission. During the
war he was head of the Office of Civilian Defense for a time, then
U. S. economics chief in the Middle East.

He went back to being Dean of Harvard Law School after the war.
A year and a half ago, President Truman persuaded him to come
back to Washington as Chairman of CAB, after Welch Pogue
resigned to make some money. Landis threw himself into the new
job with characteristic energy.

His term was due to expire Dec. 31. Shortly before, he had been
assured by the White House that he would be reappointed. Then,
without any direct word to him and without any official explanation
of why or wherefore, it was announced he would not be reappointed.
Washington is full of rumors as to why this happened. Because he
didn't give the big airlines everything they wanted. Because he
tried to keep the airlines free from domination by railroad and
steamship interests. Because he put too much stress on the need for
air safety. Because he got in the road of certain ambitions to have
CAB and the Civil Aeronautics Authority brought more directly under
Department of Commerce supervision. Because he was too much of
a New Dealer.

The question which this incident raises is how the Truman—or any
other—administration can expect to get first-class executives if it
kicks around the good men it does get?

This is the second time in recent months that the President has
fired an official on short notice and for causes not stated. The previous
incident was the case of Ray C. Wakefield of the Federal Communica-
tions Commission. Like Landis, when Wakefield's term of office
expired, the President simply did not reappoint him. Instead the job
went to Congressman Robert F. Jones of Ohio.

As evidence of the fact that the Truman administration gave Wake-
field a raw deal, it needs only to be pointed out that he has just
been appointed U. S. representative, and chairman of the American
delegation, to the International Telecommunication convention as-
sembling at Geneva in mid-January for an important two-year job
of allocating world radio frequencies.

This business of shooting from the hip to get rid of some appointee
has gotten the Truman administration in trouble before. By wasing
out Will H. Davis's job of Director of Economic Stabilization a couple
of years ago, the President left that faithful wartime public servant
hanging ungraciously from a limb.

It's because of this kind of treatment that most smart young executives
simply won't take government jobs. The result is that these
jobs often go to three types of individual. Incompetent hacks, who
hang onto their jobs by doing nothing that will offend anybody; Army
and Navy officers, who'll go where they're sent and do what they're
told, efficiently though often unimaginatively; and rich men, who can
afford to live off their income.

With a few notable exceptions, a strong case can be made that none
of these three types makes a good public servant.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK (NEA).—If there is to be a college football Hall-of-
Fame, the National Collegiate Athletic Association should not
repeat the mistake of organized baseball, which hid its shrine at
Cooperstown.

Professional football is already on its way toward making the same
error, with plans in the making for its Hall-of-Fame at Latrobe,
Pa.

And currently proposed is a
football Hall-of-Fame at Cazenovia,
in upstate New York, because
it was the home of Gerrit S. Miller,
although he started the first
organized football club in Amer-
ica in Boston in 1862.

The point is that Latrobe and
Cazenovia are as inaccessible as
Cooperstown. Also there is as
much doubt about the first game
of professional football having
been played at Latrobe as there
is in connection with Gen. Abner
Doubleday laying out the first
baseball diamond at Cooperstown.

COOPERSTOWN is a beautiful
town in upstate New York, but
those wishing to visit baseball's
shrine have to ride a bus from
the nearest railroad station.

The result is that only a com-
parative handful of people drop in
at the baseball temple each sum-
mer, and then only because the
gorgeous Leather Stocking coun-
try is excellent vacation land.

Football's Hall-of-Fame should
be situated in or near a metropoli-
tan center, where it could be vis-
ited by the greatest number of
people, such as New Brunswick,
N. J., where the first college game
was played between Rutgers and
Princeton in 1869.

Dr. L. H. Baker of New York,
who forsook the medical profes-
sion to become the game's fore-
most historian, protests against

the proposed locations of football
Halls-of-Fame as well as their
being fossilized.

"A football Hall-of-Fame should
be something vastly more than a
place where people see busts of
immortals and old equipment," he
says.

"A football Hall-of-Fame should
fit in with the trend of the times.
While housing records and sou-
venirs of the glorious past, it
should do the greatest amount of
good for the present and future.
That an amateur football Hall-
of-Fame could successfully be put
to rest goes without question, for
a project almost similar was a
success in 1925-28. This was the
Walter Camp Memorial Gateway
at Yale Field. For this, Yale men
and their friends supplied half the
funds. The other half was raised
through the efforts of the NCAA
from other colleges and schools."

In Dr. Baker's idea of a Hall-of-
Fame would be an information
bureau in connection with as com-
plete a library as possible.

The Hall-of-Fame would be a
meeting place for those discussing
football. It would be the site of
climatic, lectures and talks. It would
furnish lecturers to talk to groups
of boys and to speak at schools
and colleges. It would be used for
special problems, such as studies
of injuries.

In short, Dr. L. H. Baker would
do much more with a football
Hall-of-Fame than baseball has
done with its isolated place of
hallowed memory.

'Yer Out'



Asks Winter In Jail And He Gets His Wish

JAMESTOWN, N.Y. (UP).—One Jamestown resident isn't taking any chances on the fuel shortage. Edgar W. Hanson just won't be exposed to the crisp cold that permeates Chautauque County at this time of the year.

Appearing before City Judge Allen E. Bargan, Hanson asked that he be sent to the county jail

at Mayville. The wish was granted and he was sentenced to serve four months.

He had walked into the police station the previous night and asked to be charged with public intoxication—"or something."

No Way to Treat a Jail

COEUR D'ALENE, Ida. (UP).—Three prisoners got nowhere when they sought to escape the Kootenai county jail by battering a hole in the concrete shower room floor with a piece of pipe. They

succeeded only in bending the pipe. The indignant jailer had them charged with "injuring a public jail," which is against Idaho law.

'A Dirty Deal, but They Like It



Even hogs are sharing their food with Europe. To save sorely-needed grain, Marie Massarotti, of Pueblo, Col., feeds these porkers a diet of coal mixed with rock salt. Although coal will not fatten hogs, it's a good conditioner and keeps them free of worms. At \$5 a ton, coal is cheaper than corn at \$4.50 per 100 pounds, and the hogs prefer coal.

MURDER AT MY HOUSE

By Rene Ryerson Mart

TO be honest, though, I didn't think it would make much difference whether the police knew or not about Jeff's sitting alone in his car that night wishing Avis were dead. I was quite sure by then that Leiphan had investigated thoroughly the possibility of Jeff being a murderer. And I didn't in my own heart think that Jeff had killed Avis and Art.

For one thing, I knew that he wasn't madly enough in love with me to do a thing like that.

Oh yes, Jeff liked me. He might even be happy to marry me now that he was free to marry again and once he was sure that I wasn't a murderer. But my eyes were open now. I was no longer deliberately trying to fool myself where Jeff Haverson was concerned and I knew he was too cautious and too selfish to ever do anything violent that would upset his own comfortable life.

So that was that. Jeff was out of it. Except as a heartache.

Of course, thinking of my mystery brought me straight to what I'd been dying to think about all evening—and making a faint pretense not to. About Bob Leiphan. And about the things he had said to me and the things he had left unsaid; about his gray eyes warning now when they met mine, not at all hard and cynical as I first remembered them; about his hand touching mine, briefly but reassuringly.

It was just like me to be romancing about a man—practically a stranger at that—when my very life hung in jeopardy.

In utter disgust at myself, I jumped up and went into my room and changed into a short wool skirt and a heavy pull-over sweater, put on a pair of walking oxfords and took a green suede windbreaker out of my closet. Sometimes when everything else fails, a good walk helps.

I WALKED for hours, walked until I was ready to drop from fatigue. I was so tired when I turned homeward that I stumbled a couple of times coming up the hill.

The house was dark when I returned. Marie was evidently sleeping off her jag. I had a latch key to the front door so I climbed the steps from the drive to the upper terrace and let myself into the small front foyer. Without turning on any lights I went back along the upper hall toward my bedroom.

I've explained before about the two shallow circular steps just inside the door of my room that lead down from the hall to the level of the room. I think it was because I was so tired that somehow I missed the top step and fell and just as I fell there was a flash of light in my face and an explosion as if the whole world had suddenly cracked wide open. There was another explosion as my face hit the soft fur rug at the base of the steps.

The next thing I remember was a woman screaming hysterically. The lights flashed on overhead in the room and I groaned and tried to move and sensed rather than saw Marie Maloney kneeling beside me.

Consciousness came back slowly in waves. I became aware of something cold under my right hand where it was flung out on the rug. I raised my head and looked. It was a gun that lay under my hand—a short, ugly-looking revolver. Automatically I picked it up. I struggled to a sitting position and looked at the gun in my hand and as my senses cleared I put it down very carefully on the rug again and stood up and backed away from it.

Marie was looking at me. She was shaking with fright and she kept mumbling through her white

and shaking lips: "You tried to kill yourself, Miss Donn. Oh, Miss Donn."

"Shut up," I said suddenly. "Shut up. I didn't try to kill myself. I came in in the dark and fell down the steps here and just as I fell somebody shot at me."

THE two French doors that open onto the upper terrace that runs along that entire side of the upper floor of the house were closed. I walked over and tried one of them. It opened. It was unlocked. And through that unlocked door someone had come into this room and waited in the dark—waited to kill me.

"Marie, I want you to call the police. Call Bob Leiphan of the homicide squad. Ask him to come here right away."

She started for the telephone by my bed.

I took another look at the French doors. They were locked now, but a bullet might come crashing through them.

"Wait a minute, Marie," I cried. "Wait a minute. Not in here. Let's go into the living room. You can telephone from there."

We went into the hall together, headed for the living room and Marie screamed again. A throaty rasping scream this time as if the top of her voice was worn out. A large mirror over the console table had been shattered by the bullets that had missed me. The bright shining pieces of the mirror lay all over the floor; the frame with about one-half of the mirror remaining in it still clung crookedly to the wall.

I walked over to the mirror to examine it and there was the reflection of my shoulders and the green suede jacket in the part of the mirror that remained and only a gaping hole where my face should have been; and it came over me that that was the way I would have looked if I hadn't slipped and fallen—a body, a dead body without a face.

I gave a funny little gasping sound and caught at Marie's arm and felt myself sliding to the floor. (To Be Continued)

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



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19 Years Ago Today

At the annual meeting of the Eastland City Medical and Dental Society held Friday evening in the office of Dr. J. H. Caton, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. J. L. Johnson, President; Dr. J. H. Caton, Vice-president and Dr. H. B. Tanner, secretary-treasurer.

The Eastland City Commission has let a contract to S. W. Nichols Company of Dallas for rebuilding the interior of the auditorium at the Eastland City Hall. The acoustics of the hall has been so bad as to render it almost useless. This trouble, it is stated, can be remedied by the use of acoustic-celotex.

F. M. Kinney, D. O. Dentist, has moved with his family consisting of his wife and one child, to Eastland where he will be associated with R. L. Murray in the drug business. Mr. Kinney is a brother-in-law with the late D. J. Moss of Cisco.

N. Phillips, for many years a resident of the Gorman section,

America's Doc



Dr. Archer C. Sudan, who gave up university teaching 21 years ago to practice medicine in the mountains of Colorado, is the first winner of the American Medical Association's annual gold medal for the "family doctor." Now president of the Colorado State Medical Society, he received the award at the organization's mid-winter session in Cleveland, O.

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19 Years Ago Today

At the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. A. Braswell, near Eastland at the age of 71, funeral services were held at the Gorman Baptist church with interment in a Gorman cemetery. The deceased was born in South Carolina and came to Texas as a young man.

J. R. Burnett, formerly liquidating agent for the State Banking Department and for the past 2 or 3 years stationed in Eastland, has been granted license to practice law and will open an office in Cisco.

Talmadge Craig, about 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Craig of Ranger was injured Sunday afternoon when struck by an automobile on the Bankhead Highway. Examinations at the Ranger Surgical and Medical Clinic, disclosed only minor injuries.

Dee Sanders and E. H. Johnson, who own and operate the Dodge Brothers' Automobile agency in Eastland and who have also been engaged in the wholesale tobacco and candy business at San Angelo, have sold the San Angelo business and will concentrate on their Eastland business. They have been engaged in business together for the past nine years.

Marriage license has been issued to the following couples: H. A. Anderson and Winnie Morgan, Romney; Homer Richardson and Florence Bond, De Leon Rt. 1; Robert Anderson and Sallie Pugh,

May Head CAB



Maj.-Gen. Laurence S. Kuter, above, wartime Air Force strategist, is the man President Truman wants to nominate for the Civil Aeronautics Board chairmanship. Truman has asked Congress for authority to nominate Kuter, 42-year-old native of Rockford, Ill. Authority is needed since Kuter is still under Army jurisdiction.

As the Legislature will not be in session this year, I will be in my office at 502-503 Exchange Bldg. Eastland all during the year.

T. M. Collie

Income Tax Consultant

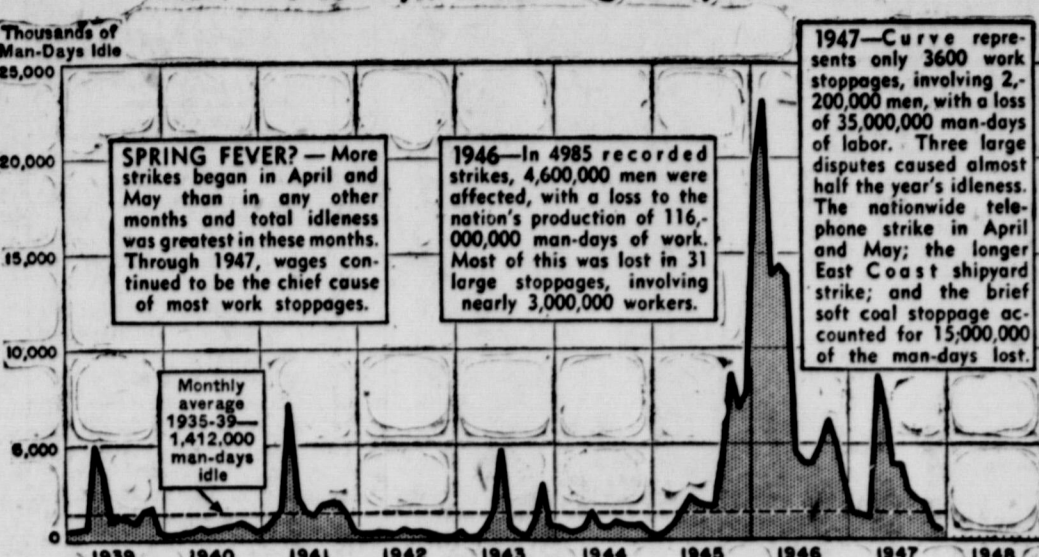
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Lost Man-Days Took Big Drop in 1947



Preliminary estimates indicate that last year's work stoppages were only one-third as great as in 1946, only about half as many workers were involved and the man-day loss to production was reduced by two-thirds. Graph above, from Bureau of Labor Statistics, charts the trend of idleness due to strikes since prewar 1939.

STOCKS MOVE UNCERTAINLY WITH SALES AT 5-YEAR LOW

By Elmer C. Walzer
United Press Financial Editor
NEW YORK (UP)—Depression ruled Wall Street in 1947 with Stock Exchange volume at a new low since 1942 and price movements baffling the experts.

So far as the averages of the major groups were concerned, the market ended the year just about where it began. But outside the issues in those averages, there were private little bull markets and private little bear markets.

Selectivity dominated the trading through the year. The oils stood clear out on the rising side. Textiles, chemicals, steels, motors and motor equipments were firm to strong.

Preferred stocks were hammered down, substantial declines came into liquors, movies, mercantiles, aircrafts, and airlines. The selectivity often invaded the various groups and some stocks of an industry rose substantially while another fell or barely held its own.

With dealings down, commissions were lower and the Wall Street houses, in most instances, lost money or at the best failed to show profits. Those houses which dealt in commodities, however, made up stock losses in this lucrative trading.

Stocks held within the limits set in the 1946 market. Next year may be different, the expert's assert. They aren't willing to hazard a guess on the trend of the market but they feel it will break out of the limits of the 1947 market either on the upside or the downside.

As the year ended the market had before it a big array of uncertainties. Market men felt that industry would report smaller incomes after many had set new tops in 1947. On that basis, smaller dividends are foreseen after the 1947 record top of nearly \$5,000.

Cisco: J. C. Lewis and Fondayne Livingston, Rising Star; J. C. Hobbs and Mrs. Mary A. Stuard, Cisco and C. L. Rich and Ester Lovell, Romney.

A carload of eggs was shipped out last night by the Bankhead Poultry Raisers' Association. It was the first carload of the season and it is expected that carload shipments will proceed regularly from now on.

Cecil Holifield
Phone 102 Eastland

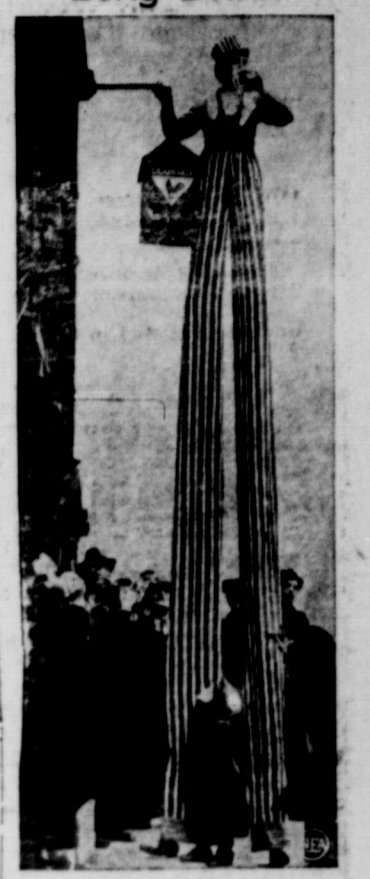
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Long Drink



Harry Sloan, still-walking champion of the world, stops at a pub in Harringay, England, for a glass of beer—and gets it from second-story window. Sloan started as a circus performer when he was 6 years old and gradually worked up to the 22-foot stilts he's pictured using.

that speculators are going to get out of commodities soon after the first of the year and their funds also might seek stocks. The same for some issues of government bonds.

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TPA Mid-Winter Convention Speakers—January 31



Feature speakers on the Texas Press Association's Mid-Winter Convention program, January 31, at the Baker Hotel in Dallas, will be the three newspaper executives pictured above.

SPORTS

(Continued from page 1) Lewis Crossley, and Bobbie Blair. Eastland's high point man was Pat Crawford.

tournament by defeating Morton Valley. The trophies were presented to the three teams.

prize went to Stanley Williams of Cisco. There was also an all tournament boy from almost every team that was represented in this tournament.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

Humor column featuring 'Riviz Corner' with a calendar, 'John Howard Payne' with a portrait, and 'Pythons' with a snake illustration.

MURDER AT MY HOUSE

XXVI WHEN I came to again I was in bed and Marie had had the sense to put a very attractive nightgown on me.

Church... Society... Clubs

Benefit Dance In Ranger Friday Nite

A dance for the benefit of the building fund of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Eastland will be given Friday night at the Ranger Country Club by members of the church living in Ranger.

Personals

Mrs. Floyd F. Robertson will be in the Dallas Market and Style Show this week, returning about Wednesday.

Challenges Committee

The Rising Star Boys and the Desdemona girls teams won this year's annual Rising Star Invitation basketball tournament at Rising Star Saturday night.

What Is Why For? Stumps Father

CEGAR FALLS, Ia. (UP) -- Dwayne Rogers, the young father of a four-month-old daughter, spent most of a day trying to answer the questions of a four-year-old Chicago boy who visited here.

PLANT NOW!!

Advertisement for Stuart Nursery in Desdemonia, Texas, listing various plants like Peach, Plumbs, Apple, Pear, Apricot, Cherry, Grape, Berries, Papershell Pecans, English Walnuts, Japanese Persimon, Evergreens, Roses, Flowering Shrubs, Bulbs, and Shade Trees.

That Reminds Me--

(Continued from page 1) Eastland as County Chairman, assisted by sub-chairmen in the various towns and communities of the County. We should contribute to this worthy cause.

CHILD STORY:

Two babies were in adjacent beds in the hospital nursery. Said one to the other: "I'm a girl, what are you?" "I'm a boy."

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

Mrs. J. H. Safley has returned to work for Wittrop Flowers after several months. Mrs. Safley worked two and one-half years for the Floral shop.

Shorthorn Beef Auction To Be Held At Show

One of the feature events of the Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show to be held in Ft. Worth, Jan. 30-Feb. 8, is the sale of Shorthorn beef cattle on February 4.

Don't Minimize Danger Of Carbon Monoxide Poison

To minimize the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning during winter weather, motorists and commercial drivers are urged by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, to check up now on the exhaust systems of their automobiles for defective connections and leaks.

Majestic

LAST TIMES TODAY Joan Crawford, Dana Andrews, Henry Fonda, DAISY KENYON

From Sweden



"In Sweden, we cannot afford to waste food," says Sonia Liljenroth, who came to United States to take a job on a newspaper.

Advertisement for Earl Bender & Company, Texas Insurance Since 1924, with the slogan 'The One Promise We Always Make--'

Large advertisement for Eastland Telegram printing services, featuring the word 'PRINTING' in large letters and listing various services like letterheads, envelopes, statements, circulars, business cards, ruled forms, and invoices.