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Lewis Orders Miners Back To Work

That Reminds Me
By FRANK R. JONES

A local citizen stood looking at his car parked at the curb on a downtown street. He had just counted twelve dents and creases in the fenders and hub caps. With disgust he said: "I have been extremely careful to not drive into another car or to rake one in backing out. Though my car looks as though it had been through a hammermill I did not put a single one of those twelve dents in it. They were all put there by other motorists, none of whom made any offer to have them straightened out. I am beginning to think that the only type of vehicle that is safe is a caterpillar tractor. The buzzards who carelessly dent fenders and bend bumpers could then be given their deserts: They would come out a poor second best in the encounter.

As we look at our school systems and our road systems and other public needs we are convinced that taxes will never be lower. If the government cuts taxes, local units will increase them either directly or indirectly. Most towns and counties are going down hill in the matter of roads and other improvements. They are wearing out the roads and improvements made in other years. One fine day they are all coming to the point where something will have to be done. When that point is reached we will all discover that the only way these things are done is by levying taxes. Since taxes are all eventually paid by the worker and earner he is going to be called upon to bear a bigger and heavier load than he has borne in the past—and don't let anyone tell you that they are going to reduce taxes—because they are not and most of them know they are not.

President Hood King of the Eastland Band Booster club calls attention to the fact that the band booster club meets at the Eastland High School auditorium tonight at 7:30. All members of the club are expected to be in attendance.

One thing can be said for sulphur and molasses, the one time family cure all and spring tonic. It is non-narcotic, non-antiseptic, non-nalagetic, non-toxic and non-habit forming.

At a recent meeting of conservationists it was brought out that each year 500,000 acres of land in the United States is ruined by erosion. Wisconsin has lost 41.6 per cent of her top soil, and one-fourth of the United States has been reduced to semi-desert and the recent wind and sand storms experienced locally reminds one that the same thing is happening here. A disturbing thought for the future.

Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him—Acts 10: 34-35.

Special Numbers To Be Presented Between Acts

Special numbers to be presented between acts of the Senior play at the high school auditorium, Thursday 23 and Friday 24, are as follows. Thursday, West Ward will present a group of pupils in musical action games, and Jeannie Howard will be presented in her fancy dances.

Friday evening, Mrs. W. G. Womack's declamation class will give some musical numbers "Hans and Hilda" and West Ward pupils will present "Gay Nineties Review."

Plane Shot Down
JERUSALEM, Apr. 12, (UP)—British ground forces shot down a Hagahash trainer plane today in the first incident of its kind in the Palestine campaign.

Firemen Rescue Girl Trapped By Elevator



Her left leg pinned between a Boston freight elevator and a 12-foot beam, 22-year-old Ethel Copetas, of Cambridge, Mass., clings to one of her rescuers to help ease the pain. Firemen hacked away for more than an hour to free her. She suffered lacerations of the left leg and severe shock. (NEA Telephoto.)

County Singing Attended By More Than 2,000 People

An estimated 2,000 people attended the Eastland County Singing convention at its 53rd annual meeting here Saturday night and Sunday. The session was held in the High School auditorium where the crowd overflowed the hall and spread onto the grounds outside where seats had been arranged and where sound amplifiers carried the program to all.

Because of a lack of the proper system (in fact there was no system at all) in parking of cars a number of people were unable to park anywhere close to the school building and never left their cars but drove away.

E. P. Robinson, president of the convention, was re-elected. A committee composed of Stanley Webb of Cisco, Clyde Fisher of Eastland and Pearl Hunt of Ranger was named to handle the matter of the next meeting place for the convention.

Attending the convention were many singers from as far distance as Amarillo, San Antonio, and Austin. In fact many of the old-time singers took advantage of the occasion to have a homecoming and get-together.

W. J. Lane, 77, one of West Texas' greatest gospel singers, along with Bud Warren, Tom Coon, W. H. Holley and others, were especially recognized at each of the convention sessions.

Visiting singers and singer organizations gave much of the credit for their being present and for the success of the meeting to what they termed "A splendid job of publicity" by the Eastland Daily Telegram staff and other newspapers of the County and State.

Cisco School Girls Home After Jaunt Of State
Sandra Thames and Edits Gates, Cisco grammar school girls who disappeared from school ten days ago, are back at their Cisco homes, according to the Eastland County Sheriff's office.

Sandra Thames, located at Ker-ville, and brought home by her parents Saturday.
Edith Gates was located in Balingier.
Eastland county sheriff's officers, as well as other officers over the state, had been searching for the girls ever since their disappearance after being taken to school, was reported.
At Sheriff Williams' office it was stated this morning that they had been informed that the parents of the girls preferred to "press no charges" and that so far as they were concerned the matter would have to rest there.

LONG TIME RESIDENT OF STAFF DIES

Funeral services for Mrs. Walter Duncan of the Staff Community will be conducted at the Merriman Tabernacle on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be in the Merriman Cemetery. Killingsworth's Funeral Home of Ranger is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Duncan, for 34 years a resident of Staff died at her home there, Sunday, April 11, 1948. She was born in Gaston, Alabama on June 6, 1878. The former Miss Jerucia Myrick, she was married to Mr. Duncan in the Cheaney community on Dec. 20, 1903. She was a member of the Staff Baptist church.

Survivors are her husband of Staff, one son, John Thomas Duncan of College Station; one daughter, Mrs. John Blackwell of Gorman; the following sisters and brothers, Mrs. Queen G. Marshall of Abilene, Judge John C. Myrick of Harlingen, R. H. Myrick of Abilene, Buck Myrick of Cisco, W. E. Myrick of Roswell, New Mexico, and the following grandchildren, Thomas Duncan of Houston, David Duncan, a student at NTAC at Arlington, Mrs. R. C. Henderson, Jr., of DeLeon and one great grandchild, John Thomas Duncan II of Houston.

Former Ranger Resident Dies In Abilene

Funeral services for G. C. (Dick) Barkley of Abilene, formerly of Ranger were conducted Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Kiker-Warren funeral chapel in Abilene and interment was in an Abilene cemetery.

Mr. Barkley who was a prominent figure in Ranger during the boom, died at his room in the Windsor Hotel in Abilene Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock. He had been stricken just a day or two before.

He was born in Palmora, Kr. on Jan. 9, 1885. He came to Ranger during the boom later moving to Cisco. He had been active in the oil business in West Texas for 30 years.

A "ham" is a very bad actor.

Senior Class Of Eastland High In Fort Worth Today

The Senior Class of the Eastland High School is enjoying the day in Fort Worth today. Miss Verna Johnson is accompanying the class and room mothers, Mrs. W. B. Pickens, Mrs. P. L. Crossley, Mrs. John L. Ernst, Mrs. Victor Cornelius, and Mrs. Pat Crawford who went Sunday and will accompany the mothers on the return. The party chartered a bus for the trip.

The morning was spent in the park taking a basket lunch by each student having their lunch at Forest Park. They had reservations at the Blackstone hotel where they were to rest and refresh themselves before going on a shopping tour to find things for the senior play.

This evening they will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Durham for dinner at the Milan Cafeteria, and then they will attend the Iccapades. The students took their cameras as it is camera day at the Iccapades.

Miss Johnson said every member of the class were planning to be present for the first time all were able to go when she was to accompany them. Boys will probably attend a ball game while there.

Going were: Joyce Armstrong, Bill Arther, Billy Cooper, LaVerne Cornelius, Pat Crawford, Lewis Crossley, Juanita Duffield, Jack Ernst, Rita Fox, Shirley Frazer, Mary Halkias, Betty Ann Harkrider, George Harkrider, Rodney Heath, James Hardwick, Don Hart, Jack Horn, Roy Lane, Jimmy Matthews, Robert Miller, Bill McFalland, Joyce Pearson, Betty Pickens, Patsie Saffley, John Samuels, Jan Spalding, Wanda Thompson, Conner Van Hoy, Jackie Williams, Merrie Dawn Warren, Marilyn Wittrop, Katherine Watkins, Winford Ward, Mary Wilt, Naomi Wood and Margaret Bourland, who is a post graduate and the only post graduate attending Eastland high school.

Howard Brock To Do Special Work With Rangers

Howard Brock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brock Sr., who is attending the State University, is employed in the biology plant doing research work with a doctor, he writes his mother.

Howard has been appointed for employment with the Forest Rangers at Glacier National Park in Canada for the summer, which he took a civil service examination for recently.

Top Performers In Cutting Horse Contest April 16

Those who understand cutting horses after looking over the twenty-two entered in the contest to be held here April 16 declare that it will take top class performance to win and that a real show is assured for the fans in this sport ever growing more popular in West Texas.

All the winners of last year are listed in the entries, and other fine horses are found to offer real competition.

The winners last year were Jim Maddox, Maryneal, riding "Snooks", 678 points; Robert Corbett, Breckenridge, riding "Housekeeper", 671 points; George Glascock, Crescent, riding "Nigger", 666 points; Nig London, Throckmorton, riding "Little Boy", 662 points and Colney Hildreth, Aledo, riding "Flying H" 657 points.

How close the competition was is shown in the fact that there were only 21 points difference between top and fifth position. And all these horses and riders will be back.

Brief explanation of the contest, staged under National Cutting Horse Association rules and with judges appointed by the association, was made this morning. Each rider is allowed three cows, one minute to the cow or calf. The horn blows when he gets out the animal. The animal is worked for the minute. Then a different animal can be selected.

The horse must do everything, with no rope, no man holds, but with a bridle on. There are many points on which the judges score.

Each rider is a member of the association and pays \$15 entrance fee and \$10 a year dues. The money prizes usually are divided 40, 30, 20, and 10 per cent, although this is up to the association and last year there were five winners. The owner of each day winner is presented with a trophy.

The contest will be held at the rodeo grounds under auspices of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in afternoon and night performances.

Miss Bill Kennedy of Breckenridge will exhibit her horse "Danny" but not as a contestant. Fern Sawyer, Cross Roads, N. M. will contest with the men, however on "Chum."

Entries close at one o'clock in the afternoon on the date of the show. Entries should be addressed to Robert Corbett, care of Chamber of Commerce, Breckenridge.

Urges Quick Action On UMT And New Draft

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12, (UP)—Secretary of Defense James Forrestal, asserting that Russia does not yet have the atom bomb, said today that the odds still favor peace.

But he urged Congress to move "at once and with firm and resolute purpose" toward the enactment of selective service and universal military training legislation.

Forrestal testified as the committee began hearings on a bill to draft some 560,000 youths aged 19 through 25. The committee last year approved UMT legislation but it has since been bottled up in the House rules committee.

While Forrestal was testifying Dr. Albert Einstein and 10 prominent educators and clergymen urged Congress to delay action on the draft until "the effects of the European recovery program have been seen."

Newspaper Adv. Linage Was Up 8 Per Cent In Feb.

Newspaper advertising lineage moved up 8 per cent in February, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports.

Reports of 35 Texas newspapers showed 31,447,894 lines of newspaper advertising in February, or 26 per cent above a year earlier.

RUSSIANS SET UP ROAD BLOCK IN AUSTRIA

VIENNA, Apr. 12, (UP)—United States military and Austrian civilian traffic on the International Highway between Vienna and the American occupation zone of Austria was halted completely today by a hastily erected road barrier thrown up by the Russians, Austrian police reported.

Austrian officers at St. Poelten, the main town on the highway, said a road barrier had been set up in the center of the town, and traffic bound both ways was piled up for several hundred yards on both sides of the barrier.

The Russians apparently stopped all vehicular traffic until they were able to complete the road block the police said.

St. Poelten is a key transport junction 35 miles west of Vienna on the highway running through the Soviet zone and connecting the America areas in Vienna and in Western Austria.

The reported blocking of the arterial highway was the first major blow against American communications in Austria. It was the latest move in an apparent campaign to seal off Vienna from the west and make it untenable for the non-Soviet occupation forces.

Earlier today the Soviets set up a check point on the international road to the British operated Schwechat airport east of Vienna.

Nazarene Spring Revival Due On April 21-May 2

Cottage prayer meeting will be conducted the week of April 12-17 in preparation for the spring revival which is to be conducted at the Church of the Nazarene beginning April 21 and running through May 2. Evangelist and Mrs. C. W. Brockmuller of Kansas City, Missouri are the engaged workers for the meeting. Evangelist Brockmuller does chalk work while his wife will sing and play for the meeting.

Rev. Emberton, Pastor says, "These services will be conducted each evening at 7:45. Brother Brockmuller is reported to be a preacher of the old school and comes highly commended by those who know him. The cottage prayer meetings will be announced Sunday. We trust that all our friends will make their plans to come and attend this revival."

11 Children In Church HUMPfrey, Neb. (UP)—The family of O. A. Windolph, druggist here for 35 years, brought attention to the fact that his 11 children have dedicated their lives to church service. The six girls are nuns, the five boys are priests.

Colombia Breaks Off Relations With Russia

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12, (UP)—The Colombian government radio announced today that Colombia has broken diplomatic relations with Russia, a dispatch to the state department said.

The diplomatic break followed announcement yesterday that two Russian agents were arrested in connection with the bloody insurrection in Bogota, capital of Colombia.

The government radio said that 15 foreign agents including two Russians, were caught "in the act" and some were taken alive. The radio said three foreign agents were arrested while trying to foment disorders. Meanwhile, in Bogota, leaders of the ninth Inter-American Conference called a meeting to decide when and where they will reconvene their parley, wrecked by the 19-hour reign of terror. Hunger spread through the blasted Colombian capital, heavily

Scranton Folks Form A Civic Organization

The people of Scranton and the adjoining communities met in an open-forum meeting on Tuesday night, April 8th, for the purpose of forming an organization which would promote civic enterprises throughout this section.

The following officers were elected:

President—W. W. Pope.

Vice-President—J. V. Starr.

Secretary—Mrs. E. R. Battle.

Various problems were discussed which could be solved for highway from Cisco to Cross Plains via Scranton; the living quarters in and around Scranton, that people who desire to move into this community might find desirable places to live. The need of a garage located at Scranton was discussed. C. T. King said he had a lot he would grant for the purpose of erecting a garage.

Jack Starr, M. D. Speegle, Sr., Jack Cozart, and J. C. Trimble, were appointed as a committee to work out a system of securing building funds.

Howard Ingram, G. A. Reese, Truett Holder, and John Rice were appointed as a committee to see about securing a mechanic.

Bernard O'Brien and E. D. Bewley were appointed to see about the possibility of securing old buildings to be torn down for erection of newer homes.

There were about fifty people joined this organization on this first meeting. It is believed others will join in the next meeting which will be held Tuesday night April 20, 1948. We urge that all people turn out for these meetings and put your shoulder to the wheel and help push Scranton and neighboring communities forward.

For the benefit of interested parties—there is now a double apartment house available for rental purposes. This house is located in Scranton and will be rented furnished. It is known as the Miss Mary Boland house.

Contest Winners
Mrs. Fred Johnson, 213 South Ostrom received a check Saturday in the amount of \$250.00 for guessing the cutest baby in a recent contest sponsored by national soap company. The contest had three babies to which the entry was to judge the cutest baby and Mrs. Johnson was the winner. Mrs. Johnson said she was never so surprised as when she received the money in the Saturday afternoon mail.

Idaho Goes Soft
SHOSHONE, Ida. (UP)—In the old days a man caught cheating in a gambling game in these parts often was shot. L. B. Brown appeared in Lincoln county probate court and was fined \$100 after admitting his guilt to such a charge. Nothing was said about the fact that gambling, other than slot machines within city limits, is illegal in Idaho.

A meter is 39.97 inches.

PENSIONS FOR AGED MINERS AGREED UPON

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12, (UP)—John L. Lewis today dramatically called off the four-week soft coal strike 23 minutes before he and his union were scheduled to face contempt charges in federal court.

He gave his 400,000 miners the signal to return to work in a six-word telegram which advised them that their disputed pensions had been granted in a compromise settlement.

"Pensions granted agreement is now honored," Lewis wired the miners.

Despite the agreement, Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough today ordered Lewis to trial at 10 A. M. Wednesday on a contempt of court charge.

Settlement of the pension issue—which touched off the coal strike on March 15—was reached at an early morning conference of the three trustees of the united mine workers welfare fund.

It was reached by a 2 to 1 vote. Lewis and Sen. Styles Bridges, R. N. H., the new "impartial" third trustee, voted for the pension plan. Ezra Von Horn, representing the operators, voted against it.

The settlement provides a pension of \$100 a month for miners aged 62 or older with 20 years of service and who retired after May 28, 1946.

A few minutes later, Goldsborough ordered the contempt trial after hearing arguments of UMW attorneys that Lewis had not disobeyed an April 3 court order to call off the strike.

Goldsborough ruled that the settlement of the coal strike this morning did not clear Lewis from the contempt charge.

The word from the coal fields was that the miners probably would go back to the pits with the night shift late today.

But some local union leaders said the miners would not go back while Lewis and the union faced contempt charges.

The White House declined comment, saying "the matter is for the courts."

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

Cattle 2100. Active and steady. Medium and good beef steers and yearlings 22.50-28. Good cows 21.23. Stocker cows 16-20.

Calves 500. Active and strong. Good and choice slaughter calves 25-29. Medium and good stocker calves 22-27.

Hogs 1200. Butcher hogs 25-50 higher. Sows strong, stocker pigs steady. Good and choice 180-260 lbs. 21.25, stocker pigs 12-17.

Psyche was the maiden loved by Cupid.

THIS WEEK AT LOCAL THEATRES

Majestic
MONDAY
"Miracle of the Bells"
Fred MacMurray and Frank Sinatra
TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY
"Secret Beyond Door"
With Joan Bennett and Michael Redgrave
THURSDAY ONLY
"In Old California"
With Richard Arlen
FRIDAY - SATURDAY
"Scudda Hoo Scudda Hay"
With June Haver and Lon McCallister
Lyric
FRIDAY - SATURDAY
"Tumbleweed Trail"
With Eddie Dean
The Telegram has tickets for Mrs. Wayne Jackson and one to see "Secret Beyond Door", Tuesday.
(Please clip the above program from this newspaper and present it with federal tax at Majestic box office.)

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

Eisenhower's Golfing Remark Basis for Much Discussion

BY DOUGLAS LARSEN
NEA Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—Just about the only person who is not getting all excited about the renewed "Eisenhower for President" boom seems to be the general himself.
Since he retired as chief of staff of the Army, he's been taking life pretty easy. Most of his time has been spent leisurely dictating his book, based on his war memoirs. Words flow so easily from him, the first draft is almost finished. Before it goes to the publishers, however, the facts are going to be checked against official Army records. The general is a stickler for detailed accuracy.
In addition to writing, he's done a little portrait painting. His touch isn't bad, they say. He has avoided public appearances as much as possible and has courteously but firmly refused to give newspaper interviews or pose for pictures.
He's had a great deal of fun playing golf with his good friend, Maj. Gen. Floyd Parks, Army information chief. Both shoot in the high 80's. It was a conversation on the eighth hole of the Army-Navy Country Club course several weeks ago which led to the controversy over the recent claim that the general wouldn't accept a Democratic draft as presidential candidate under "any conceivable circumstances."
After he had held out one over par like said, "By the way, Floyd, whether calling me every time you get a call about this president or not, you know how I feel and what I have always said. You know what to tell them."
That was before the Eisenhower boom had become so intense, however.

In the meantime, Leonard V. Funder, publisher of the Manchester (N.H.) Evening Leader, the man who got the now-famous "I Won't Run" letter from Ike, believed that he had gotten new information on the general's stand, in light of recent events.
Funder prepared to issue a statement that the general could be drafted. General Parks, hearing of Funder's intentions to release a statement, called Funder and ordered him not to do so.
Funder replied that he felt justified in issuing such a statement, as long as it expressed his own opinion and didn't quote the general in any manner.
That same afternoon, a reporter called Parks and asked him the same question about whether Eisenhower had changed his stand in light of recent events. It was to this query that Parks made the flat statement that Ike "under no conceivable circumstances" would accept a Democratic bid.
Parks now explains that his statement became slightly changed elsewhere, so that the reader got the impression that those were Ike's own words.

CONFIDENT that his own information was correct—that Eisenhower would accept the Democratic draft under certain circumstances—Funder challenged Parks' statement given to the reporter.
General Parks now frankly admits that he did not talk to Eisenhower before he gave out the statement about "no conceivable circumstances." He says he gave it out based upon his talk with Ike several weeks earlier on the golf course. And Parks still contends that Eisenhower hasn't changed his position one iota from the day he expressed it in the original letter to Funder.
Parks is now sorry, however, that he let himself be quoted as the spokesman. He has been deluged by letters saying that Ike would not serve, if he were drafted by the people.
And, apparently, the people who count are putting more stock in Funder's opinion than they are in Parks' statement, because the draft-Eisenhower boom is continuing unabated.

THE SCOREBOARD

Yankee Franchise Was Bought Originally for Only \$18,000

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—The Yankees will celebrate the 25th anniversary of their magnificent stadium by hoisting a world championship pennant to the top of the flagpole and playing the Red Sox April 23.
The Yanks opened the stadium by unfurling a pennant and meeting the Boston before 74,217 paid admissions April 18, 1923.
Despite the increased rivalry between the two clubs, the front office will settle for a similar attendance this trip.
"We haven't progressed a bit," laughs general manager George M. Weiss. Charles A. Stoneham, John McGraw and Judge Francis X. McQuade did New York a tremendous favor when they kicked the paying colonels, Jacob Ruppert and Tillinghast L'Hommedieu Huston, out of the Polo Grounds in the fall of 1921. It gave them a year to find another lot for the Yankees.
The colonels were paying 10 per cent rental up to \$100,000, and were perfectly satisfied, but the New York National League moguls were mad.
Colonels Ruppert and Huston, who never did get along, had brought in general manager Ed Barrow from the Red Sox in the autumn of 1920 to back up the mite manager, Miller Huggins. A young fellow named Babe Ruth and others had also come along from the Boston, and the Yankees were stealing the Giants' stuff.
Colonels Ruppert and Huston were forced to buy the 10-acre plot across the Harlem River from William Waldorf Astor for \$650,000, and to \$2,500,000 more build the monument that made the American League top kick in the big town.
Outside of football and the more important fights, much has happened at Yankee Stadium in a quarter of a century—from Huggins to Bucky Harris, Ruth to Joe DiMaggio.
The Yankees completed a run of three consecutive pennants as they moved into the matchless edifice in the Bronx and have capped 12 more since. They have bagged 15 pennants and 13 world championships in 27 years.
The Highlanders, as they were known at the outset, were born in a spirit of conviviality, when two men sat with Byron Bancroft Johnson of the old Criterion Hotel in New York in January, 1903. They were contractor Frank Farrell and Police Commissioner Bill Devery.
Baltimore had dropped out of the new American League, and resident Ban Johnson sold the New Yorkers the franchise for exactly \$18,000. Colonels Huston and Ruppert paid \$350,000 for the Yankees in December, 1914, and the American League gave Farrell and Devery \$100,000 more.
Del E. Webb, Daniel R. Topping and Larry MacPhail bought the Yankee empire from the Ruppert heirs in the winter of 1945 for the comparative bargain basement price of \$2,850,000. The Yankees and their subsidiaries are worth \$6,000,000 today.

Buy United States Savings Bonds

Eastland County Towns & Communities

(Editor's Note—The following is taken from the forthcoming book, "History of Eastland County," by Ed T. Cox.)

CISCO CONTINUED
The late C. U. Connelley, in a paper read before The West Texas Historical Society stated that when he was on his way to Eastland County in 1874 that he met a man by the name of Dawson from that county at Dublin. In the same paper he stated that Green Riddle lived West of J. T. Townsend in 1874.

It is said that Walker Pen's, located near where the Robinson Ranch house was at that time was an early camp meeting place for the Methodist denomination.

Some of the preachers prominent at these early meetings were: John Lane, George E. Fair and probably S. H. Trimble. The meetings are said to have been held "Under the spreading limbs of a large pecan tree."

By the time the Texas and Pacific Railroad reached Cisco (Red Gap) in the latter part of 1880 this section of the county had become pretty well settled with ranch and farm houses. The writer will not be able to recall the names of all of these, even with the help of some of the old timers, but among them are Rufus Weddington, James Caradine, Tip Sanders, V. Mitchell, D. W. Birt, George Huestis, W. B. Cobb, Cornelius G. Stephens, W. C. Caldwell, the latter being the first postmaster for the community, I. Lamb, Will Palmer, John Lane and John T. Sue.

Red Gap became a post office April 22, 1878 with Cornelius G. Stephens as postmaster and was followed by James T. Caldwell Jan. 11, 1881. On May 16 of that year the name was changed and the office moved to town. A complete list of those who have served as postmaster will be found at the end of the chapter devoted to Cisco.

In the latter part of 1879 and in 1880 anticipating the coming of the Texas and Pacific Central railroads, people came to the vicinity of Red Gap in great numbers. W. T. Caldwell established a store there, probably in 1879, where he found Rev. C. G. Stephens running the Post Office, and a Baptist Church had been organized. Others settled or camped in the neighborhood, awaiting the time when the place of crossing of the two railroads would be determined. The first to build through was the Texas and Pacific, its first train reached the townsite to be November 15, 1880 but established its station at Delmer, about four miles to the West.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Former President
HORIZONTAL
17 Pictured former president of Costa Rica
14 Pass
15 Amaze
16 Part of face
17 Competent
19 Foundation
20 River island
21 Beliefs
23 Falsehood
24 Manganese (ab.)
25 Anent
26 Bachelor of Arts (ab.)
28 Decimeter (ab.)
29 German city
31 Memoranda
33 Insect
34 Jolt
35 Candle
37 Willow
40 Epistle (ab.)
41 African town
42 Street (ab.)
43 Missouri (ab.)
44 Bite
46 Bean
51 Footlike part
52 Observes
54 Strong cord
55 Missile
56 Ecologic zone
58 Vindicate
60 Legislative bodies
61 More extended

ANSWER: In the English system, a billion is a million millions, and written 1,000,000,000,000.

of Avenue D, on the west side and continued that business here. A Mr. Hodding also contested for a part of the hotel business and W. D. Chandler ran a boarding house.

Drs. C. S. Vance, W. E. Mancill, H. McNeill, C. F. Morris Locked after the health of the new town.

A lumber yard was established by J. B. Amerman who soon sold to Porter and Park who in turn sold to the M. T. Jones Lumber Company which was succeeded by Rockwell Brothers.

Not all of the houses were built of lumber or stone. In 1881 there was a "Picket" house at the intersection of Ave. E. and fifth Street be it tenure was short, probably on account of its reputation.

Quick Red Fox Has It All Over Lazy Dog

CAMDEN, Mich. (UP)—Neighbors marvel at the tamed ways of Sandy, pet red fox of the Lester Laphams.
Lapham took the fox from a litter a year ago and raised it on milk, commercial dog food and bones.

Sandy romps with his young master, Jerry Lapham, 7, paws with his forefoot to greet visitors, stands guard inside the family car on trips to town and buries bones like a dog.

Besides his fine bushy tail and sandy red coat, Sandy's only fox characteristic is his refusal to live in a kennel. He has dug his own tunnel in the ground.

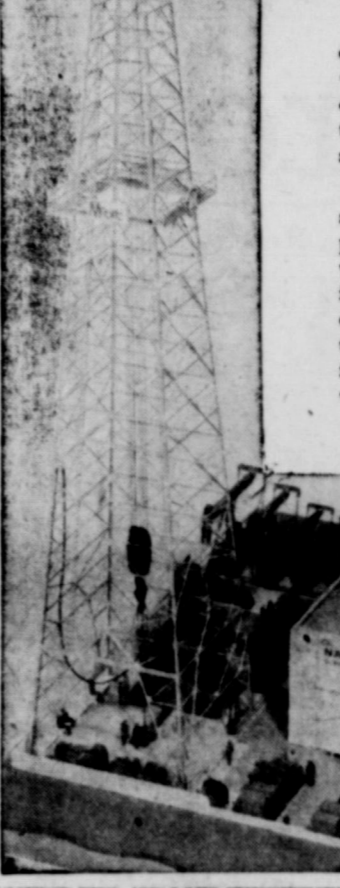
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TULSA, Okla.—Towering 189 feet, one of the tallest derricks ever erected will serve as a landmark to the 225,000 delegates and visitors expected to attend the International Petroleum Exposition here May 15-22.

The derrick contains one of the show's chief attractions—National Supply Company's contribution to deep well drilling. This is a huge rig rated for drilling with 4 1/2-inch pipe to a depth of three miles or more into the earth in the industry's effort to meet the world's insatiable demand for more oil. The rig will be powered by three supercharged diesel engines having a combined output of 1860 horsepower at 900 revolutions per minute.

Record-breaking size, power and performance reportedly will characterize many of the company's exhibits. The traveling and crown blocks on the derrick, shown in the attached photo, are reported to be the largest ever built. The crown block, visible at the top of the derrick, has a rated capacity of 630 tons.

Over forty carloads of machinery and construction material are going into this one exhibit, which will feature the contributions to the industry by National Supply's six factories in this country. Construction of the exhibit started last December.

Size of the exhibit is suggested by the fact that the permanent building shown in the foreground is two stories high and can accommodate at one time several scores of people viewing the interior displays.

The exposition grounds cover more than 15 acres. The oil show is reported to be the largest single industry exposition held anywhere. Because of war and the unsettled conditions that followed, this is the first year since 1940 that the exposition has been scheduled.

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Rayon is a general term designating artificial silk.

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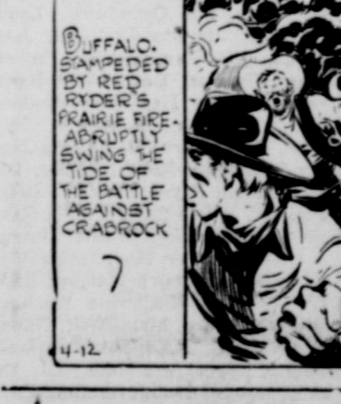
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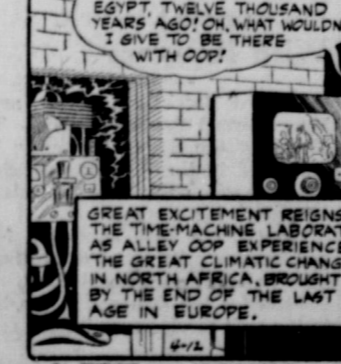
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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Tsoukalas decided to take his troubles to the sheriff after someone looted his fishing boat, pumped it full of water, filled the carburetor and sank the craft. Next, some vandal damaged his car as it was parked in front of his home.

Tsoukalas took that in his stride but he called in the sheriff when two strange men accosted him outside a local church, asked his name and then beat him up.

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The City Commission of the City of Eastland, Texas, having determined by resolution and order duly adopted at a meeting of said commission at which all members thereof were present, that it is advisable to make an oil, gas and mineral lease or leases on certain lands owned by the City, described as follows:

all those certain tracts or parcels of land, containing 355.84 acres, more or less, a part of Sections 25 and 26, Block No. 4, H. & T.C. Railway Company Survey, and being all of the property described in the deed from Homer Brelsford, Administrator of the Estate of H. P. Brelsford, Deceased, to the City of Eastland, dated March 10, 1941, Recorded in Volume 363, page 281, Eastland County Deed Records, SAVE AND EXCEPT, that portion of the property described in the deed from the City of Eastland to R. N. Grisham and N. E. Grisham, dated May 22, 1941, recorded in Volume 362, page 350, Eastland County Deed Records, and SAVE AND EXCEPT that portion of the property described in mineral deed from the City of Eastland to Eastland Investment Company and G. I. Brelsford, dated March 31, 1941, covering the Southwest Quarter of Section 13 in said Block 4, and 91.5 acres out of the Northwest Quarter of Section 13, Block 4, H. & T.C. Railway Company survey, and which deed is duly recorded in the Eastland County Deed Records, and is here referred to, hereby including all of the property commonly known as the Brelsford Lands in Sections 25, 26, and 13, Block 4, H. & T. C. Railway Company Survey, excepting that portion above specifically referred to;

the City Commission of the City of Eastland will on the 27 day of April, 1948, at 7:30 P.M. at the City Hall in Eastland, Texas receive and consider any and all bids submitted for the leasing of said lands or any portions thereof, and in its discretion shall award the lease or leases to the highest and best bidder submitting a bid therefore, provided that if, in the judgment of said City Commission, the bids submitted do not represent the fair value of such lease or leases, the governing body, in its discretion, may reject same.

SIGNED this 5 day of April, 1948.
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A Page from the Past
BY FRANK A. JONES

19 YEARS AGO
From files of this newspaper of April 12, 1929:
Condemned to face a firing squad in Mexico was the fate of S. E. Gilbert of Eastland. But the timely intervention of an American member of the staff of General Escobar, rebel commander-in-chief, saved his life. Gilbert, who has lived in Eastland for the past year, is distributor for motor oils. His home is in San Angelo. Gilbert and another young American, according to the United Press, had entered Mexico for the purpose of volunteering for service with rebel aviation service. They were mistaken to be spies and were placed in prison. They heard themselves sentenced to be shot by a firing squad.

W. L. Ayres and wife of Blackwell in Nolan county, were Eastland visitors today. Ayres is a Baptist minister and in 1906-08 was pastor of the Baptist church at Carbon. He also formerly lived at Carbon.

Two strong teams will battle on the diamond Sunday afternoon at Morton Valley. The Arab Nine will meet the States Oil Corporation's team, it is announced by manager Riley of the Arabs. Tentative batteries are Laffoon and Harris for

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the Arabs; Henderson and Bryant for the State. Several hundred fans witnessed the game last Sunday afternoon when the Arabs overwhelmed Montgomery Ward and an even larger crowd is expected at the game Sunday afternoon.

F. J. Stubblefield of Carbon lost a battery from his car two nights ago when thieves took it while the car was parked near the tent theatre in Eastland.

"Uncle" Joe Hearn of Carbon, father of Tax-Collector A. M. (Ott) Hearn, was an Eastland visitor today.

15 YEARS AGO
From files of this newspaper of April 12, 1933:
The new Eastland City Commission held their initial meeting Monday night when the new members: T. M. Johnson, J. M. Sherrill and Donald Kinnaird, holdover members: Frank Castleberry and Neil Moore. Retiring

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members are Alex Clarke and Morris Keasler. Guy Parker was elected as new city manager and secretary, taking the place of W. C. Marlow. J. P. Little was retained as assistant secretary. Two new policemen were appointed in the persons of John Seale and Ben Pryor. Day police were abolished, but Lee Reed will serve out his term which will be May 1.

Eastland county's highways bring \$369,000 annually to the county in the way of tourist trade. The Good Roads Association has estimated from a survey of the State's last official traffic census.

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Zeta Pi Chapter Members Attend Preferential Tea

Engraved formal invitations bearing the sorority crest were received this past week by members and new pledges of the Zeta Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority to the Preferential Tea, held in the home of Mrs. Willis Smith, 300 South Dixie Street, Sunday afternoon, April 11th. Calling hours were from three to five. Co-hostesses for the affair was the president of the chapter, Mrs. Mattie Doyle.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Doyle and Mrs. Smith presided at the guest book which was in the form of a large gold crest bound by satin ribbons of the sorority colors, gold and black.

Crystal appointed the tea table where Mesdames J. E. Harkrider and Pat Miller poured iced cream punch. The tea table, laid in lace, was centered with a large bouquet of yellow roses surrounded by yellow tapers. Small white angel-food cakes bearing the gold Greek

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letters "Beta Sigma Phi", yellow mints, and roasted nuts were also served. The small tea napkins were yellow and engraved with the hostesses names, "Mattie and Frankie."

Out of town guests who were former members of the chapter attending were: Mesdames Rodney Spencer, Midland; James Brown, Cleburne; and W. P. Watkins, Ranger.

Those signing the guest register from Eastland were: Mesdames Everett Grisham, Max Loy, Dan Karlis, Eugene Hickman, Jack Gourley, Jack Gray, J. T. Cooper, Glen Boyd, Gayland Poe, Don Hill, Steve Potts, Charles Cline, Bill Collins, F. W. Graham, T. M. Fullen, Bill Walters, Frank Sayre, and Miss Glenna Johnson.

Mrs. Love Hostess To T. E. L. Sunday School Class

Mrs. M. B. Love, 603 South Hal-bryan Street, was hostess to the T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church Thursday of last week at her home, for a covered dish luncheon at noon.

The tried chicken dinner, hot rolls, vegetables and home made pies were served buffet style. The dining table was decorated with an arrangement of crabapple flowers, and the home was decorated with spring flowers. Plate favors were nosegays of garden flowers.

14 members and one visitor were present.

Personals

Thomas Dabney of Ft. Worth, and James Dabney of Midland, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. Dabney over the week-end.

Miss Lila Ann Love of Wichita Falls, visited with her father, W. V. Love and her grandmother, Mrs. M. B. Love, from Wednesday of last week to Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Womack and daughter, Sherry, of Anson were guests in the home of Mrs. Womack's sister, Mrs. Joe Stephens and family over the week-end.

Mrs. W. P. Leslie leaves this week for Maryland to visit her daughter, Miss Rosalie, who is assistant Dean at the University of Maryland. Mrs. Leslie plans to be away for several months. She will go by Kentucky with William on his return.

Judge and Mrs. Milburn S. Long and his brother Dolf Long of Grandbury who is their guest were visiting in Albany today.

Sunday dinner guests in the

T&P Railway's Annual Report Year Of 1947

Generally speaking, 1947 was a good year for the Texas and Pacific Railway. Industry and agriculture maintained a high level of productivity.

Operating revenues for 1947 amounted to \$64,704,829—the highest of any peace time year in Texas and Pacific's history, and 2.35 times as large as the average of the four years, 1937 through 1940. Compared with 1946, this was an increase of \$6,803,762 or 15.75 per cent.

Operating expenses were \$48,742,474, an increase of \$6,300,997, or 14.85 per cent compared with the previous year, and consumed 75.33 cents of every dollar of operating revenue. The bulk of the increase in operating expenses was due to higher wage scales and increased cost of fuel oil and other materials and supplies.

The railroad's tax bill for 1947 was \$5,264,493, an increase of \$1,107,064, over 1946, of which \$640,333 was due to the Crossover Bill requiring increased pay roll tax payments by the Company. Various state taxes totaled \$1,275,441; pay roll taxes amounted to \$2,472,774; and income and other Federal taxes aggregated \$1,516,278.

Net charges for hire of freight train cars amounted to \$2,607,993, an increase of \$1,128,773 over 1946 due principally to tank car mileage rentals on account of the unusual movement of crude oil during 1947.

Net income for 1947 was \$5,460,081, or \$11.03 per share on Common Stock after 5 per cent Preferred compared with \$10.97 for 1946.

Quarterly dividends of 1 1/4 per cent on the Preferred stock and \$1.00 per share on the Common were paid during the year.

Four 4000 H. P. Diesel-electric passenger locomotives ordered in 1945 were delivered during 1947. While these locomotives are being used in present passenger train

service, they will provide the motive power for Texas and Pacific "Eagles," lightweight, ultra-modern passenger trains that will go into service between El Paso and New York and between Fort Worth and New Orleans. . . when the equipment that has been on order since May, 1945, is delivered. The latest estimate is that delivery on all the cars for the "Eagles" will be completed by September of 1948.

Seven Diesel-electric switching locomotives were received during the year and were placed in service in the railroad's larger yard operations.

The average number of employees in service during 1947 was 9,550 men and women, and the average annual wage paid per employee amounted to \$3.241.

All indications are that the current high level of industrial production will be maintained throughout 1948 producing a high traffic potential.

home of Mrs. Maud Braly were her sisters, Mrs. M. D. Gibson and Mr. Gibson of Rising Star, Mrs. E. C. Satterwhite and Mrs. May Harrison of Eastland.

Mrs. D. F. Yates of Rockdale is visiting her sister, Mrs. Flora Gilkey. Mrs. Yates plans to be here several days.

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Screen actress Dona Drake is all set for a restful night in this sheer sleeping suit, modeled after the ones in style in 1919. Dona wears it in a scene in the movie, "So This Is New York."

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Humble Oil's Net Income For 1947 Was \$124,106,900

Humble Oil & Refining Company today reported to stockholders that the Company's net income in 1947 was \$124,106,900, equivalent to \$78,000,000 in purchasing power of 1935-1939 dollars.

Earnings for the year were \$6.90 a share and dividends were \$3.00 a share, the annual report stated. The Company retained more than half of its earnings in the business to help finance record capital investments of \$96,000,000 in new facilities during 1947. Humble has previously announced plans to invest \$140,000,000 for expansion and improvements in 1948.

In 1947 Humble increased by 12 per cent but its oil production and total supplies to keep pace with the largest increase in demand for petroleum ever experienced in the U. S.

In a letter to the stockholders and employees, H. C. Wiess, President said that results for 1947 were influenced by the great expansion in the Company's operations and by the decline in the value of the dollar in the decade 1937-1947. He reported that even after price increases brought about by the additional demand on an industry already operating at capacity, the Company's realization on crude oil in 1947 was only nine cents more a barrel than in 1937 when measured in 1935-

1939 dollars. Humble produced 358,000 barrels daily of crude oil and natural gasoline, purchased 466,000 barrels daily of crude oil refined 227,000 barrels daily, and sold 573 barrels daily to others. The Company drilled 575 wells which cost an average of \$86,000, nearly four times the average cost in 1937.

Substantial progress in gas conservation was reported with completion of three plants which are saving 80,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily.

Wages and salaries of \$70,081,000 were paid to 18,000 employees. In addition, the Company contributed \$9,575,000 to Humble's Annuity and Thrift Plan for the benefit of employees.

Texas General Fund At New All Time High

AUSTIN, Tex. Apr. 12—\$50,301,231, is now the amount of surplus cash in the General Fund. After the first of September the balance in the fund went down slightly each month until March. The last raise in the price of Crude Oil reached the fund in the form of taxes and reversed the downward trend. Geo. W. Sheppard, State Comptroller, predicts that the balance in General Revenue will continue to rise.

Spending from all funds for fiscal operations has now dropped seven million per month behind receipts.

Motor Fuel Tax fell behind the same month a year ago for the first time in over a year. Sheppard does not think this is an indication of a reversal in our prosperity but is explained by the bad weather during February.

The school funds of the state are being added to in increasing amounts from Oil Royalties, Leases and Bonuses. In fact the prosperous condition of Texas fiscal affairs and the optimistic outlook are primarily a result of the prosperity of the oil and allied businesses.

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Britain Pays Tribute To FDR At Unveiling

LONDON Apr. 12 (UP)—Britains little people sang the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" today as they unveiled the heroic statue they built of their American friend Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

In a simple majestic ceremony, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, stately tall in her accustomed black, pulled the cord revealing the memorial in Grosvenor Square to her late husband, America's war time president, who died three years ago today.

King and Commoner joined in tribute before the 10-foot, 10-inch bronze figure standing upon a 14-foot base of glistening stone. The statue was brought by the pennies and shillings of at least 200,000 Britons, from channel pilots to Scottish shepherds, from Prime Ministers to Cockney newsboys. It cost \$160,000, and contributors were limited to \$1 each.

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The 57-year-old water plant, one of the world's smallest utilities, is operated by Charles Russell, who uses no meters and charges his customers according to rates set in 1891.

The pumping unit is a 12-foot water wheel below a dam in Lamberton creek. The power wheel operates pumps which push water from three wells into a 50,000 gallon storage tank on high ground nearby.

In cold weather, Russell chops the ice which forms on the flume,

the flow of water over the wheel. In dry periods Russell uses gasoline engines for pumping or taps into a standby connection from the city's water supply.

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