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Truman Invokes Law To End Coal Strike

Bach Numbers To Be Given In Cisco Concert

The seasons of the Church year as found in the songs and chorals of J. S. Bach will supply the first portion of the concert program to be given by the Valparaiso University A Cappella Choir at Cisco High School Auditorium, tomorrow night at 8 P. M.

"We hope that through this collection of the works of Bach the audience will discover the tremendous variety of which he was capable," said Mr. Schoenbohm, who selected the program numbers from the vast store of Bach's cantatas and chorales.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" will represent the Festival of the Reformation on the portion of the concert devoted to the Church Year.

Earlier this hymn won fame for the Valparaiso University A Cappella Choir when their interpretation of it was beamed over Europe from Radio Luxembourg, as well as being broadcast throughout the United States and Canada.

The choir members, who represent 19 states of the Union and Holland, will present a group of songs ranging from the reverent to the romantic for the second half of the program. Included are Christiansen's "Lost in the Night," Delamarter's "June Moonrise," White's "The Monastery" and Nicolau's "Good Music in a Catalonian Church."

"We have attempted to move from mood to mood in the second half of the concert program," commented Schoenbohm, whose musical background includes singing with the Chicago Civic Opera Company.

Investigates Use Of Fair's Name

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—State Fair of Texas officials today began investigating complaints that the exhibition's name was being used in a real estate racket.

A Killen fairgoer, asking that his name be withheld, reported that he received a letter informing him he had been chosen to receive "a beautiful home site in our newest addition to Dallas... high in the hills overlooking Dallas."

The selection was made, the letter said, "because you signed the enclosed card at the Dallas State Fair."

The Killen man said a trip to Dallas proved that the lot "overlooked nothing."

"In fact, it was at the bottom of a ravine where water likely kept it flooded," the man said. "And all I had to pay was the costs, \$171 in cash. I wouldn't have taken the lot if they'd given it to me without charge at all."

"The agent offered me a lot actually on top of a hill. It was an \$1,100 lot and the man said I could apply the true value of my lot, \$190, on the lot I wanted. It was a wasted trip."

Almost every Killen citizen who attended the State Fair last October received similar letters last week, the Temple Telegram reported.

State Fair officials said legal proceedings would be taken against the exhibitor, if an attempt to defraud was disclosed.

General Groves Testifies



Grave-faced, Lt. Gen. Leslie R. Groves talks to reporters about his testimony before the Joint Congressional Atomic Energy Committee. The wartime director of the Army's atomic bomb project said that a top British scientist's alleged espionage may have given Russia "well over a year's advantage" in developing an A-Bomb. The Russians "got more help than I imagined," Groves said.

Cripple Admits Killing Circus Worker In 1948

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—A crippled circus "drifter" told San Antonio police today how he killed a fellow circus employe in Missouri by running over him with a truck because "he was always calling me 'cripp'."

The cripple, identified by police as J. Wilson McMichen, 37, of Charleston W. Va., signed a "formal confession today a few hours after he voluntarily surrendered to officers Joe Newman and Steve Salas last night, saying:

"I have a guilty conscience. I want to talk to a police officer. At headquarters, McMichen said he killed his victim, a man he knew only as "butch," in October, 1948, by running over him with a circus truck in a small town near Springfield, Mo.

He said that "Butch" always called him "Cripzn" and that the nickname made him mad.

In his confession, he related how he spotted the victim asleep on the ground rolled up in a wrestling mat, as he helped load the circus on a train. Only "Butch's" head was visible, McMichen said.

"I don't know what hit me," the cripple said, "but I thought to myself that he had been acting smart and that 'this is where I'll finish you up.'"

McMichen told how he backed up his truck and "then I decided to run over Butch's head."

He said he missed his target, but that the left wheel of the truck passed over the victim's body.

He said he loaded the body on a circus wagon, which was then placed on a train where it later discovered.

FIRST STEP TAKEN TO GET COURT TO ORDER MINERS BACK ON JOBS

Three Men Held In Cisco Theft

Charges of burglary were to be filed in Eastland today against two youths from Dallas and a third man from Ranger.

The three were arrested on the west outskirts of Eastland Saturday morning an hour after the loss of money bags containing \$100 in coins was reported to Cisco police.

Deputy Sheriff Bill Solomon and Constable Bill Pence, who arrested the three on suspicion of another burglary, said the money, two pistols, and blackjack were found in the men's car.

Sheriff J. B. Williams said the Dallas youths are 16 and 22 years old. The Ranger man is 24 years old. They were being held in the Eastland County jail.

Mrs. Van Gardenhire reported the money missing from her home in south Cisco. It was the third burglary in Cisco in a week. The Thornton Feed Store and the A&P Food Store were entered the night of Feb. 1.

Punk Thornton (owner of the feed store, said an estimated \$1,000 was taken from the safe, Chester Parham, A&P manager, said 35 to 50 cartons of cigarettes, 6 or 8 hams, and 72 pounds of bacon were missing after burglars entered the store.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP)—President Truman today invoked the Taft-Hartley Law in a first step toward getting a Federal Court to order 400,000 striking coal miners back to work.

BY LAURENCE GONDER
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP)—Democratic congressional leaders said after a conference with President Truman today that the chief executive had authorized them to say that he will use "the law," obviously the Taft-Hartley law in the coal strike.

"The President said he is going to enforce the law" House Speaker Sam Rayburn said.

Asked whether this meant the Taft-Hartley law, Rayburn said "he said 'the law' and that is the law he has."

Rayburn said he was authorized by Mr. Truman to make this statement.

Asked whether he got the impression from the President that the Chief Executive would act today, Rayburn merely shook his head and walked away.

However, it was believed that Mr. Truman would act today. John L. Lewis' 400,000 United Mine Worker Union members have begun a full fledged strike.

Mr. Truman's first step would be to invoke the emergency provisions of the Taft-Hartley and set up a fact-finding board. It would have no immediate effect in getting the miners back to work. That would take at least a week.

Rayburn said that while coal was discussed in the regular legislative conference this morning, there was no mention of government seizure of the mines under the so called "inherent" powers of the president.

With the nation's coal stockpiles down to a 15 day supply in the dead of winter, government officials feared that many industries will be forced to close down or curtail their operations drastically unless full coal production is restored soon.

Mr. Truman's aides said the president was "reluctant" to use the politically-distasteful Republican-sponsored labor management law but has exhausted all other possible solutions of a three-man board to investigate the eight months old contract dispute. Once the board reports back to the president, Mr. Truman could seek a court injunction putting the miners back to work for about 80 days.

White House sources said Mr. Truman already has asked three private citizens to serve on a fact-finding panel. They are: David L. Cole, Paterson, N. J., Labor Relations Expert; John Dunlop of Harvard University; and W. Willard Wirtz, Northwestern University professor and former chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board.

Cole said in Paterson last night that the White House would have an announcement at noon, EST, today. He said Mr. Truman had asked him to be "available" as board chairman, and that he would be glad to serve.

White House aides described Mr. Truman's "reluctant" use of the Republican-sponsored labor management law. He had tried to resolve the dispute outside the statute, by proposing that Lewis and the industry agree to resume "normal coal production" for 70 days while a special presidential board investigated and made settlement recommendations.

The industry accepted but Lewis flatly refused.

The UMW president wrote Mr. Truman that the United Mine Workers Union "does not wish three strangers... to fix their wages, decree their working conditions, define their living standards and limit the educational opportunities of their children."

County Girls Basketball Tourney Set

Every school in the county will be represented for the first time in the annual Eastland County Girls Basketball Tournament, which will be held in Gorman, Feb. 9, 10 and 11.

Eastland and Ranger are entering teams for the first time. Other entries include: Rising Star, Desdemona, Carbon, Olden, Cisco, Scranton and Gorman.

Pairing for the opening of the tournament on Thursday, Feb. 9, follows: Rising Star and Ranger, 2:15; Scranton and Eastland, 3:15; Olden and Cisco, 6:45; Desdemona and Carbon, 8 P. M. The consolation winner will be determined Saturday night at 7 o'clock, with the championship game set at 8:30.

Quartet Will Perform For CC Banquet

A quartet of local men will perform on the program at the annual Eastland Chamber of Commerce banquet Thursday night, Feb. 16, at the roof garden of the Hotel Connelley, H. J. Tanner, secretary-manager, announced.

The quartet will be composed of Pat Miller, Billy Frost, Robert L. Clinton and James Murphy.

Principal speaker will be D. A. Huley, president of Lone Star Gas Company at Dallas.

V. L. Seaberry will be master of ceremonies.

Wilcox Assumes New Duties With Grimes Brothers

R. T. (Dick) Wilcox, formerly parts manager, has assumed duties as outside salesman for Grimes Brothers Truck and Tractor Company of Eastland.

Wilcox who has been with the firm since it was established about two years ago, will contact farmers in the Eastland County area.

MEDIATION CONFERENCES BOOKED ON PHONE STRIKE

NEW YORK, Feb. 6. (UP)—The government's chief labor mediators meet today with top company and union officials in an effort to head off a coast-to-coast telephone strike scheduled for 6 A. M. (local time) on Wednesday.

A high government official in Washington said Cyrus Ching, head of the Federal Mediation Service, would ask the Communicators workers of America (CIO) to postpone its threatened 100,000 man walkout for two weeks.

Ching, who conferred over the weekend with high officials of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., said it was impossible to negotiate a settlement before the strike deadline.

The Union was reported ready to agree to the truce although Union officials refused to predict publicly how they could act on Ching's request.

The government source said Ching would request the two-week delay today or tomorrow unless an unexpected break comes in the deadlock with the Bell system over

Union demands for higher, shorter hours, and improved working conditions.

The Union claimed the strike would idle more than 300,000 telephone workers, because an additional 200,000 would refuse to cross picket lines to be set up around exchanges in cities across the country.

Ching's top assistant, William M. Margolis again sat in on key conferences between the Western Electric Co., a subsidiary of A. T. & T. and Union spokesmen for its 16,000 salesmen and equipment installers.

The Union has made similar demands throughout the country for "substantial" wage increases, quicker pay promotions, elimination of wage differentials, and shorter hours.

The nationwide average earnings of telephone plant men totaled \$70.35 a week and switchboard operators \$46.35 a week, and Bell system employes "enjoy one of the most comprehensive benefit and pension plans ever offered to any industrial group," a company spokesman said.

Coronation Ceremony Set Here Tonight

In a colorful coronation ceremony, Larry Fallis and Janell Day will be crowned king and queen of Eastland High School tonight at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

An interesting program will be given in connection with the coronation. Immediately following the ceremony, a school party will be held in the gymnasium.

"THE ROCKET" Is Easy On The Pocket Osborne Motor Co. Eastland

Edwin George Struck By Train, Hurt Seriously

Edwin George of Ranger was injured about 2 o'clock this afternoon when the pickup in which he was riding was struck by the east bound Eagle at the Main Street crossing of Texas and Pacific railway in Ranger.

Exact extent of his injuries had not been determined at press time but it was rumored that he had been seriously injured. Attending physicians were still working with him as this story was written and had not issued any definite information. He was taken to the West Texas Hospital.

Cozees In Detroit On Business Trip

George D. Cozee, employed by Dean Motor Company, Kaiser-Frazer dealers for Eastland, and wife are in Detroit, Mich., inspecting the new Kaiser-Frazer line of automobiles.

Scout Week Underway

National Boy Scout Week opens today and will continue through Sunday, Feb. 12, with a number of local observances planned. W. B. (Buck) Pickens, local chairman and member of the executive board of the Comanche Trail Council, announced.

Climaxing the activities will be Scout Sunday with all the Eastland Scouts and leaders to attend church in a group.

This year, the Scouts will go to the Church of Christ for the morning worship.

Various Scouting units will have displays in downtown business windows.

The Scouts will be expected to wear the official uniform during the week.

West Texas Chiropractors Meet Sunday

Chiropractors from 66 West Texas counties, including Eastland County, will gather Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Hotel Settles in Big Spring for a meeting of District 4 of the Texas State Chiropractic Association.

Speakers on the program will include Dr. H. H. Kennedy of Longview, association president; Dr. J. C. Shipman of Abilene, Association vice-president; Dr. R. S. Florence of Tyler, Dr. Joe Busby of Abilene, and Dr. Charles E. Courtion of San Angelo, members of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners; Dr. J. Dow Scott of Midland, district president; and Harold Steck of Big Spring.

Dr. C. T. Tinkham is arranging the program and is making plans to accommodate more than 100 chiropractors. The district extends to Brownwood on the east, El Paso on the west, the Rio Grande on the south and the lower south plains on the north.

Dr. Kennedy is expected to reveal the stand of chiropractors of Texas in regard to the expansion program proposed for State hospitals, now being considered by the Legislature, while the three licensing board members are expected to discuss the progress made to date by the Board since its creation five months ago.

Warm Weather Today, Tomorrow

Warmer temperatures today and tomorrow were forecast for most of Texas.

No rain was reported over the entire state during the past 24 hours. However, a fog bank settled over central Texas early today slowing early morning traffic in several cities.

At Houston, heavy fog which settled at 7 A. M. reduced visibility to one-eighth of a mile and halted air traffic. Police reported numerous minor traffic accidents during the early morning but no serious injuries resulted.

A number of other cities, including San Antonio and Big Spring reported a very light blanket of fog which was expected to lift during the morning.

Temperatures during the past 24 hours ranged from a very balmy 80 at Presidio to a low of 35 at Salt Flat. Austin had a maximum of 61 while a high minimum of 65 was reported at Galveston.

Elsewhere temperatures ranged in the 40's in the Panhandle and in the 50's over the rest of the state.

Temperatures at mid-morning were Lufkin, 65, Corpus Christi 64, San Antonio 59, Dallas 60, Brownville 56, Fort Worth 55, Abilene 56.

The Trinity River in Dallas was at 28.1 feet at mid-morning and was still falling. Flood stage is 28 feet.

Scout Jamboree Set June 30

A Scout City larger in population than the capitals of eighteen of our states will rise overnight next June 30th when more than forty thousands Scouts and Scouters from every corner of the land will gather for the Second National Scout Jamboree. This Jamboree to be held at Valley Forge will mark the Fortieth Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and serve to further the Scout Crusade to "Strengthen THE ARM OF LIBERTY" which is the national Scout theme for 1949 and 1950.

The Jamboree City will be the World's biggest Scout Camp and will be teeming with activity as Scouts from California mingle with Scouts from Maine, Texas Scouts meet their brother Scouts from Minnesota, an inspiring, exciting picture of Scouting ideals in action.

Comanche Trail Council will send two troops of 36 Scouts and three leaders each, as its representatives at this gathering at America's shrine of Liberty. Scouts to go will be chosen by the Troop to which they belong and all registrations for the Jamboree must be made through the Council office at Brownwood. Yes, a city will rise overnight and it will remain an unforgettable experience for all who live in it. The 1950 National Jamboree is the greatest event in the history of the greatest boy's organization in the world, and it is a stirring demonstration of the amazing vitality and great accomplishment of the Scouting Movement.

Dan White Held At Palo Pinto

PALO PINTO, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—Dan White, under death sentence in the slaying of a Stephenville filling station operator, was held here today following his transfer from the Stephenville jail.

White recently lost an appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals, which upheld the death sentence given him for complicity in the holdup-slaying Jan. 28, of Crockett Ross.

Charles Nordyke, attorney for White, said he planned to file a motion for re-hearing when he receives a copy of the opinion by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Robert Bagwill, 17, was convicted of the slaying of Ross and is now serving a life sentence.

Gordon Clark Receives Degree

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 6 (SpI)—Gordon Stanley Clark of Eastland received his Bachelor of Science degree, in Agricultural Education, School of Agriculture, Texas A. and M. College, at the January graduation.

Olden Defeats Desdemona To Win 17-B Tournament

Olden edged out Desdemona, 80 to 26, to win the District 17-B boys' basketball tournament Saturday night in the Gorman gymnasium.

In winning the tournament, Olden became eligible to play Desdemona in a two of three series to determine which team will advance to the bi-district play-off. The first of this series will be played Wednesday night at Desdemona.

The championship game was a fast one, with Olden taking the lead after three minutes of play when Edwards dropped one in from the center of the court. Desdemona then started long passes across the court with Holt of Olden breaking them up as they got underway, stopping Desdemona's scoring attempts. Holt took two bullet passes under the goal for four additional points, placing Olden in the lead with six points after five minutes of play. Desdemona took a time out period and when play was resumed, they dropped in a free pitch and made two long shots for four more

CIO Gains Over AFL in Texas

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP)—CIO unions today showed an organizational gain over the American Federation of Labor in Texas as during the final three months of 1949.

The National Labor Relations Board reported in its statistical summary on the last quarter of last year that CIO unions won 18 collective bargaining elections during the period, compared to 13 for the AFL.

Figures showed that 2,478 votes were cast in 41 collective bargaining elections, with 1,290 going to the CIO.

In nine other bargaining elections, four were won by independent unions, four were for "no union," and the result of one was not yet known.

Other players on the Olden team were Langston, Essary, Rowch and Warren. Balance of the Desdemona team were: Bozell, Beatty, Pack, and Lewis.

Following the championship game, Supt. Truman Beard of Gorman presented gold basketballs to the all-district players as follows: Holt and Edwards, Olden; Paek and Griffith, Desdemona; Hallmark, Gorman. Rawls of Gorman received a gold medal for the sportsmanship award.

In a preliminary event, the Olden girls easily defeated the Gorman team, 27 to 7.

For Good Used Cars (Trade-ins on the new Olds) Osborne Motor Company, Eastland

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

BAYTOWN, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—Arno J. Enderli, 36, died yesterday of injuries received when his car overturned near here, pinning him under the vehicle. Investigators said Enderli lost control of the automobile before the accident.

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The CAMEO

By Virginia Teale

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A BLAST from the pistol reverberated through the room and Reddy heard the sound of shattering pottery behind him. From his crouching position he made a blind tackle at Tom O'Neill's legs and heard Tom grunt as he hit the brick floor. Once more Reddy encountered Tom's astonishing strength as the older man thrashed around beneath him. He grabbed frantically for Tom's right arm. The gun thundered again. This time Reddy could feel the vibration of its mechanism under his hand—the hand locked around Tom's wrist.
Reddy let go of the suddenly limp muscles. The cold sweat of horror began to drain from his pores as, for a second or two, he stared down at the red pulp that had been Tom's face.
Backing away, he stumbled over the broken figurine and looked down at it stupidly. The blue clay, and what it had concealed, were without significance now. Reddy sagged against the work bench, staring at its untidy collection of objects that, unexplainably, had assumed the mute poignancy of a dead child's toys.
Gradually, a distant pounding seeped into his consciousness. He took note of it numbly—somebody at Tom's front door. A louder sound, now, a splintering, tearing sound.
Chief Peters surged into the room. "Charlie! Did he get you? We heard the shots—he broke off as his eyes found Tom O'Neill."
Trotter came up behind him, followed by a patrolman.
Peters took off his hat. "Murderer and all that," he mumbled, "but, in some ways, O'Neill was a likable old boy."
Peters nodded. "Good thing. I mean, good thing he blew his own head off instead of going for you." He pointed to a streak of blood on Reddy's jacket. "What's that? You—nicked somebody?"

1.99 Acre Tract Pays School Fund \$260,384.91

A tract of 1.99 acres in Pecos County has proved to be the most lucrative of any state school lands figures released by Land Commissioner Bascom Giles reveal.
This tiny tract in the Yates pool has netted the state public school permanent fund \$260,384.91, or \$131,176.28 per acre, since it was first leased on March 26, 1934.
Another tract in Pecos County of 1,767.50 acres, is the second biggest royalty earner. Commissioner Giles' tabulations show. The lease has paid in \$3,044,628.95 since December 28, 1923 as compared with total royalties of \$3,248,120.07 received from an 84-acre tract in Gregg County, in the Sabine River bed.
The oldest lease is still producing. A 90-acre tract near Goose Creek in Harris County, first leased on April 22, 1931, paid in \$5,770.25 in January, and has totaled \$1,253,253.13 in its 36 years of operation.
"We have executed other leases in the past ten years which in time will equal or exceed these figures," Giles declared.
Spokane, Wash., was the first large American city to abandon the use of street cars as a municipal conveyance. They were replaced by buses in 1936.

Money Bags Not From Big Holdup

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—Two canvas money bags found in a Shamrock hotel room were not involved in the Brinks, Inc., robbery although they resembled the kind taken in the \$1,500,000 hold up at Boston, FBI spokesmen said today.
Galen N. Willis, FBI agent in charge, said the bags were legitimately used by the owner.
Shamrock hotel officials and the FBI refused to talk yesterday after word leaked out that a maid had found the money bags. One was stamped, "Philadelphia Reserve Bank." The other had no label.
Willis said late last night that a thorough investigation disclosed that the bags belonged to a man who registered at the hotel and did not figure in the Jan. 17 robbery.
The holdup was the largest cash robbery in the nation's history.



HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—Funeral services were set here today for Mrs. J. O. McPherson, 51, who died at her home here yesterday.

Mrs. McPherson was the wife of the production superintendent of the Houston District of the Sun Oil Co.
She was a native of Saratoga, Tex., but had lived here 20 years.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—Mrs. Margaret Duggan, one of Houston's oldest citizens, died here yesterday at the age of 96.
Last rites will be Tuesday morning.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—The sheriff's department hunted today for a mutilated telephone pole and the two young men who tri-sected it.
Deputies E. O. Hardy and J. Findley saw the men park their car beside the pole and then go to work with a double-bladed saw. Before the deputies could stop them, they put the three pieces in their pickup and sped away.

TOMORROW'S MAN?—The classical influence predominates in this conception of what the "Man of Tomorrow" may wear. The creation by Tina Leser was exhibited at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art. Besides the plaid skirt, there were backless, collarless, tail-less shirts with ruffled sleeves and pleated bosoms among the things women think men will wear in the future.

denly white face—unfortunately, met with a fatal accident. It was assumed that Madame Serenov, who had fled to America, carried with her the knowledge of where the jewels were hidden. A certain personage, who later was questioned by the new government, suggested that Mme. Serenov's famous cameo locket contained the information that was sought.
Yakov's voice trailed off as he finished with: "I have merely been searching for information which would enable the Russian treasury to obtain new and much-needed resources. This I did because of certain obligations which remain behind me in the mother country."
"This Dr. Ulrich probably has 'em all safe and sound at St. Petersburg College!" Hagar decided.
Yakov shook his head. "Dr. Ulrich was—I believe the popular term is, liquidated—in 1939."

TROTTER returned his pipe to the leather pouch. "What do you think is the significance of the special edition of 'The Cherry Orchard' mentioned in the paper?"
Yakov gave a slight shrug. "That also, has been wheeling through my mind like a canopied cart. It would be unlikely that there would be a special bound edition of a single play—the work would not be of sufficient importance to occupy an entire edition. I think, perhaps, that this very fact signifies that the book would not be what it appeared. Something which seemed to be an elaborately bound book, perhaps the type with a little lock across the pages, could, in reality, be something else. A fine little casket in which the Orloff bracelets and rings and brooches and unset gems could rest quite snugly. So? It could quite possibly be that Dr. Ulrich's special edition of Mr. Ulrich's play could be worth the disproportionate sum of 5,000,000, rubles. Undoubtedly, however, Dr. Ulrich took care that this fabulous book was safely hidden away before he was brought to trial." Yakov sighed. "The quest will go on, but this time I shall not be among the hunters."
(To Be Continued)

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Believe Five Dead In Fire

EUREKA, Mont., Feb. 6(UP)—A flight of 12 charred steps was all that remained today of the Montana Hotel, destroyed yesterday by a flash fire that claimed four and possibly five lives.
Four bodies were recovered from the ruins of the two-story frame building. A search was underway for the fifth, William Peterson, a Great Northern Railway worker. Coroner Roy Liven-good said there was "no chance" he survived.
The other dead were Ed La-France, about 60, hotel clerk; Charles Cameron, 74, a farmer; and John Powell and Delano Grayson, members of the Browning, Mont., high school basketball team.
Five guests suffered minor burns and cuts.
It was the second major fire in this small town in three days. Two buildings were destroyed Thursday night.
Firemen believed the hotel fire began with the explosion of an oil burner in the basement, apparently about 3 A. M.
"It went up like a dry box of tinder," said Helen Schagel, 39, who lives nearby.
The hotel building also housed the postoffice, a bar and five apartments, in addition to 20 sleeping rooms. It was not known just how many people were in the hotel when the fire broke out.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6 (UP)—An explosion blasted the home of racketeering boss Mickey Cohen early today, tearing out his bedroom wall and breaking windows in homes within a three-quarter mile radius.
West Los Angeles police said neither Cohen nor any members of his family were injured.
The blast occurred about 6:20 A. M. CST and was felt at the West Los Angeles police station three miles away.
One man living across the street from the Cohen home reported he was blown out of bed.
It blew out 20 feet of wall along the front bedroom, exposing a closet full of Cohen's natty suits. The foundation was cracked and in place huge pieces of cement were torn out.
Cohen told investigators he and his wife were sleeping in the back bedroom and so escaped almost certain death. He said his expensive burglar alarm sounded immediately before the explosion.
Investigators said they could find no fragments of any bomb and that they had no idea what explosive was used. They were hampered in their search by cloudy skies and a steady drizzle of rain.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER



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BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



ALLEY OOP



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Accidental Death Verdict Returned

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 6 (UP)—A coroner's verdict of accidental death was returned yesterday in the fatal shooting of Darrell Ray Croft, 16.
Croft died Saturday night after apparently stumbling on a .22 caliber rifle when he tried to cross a fence near his home at Kennedale.
A .22 caliber bullet struck him in the chest.
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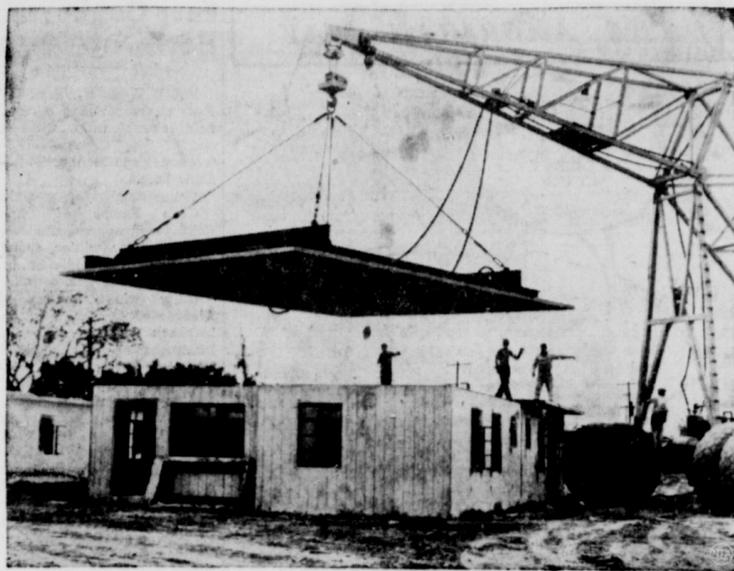
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Two Galveston Men Missing

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 6 Two Galveston men missing since Friday morning today are believed to be lost in Galveston Bay.

The men were identified by a spokesman at the Fort Point Guard Station as Steve Frankos and Mike Sevdalis, operators of a liquor store.

The U. S. Coast Guard has been conducting a search since Friday when Nick Tsermengos, the spokesman, expressed alarm over their absence.

Tsermengos told the Coast

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Ministers Play Actress, Lover

Numerous ministers throughout the country devoted their Sunday sermons to strong criticism of Ingrid Bergman and her lover, Roberto Rossellini.

At Los Angeles, the Rev. George Davidson of St. John's Episcopal Church said "... the actions of Ingrid Bergman are a stench in the nostrils of decent people, and it is a disgrace to the finer sensibilities of womenhood."

"Her actions are in defiance of all Christian ideals of marriage and the sanctity of the home," Davidson said.

Movie stars attending the Hollywood Presbyterian Church, heard Dr. Louis B. Evans warn: "The ten commandments apply to all Christians no matters what their profession may be."

The Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach, Rector of Christ and St. Michael's Episcopal of Philadelphia, said Miss Bergman and another actress "leaves behind them in dirt, muck, innuendoes and gossip of their unconventional, immoral behavior."

He said theatres which show their pictures "should be boycotted out of existence."

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale of

Texan Claims She Is Mother Of Actress

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 6 (UP)—A woman who claims she is the mother of child actress Lora Lee Michel said today the tiny film player was taken from her and adopted by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Michel without her consent.

Mrs. Lena Wilson Brunson, Nederland, Texas, told Juvenile Authorities she knew nothing of her daughter's whereabouts until she saw the \$500-a-week actress in the movie "Good Sam" in 1947.

Even then she did not know where Lora Lee was until she read

accounts of Mrs. Michel's recent arrest on charges of mistreating the child, Mrs. Brunson said.

Mrs. Michel, 55, was accused of beating the girl because she was "eating too much" and becoming too large to play child roles. She depled the charge.

Lora Lee has appeared in 19 movies since 1947.

Mrs. Brunson said that although her name appeared on adoption papers drawn by the Michels in 1945, she never signed them. She said her former husband apparently consented to the adoption.

"I want my baby home with me," she said. "That means more to me than all the movies and all the money ever made."

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Guard he and the men bought a boat at Kemah. Frankos and Sevdalis went to Kemah Friday morning to get it.

He became concerned when they failed to return to the Guard Station several hours later.

Tsermengos said the missing boat is a light craft cabin cruiser

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Annual Sweetheart Banquet Set For Thursday Night

The Rev. D. C. Ham of Ranger will be the principal speaker at the Red-Red Rose Sweetheart banquet Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M. The annual affair is sponsored by the First Baptist Training Union and will be in the fellowship room of the First Baptist Church.

Travis Wheat will be the master of ceremonies.

An interesting program is being arranged by Mrs. E. C. Inzer. Decorations are being prepared by Mesdames E. E. Bradford, E. M. Pritchard, Owen Merriman and Miss Betty Allison. Foods committee members are Mesdames J. C. Allison, Owen Merriman, P. A. Cox, Charlie Butler and John Williams.

Job Was Steady
FRAMINGHAM, Mass. (UP)—Harry A. Chandler has what looks to be a steady job. Chandler, now 90, is still on the job at the Denison Manufacturing Co. factory where he went to work in February, 1874.

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Members of the executive council of the Olden P-TA were requested to be present for a meeting Thursday at 2:30 P. M. in the P-TA cottage. Mrs. Jim Everett president, announced and urged all officers to be present.

Personals

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Miss Sue Ann Duncan, student at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene was the guest Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Layton and son Charles.

Mrs. Ruth Poe Herring accompanied by Miss Lela Latch, Mrs. Joe Clements of Cisco and Mrs. George Cote of Abilene spent the week-end in Fort Worth, where they attended the Fat Stock Show.

Misses Betty and Nancy Harkrider, who have been students at North Texas State College this past semester will not return to the Denton School. Betty has accepted a position as secretary to Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins and Nancy will attend Ranger Junior College and serve as part time secretary at the Red Cross office here.

The girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harkrider.

Mrs. Mary Oglesby returned to her home here Sunday after having visited with daughters in Midland and Odessa for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Conard Reeves and daughter Randa, of Midland, visited over the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elon Reeves.

J. B. and Sam Johnson visited in Fort Worth in the home of their sister, Mrs. Edwell Bogaty, and Mr. Bogaty Sunday for the celebration of the 75th birthday of their mother, Mrs. W. E. Johnson. Also present was their father, who has been ill but is now improved enough to return to his home today. Robert Johnson, a brother of the Eastland men, who resides in Fort Worth was also with the group.

Peggy McFarland, student at North Texas State College at Denton returned to school Sunday after having visited here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McFarland.

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Eastland telegram personals
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Durham and son Norman visited Saturday night with relatives in Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. Fess Parker of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. John Parker and little son of De Leon visited here Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Parker.

Mrs. Ruth Connor of Marlin visited here Sunday and attended services at the First Baptist Church.

Guests here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Warren are their daughters, Mrs. Richard H. Rainey and children, Jan and Sammy, who have been making their home in Waurika, Okla. They will join their husband and father in Canada next week where he has been transferred by his company.

Mrs. Sam McDuffey of Colorado City a guest in the Warren home, is their younger daughter.

Reds Resume On-Off Blockade

BERLIN, Feb. 6 (UP)—The Russians resumed their on-and-off truck blockade of Berlin today amid reports that German Communists plan to seize the West Berlin government next May 28. The first Communist-sponsored violence of the year erupted in Western Berlin yesterday when 300 French sector police clashed with 100 Communist demonstrators who tried to hold a forbidden meeting. Thirty Communists were arrested.

Western Allied officials said they were all set to meet the Communists if they tried to seize power in the western sector as German socialist leader Kurt Schumacher said they were planning to do.

The Putsch, Schumacher said, has been planned for Sunday, May 28, during a gigantic Communist youth rally announced last month by Gerhard Eisler, former Communist agent in the U. S. and now East German minister of information.

Eisler announced that 500,000 members of the Communist youth movement from East Germany, Russia, and 11 other Communist-dominated countries would hold a meeting in Berlin between May 27 and May 30.

THE AMERICAN WAY



A Bear, Not A Bull, By The Tail

Believe Robbery Slaying Motive

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 6 (UP)—The murderer who killed Mrs. Flora H. Bryan on her 85th birthday probably had "extortion or robbery" in mind, officers said today.

Mrs. Bryan was found dead in her little three-room cottage at the edge of town yesterday when relatives and friends arrived to hold a celebration in honor of her birthday Saturday.

The aged woman had been stabbed to death. A five-inch hunting knife had been plunged into her chest to the hilt. The body lay in a puddle of blood.

A statewide search was begun today for a 17-year-old soldier, Tommy Ellis Alias William Powers, stationed at Fort Riley, Kans.

A newsboy told police he saw Ellis near Mrs. Bryan's home Saturday. Ellis' sister lives across the street from Mrs. Bryan. The sister's husband, Robert Smith, identified the death knife as his. He said it was stolen from his

house while he was away Saturday.

Deputy Sheriff Wilbur Hildreth said it had been rumored that Mrs. Bryan kept \$500 in cash in her home.

He believed the killer had slain her for the money or had attempted to force her to disclose where she had it hidden.

"Mrs. Bryan apparently knew her murder as an acquaintance or friend," Hildreth said.

"It looks as though she admitted him to the house without question," he said.

Lawyer Team
MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., (UP)—When Vincent M. Dunn lays down the law to his wife, Betty Jane, she throws it right back at him. The DUNNs received their law degrees together, and both are in practice.

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Four Cowboys, Horse Are Champs

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 6 Four cowboys and a horse today held championship titles at the end of the 54th Annual Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show here.

Gene Rambo of Shandon, Calif., took honors of all-around cowboy, after winter championships in the saddle bronc and calf roping contests.

Other winners were Eddie Akridge of Gruver, Tex., in the bareback bronc riding; Bill Linderman of Red Lodge, Mont., in steer wrestling; and Jim Shoulders of Tulsa, Okla., in brahman bull riding.

Jessie James, a horse owned by E. P. Waggoner of Fort Worth and ridden by Willis Bennett, took honors in the cutting horse contest.

The 10-day show drew an attendance of more than 100,000 persons despite wet and freezing weather the last few days, officials said.

Funeral For Couple Pending

AMARILLO, Feb. 6 (UP)—Funeral arrangements were not complete today for Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Smith, a middle-aged couple found dead in their home yesterday.

They had not been seen since last Monday. Their bodies were



REEL DOLL—Angling from the Northshore Yacht Club dock, Miami, Fla., is Josephine Bonilla. The fishing queen for 1950, she is to reign during the Metropolitan Miami Fishing Tournament.

discovered in a living room, where a gas fire was burning, by neighbors.

A coroner's verdict of death by asphyxiation was returned.

Amarillo Man Injured In Crash

TULSA, Okla. Feb. 6 (UP)—Allen Gentry Hawkins, 37, of (1837 Polk) Amarillo, Tex., was hospitalized here today with injuries received when his Cessna 140 airplane crash landed last night near Barnsdall, Okla., in Orange County. His condition was described as "not serious."

The highway patrol said witnesses reported Hawkins apparently was trying to land his plane on a field one mile north of Barnsdall when it hit telephone lines and landed on a railroad track. Hawkins was enroute to Tulsa from Springfield, Mo.

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