

MISSISSIPPI BREAKS 107 YEAR RECORD IN FLOODING MISSOURI

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., July 23 (UP)—The highest Mississippi River flood crest in 107 years past this unprotected city today and muddy water crept unhindered over a two-mile waterfront section.

Fifty families whose dwellings were invaded by the Mississippi fled their homes.

The river stood at 42 feet at 5:30 a.m. CST. It was expected to remain at about that level during the next two days, then slowly recede.

About one-third of the business district was under water, but several stores remained open for business.

The first two streets paralleling the river were flooded.

The city with a population of 21,500 has no levees to keep the waters of the Mississippi at bay.

"There isn't much we can do," one resident said. "We know the crest is coming and we just let it come."

Two feet of water covered the first floor of the Montgomery Ward store, but the management kept the store open for business by directing customers up an improvised ramp to the second floor.

A miniature dike was built around the Woolworth store to hold back some of the water. Planks were laid between counters to keep customers off the flooded floors.

The city was the last major population center in the path of the Mississippi crest as it swept toward the Gulf of Mexico.

To the north, Army engineers said that 26,500 acres of farmland were in critical danger of flooding.

Recurring levee spots in the Chouteau Island levee on the Illinois side of the Mississippi opposite St. Louis were plugged by 400 volunteers who joined 300 soldiers fighting to bolster the dike.

The levee protects 3,000 acres of farmland.

The record crest swept past St. Louis yesterday at 40.28 feet, the highest since 1844, leaving damage estimated at \$15,000,000 including \$3,000,000 to industry along the water front.

At Perry County, Mo., about 30 miles of levee, a force of 900 workers fought to reinforce levees protecting 23,500 acres of farmland on the Missouri side of the river.

A 24-hour patrol was established along a 36-mile stretch of the river between Mitchell and Dupon, Ill.

Officials said the bottomland area would remain in a critical danger spot until the river level dropped to at least 37 feet.

The death toll in the Missouri-Kansas-Illinois area attributed to the floods rose to 40 when Cape Girardeau police reported that Roy McCombs was missing and presumed drowned after he disappeared while swimming in the flood waters covering Williams Street.

For the most part, residents of Cape Girardeau said they were

pretty resigned to the recurring floods which have plagued this city.

"We're getting used to it," one police officer said. "There's always talk about building a levee when the floods come, but after they're gone it all dies down again."

"But I think after this one, they'll do something about it. We're getting pretty fed up with it."

Transportation in the downtown area was provided by water taxis which customarily are put into service during times of flood. Overall estimates of damage in the three-state flood were set at \$1,000,000,000, with most of it caused by the rampaging Missouri River which later poured into the Mississippi swelling it to flood stage.

Most of metropolitan St. Louis escaped the murky flood waters, with damage confined for the most part to the river front area.

However, 50,000 acres of land at the juncture of the Missouri and Mississippi were flooded.

River traffic was halted when water crept into operating machinery on the main river lock at Alton, Ill.

The twin cities of Kansas City, Kan., and Kansas City, Mo., which bore the brunt of the "Black Friday" the 13th overflow of the Missouri and Kansas Rivers, were hard at work cleaning up the muck left by the receding waters.

Oil and gasoline fires still burned where the flood had shattered storage tanks.

2000 Doctors In Houston

HOUSTON, July 23 (UP)—Some 2,000 Texas Physicians and Surgeons opened the 17th Annual Postgraduate Medical Assembly of South Texas at the Shamrock Hotel today.

At the convention, a refresher course for practicing doctors, delegates will hear 21 medical scientists from all parts of the nation deliver papers covering every field of medical science.

The doctors will be brought up to date on subjects ranging from Asthma and Diabetes to the latest in the treatment of common diseases and use of Acth in surgery.

Dr. E. T. Wolf of Houston is president of this year's assembly and Dr. Frank H. Lancaster, also of Houston, is incoming president. The convention ends Wednesday night.

More Payments On Water Bill

Two more advance payments on water meter assessments were made Saturday, I. C. Heck, city manager, has announced.

Making payments were Mrs. John D. McRae, \$12; and Mrs. Pearl Bourland, \$6, bringing the total advance payments \$920 through Saturday.

All funds go to the Eastland Memorial Hospital. Those who do not make advance payments will have the amount of \$1 per month on their water bills for the three year period. Heck stated that advance payments may be made for any length of time, and as long as the individual is paid in advance the assessment will not be put on his bill.

Spain Will Send Students To US

WASHINGTON, July 23 (UP)—Spain will send some military students to the United States to study at Annapolis and West Point.

The Defense Department, confirming reports that such a plan was in the works, refused to reveal how many Spanish youths would study in this country or how they would be divided between the two service academies.

However, informed sources said the students probably would be part of a program now being set up under which students of various North Atlantic Pact Nations will train at the schools.

The action was viewed as one of the early results of talks held in Madrid between the late Adm. Forrest P. Sherman, Chief of Naval operations and Gen. Francisco Franco.



WE'RE STAYING—Standing knee deep in Missouri River water, which flooded his West Alton, Mo., home, Romert A. Stalmsmith and his son prepare to eat breakfast. Stalmsmith, father of 14 children decided to wait until flood water subsides after shipping wife and children to safety. (NEA Telephoto).

Waitress Kills Partner After 'Doing Town'

HOUSTON, July 23 (UP)—A 24-year-old nightclub waitress, Mrs. Nelma Frederick, was free on a \$750 bond today after the fatal shooting of 26-year-old Lee Andrew Sears with whom she had "made the town" a few hours before the killing.

Sears was shot with a .22 caliber rifle as he stood near a cabin he occupied.

Mrs. Frederick admitted the shooting and said it came after several hours of arguing during which Sears struck her several times.

In a written statement to police, Mrs. Frederick said she and Sears once lived together. She said she met him again Saturday night in a bar and they made a night of it before going to his cabin, where they drank beer. She said an argument broke out.

She said Sears accused her of taking some money from him and grabbed \$80 from her purse. According to her statement, Sears struck her several times with his fist, then she went to her husband's home, got a .22 rifle and returned to Sears' cabin.

She said she went in and asked him to give her the money he had taken out of her purse and he refused.

Mrs. Frederick told police she walked to the taxi that had brought her to the cabin from her home and Sears followed her. She said she got the rifle and shot him when he got about three feet from the cab.

The taxi driver then drove Mrs. Frederick to the police station where she surrendered.

Convair Man Killed By Electric Wire

FORT WORTH, July 23 (UP)—Henry J. Schlabs, 31-year-old foreman at Convair was killed yesterday when he came in contact with a live electric wire while working on some wiring under his house.

His body was discovered by a son, David, about one and a half hours after Schlabs was last seen crawling under the house.

Ralph Donoho, Mrs. Schlabs' father, knocked the wire away from Schlabs with a post and pulled his body from under the house.

Body Found In Dallas Creek

DALLAS, July 23 (UP)—The body of a man identified as Lonnie A. Raney, 47, of Dallas, was found floating in White Rock Creek yesterday by two fishermen.

Homicide officers believed Raney had been dead about five days. They said there apparently was no foul play connected with his death.

Fire Rages In Llano County

LLANO, July 23 (UP)—Wearry firefighters hoped to extinguish a range fire today which had already blackened an estimated 10,000 acres of brush, cedar and grass.

The fire, in its fourth day, raged in secluded canyons south-east of Llano. Scores of volunteers were unable to get Jeeps and their fighting equipment into the rugged country.

Deputy Sheriff Sid Smith said bulldozer and water trucks were controlling the blaze in open country. "But it looks like it'll just have to burn itself out in the draws," he said.

Smith estimated that 300 ranchers, cowboys and businessmen had fought the fire since it started Friday on the Hudson Fowler Ranch.

The flames quickly spread to adjoining ranches, feeding on tinder-dry vegetation. They moved within 12 miles of Llano but Smith said the town was protected by open land between it and the fire.

The area is sparsely settled. Smith said there were only six houses on 45,000 acres into south eastern portion of the county and none of them were threatened.

"What we need is water," he said. "We haven't had any rain to speak of since spring."

The area hit by fire is famed for its whitetail deer. Smith said many of the deer fled to safety before the flames but "there's no doubt that a number didn't escape."

Dudley Graham Funeral Rites In Eastland

Funeral services for Dudley Graham, 70, retired farmer, were to be held at 2:30 p.m. today.

Burial was to be in the Simpson Cemetery near Kokomo with Hamner Funeral Directors in charge.

Born April 2, 1881, Graham died Saturday night at his home in Eastland. He had resided in and around Eastland for about 50 years.

Survivors include four brothers Giles of Eastland; W. L. of Eastland; Buck of Gorman and R. Q. of Gorman; five sisters, Maudie Gunter, Rush Springs, Okla.; Alma Rogers, Eastland; Annie Nolan, San Diego, Calif.; Lenny Reynolds, Jayton; and Bessie Hargus of Dallas.

Roads Cause Airlift Stop

BROWNSVILLE, July 23 (UP)—The U. S. Immigration Service paid a fourthhand compliment today to improved Mexican highways.

It halted its "wetback" airlift to Durango, Mex., explaining that excellent roads from Durango made it too easy for deported aliens to return to the United States.

In the future, "wetbacks" from the Durango area will be flown to Guadalajara, farther south, where roads are not so good.

Sherman Dies Of Attack In Naples

Reds Expected To Back Down

By ROBERT C. MILLER
United Press Staff Correspondent
UN ADVANCE BASE BELOW KAESONG, KOREA, July 23 (UP) United Nations cease-fire negotiators returned to this base today amid indications that the Reds may back down on their demand for immediate withdrawal of UN troops from Korea.

Vice Admiral C. Turner Joy and four other members of the UN negotiating team landed in five helicopters from Seoul to stand by for the ninth truce meeting with the Communists.

The conference was recessed Saturday until 11 a.m. Wednesday (9 p.m. Tuesday EDT) to give the Reds time to reconsider the Allies' flat refusal to make the withdrawal of UN troops from Korea a condition of an armistice.

Joy agreed to the recess, but said the UN team would be ready to resume the talks sooner if the Communists desisted.

A giant crane today crashed through the steel girders of the Imjin River Pontoon Bridge over which the UN Peace Party normally crosses on the way to Kaesong. It tore a 50-foot gap in the span, but engineers said that the bridge would be open again tomorrow.

Should a Communist call come in the meantime the negotiators could travel by helicopters.

Chief UN negotiator Joy and two other members of the Allied team, Maj. Gen. L. C. Craigie and Rear Admiral Arleigh Burke, spent the week end in Tokyo conferring with Supreme UN Commander Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway.

Maj. Gen. Henry I. Hodes and South Korean Maj. Gen. Paik Sun Yup, the other two allied negotiators, remained in Seoul.

The Chinese Communist mouthpiece in Hong Kong, the newspaper Ta Kung Pao, suggested that the Communists may withdraw their demand for withdrawal of "foreign" troops from Korea as part of an armistice.

Although Peking and Pyongyang, the Communist capitals, remained silent, Ta Kung Pao indicated the Reds do not intend to let the cease-fire talks break down over this key withdrawal issue.

It said the troop withdrawal issue would not cease pessimism and predicted:

"Better news will come after the three-day recess."

Moreover, the newspaper, said the Chinese and North Koreans are "using all their power to struggle for an armistice and are determined that an armistice should be accomplished."

RAF Officers Remove Gun

OTTAWA, Ont., July 23 (UP)—The theft of an 800-pound cannon captured by the British in the Battle of Bunker Hill was solved today.

Five Royal Canadian Air Force officers of the 412th Transport Squadron admitted they hauled the ancient cannon away from Quebec's old Citadel last Wednesday for a party.

T. M. Hamrick Rites Tuesday

Funeral services for Thomas Monroe Hamrick, 93, Olden, will be held at the Church of Christ in Olden at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Hamrick died at his home in Olden Sunday where he had been ill for some time.

Burial will be in the Eastland cemetery with Hamner Funeral Directors in charge.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Chancellor, Olden; and Mrs. Fannie Rice, Olden; 8 grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren.

Houston Men Buy Interest In Building

T. C. Hyder of Houston was in Eastland this week and announced that he has acquired an interest in the Petroleum Building with E. W. Patton, also of Houston.

The Petroleum Building is one of the finest office buildings in Central West Texas and is modern in all respects.

A new Otis Safety Automatic elevator has already been installed at a cost of more than \$20,000, and further improvements will be made.

Fagg and Jones have been engaged to manage the property for the owners, looking after leasing, rentals and all services in connection with the operation of the building. They are moving their offices into suite 202 in the building.

The building houses the Eastland National Bank and the Chamber of Commerce on the ground floor and has four floors of office space above, a number of which are already occupied.

Hyder said that this is another evidence of the faith of business men in the continued growth and popularity of Eastland as a place for sound investments and for the conduct of various kinds of business enterprises.

Postcard Puts Thief In Jail

FORT WORTH, July 23 (UP)—An unmailed penny postcard was the cause of a 23-year-old man being in jail today and the recovery of a car stolen in Lexington, Ky.

The card, which the man had written to his sweetheart and then forgotten to mail, was found in the glove compartment of the stolen vehicle. The 20-year-old girl is a patient in a Fort Worth hospital recovering from injuries received in a traffic accident several weeks ago.

Officers recovered the car yesterday after becoming suspicious when they saw it parked downtown, and then found the postcard. They went to the hospital bedside of the girl to whom the card was addressed, and she told them where they could find the writer.

Nickel Pop Is On Its Way Out

WASHINGTON, July 23 (UP)—The nickel bottle of pop and five cent cigar soon may be things of the past.

The government today authorized manufacturers prices to go to four cents a bottle, with a retail price rise from five to six cents, effective next Saturday.

Where manufacturers take only part of the authorized increase, the retail price will remain five cents for a single bottle, but cartons of six bottles may go from 25 cents to 30.

There were indications that Coca Cola may hold to the five-cent per single bottle price for the time being.

Ban On Use Of Natural Gas In New Homes

WASHINGTON, July 23 (UP)—A proposed petroleum administration for defense ban against using natural gas in new homes would "threaten the sovereignty of the state of Texas," Gov. Allan Shivers was told today.

In a telegram to the Texas governor, H. Leigh Whitelaw, Managing Director of the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association, said the order would "unnecessarily duplicate a function now capably performed by your own state regulatory body."

Whitelaw said the ban was unnecessary because "states have long demonstrated their ability to issue regulatory orders whenever necessary to the public interest."

ALL SET TO RETURN TO US AS SECOND HEART ATTACK HITS

By Daniel Gilmore
United Press Staff Correspondent
NAPLES, Italy, July 23 (UP)—A special plane was ordered today to fly the body of Admiral Forrest P. Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations, to the United States for a hero's burial.

The plane is expected to arrive in Washington sometime tomorrow.

Sherman, 54, died of coronary thrombosis in his wife's arms in their suite in the Excelsior Hotel here yesterday. He had suffered one heart attack earlier in the day and a second killed him.

The "Flying Admiral's" body, wrapped in an American flag, was taken immediately to the Mt. Olympus, command ship of Admiral Robert B. Carney, commander of the Atlantic Fleet Forces in South-eastern Europe.

A memorial service was scheduled to be held aboard the Mt. Olympus today. It was believed the body would be transferred to the waiting plane soon afterward for the flight to Washington.

Hospital Meet Slated Tonight

An Eastland Memorial Hospital meeting will be held at the Texas Electric Building at 7:30 p.m. today.

Reports on progress on the funds drive now underway will probably hold the majority of attention.

Other reports of progress will be given at the meeting also, including a further report by the building committee.

Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and present their views.

Man Injured On McCarthy Ranch

HOUSTON, July 23 (UP)—Douglas Raymond Beddingfield, 15-year-old son of an oil executive, was reported resting well at Hermann Hospital today after being accidentally shot during a hunting trip on oilman Glenn H. McCarthy's ranch near Uvalde.

Young Beddingfield was shot in the leg when a shotgun accidentally discharged as he picked it up. Glenn McCarthy, Jr., his hunting companion drove him back to the ranch house. He was taken to Uvalde and later brought to Houston.

The accident occurred Friday afternoon while the two boys were hunting.

Young Beddingfield is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Beddingfield. The father is division manager of the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company.

One Killed In Denton Wreck

DENTON, July 23 (UP)—One person was killed outright and another fatally injured late Saturday night in a one-car wreck four miles south of Denton on U. S. Highway 77.

Miss Doris Jean Jennings, Dallas, was killed. Douglas L. Wilson, 24, of Denton, died later of injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Morreale, of Dallas, were injured. Mrs. Morreale was released from a hospital here yesterday after treatment.

Barn Burns At Dallas Zoo

DALLAS, July 23 (UP)—Zoo goers saw a red hot sideshow yesterday—a large barn stacked with hay for animals burned as hundreds looked on.

The building and its hay, a six-month supply for the animals, was valued at \$2,500. It was believed ignited by spontaneous combustion.

Mrs. Sherman remained beside her husband's body aboard the Mt. Olympus for two hours yesterday, then took off for the United States in the plane that was to have taken them both back home. It is due in Washington at 11 a.m. EDT.

"He died just as he had lived—forthright and brave," Mrs. Sherman said during a brief stop in Madrid last night. "He died of overwork and exhaustion."

Death came just as Sherman finished his week-long mission to Europe, during which he laid the groundwork for a U. S.-Spanish alliance against Communism.

Spanish Foreign Minister Alberto Martin Artajo told newsmen in Madrid that the defense talks inaugurated by Sherman would "continue unchanged even though he has now gone."

In Washington, speculation on a probable successor to Sherman as Chief of Naval Operations centered on Carney and the only other three full Admirals in the U. S. Navy.

Admiral L. D. McCormick, vice-chief of Naval Operations and designated acting chief pending selection of a successor; Admiral Arthur W. Radford, commander in chief of the Pacific Fleet, and Admiral William M. Fechteler, commander in chief of the Atlantic Fleet and U. S. Representative on the North Atlantic Ocean Regional Planning Group. All are 65.

Although the Pacific Command frequently is a stepping stone to the CNO post, Radford's prospects for stepping into Sherman's shoes may be dimmed somewhat by the fact he took part in the "Admirals' Revolt" against armed forces unification and the Air Force's B-36 bomber program.

The revolt led to the removal of Admiral Louis Denfeld as CNO and Sherman's own appointment to the post in November 1949 over the heads of nine other admirals senior to him in rank. Sherman smoothed the Navy's ruffled feelings and made it a cooperative member of the nation's unified armed services.

President Truman, in paying tribute to Sherman, recalled that the Admiral had become head of the Navy "at a critical moment."

"He deserves tremendous credit both for lifting the morale of the Navy and coordinating the operation of all the Armed Services," Mr. Truman said.

Sherman had arrived in Naples from London only Saturday to wind up his European tour. He had conferred with Generalissimo Francisco Franco in Spain, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in Paris and with British and American officials in London.

Besides his wife, he leaves an only child, Elizabeth Ann, now the wife of Lt. Cmdr. Julian Fitzpatrick, former U. S. Naval Attaché in Madrid. Fitzpatrick boarded Mrs. Sherman's plane to console her during the plane's brief stopover in the Spanish capital.

David Rainey Wins Ft. Worth Derby

FORT WORTH, July 23 (UP)—For the second time within three years, Fort Worth's Annual Soap Box Derby trophy rested in the same home today.

Winner of yesterday's event was freckled 13-year-old David Rainey of Fort Worth. His brother, Charles, won in 1948.

The winner will represent Fort Worth in the National Finals Aug. 12 at Akron, O.

THE WEATHER

West Texas—partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday with scattered thundershowers in the Panhandle, South Plains and Pecos Valley Eastward. No important temperature changes.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

U. S. Steps Forward With New Middle East Foreign Policy

BY PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—A new American foreign policy with respect to the Middle East is now taking shape. It involves not only continued, but increased military and economic aid to Greece, Turkey and Iran. For the first time, it will include equal grants to Israel and the Arab states for military assistance, refugee relief and economic aid.

Military assistance for the Middle East is estimated at \$415 million. No country-by-country breakdown of this arms aid has been made public. But an estimated 10 per cent or over \$40 million is to be earmarked for the Israel-Arab area.

The new Middle East policy has been developed out of the Council of Foreign Ministers' meeting in London in May, 1950. At that time the United States, Britain and France agreed on a resolution authorizing the Arab nations and Israel to procure arms for internal security and area defense, but not for an arms race nor for aggression against neighboring states.

There was no Korean war at that time. Plenty of arms were available for purchase. Today, under world-wide rearmament, there are shortages. The three-power policy has therefore been changed. Arms aid is to be allocated to these Middle East countries on condition they accept the terms under which the assistance is offered, with guarantees against aggression.

EMERGENCE of this new policy creates a different situation in an area where it has frequently been said that the United States has no policy. While American oil companies have concessions in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain and Iraq, the U. S. government in the past kept its hands off. It was a British sphere of influence.

Gradually, the United States has become more and more involved. The steps can be easily traced. First it was through World War II supply lines to Russia. Then it was U. S. opposition to Russia's attempted grab of northern Iran. Then it was the Truman Doctrine of military assistance to Greece and Turkey—now in its third year.

The U. S. has tried to bring about a peaceful settlement of the Anglo-Iranian oil nationalization dispute. The United States has had police and military training missions in Iran.

Point Four technical assistance agreements have been made with most of the countries in the Middle East, though Syria has temporarily at least refused to accept this proffered aid. A UN economic survey mission, headed by Tennessee Valley Authority Chairman Gordon Clapp has made extensive recommendations for resettling the 800,000 Arab refugees and for building up the economy of the area.

All this effort has paid off only in part. Communist aggression and revolution have been put down in Greece. Turkey and Greece have contributed troops who have fought well in Korea. But in the Arab countries there is still much resentment against the United States. There is a strong feeling of neutralism in most Arab countries.

NO breakdown of the half-billion-dollar economic assistance proposed for this Middle Eastern area has been made, pending presentation of the estimates to Congress. A few items can, however, be revealed.

In addition to the \$25 million U. S. Export-Import Bank loan authorized for Iran last October, another \$25 million grant to Iran is proposed.

For the Arab-Israel area, \$100 million in economic aid is proposed. Fifty million dollars of this will go towards resettlement of the 800,000 Arab refugees. This is to cover the building of roads, houses and irrigation projects to make the area self-sustaining.

A \$25 million grant to Israel is proposed for the development of agricultural resources. Israel had asked for more assistance.

THE SCOREBOARD

Hurley Put Jacobs in Business; May Launch Another Promoter

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—In the fall of 1933, Jack Hurley refused to accept Baby Joe Gans as a substitute opponent for Billy Petrolle at Madison Square Garden.

James J. Johnston, then matchmaker, quibbled about \$260, Petrolle's expense.

The result was the matching of Petrolle with Barney Ross for the Free Milk Fund for Babies at the Bronx Coliseum, Jan. 24, 1934.

The Fund put in Michael Strauss Jacobs as a front man.

Ross and Petrolle turned them away, and Mike Jacobs, the old Broadway ticket scalper, was off on his spectacular career as a promoter.

Three years later, and with Joe Louis, Jacobs' 20th Century Sporting Club took over boxing at the Garden.

So Hurley, the only old-line handler left, put Jacobs in business, and he may launch another promoter with Harry Matthews.

Matthews, 28, the stylish knockerout, has been boxing 13 years, but has appeared in New York just once.

On that occasion, he decisively defeated Irish Bob Murphy last March 2, in the most savagely-fought engagement of the indoor season.

HURLEY wanted to know if that would lead to Ezzard Charles.

No, Louis had that one in September.

Hurley offered to have Matthews whack Murphy again by way of earning the right to a chance at Maxim.

No, that one was set, too.

Hurley suggested that Matthews be paired with the winner of the Rex Layne-Rocky Marciano engagement, but other plans had been consummated, the goal of that victor being, of course, the Charles-Louis survivor.

So Hurley gave up the International Boxing Club as a bad job, and decided to confine Matthews' activities to such places as Milwaukee, Boise, Portland and Seattle this summer.

Matthews can keep himself and Hurley in ham and eggs and then some in the wild and woolly west. He grossed \$27,335 with one Bill Peterson in Boise the other night. He would do more than \$100,000 with Layne there.

Jack Hurley promises to show Harry Matthews in New York, or one of the more important eastern centers, next summer, even if he has to furnish his own promoter.

A promoter is no better than what he has to promote, and Harry Matthews is Grade A.

Keep That Eagle Eye Open or We'll Lose Our Shirt



SPORTS

Foxx And Ott Added To Hall Of Fame Now

COOPERSTOWN N. Y., July 23 (UP)—Baseball's Hall of Fame officially adds two new tenants today in Jimmy Foxx and Mel Ott.

The two famous home run sluggers will formerly gain entrance to the hall when plaques, paying tribute to their most famous deeds, are dedicated in the presence of baseball's highest officials.

Following the dedication the Brooklyn Dodgers will play the Philadelphia Athletics in the Annual Hall of Fame Exhibition game.

American League President Will Harbridge and National League President Ford Frick will speak at the dedication ceremonies, while President Thomas Richardson of the Eastern League will represent all minor leagues.

Foxx, burly right-handed long-distance clouter in his prime, played with the Philadelphia A's, Boston Red Sox, Philadelphia Phillies and Chicago Cubs, winning acclaim with the 48 homers he hit for the A's in 1932.

Known as "double-X," the chunky fence-buster with the muscular forearms collected 527 home runs in 24 seasons. Only Babe Ruth had a larger life-time total.

Ott, who reported to the Giants—the only club he ever played for—at 16, now manages Oakland of the Pacific Coast League. At 42 he is one of the youngest

Coger Takes 1st Tex.-Okla. Title

WICHITA FALLS, July 23 (UP)—The first annual Texas-Oklahoma Golf Tournament was won yesterday by Henry Coger, 3 and 2, over Sgt. Williams Grumbles of Fort Sill, Okla.

Coger, two time winner of the Wichita Falls City Title, was even-up with Grumbles at the end of the morning 18 holes over the Weeks Park Course.

The finalists traded holes until the 22nd when Coger went ahead. He led, 4 up, going into the 26th and closed out the match on the 34th.

Ten Records Fall In Tyler Meet

TYLER, July 23 (UP)—Ten records fell last night as competition ended in the annual Texas Amateur Athletic Federation State Swimming Tournament.

Jane Kneit of San Antonio swam the women's 50-meter backstroke in 33.9 seconds for her sixth record in TAAF state competition. She paced the field which wrote 13 new marks in the book during the two-night tourney.

Texas A&M coach Ard Adamson's College Station swimmers won the team title with 143 points. Tyler was second with 116.

College Station captured the men's and boys' division title. Tyler won the women's and girls' division.

The Austin team's 300-meter medley relay team turned in a new record of 3:40.8, with Olympic swimmer Eddie Gilbert kicking the last lap.

Wynant Wilson of Dallas set two new records: 1:00.8.5 in the 100-meter freestyle and 5:16.7 in the 400-meter freestyle.

men ever to be selected for the hallowed hall.

"Master Melvin" put in 22 seasons with the giants from 1926 through 1947 as an active player and also managed them from 1944 through 1948. His 511 homers during his life-time career is the all-time National League record.

Lively Hitting In WT-NM Ball

By United Press The West Texas - New Mexico League, widely known for its lusty hitting, lived up to its reputation last night.

Amarillo, struggling to rise out of the second division, turned in the nightiest attack — 20 hits in downing Lamesa, 17 to 5.

League-leading Abilene battered 14 safeties in a wild swatfest with Borger before winning, 10 to 5. Borger got 11 hits in absorbing the loss.

Albuquerque took over undisputed possession of third place from Lamesa as it nipped Lubbock, 5 to 3, behind eight hits. A pair of eighth-inning runs nailed down the victory for the Hubbers.

Clovis rounded out the night's schedule with an 8-to-0 victory over Pampa. The Pioneers collected 11 hits off a trio of pitchers while Jim Kramer allowed only one hit in posting the win.

Tonight's schedule: Lubbock at Albuquerque, Pampa at Clovis, Abilene at Borger, Lamesa at Amarillo.

KILLER'S PACE BY JULIUS LONG

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THE STORY: Star Williams tricks a jury into acquitting Rose Bidault on a murder charge, but his stunt is exposed and now he faces disbarment. Rose had confided to me, Jim Marshall, Star's leg-man, after her acquittal, that her story of the accidental killing of her husband was false, but she had told it to protect Larry Stone, who she says is innocent. I go back to see Rose but find her murdered and I am forced to kill a burglar in her house.

XII STAR WILLIAMS stared at me through gimlet eyes while I told of my experiences during the afternoon. "I think it would be a good idea to check on the Prater Hermetically Sealed Vault Company," he said.

"Got any idea why Larry Stone phoned you?"

"No. I phoned him back just now and he denied that he had made the call. Said somebody else must have used his name."

I grimaced. "McNamara, of course. McNamara stopped him from contacting you as he had planned. I wonder why he wanted to be in the first place. I'm also wondering some other things about Stone. When he mentioned Rose Bidault this noon, he said: 'She got around.' And when I tried to scare him by saying she could tell her story, he came back with: 'Oh, can she?' I wonder if he knew Rose was already dead and how he knew."

Star shrugged. "I don't put much stock in mixed tenets. People are careless with their grammar. Stone's use of the past tense may not mean a thing. And, by the way, Max Feldstein just phoned that Tanner's filed the disbarment petition against me."

"Well, he didn't lose any time. He's out to get you, Star. You've made a monkey out of him too many times."

STAR smiled wryly. "He may nail me this time. With Rose Bid-

Barney dropped it cold. If it turned out hot, Barney ran to Dave Grafton, who figured out Barney's partner. The idea from some way to steal the idea from Barney's partner. Dave usually came through. He wouldn't miss on something like gutting Barney's estate. He would do it legally and with no cause for murder.

"Maybe so. I still think you ought to get an accounting in the estate."

Star eyed me wily. "I don't know how I can—I'm not an interested party. But I'll put a bug in the probate judge's ear, though I think you're barking up the wrong tree."

The inter-office unit came alive, and Kitty Coyle announced: "Inspector Merica calling."

WHEN Merica came in he took a chair near my own and frowned across the desk at Star. "The coroner did a quick post and established the time of Rose Bidault's death. Right about noon. Maybe 15 minutes one way or another, but 12 o'clock noon is just about it. This leg-man of yours admits being there at about that time."

"I didn't admit it, Inspector. I told it of my own free will. The girl was alive and well when I checked out. There's something else I forgot to mention. Dave Grafton drove up as I was leaving. He wanted to see Rose about something. I told him she'd knocked herself out and to come back some other time. Grafton followed me downtown a few blocks. I don't remember exactly how far."

"Eight blocks. I've had a call from Grafton. He told me you were higher than a kite when you left the Bidault house."

"Then Grafton's a liar. I had some drinks, but I wasn't that bad off. What's Grafton trying to gain by that kind of talk?"

"I wonder," Merica looked away from me. "You don't have to tell me, Mr. Williams? We can't hold Jim Marshall until we get more on him than that. Frankly, I don't think he skrewed that girl with that pair of scissors. But there's something funny about the guy he cooled. The guy was Rod LaGrange, a tough boy."

(To Be Continued)

Texan Wins The Dixie Handicap

STUTTGART, July 23 (UP)—Densil Scott of Houston, won the Dixie Handicap yesterday in the Arkansas State Turf Shoot Tournament in a 25-target shoot-off.

Scott tied with Bob Dewey, of Fort Worth, and June Kallen, Natchez, Miss., in the 100-shot regular round. Each broke 96 targets.

Kallen forfeited in the shoot-off and Scott broke 24 of 25 targets to defeat Dewey, who scored 21 of 25.

Peachy Wins Vet Golf Tournament

TEMPLE, July 23 (UP)—Pruett Peachy, of Houston, fired four-under-par golf for 36 holes yesterday to win the State Veterans' Amateur Golf Tournament

Price Daniel Will Speak On Crime

AUSTIN July 23 (UP)—Attorney General Price Daniel will take part in a discussion panel on "control of organized crime" at a meeting of the National Association of Attorneys General at Seattle, Wash. Aug. 6, it was announced today.

The Attorney General's office said Daniel would appear on the discussion panel with U. S. Sen. Estes Kefauver and other Attorneys General. Daniel is invited to serve as chairman of the group.

on the McCloskey Veterans Hospital Course.

Defending Champion Willard Wood, Freeport, held the lead going on the 35th hole and seemed on his way to victory in the championship flight. However, Peachy, birdied the last two holes to take the title.

Dallas Student Takes JC Tourney

BRADY, July 23 (UP)—Chuck Ribelin, a St. Mary's University student from Dallas, won the Brady Junior Chamber of Commerce Invitational Golf Tournament yesterday, downing Wallace Martin of Kerrville, 4 and 3.

Ribelin's accurate putting, combined with long drives, was too much for Martin who played a steady, unspectacular game.

The 19-year-old Dallas collegian lost the first two holes of the 18-hole final, but rallied to lead, 1-up, after nine. He was never behind on the final nine.

Ribelin defeated medalist Dick Stovall of Abilene, 3 and 2, in the semifinal round. Martin advanced to the finals by nipping Miller Barber of Texarkana, 1-up, in 20 holes.

Hoosier comic Herb Shriner: "A friend of mine was selling lightning rods until one day he got caught in a severe storm with a bunch of samples."

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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ALLEY OOP

By V. T. Hamlin



City of Eastland Automobile Assessment For Tax Year 1951. If you have not as yet rendered your Automobile for City Taxes for the tax year 1951, please do so at once, otherwise this will be set up on the unrendered tax roll. The Commissioners feel the so-called "Blue Book" on automobile values, as set up by the state, and used by most taxing authorities over the state, is excessive. Therefore, beginning with the tax year 1951, these values, for assessment purposes, will be cut in half. For instance, the "Blue Book" sets up \$800 on 1951 Chevrolets, Plymouths and Fords. We are cutting this value in half, using a value of \$400 and this value will be reduced \$50 each year, until the assessment value reaches \$50, which will be minimum amount for assessment purposes. All other model cars will be reduced in the same proportion. All automotive owners are subject to pay this tax, whether they own property or not. It is not fair for the property owner to pay this tax, and the non-property owner to escape the tax. Therefore, all automotive equipment in the City will be assessed, and if any refuse to pay their taxes, a judgment will be secured against the owner, and recorded. On the above basis of taxes the City will not receive any more money, but all automotive owners will be paying their part, in the place of only those owning real estate. Please come in promptly and render your automotive equipment, if you have not already done so. The Eastland City Commission

WHIZ KID—Hamilton Richardson turned in one of the biggest upsets in the history of the All-England Tennis Championships at Wimbledon, eliminating the defending champion, Budge Patty, 4-6, 6-3, 4-6, 10-8, 6-4. He is the 17-year-old United States junior champion out of Baton Rouge, La. (NEA)

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Petain Dies In Island Exile

ILE D'YEU, France, July 23 (UP) — Former Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, hero of Verdun in World War I and Vichy collaborator with the Nazis in World War II, died dishonored today on this windswept isle off the Atlantic coast.

He will be buried on the island, where he had lived a prisoner for his last six years under a life treason sentence.

Christian Lobut, Prefect of the Vendee Department on the mainland who is in charge for the government, said that the 95-year old soldier's gravestone would be inscribed.

"Henri Philippe Petain, no profession."

Petain's family are arranging a Roman Catholic funeral service for him in the little Notre Dame Church here before he is buried in the walled island cemetery.

Californian Has New Lucky Piece

BURBANK, Calif., July 23 (UP) — Tafton Spierling, 42, had a new kind of "lucky" piece today, a jagged fragment of steel surgeons removed from his heart.

The fragment was imbedded in Spierling's heart several weeks ago when it flew from a metal cutting machine in a Bakersfield, Calif., salvage yard where he was working.

The impact knocked him six feet and almost killed him. He was treated at a Bakersfield Hospital for six weeks before doctors felt it was safe to bring him to St. Joseph's Hospital here for surgery.

A Thoracic Surgeon probed the metal from his heart by working in rhythm with its beating. Hospital attendants said Spierling would be discharged from the hospital soon.

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1063 Traffic Deaths In Texas

AUSTIN, July 23 (UP)—Traffic deaths on Texas Highways are occurring at virtually the same rate as last year, the Department of Public Safety reported today.

Fatalities for the first six months of 1951 totaled 1,063 compared to 1,070 in the same period last year.

However, the Department of Public Safety said this year's death total was incomplete and estimated that when final reports are received, 1951 will show a three per cent increase over last year.

During June, 148 persons lost their lives in Texas traffic accidents, compared to 169 in June, 1950.

Who Will Bail Who

LOS ANGELES, July 23 (UP) — Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Nadeau vowed today to get together on their plans.

Mrs. Nadeau, 46, was booked at Lincoln Heights Jail last night on suspicion of being drunk in an automobile. She angrily told officers:

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Rita Returns To Her Studio

HOLLYWOOD, July 23 (UP) — While she waits for Aly Khan to decide what to do about her "condition" for postponing her divorce, Rita Hayworth has gone back to being a breadwinner for herself and two daughters.

The actress reported to Columbia Studio during the week end and posed for portraits in the studio's still-photograph salon.

"Welcome Home, Rita" signs decorated the salon when she showed up on the picture lot for the first time in three years.

One hour later, Nadeau, 59, also turned up at the jail in the company of police officers.

He, too, was booked on suspicion of being drunk in an auto and told officers:

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Verdict Of Death By Suicide Given

HOUSTON, July 23 (UP) — Justice of the Peace D. F. Thompson today returned a verdict of suicide in the death of William B. Dempsey of Fairbanks.

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Woman's Page

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Engagement Of Marilyn Witttrup Formally Announced At Tea

The engagement of Miss Marilyn Witttrup, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Witttrup, 512 South Dixie Street, and S-Sgt. William Schuyler Colfax III, of Chicago, Ill., and Carswell Air Force Base at Fort Worth, was told Saturday afternoon when Mrs. C. D. Hayden of San Saba honored her niece at a formal tea at the Woman's Club.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Ben Hamner and received by the hostess and presented to the honoree, who was attractively gowned in a pink satin formal. White gardenias formed her corsage. Mrs. Witttrup, mother of the bride-to-be was also in the receiving line.

The secret was revealed when the guests were invited to the refreshment table, which was laid with yellow taffeta with a full tulle overskirt of the same color. Coffee colored tulle was placed around the table's edge and caught up in puffs with gardenias and was tied at the ends with butterflies of aqua and yellow, glittering with sequins, to which clusters of gardenias had been added. Aquic satin streamers placed the length of the table, were imprinted with, Marilyn and Bill, August 30th, and was caught up with the tulle which was studded with flowers and formed the base for a bird bath, holding a herald, surrounded by glittering butterflies and colorful birds, which was placed in the center of the table. Mmes. M. H. Perry and C. W. Hoffmann alternated in pouring.

Mrs. W. W. Linkenhogger registered the guests and Mrs. Fred Maxey was at the door for the good byes.

Others in the house party were Mmes. A. H. Johnson, Frank Hightower and Miss Naomi Wood.



Miss Marilyn Witttrup

The club room was beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums and gladiolus, with smaller matching arrangements used on the piano and register table. Soft recorded music was played throughout the calling hours 4 til 6 p.m.

Miss Witttrup and Sgt. Colfax will be married here in the First Methodist Church.

The bride-to-be is a student at Harris Memorial Hospital, and T. W. C. in Fort Worth. Sgt. Colfax is stationed at Carswell Air Base, and the couple plan to live in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Butler Hosts Friendship Sewing Club Meeting

Members of the Friendship sewing club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bruce Butler, at the Consolidated plant, south of Eastland.

The afternoon was spent sewing and visiting. A refreshment plate of white cake squares and apricot sherbert, with iced tea was served.

Announcement was made of the next meeting in the home of Mrs. Clyde Walker.

Present were Mmes. Clyde Mayo, Will Van Geem, Clyde Hugh Raymond Webb and Margaret Walker, W. A. Stiles, I. J. Kilgore East.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pullman, and family, who are on a vacation trip in Canada, wrote home town friends from Quebec that they were having a fine time and would spend several days in Quebec.

Miss Ann Shelborne of Ft. Hancock was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allison over the weekend.

LOOK WHO'S NEW



Mr. and Mrs. Grady Allison of Elmdale are parents of a son whom they have named, Carrol Edwin. He was born Sunday July 22 at Hendricks Memorial hospital in Abilene.

Grandparents of the infant are Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Travis of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allison, 920 West Commerce Street.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waller and sons Jimmy and Bobby of Alpine are visiting friends in Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Grisham and children of Dallas visited with friends in Eastland over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Riggan, Morr's Lee, and Douglas Crabtree left Sunday for a trip to Carlsbad Cavern and other points of interest.

Mrs. I. C. Heck has returned

to her home here at 601 South Connellee Street, after having been a patient in a Ranger hospital for the past two weeks, where she underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Owens of Athens former residents of Eastland, have been the recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Barrett.

Pfc. Roy Ray Mitchell left over the week end for Camp Kilmer for an eight weeks training period before being sent overseas. Pfc. Mitchell spent a ten day leave visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Mitchell.

Pfc. Tommy Velasco is spending a 15-day leave visiting in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Pittman.

R. Lester Foster, of Ft. Worth, is the guest here in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ida B. Foster.

Arthur Godfrey: "We're going to have another TV star—Marie Wilson is going to take the plunge."

Dave Garroway: "A modern home is one where everything is controlled by switches except the children."

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Stars Losing The Battle Of Bulge

HOLLYWOOD, July 23 (UP)—Most of fildom's glamorous heroines, like Mrs. Average Housewife are losing the battle of the bulge, says girdle expert Leonard Fox.

Fox, who edits a trade magazine for the Foundation Industry in New York, says too many film stars, including some of the bronzed heroes, either attempt to get along without girdles or wear badly fitted ones.

Either way, says Fox, the result is misplaced bulges. The handsome New Yorker, here for a corset-makers convention, says "everybody" needs the helpful hug of a girdle and "Hollywood, even though it contains many beautiful figures, is no exception."

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