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# WCTOG DIRECTORS TALK OIL CRISIS HERE

## May Reveal More Louisiana Secrets



If Mrs. Alice Lee Grosjean Tharpe talks as witness before grand jury at Baton Rouge, La., she may reveal sensational chapters in state's scandal story. Secretary to the late Huey Long, she rose to political power in Louisiana, once served as secretary of state, collector of revenue. She is said to have complete photostatic record of regime of Long and his successors.

## SECOND RODEO TOUR LEAVES CISCO AT 10

### Enthusiastic Reception Given Trippers Yesterday

The second colorful costumed auto caravan advertising the Cisco Rodeo here August 31 and September 1 got under way at 10 this morning, tracing a route south and west of Cisco to carry it through Rising Star, May, Brownwood, Santa Anna, Coleman, Burkett, Cross Plains and Seranton.

The initial tour yesterday was extended to embrace the oil field territory of Stamford and Avoca. Fourteen stops were made, and at every town, the Cisco trippers, in brilliant shirts, neckerchiefs, ten-gallon hats and other rodeo regalia, were enthusiastically received.

The rodeo was advertised over a public address system in the course of a brief musical program by the Cisco string band and members of the Lobo band. Prospects of big crowds for the two-day show were seen in the receptions accorded the Ciscoans.

Turned North  
From Cisco the caravan went to Eastland, Olden, Ranger, and Breckenridge. Originally scheduled to go direct to Abilene from Albany, the tour was turned north at the latter town to include Stamford, Anson, Avoca and Hawley on the itinerary. From Hawley, the caravan swung back to Abilene and thence through Clyde, Baird and Putnam back to Cisco.

Rodeo Committee Chairman Carlton Holder announced this morning that the Lighterest Doughboys had been secured for a program at the rodeo grounds on the afternoon of September 1. The sponsor contest, under the direction of Mrs. Sutton Crofts, is assuming proportions which will mark it as one of the feature spectacles of the two-day event. At least 20 girls were expected to enter this competition. Prizes of a \$50 wrist watch, a pair of silver spurs and a riding bridle are offered.

Over \$750 in prizes await the cowboys who compete in the rodeo, with stock furnished by the celebrated Double Heart ranch of Sweetwater. Ollie Cox, owner of the ranch, has contracted to bring \$15,000 worth of stock, representing 100 or more head, to Cisco for the rodeo. This is the same stock which will be used in the Arlington show on September 11, and it is rated double tough. From Cisco, the rodeo will move directly to Arlington for the Tarrant county show.

Only regular prices will be charged for the Cisco show, although the quality of the show rates a \$1.50 gate, seasoned rodeo men said. The admission will be 40 cents and 25 cents.

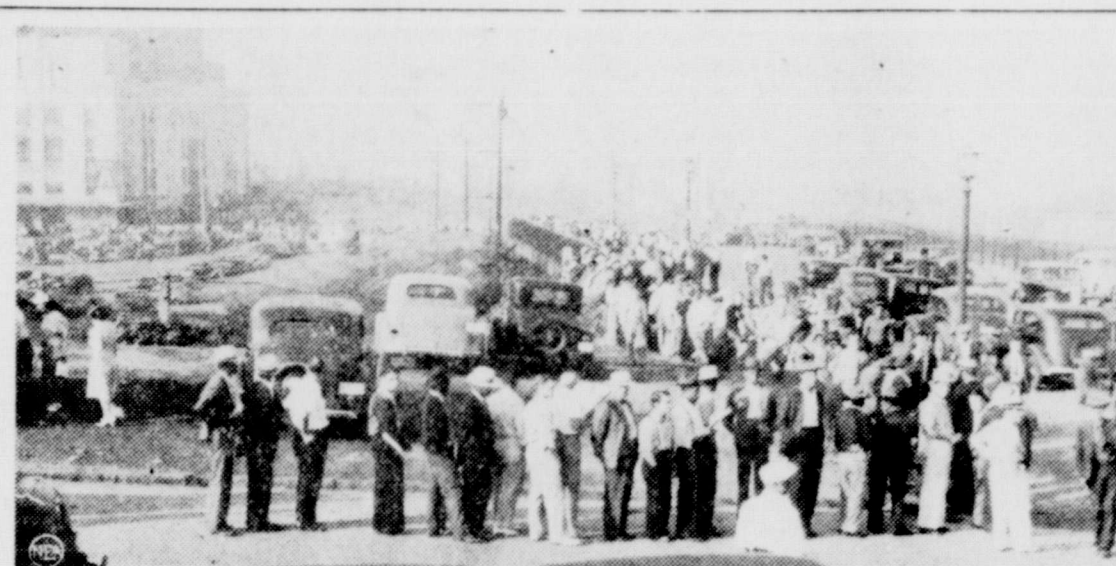
The show will take place on Chesley field, where turf will prevent any dust.

There will be a performance each afternoon and evening. Lights for the night show will be installed next week. Fences and chutes are now being built.

**County Judge Names Jury Commission**  
EASTLAND, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—W. S. Adamson, county judge, has appointed members of a jury commission to select county court petit jurors for the next six months.

Members of the committee, Tom Poe of Carbon, Henry Stubbfield of Cisco and E. H. Mills of Ranger, will meet Thursday, Aug. 24, in the county courtroom and select members of juries for the weeks beginning Sept. 25, Oct. 16, Nov. 27, Dec. 18, Jan. 22 and Feb. 5. The juries due Jan. 22 and Feb. 5 are for those dates in 1940.

## Thousands Wait in Line for Cleveland Jobs



Lure of 600 municipal civil service jobs drew 700 Cleveland men and women to civic stadium. First comers waited 38 hours for registration to begin. Hundreds slept through two nights on cots, automobile seat cushions and garden chairs. Clerks estimated it would take two or three days to register all applicants.

## All Romney Students to Be Transferred to Cisco Schools

### Katy Officials on Inspection Tour, in Cisco

The private car of officials of the M. K. & T. railroad arrived in Cisco Thursday evening bearing company officials, who are on a tour of inspection of the Katy system in Texas. The personnel of the party includes G. Hatkins, vice president, St. Louis; K. Haniger, maintenance of way of the Katy system, Dallas; H. W. Davidson, superintendent of the southern division, Smithville; W. C. Pruitt, district engineer, Smithville.

Today the officers left for Rotan, and will leave tonight for Waco. This trip is made for a general inspection, not only of the railroad property, but for the purpose of a general survey of business conditions and crops in the territory covered by the entire Katy system.

Their findings will be compiled and presented to the Interstate Commerce commission which will be the basis of reduction in rates contemplated by the management, Capt. B. C. Metcalf, road master, said.

### Plan For Large Quail Coverage

AUSTIN, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—Quail restoration in Texas will take a jump forward with establishment of a 42,000-acre project in Falls, Milan and Bell counties on the North Elm creek watershed, about 18 miles northeast of Temple, the game department announced this week.

Will Tucker, executive secretary of the game department, said the project would be performed in cooperation with the U. S. soil conservation service and would serve also as a demonstration of sound farming practices.

It is the largest ever attempted in Texas.

### Burglary Charges Filed Against Cross Plains Men

EASTLAND, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—Two Cross Plains men, Elton Everett, 30, and Weldon Bush, 25, are charged in Rising Star justice court with burglary of Jenkins Grocery store of Rising Star, it was announced Thursday by Deputy Sheriff E. W. "Tug" Underwood.

The suspects were apprehended Wednesday by Sheriff Loss Woods of Eastland.

Bush was reported to have made (Continued on Page Four)

### Part Time Chapter Plans Spur Visit

The Part Time FFA chapter of the Lutheran school, in a meeting last night, decided to visit the Spur State Agricultural Experiment station on Monday, August 29. T. G. Caudle, Cisco, counselor, will accompany the FFA members. The trip will be made in one day.

### Cross Plains Home-Coming Opens Today

CROSS PLAINS, Aug. 18.—The latch-string is out here for the folk who pioneered Callahan county. Cross Plains is host today to the fourth annual celebration of the Callahan County Old Settlers Reunion association. Site of the festivities are an oak grove on Turkey creek, where the pioneers of Cross Plains held their first picnic 56 years ago.

Registration started at 9 o'clock with the roll call to be made up of those persons who came to the county in 1890 or earlier. The honored guests were welcomed by Paul V. Harrell, Cross Plains attorney.

A moment of silence was observed in tribute to the pioneers who have died during the past year. J. R. Black, district attorney of 42nd district court, is here from Abilene to make one of the main addresses. He is a former Callahan resident.

Basket lunches were spread in the shade of the oaks at 12:30, with coffee and iced water being served free of charge.

Old fiddlers, old-time dancers and singers—the early settlers themselves—will present features of the afternoon program. There will be a special tribute to Mrs. Mary Catherine Berry of this county, one of two surviving widows of San Jacinto.

The Cross Plains high school band, directed by Dale McCook, and the Cross Plains string band are providing music for the one-day program.

### No Second Heaven Near President's Home

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—Despite President and Mrs. Roosevelt's assurance they would have no objections, the plans of Father Divine, little Harlem negro cult leader, for a second "heaven" near the Roosevelt's ancestral Hyde Park home, apparently has gone a-glimmering.

For from swank Newport, R. I., came word that Mrs. James Laurens Van Alen, socialite-owner of the beautiful 700-acre Vanderbilt estate, would not sell it to Divine or his followers. Father Divine had offered \$80,000 for the estate, once valued at \$500,000. (Continued on Page Four)

### Ward to Be Maintained in Community

The Romney common school district last night reached an agreement with the Cisco independent school district for transfer of all Romney school activities to the Cisco public schools, it was announced today.

Under the agreement, so be signed today, the Cisco public schools will maintain a ward school at Romney for the first, second and third grades. The remainder will be transported to Cisco. One of the three Romney teachers will be in charge of the Romney ward. The other two will teach in the schools in Cisco.

The Romney district already has agreed with the Cisco school authorities for transferring all high school students, 26 in number, to Cisco high school. The subsequent agreement brings an additional 45 to the Cisco schools and will leave about 25 at Romney to be taught in the ward school there. In all, approximately 95 students at Romney are involved.

The agreement with Romney district brings to 15 the number of common school districts now contracting with the Cisco schools for schooling their children, transporting them to Cisco and return with a fleet of buses. Enrollment in the Cisco system this year is expected to approach the 2,000 mark as a result of these agreements, Supt. R. N. Cluck said.

No action had been taken at noon today on the selection of a bandmaster for the Lobo band. R. J. Patterson of Winters first accepted offer of the position and then withdrew acceptance when citizens made it possible to increase his salary.

R. L. Maddox, director of the Lobo band for four years, goes to Mexia as director of the Black Cat band.

### Medicos Meet At Gorman Is Well Attended

One of the most interesting and largely attended meetings of the Eastland-Callahan Medical association was that held at the I. O. O. F. hall at Gorman last Tuesday evening, said Dr. Paul M. Woods, who, with Mrs. Woods, attended. There were 55 in attendance.

Those on the program with papers were Dr. R. K. Harlan and Dr. R. C. Curtis, both of Temple, and Dr. John J. Andujar, Dr. Giles W. Day and Dr. E. L. Snyder, all of Fort Worth.

After the speaking and dinner iced watermelons and peaches were served through the courtesy (Continued on Page Four)

## POLICY TO BE FOLLOWED MAY BE OUTLINED

### Shutdown and Future Proration Ideas to Be Sought

Out of the meeting of the directors of the West Central Texas Oil and Gas association at the Laguna hotel at 2 this afternoon may come some crystallization of independent operator policy with respect to the present crisis in the petroleum industry and future conservation and proration programs.

The meeting, summoned yesterday by A. J. Frazier of Abilene, was called for several reasons, local oil men said.

At Abilene yesterday Mr. Frazier said it was urgent that all of the 65 directors attend. He said he and other officers of the association had secured considerable information about the recent crude price cut, the current shutdown of oil production and upon other matters connected with the petroleum industry with direct bearing on the welfare of west central Texas operators.

A general discussion of problems and ideas will take place, it was said. Considered as a topic of major importance will be the attitude of the group toward proration matters.

"The oil man can't just sit down and let somebody else work out his problems," said one Cisco operator today. "We must be prepared to help work them out intelligently."

It was regarded as virtually certain that radical changes in proration policies impend, and operators of the area are beginning to put their heads together in an effort to arrive at agreement on principles that may be applied to future workable formulae. A thorough discussion of these questions was expected to occupy the greater part of this afternoon's meeting.

## Rising Star Schools to Open September 4

RISING STAR, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—At a meeting of the school board the past week, September 4 was set as the date for the opening of the local schools, and other routine business looked after.

Work has about been completed on working over two of the school buses, the bodies having been repaired and refinished, and will be placed on new chassis, making the equipment practically good as new.

The complete list of faculty members, re-elected in the spring, are expected to be on hand for school opening, according to Supt. Self, who has spent the summer here looking after and assisting in the school's part of the PWA building project, which included a new home economics and agricultural building, a new rock fence around the football park, and rock veneering the gymnasium. It now appears that the (Continued on Page Four)

## Former President A&M Dies at Kilgore

KILGORE, Aug. 18.—Dr. Henry Hill Harrington, 79, former president of Texas A. & M. college, and for the last four years chemist for the Texas Railroad commission here, died late Wednesday night of pneumonia.

He is survived also by his widow, daughter of the late L. S. Ross, a former governor of Texas, who was president of A. & M. college when they were married in 1892, and by a brother.

## Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

Cisco no longer can boast being free of mosquitoes. That was a proud claim of the Big Dam town. But no more. Nightly, swarms of the pernicious insects sing their treble monotone in busy quest among the darkling lanes of this city, and the slapping of evening papers and the mutters of the popular are becoming familiar sounds of the evening.

The reason? Dig among the weeds and the refuse in back yards of the community and on the neglected vacant lots and you will find part of it. Millions of insects have bred there during the summer because of neglect. These insects, swarming in rank weeds, have infested the city to a degree that it is going to take some drastic and concerted effort to get rid of them.

Presence of lakes, pools of water, leaking hydrants, and clogged receptacles give the mosquitoes many opportunities to breed and multiply even in the driest weather. One small can may produce thousands of the insects.

What Cisco must have, if this condition is remedied, is a good, all-around clean-up with the idea of clean-up for several years. But despite all the appeals that have been made and the efforts to haul off the trash and garbage, there has been no general responsibility, in the meantime, to clean up the place.

City officials told me today they would put on extra men necessary, to dispose of the rubbish. If this month's situation is overcome, they will have to undergo thorough and unremitting clean-up. It may require a dozen or two men to haul off the rubbish and get it off it. It ought to be done at least twice that often.

## County Budget \$320,405.80 Formally Adopted

EASTLAND, Aug. 18 (Sp.)—The county's budget for 1939, including expenditure of \$320,405.80, which is expected to be \$1,700 less than estimated revenue, was adopted by the commissioners' court after a hearing yesterday in the courthouse.

S. S. Adamson said that the rate will be set in September, but he is certain it will be \$3.00. The rate for the current year is \$1.50.

Greenidge, Texas Pacific Oil company tax commissioner of Fort Worth, attended budget hearing and was highly complimentary of Auditor Donner, Judge Adamson and commissioners, for their work on financial matters.

"You gentlemen are certainly doing a wonderful piece of work," the oil company tax commissioner said. "The public should certainly know of your fine work."

## Scouts to Have Outdoor Picnic Program Aug. 29

All Boy Scouts of Cisco, former and active, are invited to a caucus picnic, to be held August 29. Hour and place to be decided at a later date, it was announced. Each scout is requested to bring his father or some other man. Purpose of this picnic is to create more interest in scouting among the men of Cisco as well as the scouts.

An interesting program has been planned by Guy N. Quirl, scout executive for the Comanche Trail council. Each scout and his buddy will be given food enough for two, enough wood to build a small fire, and two matches. The men present will be requested to build a fire in scout fashion with only two matches with which to light the fire.

Mr. Quirl will furnish Indian costumes, and a regular Indian style camp-fire meeting will be held. The camp-fire meeting will be started by Indian dances and various acts according to Indian customs. Several tableau scenes will be shown. These tableau scenes, as all scouts who have attended Camp Billy Gibbons know, are very beautiful. Burning tableau powder gives a very brilliant light of many different colors, showing scenes in natural settings.

All scouts are requested to register their names and their buddy's name early next week with Jack Lauderdale at the Daily Press Office.

## Grid Player On Bicycle Trip

John Stout, 170 pounds, 16 years old, six feet and two inches tall, and a star end on the Handley high school football team, pedaled his way through Cisco today on a bicycle trip of 1052 miles from Fort Worth to Carlsbad caverns and return. The youth is conditioning himself for the football season.

Stout said he has averaged 112 miles a day. He left Tye this morning and planned to spend the night at Weatherford.

## Mineral Wells Club Host to Inauguration

The Mineral Wells Lions club last night was host to officials and members of the Lions clubs of District 2-E in inauguration ceremonies for W. H. LaRoque of Cisco, newly elected governor of the district. The ceremonies, with former International President Julian C. Hyer of Fort Worth as a special guest, took place at a dinner at the Crazy hotel.

The Cisco delegation, which accompanied to Mineral Wells for the ceremony, was led by Cisco President A. G. Tuttle and Mrs. Tuttle. It included, besides them, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Huestis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sander, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown, Gene Abbott and Claude Wilson.

Mr. LaRoque was introduced by immediate Past Governor R. N. Richardson of Abilene. He announced his cabinet in his speech of acceptance.

The Mineral Wells club for several years has been host to the inaugurations of district governors.

## Spang & Co. Building Undergoes Repairs

Under the supervision of F. D. Pierce workmen today are making repairs on the oil well supply house of Spang & Co., north of the Texas & Pacific tracks, on avenue D. Mr. Pierce stated the company contemplated abandoning Cisco house, but have decided to make a general overhauling of the building, and placing an entirely new front.

Spang & Co. located here and erected this building in the summer of 1919, when Cisco was the most central point of oil development in west central Texas. Recently the building has been allowed to deteriorate for the reason of contemplated removal nearer to production, but since it was decided to continue serving the field from Cisco, these repairs became necessary, Mr. Pierce said.

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### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

When a man says please the Lord, He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. If God be for us, who can be against us?—Ps. xvi. 7; Rom. viii. 31.

Ask of God to give the skill  
In comfort's art,  
That thou mayest consecrated be  
And set apart  
Unto a life of sympathy.  
For heavy is the weight of ill  
In every heart,  
And comforters are needed much  
Of Christ-like grace.  
—A. E. HAMILTON.

### When Patience Turns to Impatience

WITH a patience almost without parallel in modern times, the United States government has waited nearly 18 months for settlement of the controversy between the American oil companies and the Mexican government over expropriation of the former's properties in Mexico.

It is now becoming a pressure to both parties, and an open wound on the body of international relations should be healed, if possible, lest it infect the rest of the world.

The U. S. government, which has intervened as little as possible in the controversy, hoping against hope that the two parties to it would be able to settle it themselves. Longstanding efforts to do this have finally

fallen flat, with both sides refusing to consider further a compromise plan now revealed as suggested by the state department itself.

WHATEVER the feelings of the oil companies or of the Mexican administration, the position of the United States government is crystal clear and so thoroughly grounded in international law and all precedents of decent and orderly relations that it cannot be questioned. It is simply that Mexico has the right to expropriate for its own social purposes foreign-owned oil properties. But such expropriation without either "prompt, adequate and effective payment for the properties taken," or at least tangible evidence of the will to make such effective payment, is simply confiscation and as such without legal validity.

Mexico's position has been that she is engaged in a sweeping social reform program for the benefit of her people, and that the taking over of the oil wells was vital to that program and had to be done whether payment could be made or not.

Very well. The United States is also engaged in such a social program, and if in pursuing it, it should tramp on southern toes, no just protest could be forthcoming from a neighbor who has been extremely nonchalant about where it stepped in following its own chosen path.

GOVERNMENT pressure should be applied equally to both parties. Neither is without fault. Neither has given enough thought to the larger aspect of the situation, to the necessity of these two great peoples living peaceably side by side in justice and amity.

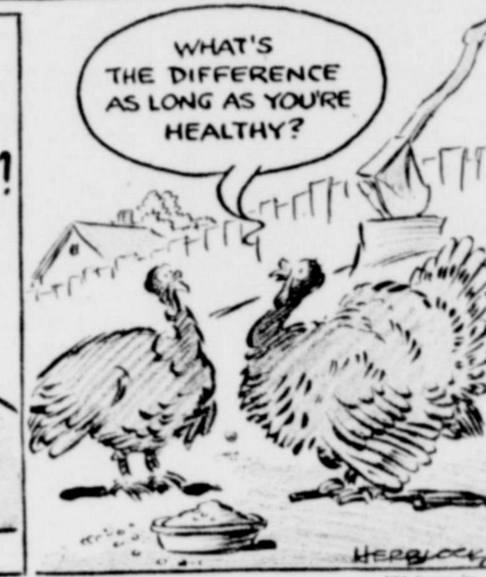
The benefits of restoring these normal relationships are so great to both parties that neither can afford to remain stiff-necked about a matter which should have been cleared up long ago. Quite possible in this oil situation is a practical, workable compromise that will preserve the essential interests of both the American oil companies and the Mexican people.

The American people, and we suspect, a growing part of the Mexican people, are beginning to grow impatient that this be done. They want to resume normal, cordial and neighborly relations.

A new safety glass is designed to reduce glare and to prevent headaches. That is, except when the head bangs against the windshield.

Spectator, struck by a foul ball, was refused damages by a court. He didn't even get to first base on the beaner.

### The Thanksgiving Day Change



### New East Texas Formula Offered By Humble Co.

AUSTIN, Aug. 18 (AP).—A new plan for prorating production of the great east Texas oil field was proposed here Thursday by a major oil company as the railroad commission advanced to August 28 the general statewide prorating hearing, which had been called for September 18.

At a commission hearing on its petition for increased allowable in east Texas, the Humble Oil company recommended a new prorating formula, which would consider thickness of the oil sand and acreage of lease and field together probably with pressure of wells.

Attorneys for the Humble, which recently obtained a federal court injunction ordering the commission to increase the company's allowable, contended the existing method of allocating production, based on well potentials, discriminated against it.

The hearing was enlivened by one exchange between Rex Baker, Humble attorney, and Ernest O. Thompson, member of the railroad commission and chairman of the Interstate Oil Compact committee, over the recent reduction in the price of crude by the Humble, a step which led to Texas' shutting down its oil fields.

Discussing the relation of price to minimum well allowable, Baker remarked that "if production is established prices will take care

of themselves." He expressed hope stabilization would be realized.

"But production was stabilized and prices did not take care of themselves," snapped Thompson.

The new formula for prorating east Texas was described technically by Baker as acre-feet of oil sand in a lease divided by acre-feet of oil sand in the field multiplied by the field allowable.

Jack Blalock of Houston, attorney for a group of independent oil men, sought to show the Humble proposal would discriminate

in favor of the east side of the east Texas field and the Humble leases.

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**AFTER CHAIN STORE TAX**  
AUSTIN, Aug. 18 (AP).—The attorney general's department today filed suit in district court at Georgetown, Williams county, seeking \$17,130 allegedly due the state under the chain store tax law from the Lone Star Gas corporation and five other companies. Other defendants were Community Natural Gas company, the Texas Cities Gas company, the Dallas Gas company, the Lone Star Gas company and the Conoco Gas company.

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### Waco Prepares to Welcome 6,000 to Legion Meeting

WACO, Aug. 17 (Sp).—Last minute arrangements have been completed here for what promises to be Texas' largest convention of the American Legion, the convention dates are Saturday, August 26, through Tuesday, August 29. The attendance is expected to swell to 6,000.

In spite of the heavy attendance anticipated, the convention housing committee promises adequate hotel facilities for every person. Legionnaire's headquarters will be at the Roosevelt hotel. Headquarters for members of the Legion auxiliary will be at the Hotel Raleigh. Sons of the Legion squadrons, expected to attend 1,000 strong, will be encamped, army fashion, on the Cotton Palace grounds.

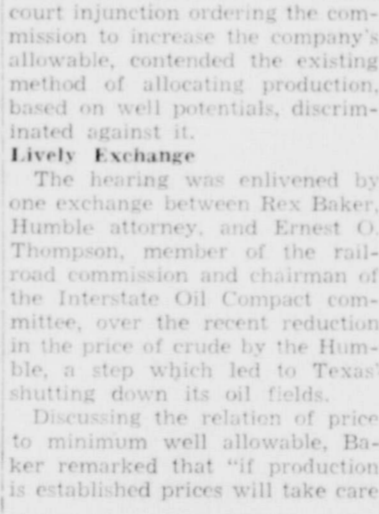
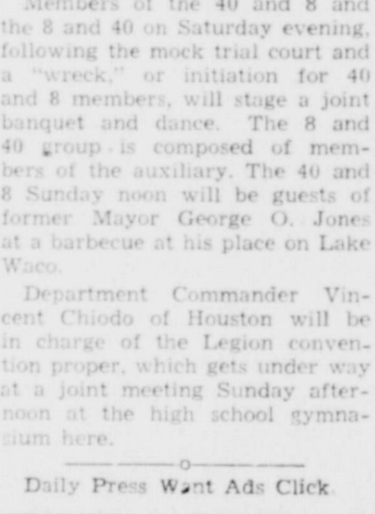
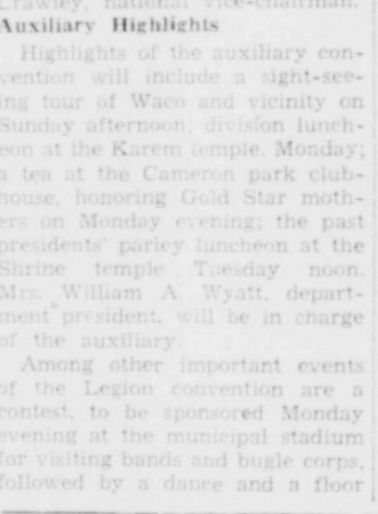
All Legion organizations are urged to bring their colors, in order to participate in the Americanism massing-of-colors program on Monday evening. Parade One of the outstanding events of the four-day session will be a two-mile Legion parade down Waco's main streets, in which 20 bands, besides drum and bugle corps, Sons of Legion proper, Legionnaires, auxiliary members, and a large number of local officials are expected to participate.

Another top feature of the convention will be a "Judge Roy Bean" court on Saturday morning, sponsored by La Societe des 40 Hommes and 8 Chevaux. The mock trials will be conducted all day Saturday and proceeds will go into the Legion's child welfare fund.

Prominent among distinguished guests of the convention will be U. S. Senator Tom Connally of Marlin, who will speak on the Americanism program Monday evening, and President Pat M. of Baylor university, who is to address a general meeting on Sunday afternoon.

Other prominent persons planning to attend the Waco convention include Dr. Jerome L. Fritzsche, national chaplain of the Legion; Col. A. W. Robins, air

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SERIAL STORY Murder on the Boardwalk BY ELINORE COWAN STONE

CAST OF CHARACTERS CHRISTINE THORENSEN... came to visit her cousin, found a mystery. BILL YARDLEY—had a reason for watching Christine. GEORGE WILMET—employed Christine as a Boardwalk artist. CHANDRA—looked into the future—and into the past.

Yesterday, Chandra warns Christine to be on her guard, urges her to come to him for advice. Christine believes that he is a fake. After the show ends, she remains. Chandra comes to her at once.

CHAPTER V "I am glad you waited," Chandra began with a direct simplicity Christine had not expected. "No doubt," she said icily, "this was a fair exchange. But don't you think you might have let me in on the plot?"

"Miss Thorenson"— his smile was tired—almost, it seemed to Christine, worried—"I suppose there's no way of convincing you that I really want to help you?" "So you do know my name! ... But then, of course, you've had me followed by some of your spies ever since I got off that train—perhaps even before. ... And if you're a Hindu, I'm the Duchess of Windsor. ... Well, I'm fed up on theatrical tricks. What I'd

As she marched out, she glanced at her watch ... After 11, and she was a good two miles from home. Well, she needed a brisk walk to clear her mind after all that hocus-pocus.

Of course the idea that she could be in any danger was just funny. The whole scenario was ridiculously clear—beginning with that telephone girl—and all so crude and bungling.

Yet, in spite of her bravado, Christine jumped when a voice said at her shoulder, "It would be you. Don't you know that no girl with eyes and hair like yours is safe from unwelcomed attentions on the Boardwalk at night?"

"So it seems," Christine said when she could control her voice. "No doubt if you had your way, curfew would ring at sunset for every woman under 80."

The bareheaded young man must have run up the stairway from the beach, for he was breathing quickly, and his hair was rumpled.

"Well, he went on with such infectious pleasure that Christine

found herself feeling for the first time that day that it was marvelous to be young and alive, "may-be I'll be able to enjoy my meals now. When I called the Crest-view this afternoon, they told me you'd checked out. ... But let's get out of this mob."

They had been standing just in front of Christine's studio. As they moved on under the lights of the Twentieth Century Pier, Christine stopped short in the midst of the crowded, noisy Boardwalk.

"But"— she cried — "Why you're drenched!" The sleeves and front of his coat and shirt were dripping, trickles of water ran down his light trousers, and his shoes were sodden and caked with wet sand. "Oh, that?" He glanced down with some embarrassment. "I got pretty close to the surf-line, and a big one caught me amidships."

Christine was not an introspective young person. She was no more capable of analyzing her sudden life of spirits than she had been of understanding that her restlessness and loneliness of the earlier evening had not been entirely due to worry about Cousin Emma's strange desertion.

She only knew now that she felt more at home with this tanned stranger whom she had met barely 24 hours ago—more warmly glad to see him—then she would have felt with any one she had known a lifetime; and that her pleasure in being with him again was as right and natural as the clean sea breeze.

"I'm cold, too," he was going on plaintively. "Something hot to eat would feel right good at this minute—and Decker's is just a comfortable walk along the Boardwalk. That's the one place in Surf City that doesn't reek with fried potatoes. ... And I hate eating alone. Come on, Miss Thorenson," he wheedled with an engaging grin, "be a good scout."

"I'd like to, only"—Christine laughed for the first time that day—"except that the fellows call you 'Bill,' I don't know your name."

"I answer much more docilely to 'Bill,' but if I forgot to mention it, the rest of it's Yardley," he told her. Then he added with something behind the smile in his eyes that made her catch her breath, "I hope you're going to like it."

While they were waiting at the table Bill had found by a window that overlooked the sea, Bill said, "It occurs to me that there's a lot about me besides my name that you don't know. I raise horses for a living—a mighty fine horses, by the way. But the market wasn't too good this year; so I took over the riding school here. You see, I've had a handicap over you all along. When I heard you say you were Mrs. Talbert's cousin, I knew you wouldn't be interested in lifting my watch."

"If you'd known the whole truth," Christine said wryly, "you'd probably have kept your hand on that watch. ... Not that I'm not Mrs. Talbert's cousin; but there've been occasions—not so long ago—when a nice 17-jeweled watch would have made my fingers itch."

"Christine," he said abruptly, "something's worrying you. Why not get it out of your system?" "You'll probably laugh," Christine hesitated. "I hope you will. ... I've had a feeling all along that I ought to; but somehow my sense of humor doesn't seem to be working this week-end."

Yet when she did tell him the whole story of the preposterous day, he did not laugh.

Instead, he frowned over his cigarette. "So Chandra took a hand? ... That bird cuts a pretty wide swathe. People come here to consult him about everything from the baby's first tooth to the outcome of the presidential election; financiers, successful writers and artists and actors; political bosses, social registerites. They say he used to be an actor. He's probably part psychologist, part mystic, part shrewd business man, and part stage manager. I've never heard of his being involved in anything really shady. ... In fact, if Chandra told me to go home and look under my bed for Barnum's elephant, I'm not sure I wouldn't take a chance."

They had left the restaurant, and had strolled back to the Twentieth Century Pier. Suddenly Bill broke off, "Look—there's something wrong!"

On the Boardwalk just ahead, a crowd was milling about, interspersed with figures in uniform. Afterwards, Christine remembered that everything that happened during the grim hours that followed had much the quality of an unreal but none the less terrifying dream.

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DAN HORN

A large crowd from Dan Horn attended services at Nimrod Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clearance Taft and Miss Marie Menard of Ibes visited Mrs. C. U. Horn recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lasater and children of Colorado City spent the week-end with Mrs. Lasater's father, J. D. Speegle, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Speegle. Others that came on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle and children of Dothan, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Speegle and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Stuteville and sons, Miss Chloe Speegle of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Rasson. All spread basket lunch at the noon hour.

Misses Johnnie Joe Warren and Janie Mae Nance visited last week with Misses Melva and Wilma Speegle at Dothan.

Miss Dora McDonough of Eastland is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Claud Lambright.

Ted Starr, who is working at Odessa, spent the week-end with Mrs. Starr and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Curtin and sons of Monroe, La., and Mrs. G. J. Ottley of Fort Worth are here visiting Mrs. Curtin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Horn.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Long and Mr. Long's father from Brownwood were here last week, visiting friends.

Rev. Mart Agnew, pastor of the Mitchell church, will fill his regular appointment Sunday.

Misses Ella Merle and Clardelle Hallmark are staying this week with their aunt, Mrs. Ben Hull.

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#### Anniversary Club Honors Mrs. Clark

The Anniversary club met yesterday with Mrs. A. V. Clark to honor her birthday. Each member took a covered dish and a delicious luncheon was served at the noon hour. The afternoon was spent in conversation and needle work.

Members present were Misses H. L. Kunkel, Judson Prince, W. I. Ghormley, C. P. Cole, W. D. Brecheen, C. R. Surles, J. R. Burnett, F. E. Sheppard, Leon McPherson, W. F. Walker, and the honoree, Mrs. A. V. Clark. Visitors present were Mrs. Frank Walker, aunt, Mrs. W. B. Dunn of Fort Worth, and Mrs. W. D. Brecheen's sister, Mrs. E. L. Smith of Nacoma.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. H. L. Kunkel to honor her birthday on September 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tompkins and son, Homer, Jr., are leaving tomorrow on a trip to Arizona. Their daughter, Myra Jean, will stay in Odessa with friends.

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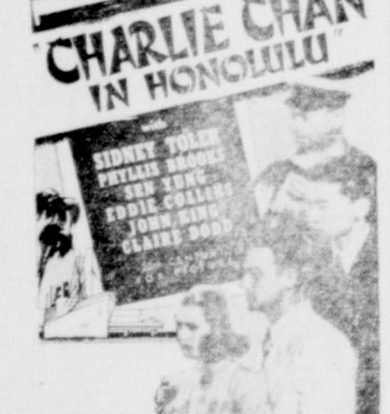


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Mrs. Clifton Hyatt was a visitor here yesterday.

Mrs. C. B. Powell, Mrs. Carl Wilson and her son Mickey, are spending today in Abilene with Mrs. Powell's sister, Mrs. Willie Jobe.

E. K. Smith spent yesterday afternoon in DeLeon at the bed side of his aunt, Miss Mary Hawkins, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huestis of Electra are visiting relatives here this week.

#### Rising Star---

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work will not be completed by the opening of school but good progress is being made and will be finished during the term, and will be put into use as soon as ready.

Following is a list of faculty members:

- High School---**  
H. B. Self, superintendent, B. A. Katter, principal, Boren Hunter, Douglas Jackson, Miss Charlotte Gibson, Miss Martha J. Childress, Miss Rebecca Reed, C. L. Wilson.
- Ward School---**  
Homer Smith, principal, Miss Copeland, Mrs. M. E. Crossley, Mrs. Ray Smith, Mrs. Irene Hughes, Miss Reece, Miss Wheeler, Miss Kinder, Mrs. Roberts.

#### Medicos Meet---

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of Carbon and Gorman doctors. The next meeting will be held Tuesday night, Oct. 17, at the Laguna hotel in Cisco.

Among visitors at the meeting were: Dr. R. A. Webster, Clyde; Dr. Richard C. Curtis, Temple; Dr. E. N. Varner, Ranger; Dr. Frank S. Shoover, Fort Worth; Dr. F. L. Snyder, Fort Worth; Dr. Vance Terrell, Stephenville; Dr. H. O. Hedges, Hico; Dr. J. C. Terrell, Stephenville; Dr. J. W. Toppingham, Brownwood; Dr. Paul and Mrs. Woods, Cisco; Dr. R. R. Lee, Sipe Springs; Dr. W. H. Guy, Dublin; Dr. H. H. Enzer, DeLeon; Dr. O. O. Gain, Dublin; Dr. O. N. Mayo, Brownwood; Dr. J. E. Smith, Ranger; Dr. J. W. Day, Ft. Worth; Dr. H. H. Cartwright, Breckenridge, and Dr. C. L. Gray, Comanche.

#### Burglary Charges---

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a confession to the sheriff and posted bond of \$1,000. Everett has been remanded to county jail to wait action of the grand jury.

According to officers, the men gained entrance to the grocery store at Rising Star Tuesday night at 8:30. Assertedly, Everett entered through a side window and then opened the front door of the store for his companion.

Hagan McMahon of Longview arrived today for a brief visit with friends.

Miss Irene Shultz of Rising Star was shopping in Cisco today.

# WHY THE HUMBLE OIL AND REFINING COMPANY REDUCED the PRICE of CRUDE

This statement is published as a paid advertisement by Humble Oil and Refining Company for the benefit of those who are interested and not acquainted with the facts.

On August 11 the Humble Company posted reductions in the prices at which it purchased crude oil in Texas and New Mexico by amounts ranging from 5 cents to 35 cents per barrel, and averaging 18.5 cents per barrel. In view of the fact that this action on our part has been severely criticized before the public, we outline below the facts and reasons on which it was based:

1—On August 1 the quantities of crude oil listed below, aggregating 218,920 barrels daily in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, were moving to market at prices substantially below the Humble's postings for similar crudes:

AREA	BARRELS DAILY
TEXAS	
West Central	37,000
Gulf Coast	22,600
Southwest	16,900
East Central	12,800
East Texas Field	6,850
Panhandle	1,500
<b>Total Texas</b>	<b>97,650</b>
So. Louisiana	81,920
N. Louisiana and Arkansas	39,350
<b>Total</b>	<b>218,920</b>

umes of crude moving below our prices have increased steadily, with result that when the reductions of Sinclair-Prairie and others came on Aug. 10, affecting approximately 150,000 barrels of crude per day, conditions were so bad that we were compelled to reduce our prices to meet this competition. In no case are our new postings lower than the Sinclair-Prairie postings for similar crudes.

6—The Humble Company is primarily a producer of oil. Its crude oil properties constitute its principal asset. Its net production averages 133,000 barrels a day. We are also crude oil merchants and purchase, at our posted prices, 251,000 barrels of crude oil daily in Texas and New Mexico. These prices also govern the price at which we sell the oil which we produce. Because of our large production we are vitally interested in the maintenance of fair prices.

Our refineries consume something near the amount of oil which we produce. As a consequence, with respect to our purchases we are in the same position as a merchant dealing in any commodity. To continue in business, we can not over a long period of time pay higher prices than our competitors. We are compelled to meet competition. The price of oil, like that of other commodities, is subject to change with market conditions. These are simple and fundamental business principles. We were reluctant to cut the price of crude, not alone because of its adverse effect on our own earnings, but also because of its effect on our customers and upon the industry and the State at large. Under these circumstances we could not continue to pay the prices we had been paying.

7—As a matter of policy the Humble Company maintains stocks of crude oil very slightly in excess of the amount required as working stocks to carry on operations. We do not believe in storage of oil above ground but in production of oil currently as required for market. We do not speculate in oil. We have no desire to buy oil at any price to accumulate for storage.

8—We think the price for oil brought about by the competitive conditions above mentioned is lower than should be realized. In our opinion the flood of oil from Illinois and Louisiana, most of which is being produced wastefully, in violation of conservative principles, is primarily responsible for the market conditions which necessitated our price reductions. It is our hope that these conditions will be corrected and that the market will improve.

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