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Weather Delays Marshall Ceremonies

EXPECTED TO BE TOMORROW; BYRNES GOES THRU LAST ACT

WASHINGTON — The swearing-in of Gen. George C. Marshall as secretary of state was delayed today, but his predecessor James F. Byrnes went through with his last official act by signing the first peace treaties of World War II.

Marshall was to have taken the oath at 10 a. m. at an elaborate White House Ceremony. But the plane flying him here from Honolulu via Burbank, Cal., was grounded by bad weather at Chicago.

Marshall announced at Chicago that he would continue to Washington by train.

The White House said he would be sworn in tomorrow. The exact time will be set when it is determined what time Marshall arrives here. The oath will be administered by Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson in an elaborate White House ceremony.

Meanwhile, Byrnes completed his last official act as secretary of state when he signed peace treaties for Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary and Romania—in that order—in a 10-minute ceremony at the State Department.

The actual signing took only three minutes.

Byrnes made no statement.

Would Impeach Judge Who Ruled In Portal Pay

WASHINGTON — Sen. James O. Eastland, D. Miss., today raised the threat of impeachment against Federal Judge Frank Picard of Michigan whose original ruling in the Mount Clemens, Mich., Pottery Workers case touched off the current flood of portal to portal back pay suits.

Eastland voiced the threat after Theodore R. Iserman, attorney for Chrysler Corp., told a Senate Judiciary subcommittee that Picard had "gone beyond his functions" as judge by twice dismissing a jury that found in favor of Chrysler in a 1944 portal suit.

Investigation Ordered In Ship Sinking Case

ATHENS — Survivors of the sinking of the Greek coastal vessel Himara with an apparent loss of 391 lives charged today that crewmen stampeded aboard the lifeboats, blocking the way of passengers who were trying to get off the doomed ship.

The merchant marine ministry ordered an investigation at once into the conduct of officers and crewmen of the Himara as she was going down in the Aegean east of Athens yesterday.

Bilbo Undergoes Cancer Surgery

NEW ORLEANS — Theodore G. Bilbo, Mississippi Democratic U. S. Senator-elect, underwent a serious operation for cancer of the mouth. He was in surgery for two hours and twenty minutes. Infirmary attendants said Bilbo's condition was "very satisfactory."

The Weather

Fair this afternoon tonight and tomorrow.
Temperature at 1:30 p. m. today
Maximum _____ 50
Minimum _____ 41
Hour's Reading _____ 50
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a. m. today
Maximum _____ 54
Minimum _____ 36

Disarmament Commission In UN Is Expected

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—United Nations sources predicted today that the Security Council, overriding American objections, will set up a new commission next month to begin work on global disarmament plans.

The United Nations was expected to sidetrack attempts to establish the commission immediately when the council met this afternoon. Delegates were almost certain to accept an American proposal that all disarmament talks be suspended until Feb. 4.

Soon after that date, however, delegates of most of the 10 other countries on the Council were likely to insist on a UN disarmament commission. They would thus reject the United States demand that the council act on the American plan for world atomic energy control before beginning negotiations on general disarmament.

Texas Senators' Opinions On Dooley Differ

WASHINGTON — A wide difference of opinion between Texas Democratic Senators, Tom Connally and W. Lee O'Daniel, today put a Senate Judiciary subcommittee in something of a quandary and delayed a vote on a judiciary nomination.

The subcommittee is considering the nomination of Joe E. Dooley to be a federal judge in the northern district of Texas. O'Daniel let the committee know he considers Dooley "personally objectionable," but he didn't come to the hearing on Dooley's qualifications.

Connally, who did come, called three Texans to the witness stand to testify in praise of Dooley. He also demanded irately that O'Daniel be summoned. O'Daniel wasn't available immediately.

Directors Meet To Be Held At 7:30 Tonight

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the manager's office and all members are urged to attend.

At the meeting the five new directors will be sworn in and the election of officers will be held on February 3. Those to take office tonight are W. A. Lewis, George Campbell, C. C. McKeever, M. L. King, and David D. Pickrell, the latter two re-elected.

HEARINGS BEGUN

WASHINGTON (UP)—The House interstate commerce committee began hearings today on a measure to postpone the sale of the Big and Little Ingham Lines pending a report by the Federal Power Commission.

TALMADGE UNBUDGED BY NEW DEMANDS

ATLANTA — Herman Talmadge held the executive office today against the demands of Lt. Gov. M. E. Thompson and Talmadge was denounced on the floor of the Georgia House as having no more than "squatters rights" on the office of governor.

These developments occurred in rapid fire order in the battle for the Georgia governorship.

1. Thompson went to Talmadge's office and demanded that he vacate the office and that he be governor and had every intention of remaining so.

2. Attorney General Eugene Cook issued a statement recognizing Thompson as the legitimate governor. Cook announced that a suit to oust Talmadge from office would be carried on in Thompson's name. The suit originally had been filed in behalf of Former Gov. Ellis Arnall.

3. Thompson announced that he would serve as acting governor from his own offices in the capitol. He announced further appointments of state officials.

4. Charlie Morgan, appointed parks commissioner by Thompson, failed to take over that office when Jim Page, Talmadge appointee, refused to vacate the office.

Thompson took the oath as acting governor before the State Senate. Talmadge forces, unaware of what was going on, denounced the action as a gignotic hoax.

Ranger Man At Fort Dix To Get Discharge

FORT DIX, N. J., Jan. 19.—Pfc Haden E. Eastland, of Route 1, Ranger, Texas, has arrived at Fort Dix, largest separation center in the country, to receive his honorable discharge from the Army.

Eastland, a graduate of Ranger high school, spent six months serving as an air traffic controller in Italy following basic training in the states. An employee of a Ranger aircraft corporation prior to entering the service, Eastland plans to return to school when he becomes a civilian.

Mrs. Esther Moore, his wife, and Haden, Jr., his son, await the returning soldier.

Italian Premier Resigns Today

ROME — Premier Alcide De Gasperi resigned today, it was announced officially.

Although the six month old Italian Republic has been undergoing a crisis, De Gasperi's resignation was unexpected. He had been scheduled to present his case to the nation today in an effort to save his fledgling government.

Chicago Cards Sign Trippi



Charley Trippi, former All-American from the University of Georgia, holds a football and checks his jersey size while Chicago Cardinals owner, Charles Bidwell, holds \$100,000 contract which Trippi signed in Chicago. (NEA Telephoto).

Navy Recruiter Ho Be In Ranger Tuesday At 1:00

A United States Navy Recruiter from the Navy recruiting station at Abilene, Texas will be in Ranger, Texas, on Tuesday, 21, of January, 1947 at the Post Office at 1:00 p. m. to interview applicants and answer any questions regarding enlistment in the U. S. Navy.

The following information should be studied by those interested:

1. It is necessary for the parents of youths under the age of 21 years, to sign consent papers in the presence of a Navy Recruiter. (This may be accomplished on the above date and save the inconvenience of making a special trip to Abilene.)

2. Men 17 to 30, inclusive, may enlist in the Regular Navy and still draw the dependency allowance during active service and for six months after the official termination of the war.

3. The new pay scale is now in effect which amounts to about 50 per cent increase over the wartime pay.

4. All men enlisting now will still come under the full benefits of the GI Bill of Rights for all service from now until the official termination of the war.

5. There are over 50 different trade schools in which a Navy man may specialize, and there are Service Schools for almost all trades.

Legislation Sidetracked For Election Check

AUSTIN, Texas — Legislative redistricting, a soldier bonus, a negro university and threatened liquor legislation all took a back seat today as Texas legislators met in joint session to declare the election of governor and lieutenant governor.

Unlike Georgia, Texas had no uncertainty. All knew that Beauford Jester of Corsicana and Allan Shivers of Port Arthur will be inaugurated governor and lieutenant governor tomorrow noon.

Then another joint session of the House and Senate will be held outside the capitol to witness the inauguration. That will end legislative activities until Wednesday afternoon.

T. P. Completes Producer On J. W. Davis Lease

Officials of the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company stated today that their No. 10 well on the J. W. Davis lease nine miles northwest of Ranger has been completed for a producer with a total of 65 barrels recorded in the first 12 hours flow.

The well was brought in Thursday and equipment has already been moved to another location which will be the Number 11. The Number 10 is producing from 1974 feet from a section identified as the Strawn sand.

There are better than 200 acres in the lease which is in the T. J. Earnest pool in the Strawn sand.

Would Revive Government's Seizure Power

WASHINGTON — Rep. Gerald W. Landis, R. Ind., today proposed legislation to revive the government's wartime power to seize vital plants threatened by strikes. Landis, second ranking Republican on the House labor committee, also introduced a modified system of compulsory arbitration to settle such disputes.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK Cattle 200. Slow. Common and medium slaughter steers and heifers 11.00-18.00, few good lots help upward from 20.00.

Calves 1600. Slow. Good and choice fat calves 15.50-18.50. Hogs 2300. Top 23.50 paid for good and choice 180-300 lbs. Sheep 1500. Slaughter lambs and ewes steady. Good and a few choice fat lambs 22.00.

THIEVES HIT SIX EASTLAND CO. PLACES

Purglars struck in Eastland county Saturday night, breaking into six places and netting a total of \$150 along with some tires and tubes, a radio and flashlight. In two of the places it was stated that the burglars apparently failed to complete their entrance.

Sheriff Williams received his first call about 12:00 o'clock Saturday night when it was reported from Cisco that The Spot, a cafe on highway 80 east, had been broken into and about \$90 taken.

Then about 3:00 o'clock a call came from Carbon where the Carbon Trading Company, Ben's Grocery, C. A. Driver's Service Station and the Medford Service Station were entered. At Driver's it was stated that the burglars took two tires and two tubes.

About 5:00 o'clock another call came to Sheriff Williams and this time it was from Gorman where the M. T. McCormick Service Station was robbed of a radio and flashlight.

Sheriff Williams stated that indications were that the burglars at Gorman and Carbon were by the same robbers, and possible that at Cisco, also, but he was not certain. Sheriff Williams and his deputies are studying the evidence found at the places and working on the cases.

Bicycle Pedaled Miles Without Leaving Stabard

DALLAS, Tex. (UP) — Puffing Dallas businessmen pedaled a bicycle 2,415 miles last year without the machine ever leaving its parking standard in the YMCA's Health Club.

Club director Harry Teil, who in addition to taking excess weight off Dallasites indulges in statistical gymnastics, says that the machine melted seven tons of fat off the frames of overfed Texans.

The spinning wheels of the "torture device" turned up enough revolutions to have made a trip from Dallas to Seattle, providing anyone wanted to leave Texas.

A year end check at the club revealed to Teil several more astronomical figures (no pun) in the weight-peeling department. Health seekers hoisted a total 12,500,000 pounds of bar bells at the club and absorbed 20,211 massages, while steam cabidets eliminated another 15,000 pounds of weight.

Anyway, the club is popular. Teil says attendance totaled 25,000 for the year; and those aren't athletes. The club caters to tired, run-down office workers.

Kerville Baptists To Build Church

KERRVILLE, Tex. (UP) — A new church building, costing \$200,000, will be built by the congregation of the First Baptist Church, Rev. Vernon Shaw, pastor, announced.

Plans call for the building to be of buff brick and trim-stone construction. The new church plant will include an auditorium to seat 1,800, a chapel, and an educational building. Features of the new building will include a library, prayer room, parlor, kitchen, storage vault and a recreational room.

Police Give Burglar 'Lift'

GALVESTON, Tex. (UP) — Detectives W. E. Glad and G. Kingsley recently took a burglar to "work," then discovered his "occupation" and subsequently filed charges of burglary and theft against him.

They gave him a ride in their police car. After the man got out, they discovered part of the loot in the automobile's back seat. Four hours later the hitchhiker was behind bars.

The south doubled her output of steel between 1903 and 1914.

Thompson Sworn In As Lt. Governor



An unidentified reporter stopped M. E. Thompson on the steps of the State Capitol building in Atlanta, Georgia, shortly after Thompson had been sworn in as Lt. Governor of Georgia. (NEA Telephoto).

BENEFIT DANCE FUNDS LIKELY TO BE \$1,000

Nearly \$1,000 is expected to be realized from the Charlie Isbell benefit dance held Saturday night at the Elks Lodge and sponsored by the Elks Lodge. A total of \$791 had been turned in by Monday morning and outstanding sales are expected to bring the total to the \$1,000 mark.

About 250 couples attended the dance for which music was furnished without cost by Jimmie Metcalf and his orchestra. It was stated today that every penny of the proceeds will go to the beneficiary since all services, printing, cold drinks and facilities of the Elks Club were donated.

Elks today expressed particular thanks to the orchestra, the Ranger Times; Southern Ice Company, Dr. Pepper Bottling Company, Coca Cola Bottling Company, 7-Up Co., Eddie Stevens and Royal Neighbors for their contributions.

In addition to the sale of tickets, proceeds from the checkroom of \$20.75, from the soft drinks, \$33.30 and tickets sold at the door \$58.00, are included in the total mentioned above.

It was announced today that the Elks will sponsor a March of Dimes dance to be given at the club on January 30th and for which the Metcalf orchestra has been engaged.

New French Premier



Paul Ramadier, little known French Socialist leader, walks down the carpeted steps of Elysee Palace in Paris after being named 1st Premier of the Fourth Republic. (NEA Radio-Telephoto).

During 1946, approximately 11,486,330 persons were employed as farmers in the United States.

Well... I Dunno, But...

Results of the benefit dance given by the Elks Lodge Saturday night indicate the readiness of the people to help a fellow that's had misfortune. Besides being a lot of fun for those who attended, the dance had a worthy cause behind it.

And the guests ranged from four-year olds through the ageless adults with all enjoying the occasion. James Phelton Herrington, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Phelton Herrington was taking his dancing seriously. When the lassie that agreed to dance with him didn't appear at the appointed time, he secured the services of Chief George Murphy to track her down. We never did learn the outcome but we do know that our offer to replace the partner was turned down with the assertion, "Well, she promised to dance with me and I want to find HER".

People that know tell us that Willard Seymour gets the credit for saving the life of Charlie Isbell following an accidental gunshot wound recently. When Isbell dropped in the snow after being struck in the left arm by the accidental shot, Seymour who was with him at the time, dropped beside him and remained there with him, choking off the flow of blood, for nearly an hour before help was brought to take the wounded man to the hospital.

The Legionnaires have been fixing up their hall and among other things have added outside metal curtains, resembling venetian blinds to the windows. The shutters are neat and attractive and quite an improvement to the gaping windows out which curtains flopped. They have re-done the interior of the building to add to the enjoyment of the many functions which they sponsor there.

Mrs. E. P. Mayfield says that she's thinking of appealing to the little girls of Ranger for doll clothes for her infant son who was born recently at the West Texas Hospital. Weighing only four pounds at birth the young man was practically swallowed up in the little shirt that was supposed to cover only half of his body. The large suitcases filled with dainty things for the boy went begging when they couldn't find the baby in the clothes they tried on him.

If anyone doubts the importance of an airport to Ranger, just observe the traffic that goes on at the airport now. Too, it's evidence of activity out there to see the number of planes that are brought in here to be repaired or rebuilt. The field has dozens of planes on it all of the time.

According to weather reports the week-end norther is going to be a little late, being scheduled to drop in on Ranger tonight. Though the usual norther didn't appear during the week-end, the weatherman did manage to get in a little rain with a total of .21 of an inch falling Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

Some of us Texans who remember the governor's rows of the past can really sit back and look pleased with Texas as the inauguration of Beauford Jester as governor approaches with all apparent smoothness and Georgia boils in a stew over who's gonna be governor.

Now we're not glad Georgia is in trouble but we're sure glad it's not in Texas. We remember one governor's row in Texas that came very near breaking up a wedding party. One of the groomsmen from Virginia made some lightening remark about Texas governors and their rows and the battle was on. A little act of manipulation managed to keep the party in tact until after the wedding the next day, after which the members went to their separate states and parts of Texas without having settled the feud.

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EDITORIAL

by James Thrasher

THE URGE FOR CHANGE

Dr. George Gallup's pollsters recently set out to discover what the public knows and thinks about the Wagner Labor Act. They found 81 per cent of those questioned (all 60-its) either didn't know anything about the law's provisions or else had completely wrong ideas.

This is scarcely an encouraging report. The Wagner Act has been law for more than 11 years. It is distinctly important, since it defines and guarantees certain labor union rights, and is a sort of rule book for collective bargaining.

Obviously, this law has a direct influence on many lives. Yet the odd fact remains that only 19 per cent of the Gallup sampling had even a general idea of its provisions.

Many of the people who favor amendment or repeal of a law they know nothing about have probably grown impatient or fearful at the recent course of management-labor relations. They must have gathered, however dimly, that the Wagner Act had something to do with labor.

It is, perhaps, from such vague discontent that much of what we call human progress is born. It is a risky inefficient way of managing lives and affairs, as history attests. When the discontent finds a response in intelligent, honest, well-intentioned men at the head of a government, relief and betterment usually result.

Americans have sufficient liberty and sufficient education (inadequate as much of it is) to choose generally able leaders and representatives to operate that system of government. They have a free press that's for the most part, intelligent.

So we call ourselves an enlightened people, and by present world standards we are. Yet, for all our vaunted literacy, many Americans are hopelessly bewildered when forced to make a decision concerning their own and their country's future.

Until most of the people not only feel the desire to change and progress but also know the point of departure and the desired goal, neither our government nor our society is safe. There is no quick and easy way to attain this safety.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—This may be confessing to possession of a cold in the head or just plain chronic dumbness. But in all honesty it must be reported that to this writer the President's first Economic Report to Congress was old, indefinite and often unintelligible stuff.

It would be nice to report that this 54-page pamphlet was more fun than a farmers' almanac, a potential best-seller and 1947's handiest little argument-settler. Truth is, it will be more of an argument-starter.

The author or authors tried to make it easy reading. The sentences are short. Every once in a while they throw in a cliché like, "Everyone is agreed that the tax burden is great and should be reduced as soon as possible."

For the long run, continuation of expenditures for privately financed productive facilities at anywhere near the recent levels will depend upon the size of our peacetime markets, investment incentives, and the rate of technological progress, rather than on the backlog.

The way the President's Economic Report to Congress marches right squarely up to an important issue—and then backs away—is really classic.

On "employment objectives" it says, "We do not know exactly how many people will want jobs during 1947." On "production objectives" it says, "It is not practical to state in physical terms just how much our production should be in 1947."

Maybe the trouble is that too much was expected from this first Economic Report from the President to Congress. This was to be the document that would tell Congress how to achieve maximum production, employment and purchasing power under the good old American system of free competitive enterprise.

In his short-range program, the President says something should be done about prices and wages, social security, housing, taxes, and labor-management relations. But he makes no new recommendations as to what action should be taken.

ITS much the same in the report's recommendations for a long-range program. Those recommendations contain every unfilled request from the President's 21-point program of last year.

Under "combating economic fluctuations" the report says, "Only by blending all practicable programs in wise proportions can we be successful in stabilizing our economy at highest feasible levels."

This may be as it should be. But if that's the way it's going to work out, a lot of people who were counting heavily on this Council of Economic Advisers are going to be disappointed.

"HE BUILT BETTER THAN HE KNEW"



Buy United States Savings Bonds

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—George Herman Ruth in the hospital after a serious operation somehow switches your mind back to the World Series of 1927 and the Pirates' little Wamers brothers standing with their mouths open watching Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig in batting practice smacking ball after ball high up into the right field stand at Forbes Field and over the wall into Panther Hollow.

Ruth and Gehrig looked like giants out of a prehistoric age who would live forever. Yet Gehrig has been dead five and one-half years and Ruth has been practically a patient for seven.

Baseball and its players owe Ruth a tremendous debt. Ruth could not have swung into his home run stride at a more opportune time had his big bat been synchronized, for he was finishing the job of almost doubling his own major league record with 54 in his maiden trip as a Yankee when the World Series scandal of 1919 broke the following fall.

Ruth was still the best left-handed pitcher in baseball when Ed Barrow of the Red Sox, who moved to the Yankees with the Sultan of Swat, made him an

Ruth's fabulous feats built Yankee Stadium, firmly entrenched the American League in New York.

Ruth was proudest of having pitched 29 1/2 consecutive scoreless innings in World Series, but developed into an unparalleled home run manufacturer to become the most magnetic attraction in the history of the business.

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21 Redactor
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25 Liberate
26 Music note
27 Lieutenants
28 Preposition
29 (sh.)
30 Harvest
31 goddess
32 Down (comb. form)
33 On account
34 (ab.)
35 Preposition

STOP JOHN CLAY!
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THE STORY: Pike Calvin senses an ominous air about THE SADDLEBACK INN, exclusive mountain resort. Served Roger Bland says he knows that Pike is there only to see John Clay, powerful magnate who owns the inn. He also claims to know what happened to Mary Butler, Pike's lovely niece. A long-distance phone call to his employer reveals that Mary Butler has disappeared. He visits the inn, takes out the book Pike Tudor has just returned.

PIKE looked through the oval ports in the swinging doors to the reading room. He could see her shining auburn hair bound with the velvet band. She was sitting at one of the tables writing something.

Pike went in and sat opposite her. But she did not look up. Pike sat there and watched her. Finally she said: "What is it?"

"Your card," he said. He held it out. She reached over and took it. "I got the book," Pike said. "Fine," she said. "I'll read it tonight," he said. "By morning I'll be thoroughly enlightened."

"It will take more than a book to do that," she said. "If you have no previous engagements—"

"Can't you see that I'm writing a letter?" "Yes," he said. "I don't understand why you came way over here to do it."

"I come over here because it is quiet," she said. "Ordinarily, you're lucky to have any privacy at all around here," he said. "I haven't."

With a look of infinite patience she began to write again. "Even my room has been searched," he said. He watched her pen. It moved more slowly, then halted. She made a period. She gazed at him

steadily. She said: "Why tell me?" He shrugged. "John Clay is your uncle. He owns THE SADDLEBACK."

Someone came through the swinging doors. Miss Felton. With one little book, obviously a pretext for nosing about the reading room, she crossed to the desk, laid the book down, and went out again.

"Listen, Mr. Calvin," Miss Tudor's voice was lowered and she spoke very deliberately. "I haven't the vaguest notion what you expect to get out of your little visit here at THE SADDLEBACK. If there is any reason why someone should search your room, you would know it better than I. Now will you be good enough to let me finish my letter or must I take it elsewhere?"

Pike looked at her thoughtfully. She was very serious, but somehow he felt that there was something behind the bluff. "All right," he said. "I forgive you. And thanks for the book."

He looked up just in time to surprise a head sliding smoothly past one of the oval ports in the swinging doors. A head remarkably like Mr. Bateman's.

PIKE crossed over and went through the doors. Bateman was back at the business of placing books on a shelf under the main desk. He was doing it obviously and deliberately. Miss Felton was tinkering with a book stamp.

"You have a fine library here," Pike said. Mr. Bateman turned slowly and straightened.

He put one hand up to what Pike was sure was a toupee and touched it gently to assure himself it was there. "I was wondering," Pike said. "If you have any material here in the library on Mr. Clay."

"A little," Bateman reached up and adjusted his glasses. "What little there is is uncomplimentary."

Pike saw Miss Felton lay down her book stamp and stare fixedly ahead of her. This time Bateman went on: "One is a newspaper clipping on the conference."

"What conference?" "The lid over Bateman's eye, dropped heavily. His expression revealed quite plainly that he did not believe in Pike's innocence and that it was of no consequence to him whether Pike lied or told the truth. Mr. Bateman made up his own mind. He said: "A few weeks ago there was a conference of industrialists here at THE SADDLEBACK to discuss plans for reconversion to peacetime production. This newspaper account quotes the words of a congressman to the effect that the conference was not what it purported to be."

"What did he say it was?" Mr. Bateman smiled thinly. "He called it a 'gathering of fascists bent on influencing the policies of our government for their own profit.'"

"Well," Pike said. "Those are the very words the congressman used," Mr. Bateman said. "He hinted at investigation."

"Is that a fact?" "Broadly," said Mr. Bateman. "Naturally, Mr. Clay is a little sensitive now to any undue curiosity regarding his activities."

Then Pike heard a thumping. Miss Felton was trying out the book stamp. And under cover of the sound Bateman was saying something: "If I can be of any further assistance, Mr. Calvin, please let me know."

There was a peculiar urgency in his manner. He was trying to tell Pike something. His good eyes, large and bright, looked into Pike's face and Pike said casually: "Are you open in the evening?"

"Until 9," Bateman said. Pike nodded. Bateman went on: "I hope we'll see you here again, Mr. Calvin."

"You will," Pike said. (To Be Continued)

STATES, CITIES FIGHT STREAM POLLUTING

CHICAGO (UP)—Extended programs to halt the daily flow of 5,750,000 gallons of untreated sewage into the nation's waterways are being launched on the interstate, state and local levels, according to the American Public Works Association.

Stream pollution laws were strengthened recently in Mississippi, while in Texas, pollution of public waters has been made a penal offense. Local pollution surveys are being made in Texas to determine changes that are needed.

In Oregon, 64 cities now have plans for new sewage disposal plants and sewer systems. The Michigan state planning commission has accepted plans for \$100,000,000 in sewage disposal projects.

The Pennsylvania anti-pollution program is centered on industrial and other urban waste. The state health department has ordered 508 cities and institutions and 362 industries to prepare plans for sewage and waste treatment.

California gave sewage disposal construction a high priority under a \$90,000,000 public works construction program approved this year. Massachusetts and Minnesota strengthened their anti-pollution laws.

Because watersheds have no geographical boundaries, several interstate agencies are acting to help curb pollution. Among these are the Interstate Sanitation Commission on the Delaware River. Interstate pollution control operations along the Ohio are being coordinated by means of the Ohio River Compact.

The 175,000,000 pounds of chicken feathers that now are wasted annually may be utilized in a new fiber product called Keratin.

Rural fires destroy approximately four farm buildings an hour and kill about 3,000 people annually in the United States.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



Wildcat Enterprisers Doing O. K. But Hearts Are Set On Saloon

MANSFIELD, O. (UP) — Wildcat Enterprises looked over its books at the end of the year, found it owned a race horse, "an interloper" in a Swedish actress, glow over the possibility of being in movies and pushed plans to open a saloon on Third Avenue in New York.

All this on the installment plan, too. Wildcat Enterprises, Inc., is a partnership of 30 ex-Navy PT boat men. It was born in idle talk between sailors while stationed in New Guinea in 1942-43. Twenty-six men formed the original investment group, each kicking in \$200, at \$10 a month for 20 months. Since the end of the war four others who were stationed with the original bunch have paid up and joined. "It made good conversation and helped pass the time," Robert Lynch, a Wildcat Enterpriser

transplanted here said. Now they own a racing horse, named "Expendable," which has earned \$1,700 at New York state harness tracks this last season. The horse cost \$3,200. Officials at Roosevelt track in Long Island said it was the only horse in the tracks' history with 30 owners.

"The main idea was to open a saloon on Third Avenue in New York with a back room for members only," said Lynch. "That idea hasn't materialized yet, because it would take more money than we counted on. But we're still working on it."

No profits have been handed out yet, according to Lynch, who said the "business end of the deal" is handled by the majority of members on the East coast. "But now that we've got a little more money to play with, we're hoping our Swedish actress clicks in a screen test and for Twentieth Century-Fox to pick up the script written for us by Quentin Reynolds," Lynch continued. Lynch said the constitution of the Wildcat's specifically stated that the organization would make investments that would give pause to an ordinarily prudent man.

Lynch said the boys are looking for a prize fighter to buy next. Members of the organization are scattered throughout Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, California, Illinois and Texas. Their ranks number advertising men, distillers, accountants, salesmen and college students.

—READ THE CLASSIFIEDS—

Minister, Choir Singer Return Home



The Rev. Daniel L. Reedy, Grand Rapids, Michigan, center, a Methodist Minister for 25 years, demanded examination on adultery charges when he was arraigned before Police Judge Edward G. Burleston. Reed is accompanied by Grand Rapids detective John DeBlany, left. At right is Mrs. Mary Marguerite Cowles, 40, wife of a Grand Rapids salesman, who wept in the office of the County Prosecutor as she awaited transfer to the Receiving Hospital to undergo a psychiatric examination. With Rev. Reedy, 54, she was named in a warrant charging adultery. The couple were arrested in Kalamazoo, Michigan, as they returned from an admitted trip to Dallas, Texas. (NEA Telephone photos).

City Beneath City Yields Relics

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C. (UP)—The pot of gold isn't at the end of the rainbow in British Columbia—it's under the streets of New Westminster, a long with a newspaper office, the remains of a sawmill and skeleton stuck in a sewer pipe.

In the days of the gold rush, two deep ravines ran through the middle of the town, forming a valley in which many buildings were located. After the "great fire of 1898," which leveled much of the business district, the valley was filled in and the town rebuilt on top of it.

But they neglected to remove from the ravines many objects which have since become increasingly valuable. Fascinating glimpses of life before the fire are revealed whenever excavations are dug for new buildings, but townspeople think the best is yet to come.

There's gold, for instance. Old-timers swear that an Indian once hid a fortune in gold dust in a tunnel dug beneath what is now one of the main streets of town. Other residents remember stories of a bank clerk who became wedged in a sewer on one of the ravines, and no one bothered to get him out. His skeleton is probably among the relics beneath the town.

Construction crews demolishing an old hotel recently uncovered several rooms which had been sealed for years. The rooms were completely furnished, but decayed tables and chairs crumbled at a touch.

A sawmill, cannery, newspaper office and blacksmith shop were among the buildings partially destroyed in the fire and later covered when the ravines filled.

Tons of wrought iron and huge cedar logs, still in prime condition after 50 years, are known to be buried in the underground city.

Forest Brought to Deer CHICAGO (UP) — Edmund Wurez wanted to make his two pet deer feel at home in the vacant lot where he keeps them. So he collected discarded Christmas trees and made them a small forest.

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RAILROAD CARS MAKE NEW HOMES

CONCORD, N. H. (UP) — Two local architects, a railroad car inspector, a contractor and a mechanic have pooled their talents in an attempt to beat the housing shortage by converting antiquated railroad passenger cars into inexpensive new homes. The idea was originated by James Ross, chief car inspector of the Boston & Maine Railroad after his company announced it was scrapping about 50 side-tracked wooden cars. The railroad had planned to salvage metal and hardware from the cars and then burn them.

Ross passed his idea along to the architects, Stewart Lyford and Eugene Magenau, who told him it was feasible. Carroll Garland, contractor, and Clinton street, a railroad mechanic, entered the group.

The railroad agreed to sell 40 to 60 cars. When the first car was ready for delivery, Ross and his associates bought a 100-by-100-foot lot in Concord heights and laid the foundation for their first house.

Vestibules were removed and the car, which cost \$100, was cut into three sections to form a U-shaped house.

The first model, which will sell for about \$4,500, including the lot, contains a modern automatic oil circulating hot water heating

Overdue Bill



Frances Barton, above, and other employees of a Chicago poultry firm nicknamed the goose she holds "Durante" because he was born without a schnozle. Bill-less freak, apparently none the worse for his lack, arrived in a shipment of geese from a Dysert, Iowa, farm.

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On the Carpet



Behind closed doors, Chairman James M. Landis, above, and other Civil Aeronautics Board members were questioned by the Senate Commerce Committee on recent wave of aviation accidents and involved finances of airline companies. Observers predicted congressional probe and possible formation of a government air safety board separate from the CAS, which now investigates crashes.

Despised Aspen Found To Be Useful Wood

DULUTH, Minn. (UP)—Cores of fine furniture can be made from wood of aspen trees as the result of a new process developed by a Duluth man.
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Just before going to bed, the beverage tends to keep small children awake, according to Dr. Mina Lamb, associate professor of foods and nutrition at Texas Technological College.

This paradox is explained by the fact that psychological factors enter into the insomnia picture of adults, whereas children respond to actual body conditions. Hot cocoa consistently raises body metabolism, Dr. Lamb explained, and will tend to make small-children wakeful.

On the other hand, an adult, convinced that a hot drink will make him sleep, often will begin to doze as soon as he has finished drinking it.

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Same Family Holds One Office For 46 Years

KERRVILLE, Tex., (UP)—For 46 years the sheriff's office of Kerr County has been in the same family, and recently A. Frank Moore took office for another term. His father, Jack Moore had been sheriff for more than 30 years until his death in 1931.

But, that isn't the entire story of the longevity of Kerr County officials. Of the eight who were sworn in, County Clerk John R. Leavell has the longest tenure. He took office in 1912 and has never had an opponent. Length of time in office for the eight officials totals 102 years.

Another Kerr County official oddity is a treasurer named Gold. He is ex-postmaster Emil Gold with six terms behind him. Both County Judge John S. Atkins and Tax Assessor-Collector Emmet H. Nichols began their eighth terms.

George M. Doyle, a native of Missouri who has been a Texan for 40 years entered his seventh term. And, then there are a couple of "kids," F. M. Kuykendall and Joe Burkett, who were appointed to fill office vacancies. Doyle will serve as surveyor and Burkett as County Attorney.

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Sing Weatherman's Praise



A lusty duet in praise of the weather seems to be in progress as these two polar bears at Chicago's Forest Park Zoo enjoy the near-blizzarded snowstorm that had the city's other inhabitants cussing.

Then the portrait ran afoul of legal troubles when Gordon Bentley Inc., an art dealer here, filed suit against the Baroness for \$2,353.01, which he claimed he used to pay her rent and grocery bills. Other claims were filed by the Guardian Trust Co., Bank Fuer Deutsche Beame and Otto G. Zuck. The court allowed \$30,000 against the painting. Meanwhile, Bentley and the two banks went broke and receivers took over the claims.

Clarence Congdon, Detroit art dealer, took over the claims later. "The Lute Player" then in the Wa Beck State Bank vault in Detroit, was ordered moved to the Chase

Dye On Fire Boxes Traps False Alarmists

BUFFALO, N. Y. (UP)—The Buffalo Fire Department has perfected a way to nab senders of false alarms.

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DA VINCI PAINTING MOVED ONCE MORE IN LEGAL TANGLE

CLEVELAND (UP)—"The Lute Player," supposed sister to Leonardo da Vinci's famed "Mona Lisa," began another round of travels and controversy when Judge Adrain G. Newcomb released it to its owner, Baroness Alley von Magnus Schwartzburg, by court order.

Settlement of \$60,000 in earlier court judgments, interest and assignment fees for \$6,000 was made by Edward Funeius of New York, a friend of the Baroness. She has now offered to sell the painting for \$500,000.

Classically known as "portrait of Cecilia Gallerani," the da Vinci was said to have hung at one time beside the "Mona Lisa" in the Louvre. The portrait's sad history began when it disappeared from this spot.

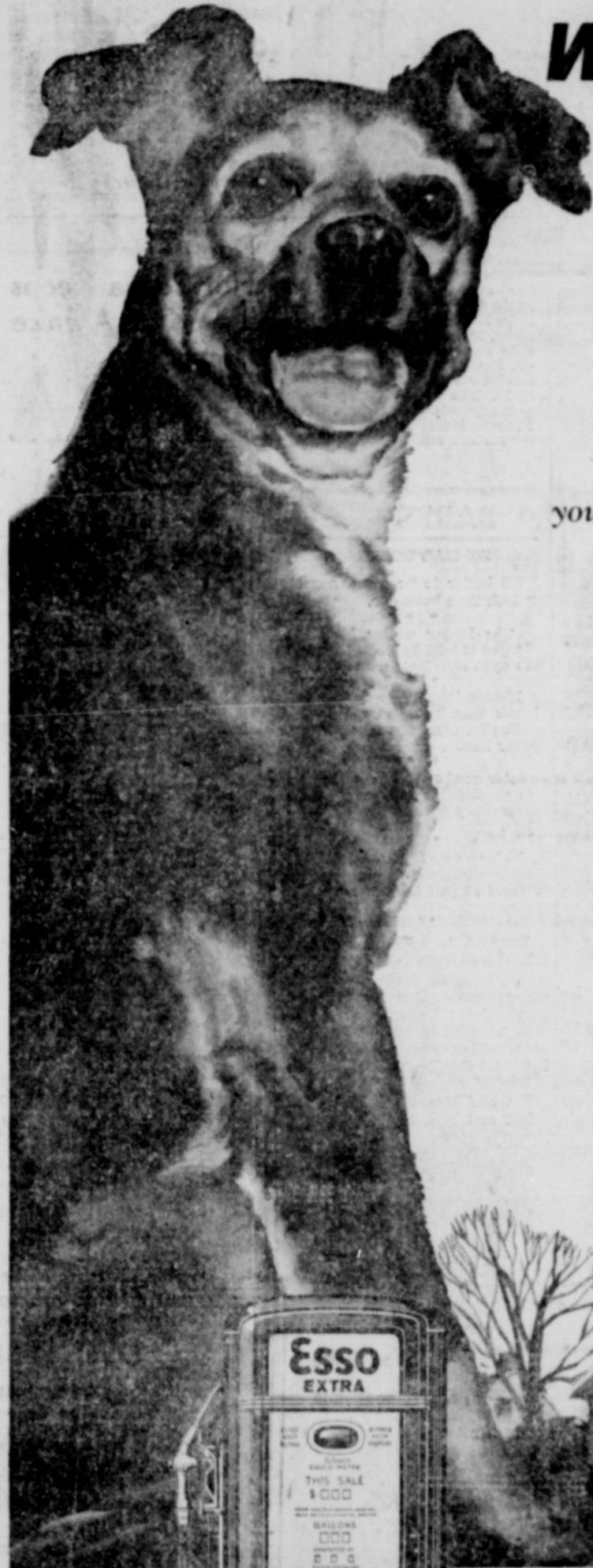
About 80 years ago a painting alleged to be "The Lute Player" turned up in New York, but was found to be a 100-year-old impostor.

In 1925 the Baroness, whose title dates back to Austrian Emperor Franz Joseph, brought the picture to this country. She attempted unsuccessfully to sell it for \$1,000,000 and charged an international art combine with trying to prevent its sale by casting doubts on its authenticity.

Critics said the lady with the lute was wearing a hair ribbon, an accessory unknown in da Vinci's day. But, Baroness Schwartzburg, countered, a paint analysis revealed the ribbon had been painted in 100 years after its creation, probably to disguise it after the theft.

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SOCIETY

LUNCHEON PLANNED THURSDAY POSTPONED

It was announced today that the luncheon for the Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist church which was scheduled to be held Thursday will be postponed until next month.

AUXILIARY MEETING TO BE TUESDAY NITE

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. W. E. Browning and all members are urged to attend.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson had as their guests for the week-end their daughter, Miss Caroline Robinson, a teacher in the Temple schools and Mr. Lawrence Maedgen of Temple.

Mrs. Hattie Rough of Parker City, Indiana is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Earl Swoveland and Mr. Swoveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Richards had as their guests for the week-end Mrs. Richard's brother, L. B. Pipkin and their son, James David, of Ft. Worth, her sisters, Mrs. Alice McCord of Dallas and Mrs. W. J. Taylor and Mr. Taylor of Weatherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hansford were in Brownwood Sunday where they attended the district convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The all day meetings was devoted to business and a program and at noon a barbecue lunch was served.

Bam at Best



People are inclined to remember athletes as they were in the twilight of their careers, Babe Ruth, a balloon on toothpicks, for example. The Bambino was perfectly proportioned, however, when he joined the New York Yankees in 1920 at 25. The old home run king is recuperating at New York's French Hospital following a serious neck operation.

Texas Tech Gets AAU Approval President Says

LUBBOCK, Tex., (UP)—Texas Technological College has been approved for inclusion on the accepted list of the Association of American Universities, according to Pres. W. M. Whyburn of Tech. Graduates from Texas Tech, the youngest major educational institution in the state, may now enter graduate schools of any leading university in the nation without penalty, Pres. Whyburn said.

He also pointed out that many organizations carrying national recognition make membership in the AAU a pre-requisite to forming chapters on a college campus. Dr. Whyburn stated: "Approval by the Association of American Universities represents the result of twenty years of careful thought and closely coordinated effort on the part of all members of the college organization. It constitutes a recognition of our college, particularly with reference to activities in the field of scholarship, which is of highest significance."

"The careful examination into all phases of the organization, instruction and operation of the institution which precedes action on an application for approval, makes favorable action a strong endorsement and a great asset of the institution. With this momentous achievement of Texas Technological College, our future as one of the

Claimant



A leading claimant to the governorship of Georgia, vacant since the late governor-elect Eugene Talmadge died before his inauguration, is Lt.-Gov. Melvyn E. Thompson, above. He claims office by automatic succession.

great American higher education institutions is recognized. In it is inspiration for students, faculty and administrative officers to redouble their efforts with the full knowledge that the value of these is known throughout the country."

Jury Dodgers Told Hunting Is No Excuse

BRIDGTON, N. J. (UP)—State Supreme Court Justice Howard B. Eastwood is a veteran Burlington County hunter—but he's determined that the sport shall not throw a cog in the wheels of justice.

The jurist took his stand after examination of a jury list which had been reduced by 11 excuses. Four hunters pleaded to be excused because of the game season—one stating that he operated a big farm and deer hunting was his only vacation. "The court is aware of your great anticipation of the deer season," said Justice Eastwood, "but, on the other hand, it can-

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"The Ford Motor Company is in the mass production business. Mass production depends upon large markets. It will continue to succeed only if it can produce more and more at lower and lower cost so that more and more people can buy. Large markets begin to disappear when prices rise.

"The un-American spiral of mounting costs and rising prices has hurt everybody—some groups more than others. Many have not benefited from post-war wage increases, but have had to share the burden of resulting higher prices. Already, millions of American families are unable to buy the things which, in normal times, make up their standard of living. In the short view, we can see inflation. In the long view, there is danger of depression.

"The period since V-J day has been an unhappy and costly period of reconversion to peacetime production. Ford Motor Company has lost millions of dollars since V-J day, even after all tax adjustments.

"But the crisis of this wild aftermath of war

seems to have been passed. Our own production, though still limited by material shortages, is now steadier. Productivity of our employes, which hit a new low during the period, seems to have started its return to normal. Ford Motor Company made a modest profit for the last three months of 1946, and we intend to continue to operate in the black.

"The American economy now stands at a turning point. Mounting costs and rising prices have warranted caution and hesitancy. There is even general fear that this dangerous, un-American cycle cannot be corrected without an economic recession. We think this fear can be dispelled by common sense and action. And among free men that becomes an individual responsibility.

"The Ford Motor Company therefore proposes to accept its losses since V-J day as an item of the cost of a great and victorious war. We are closing our books on that phase of our production history. We have decided that now is the time for us to make an investment in the future.

"Because they must build up depleted cash reserves or because they are still losing money, many businesses may not be able to follow suit. But we hope that our suppliers, our employes, and our other economic partners will back, each to his own ability, our attempt to return to the economic pattern which has helped to make America great—the principle that higher wages and a higher standard of living for all depend upon lower costs and lower prices through increasingly efficient large-scale production.

"We hope, as we move forward, that we will be able to reduce prices further, and that we will not be forced to raise them again to compensate for cost increases."

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Airport News

Jack Sherman of the Southwest Air Motive in Dallas landed in a Luscomb at the Ranger Airport Friday.

Bill McKeever took a cross country flight to Abilene Sunday.

Bob Robertson flew to Abilene Sunday.

C. C. McKeever and A. N. Ridings flew to Duncan and Marlowe, Oklahoma, Sunday afternoon.

G. H. King was in Ranger during the week-end to purchase an L-2 Taylorcraft at the Ranger Airport. King is just beginning to take lessons as a pilot.

Though milk consumption increased an average of 26 per cent per person during World War II, most families still don't get all the milk they need. Top-income families, it is estimated, consume only three-fourths of the milk they should have.

BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

IT'S better to be given a nasty look than have one.

The longer winter lasts the longer it will be before we try to open street car windows.

Women take better care of their hands than men, says a beauty authority. And she doesn't mean poker hands.

A record 1946-47 orange crop is predicted, but our efforts to buy cheap ones still prove fruitless.

We've often wondered why movies don't show the same films instead of just the same plots.

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