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Sub-Freezing Weather Blankets Texas

Well...
I Dunno,
But...

Brice Walker has scored again, Valiant House, publishers, has issued a bookmarker giving her honorable mention for her work appearing in the volume "Important American Poets and Song Writers of 1947".

As proof of the value of the dimes that you give to the March of Dimes is the fact that an Eastland county boy is being benefited by treatment for infantile paralysis with dimes that you've already given.

He is William Warnkin of Eastland who was stricken in 1943 and who is in a Cleveland, Ohio hospital at the expense of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. William was first treated in the West Texas hospital and during his stay here his case was diagnosed as the dread disease.

Mrs. James P. Morris, Ranger chairman for the drive which ends January 31, stated today that a canvas of the business district will be made next week and pins for students that contribute to the drive will be distributed next week.

As they say, you never can tell where the disease will strike next and the dimes you give this year and other years may be used to help you or yours.

As part of their Americanism program, Jaycees all over the state and in other poll tax collecting states are pushing the collection of the taxes.

The Ranger Jaycees are urging the people to pay the tax before the deadline Saturday. This they point out is one of the most important election years in the history of the country and much depends on how the elections go. They think that every red blooded American should have enough interest in his country to insure his vote in the election by paying the tax.

The top officers of the nation and state are to be elected this year, the president of the United States and a governor for Texas. Take this thing, seriously, they urge, and go to the C. E. Madocks Company insurance office and pay your poll tax.

The weather Friday night and Saturday morning made a bid to match the coldest period of the season but fell short by three degrees. Low for the last 24 hours was 18 degrees and the season's low is 15 degrees.

The tell us that the basketball fans really got their money's worth Friday night as the game between Hillsboro and Ranger Junior College.

The Rangers are undefeated in conference play and fans are really getting steamed up about 'em Friday night the packed gym is reported to have arisen as one every time the Rangers bagged a score.

The supreme thrill came in the last 30 seconds when the Rangers clinched the game as Sullivan scored three points to break a 40-40 tie.

Thanks to Talmadge Craig, who donated the use of a juke box, to the Ranger Country Club for the concessions and to Morris Newnam for prizes, the amount of money made at the Episcopal dance Friday night is considerably larger than it otherwise would have been.

Two Sign Pact

BUDAPEST (UP) — Hungary and Romania today signed a 20-year friendship and military aid pact providing joint military action against any attacker.

The Jaycees Say

Your Poll Tax does not cost you much money, but it is the price of liberty which qualifies you as a voter in a free Democracy. Pay it now.

Counterfeiters Caught



Arraigned in Springfield, Missouri, on charges of passing counterfeit money allegedly passed in Oklahoma and Missouri, were Martin David Bohrer, 29, left, McAllister, Oklahoma; Mrs. Opal Hunt Schrack, 25, of near Elgin, Oklahoma, and Virgil Carl Sweeden, 30, right, Olney, Illinois. All three were committed to jail in default of \$5,000 bond. (NEA Telephoto).

Dates Set For Concert Ass'n Membership Drive

The week of March 8 to 13 has been set as the week in which the Eastland County Community Concert Association will put on its drive for memberships for the 1948-49 season.

The date was set at a meeting of the executive committee held Friday morning in Eastland at the office of John Turner, president of the association. A representative of the Community Concerts, Inc., of New York, booking agent for the local association, attended the meeting.

The kick-off for the drive will be at a dinner to be held in Eastland the evening of March 8 at the Woman's Club in Eastland. All officers and all workers in the drive will be invited to attend the dinner.

Ranger was represented at the meeting Friday by Mrs. David D. Pickrell, Ranger's membership chairman, and Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick.

Blizzard Hits New York Area

NEW YORK — A blizzard struck the New York area at noon today, and weathermen warned that 14 inches of snow might fall before the storm ends tomorrow.

It was 15 degrees above zero in the city and a 15-mile wind from the northeast, with gusts of considerably greater velocity, drove the snowflakes.

The city's roofs whitened rapidly, and little drifts began to form at the curbs of the streets, which only a few days ago had been cleared of the record 26 inch snowfall of Dec. 26.

The weather bureau predicted that the wind would reach 40 to 50 miles an hour later today, and warned that this was a "true blizzard," as contrasted with the Dec. 26 snowfall which occurred in temperatures around freezing, and with little wind to drift the snow.

Eisenhower's Backers Give Up His Battle

CONCORD, N. H. — The New Hampshire Eisenhower - F o r President League announced today that it will remain in existence despite the general's decision not to run for the presidency.

However, the league said it no longer will continue "organized and concerted efforts" in behalf of Eisenhower's nomination.

President Joseph H. Geisel's announcement of the league's plans came as two of the eight Eisenhower-backed candidates withdrew from New Hampshire's presidential primary of March 9.

Ike's Statement Likely Good News To Aspirants

WASHINGTON — If President Truman and all the Republican candidates for this year's presidential nomination would confess, all hands welcomed Gen. Ike's announcement that he couldn't be had for politics.

"I would not accept nomination" Gen. Eisenhower said yesterday in a statement which tipped his backers back on their heels.

Some of them closed shop right away, but from Oregon to New Hampshire there were Ike-for-President operators who still thought the general could be drafted. They are expected to close shop pretty soon, too, because careful reading of Eisenhower's long statement does not disclose any qualifications warranting him in accepting a nomination now.

His departure will whop up the pre-convention campaign considerably. Now the politicians merely have to choose a candidate among their fellow politicians and they are accustomed to doing that every four years.

Band Concert Sunday To Be First Of Series

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the first in a series of free band concerts will be given by the Ranger School Band at the high school auditorium.

The program will start promptly at 3 o'clock and will last only 45 minutes. Band Director Faifer stated Saturday that several of his important players are on the sick list but that those who do play will be doing their best. He also stated that nearby towns will be invited to participate in the programs from time to time.

Following are some of the members which will be played Sunday: Alcorn, Lotus Land, Shores Of Italy, Lexington, Rose Tournament, Assembly Hour and the National Anthem.

Perhaps There Will Be No War

DALLAS — The men who equip the Army of the United States and the officers who lead it into battle were told last night by the Army's next chief of staff that "perhaps there will be no war."

"Take the blindness out of peace," admonished Gen. Omar Bradley, veteran's administrator who will succeed Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as chief of staff soon.

"Search for the facts, face the crises—then perhaps there will be no war."

Pauley Bitterly Attacks Stassen On Accusations

WASHINGTON — Edwin W. Pauley today accused Harold E. Stassen of combining "ignorance and falsehood to indict me solely in pursuit of his own selfish ambitions."

Pauley told the Senate appropriations subcommittee on speculation that he intended to prove the Republican presidential aspirant had uttered a series of untruths, under oath, concerning his commodity speculations. He added —

"Today I am ready to answer any question you or your colleagues care to ask about my dealings. On the basis of my records — my appearance (Dec. 12) here before you — and my answers to Harold Stassen, I ask you in simple fairness to clear my name of the vicious charge that I ever received or profited from inside information."

Pauley has admitted that he made nearly \$1,000,000 in commodity market dealings since the war — some of it since he became war Kenneth C. Royall last Sept. special assistant to Army Secre-

Judge, 76, Says Politics In Judiciary Bad

MEDIA, Pa. (UP) — A. D. MacDade was handing down his last opinion as president judge of the Delaware County Court.

Retiring because he had lost the election, the 76 year old jurist said he was afraid that politics and the judiciary were becoming too closely associated.

He told the assembled baristers how surprised he was when, after all the tributes he had been paid through the years, certain members of the county bar association "picked" their candidate for judge and "relegated me to the oblivion of old age."

The men who preside in our courts, Judge MacDade said, should be like the clergy — "unspotted from the world."

"Any personal interest, selfish concern, or party consciousness, corrupts not only the judge but the judicial function," he said. "Any want of honest detachment in the judge undermines public faith in judicial administration."

"The prevalent disrespect for law is prompted not so much by corruption in the courts as by that system of choosing judges which makes every judge suspect."

Roast Beef Tragedy

OKLAHOMA CITY (UP) — Nine pieces of fire fighting equipment stopped at Mrs. D. M. Evans' home but the firemen were too late to save her beef roast that had burned to a crisp. Neighbors who saw smoke from the Evans' kitchen sounded the alarm.

TEC Pledges To Cooperate In VRR Program

Hollis Bennett, Manager of the Eastland office of the Texas Employment Commission, today said that his office would cooperate with Haywood Cabaness of Cisco, H. J. Tanner of Eastland, and Lee Dockery of Ranger, the newly appointed Veterans Reemployment Rights Committeemen for this county.

VRR committeemen will act as volunteer arbitrators between employers and veterans, and the Employment Commission's office here will serve as an information center on reemployment matters.

Bennett said he had no knowledge of the number of Eastland county veterans who would be seeking to return to their old jobs. However, throughout the state an estimated 2,000 or 3,000 veterans are being discharged each month from the armed services, and many of them probably have job rights from as far back as 1940.

As a result of the change-over from the draft boards to the newly appointed VRR committeemen, there has been a time lag of a number of months.

Bennett said he did not know how this would affect the picture, particularly with reference to the provision that a veteran after reclaiming his old job may not be discharged without cause for a year.

Under the law a veteran may obtain his former job that he had before leaving to join the services providing he applies for it within 90 days after discharge. This provision of the Selective Service Act was extended by the 80th Congress after the March 31st expiration was placed with the VRR date of the Act. Administrators Reemployment Rights Division of the U. S. Department of Labor, E. R. Speer, VRR field representative for Texas and Louisiana, has offices in Dallas.

Essay Contest Rules Listed

Rules for the coming essay contest being sponsored by the Ranger Chamber of Commerce have been drawn up and cash prizes totaling \$60.00 will be given the winners.

All regularly enrolled students in Ranger Junior College and Ranger High School are eligible to enter the contest.

Following are the rules which will govern the contest: To students of Ranger Junior College: First prize \$15.00; second prize, \$10.00; third prize, \$5.00.

To students of Ranger High School: First prize \$15.00; second prize, \$10.00; third prize, \$5.00.

Subject: Civic Program for Ranger in 1948. Title to be chosen by contestant.

Each essay must be not less than 300 words nor more than 500 words.

Each essay must contain at least three ideas or suggestions for civic improvements for Ranger in 1948. Essays will be graded as follows: Fifty per cent on form and fifty per cent on content.

Essays must be in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce not later than March 15th.

Teachers will grade the essays and then turn them over to the Chamber of Commerce for judging. The judges' names will not be announced but they will not be connected with the Chamber of Commerce or schools, and their decision will be final.

Awards will be made at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet to be held Tuesday night, March 23rd.

How To Grow More Wool

ADELAIDE, Australia (UP) — The rate of wool production of sheep can be affected by as much as 250 per cent by variations in the nutritive qualities of pastures, according to investigations of the Australian Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. Early experiments showed that one to two ounces of protein supplement per sheep per day resulted in the production of extra wool.

RANGERS WIN GAME IN LAST 30 SECONDS

The Ranger Junior College Rangers defeated the Indians from Hillsboro Junior College in a red-hot basketball game played in the Recreation Building in Ranger Friday night. The Rangers led throughout the first half but Hillsboro came from behind just as the second half got underway. The rest of the game was a nip and tuck battle and it was not until the last 30 seconds that the Rangers put the game on ice. The score was tied 49-40 when Charles Sullivan was fouled as he attempted to shoot and was given two free shots. He made one shot and then the Rangers took the ball out of bounds. The ball was passed to Sullivan and he dribbled in for a crisp shot as the game ended. These points put Sullivan in the lead for high point man with 11 points. Jimmy Crawley was runner-up with 10 points.

The final score was 43 to 40 in favor of the Rangers. This victory gives the Rangers five straight conference victories with no defeats. The Rangers have played ten games this season and have won nine, losing one game to Wayland Junior College in a tournament played in Ranger in December.

The individual scores for the Rangers this season are: Crawley, 101 points; Boney, 68; Sullivan, 65; Blitch, 55; Parker, 52; Arterburn, 43; Blackwell, 33; Heathington, 10; Ivy, 9; and Robinson, 1.

The Rangers will play their next conference game in Temple next Tuesday.

Officials for the game played Friday night were Lawson and Blackburn from Abilene Christian College in Abilene.

Short Wave Links Family 7,000 Miles

MADISON, Wis. (UP) — Maj. Shirley G. Blencoe, stationed in Korea, talked to his 2 1/2-year-old son for the first time over a 7,000 mile span by short wave radio.

But all little Jimmy could find to talk about was the jeep ride that his dad had promised in his letters.

Russell Morris, Madison, had picked up Blencoe's short wave call from Korea accidentally. The amateur radio technician then arranged for the two-way radio conversation between Maj. Blencoe and his wife and son.

Religious Prisoner



Sheriff Luther Yoder, right, and Chief deputy Levi Bont-rager, of Elkhart county, Indiana, hold the chains by which Lucy Hochstetler, 41, was bound in her bed in the farm home of her Amish father, Samuel Hochstetler, her 75 year old father, had held her prisoner for several years because she refused to support the Amish faith. The father was arrested and charged with assault and battery. (IEA Telephoto).

Orchard Field Day To Be Held February 6

Plans are complete for the Annual Eastland County Orchard Field Day to be held at the J. B. Elder orchard in the Pleasant Hill community on Friday, February 6, according to J. M. Cooper, County Agricultural Agent.

The all day program of talks and demonstrations on orchards and orchard management will begin promptly at 10 o'clock that morning and will last until 3:30 p.m. with time out for a picnic lunch at noon, Cooper said.

Topics to be discussed and demonstrated include orchard soils, cover crops, apple varieties, culture and management, peach varieties, importance of fruit in the diet, spraying, fertilization, pruning, diseases and insect pests and their control.

Those on the program include, R. F. Reeves, Soil Conservation Service, Rising Star; J. D. Inabnet Orchardist, Pioneer; T. E. Denman, Agric. Experiment Station, Stephenville; George I. Lang, F.H.A. Eastland; C. A. King, Associate Entomologist, Extension Service, A&M College; Doise Alexander, Orchardist, Pioneer and J. W. Foster, Jr., Texas Fruit Growers Supply Company of Weatherford.

The event is open to any and all home or commercial orchard owners and those interested are urged to attend, it was said.

Pro-Japanese Advice To Oil Firm Revealed

WASHINGTON — The Senate war investigating committee disclosed today that Standard Oil Co. of California was advised in 1940 by an official of two foreign subsidiaries to be "pro-Japanese" in order to maintain "very large business" with Japan.

The disclosure came as the committee questioned Harold L. Ickes, former secretary of interior and wartime petroleum administrator. He described as "shocking" the conduct of a wartime state department official who was a director in Standard Oil of California.

Ickes said letters by M. A. W. Thornburg, special assistant to the undersecretary of state from 1941 to 1943, "corroborate certain suspicions" that a Thornburg wasn't working for the government but was more interested in the oil company.

The corn borer did nearly \$13,000,000 worth of damage to Minnesota corn crops in 1946.

SNOW FALLS IN SOME PARTS; MAY SPREAD TO OTHERS

Sub-freezing temperatures blanketed Texas today with even the entire gulf coast area in the grip of frigid weather as a fresh snowfall covered northwest Texas and threatened to spread to other sections of the state by night.

Coldest weather was along the eastern border of the state with 14 at Texarkana and Bonham being the lowest reported at 7:30 A. M., and Beaumont in deep southeast Texas near the coast getting an 18 degree minimum.

Elsewhere temperatures ranged from 15-20 degrees in the Panhandle and South Plains, around 20 degrees in the North-Central section and in the upper 20s and near freezing elsewhere in the state.

Along the coast, where heavy snow was reported at Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur, Houston and Galveston yesterday, the readings all were below the freezing mark this morning.

The mercury dropped to 22 degrees at Houston, 23 at Galveston, 24 at Victoria, 25 at Alice, 27 at Corpus Christi and 32 at Brownsville. Readings in the Lower Rio-Grande valley generally were between 28 and 32 degrees.

Meanwhile, a snow and sleet storm which the weatherman said might be the worst of the winter swept northwesterly out of Dixie today across the Ohio river valley toward the Atlantic seaboard and New England states.

As it blew out of the south the storm left icy pavements and patches of sleet and snow over most of the southern states from New Orleans to Georgia.

As the storm ploughed eastward the winters worst cold wave disrupted industry in the Detroit automobile center and boosted deaths blamed on the frigid weather to more than 100 in the last 11 days.

They predicted it would hit New England as a 12-inch blizzard borne by winds of 40 to 50 miles an hour.

New Auto License Plates Be On Sale February 1, 1948

The new orange and black state automobile license plates will go on sale in county courthouses February 1, according to announcement by the State Highway Department.

Deadline for attaching the plates is April 1.

The new metal plates—available for both front and rear of cars—are large and easy to read. They carry "Texas-48" over the number. The letter serial is on the left.

Employees at the office of Eastland County Tax Assessor-Collector Neil Day, told the Eastland Telegram this morning that they had their supply of plates, but did not have the printed receipt forms. They expect them within a few days, however.

Enough's Enough

NEW YORK (UP) — Mrs. Sophie Dobbs came up in traffic court three times on charges of impeding snow removal by parking her car near her home. She paid fines of \$15, \$10 and \$4, respectively.

Last time up she said: "This ends it. We've sold our car."

The Weather

Partly cloudy to cloudy. Slightly warmer with possible snow. Temperature at 1:20 p.m. ends

Maximum 25
Minimum 22
Hour's Reading 25
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a.m. today
Maximum 31
Minimum 18

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY BEVER EDSON

NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—Curbsome opinion is pretty general now that you can walk into the stores and buy almost anything you want. You can even have it wrapped and delivered.

There are two notable exceptions, and a big "if." The two exceptions are automobiles and houses. The "if" is, if you can pay the price. But, aside from autos and houses, there is enough stock on hand to make this a buyers' market. The wartime sellers' market—when you couldn't get nylon hose, new suits, dining-room tables, sheets, radios or other electrical gadgets, toilet tissue, beefsteak, bonded whiskey and the ordinary run of household necessities unless you "knew somebody"—those dear, dim days are pretty well beyond recall.

That being the case, more prices ought to be coming down. That's what the men said, at any rate. "Wait until production catches up. Wait until supply catches up with demand," they said. "Wait until we have a competitive market again. Then you'll see prices falling all over themselves."

BUT here we are with supply now well ahead of demand. In a few spots there may be a slight delay in getting a particular model of a particular make of mechanical refrigerator, or a few items of hardware. The supply of new gadgets like television sets is, however, unlimited. And still prices don't tumble.

The only faint ray of hope came from General Electric's recent announcement of a three-to-ten per cent cut on a long line of consumer appliances. While this is good news, there may be several invisible factors dictating the move. One is the relationship of competitors' prices. Another is the GE tax, profit and inventory situation, which will be revealed when the company issues its 1947 financial statement. Finally, GE has important wage negotiations coming up in the near future. The price cut may turn out to be a good counter-move in heading off pay increase demands.

Whatever the cause, it is the effect that is most important. Will it lead competitors to follow suit? Will suppliers meet the cut? Will it spread to other lines of merchandise? What are the hopes for general price cuts that will really bring down the cost of living? Government economists are pretty cautious in trying to give the answers to those questions. The Bureau of Labor Statistics divides the cost of living index of consumer prices into half a dozen categories. Food, clothing, rent, fuel and light, house furnishings and miscellaneous items like taxes, schools and health care, which are lumped together. Take a look at the trend in each field.

NO one can see any indication that the cost of food is coming down. Individual items like citrus fruits and raisins, which are in long supply, have dropped. But they don't make up a big item in the family-food budget.

Demand for raw cotton for Europe may prevent cotton-goods from coming down, even though the textile situation is not as tight as in wartime. Supplies of clothing are more than adequate.

Rents have been going up one per cent a month under the rent "control" law of last year, which permitted voluntary increases. That law expires Feb. 29. It will probably be renewed, may be strengthened. But the present upward trend, at the rate of 12 per cent a year, is bad news for tenants. For the housing shortage is just as bad as at the end of the war.

There is little chance that new housing construction costs will drop until the supply of shelter comes closer to demand.

While supplies of home furnishings are at prewar levels, the single exception offered by GE is not enough to indicate prices will come down generally. Something besides full production is keeping them up. Too easy credit, perhaps, and a willingness to charge and to pay all that the traffic will bear.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Silver anniversaries are not too unusual in every-day life, but in racing they are rare. Fortunes sometimes rise or fall on the performance of a single horse, so it is not surprising that owners and trainers often agree to disagree after only short periods of employer-employee relationship.

William Woodward and Mrs. Henry C. Phillips believe in racing their stock sparingly or not at all during the winter, but Jim Fitzsimmons is going to send out a Belair Stud runner on opening day or shortly after the Hialeah meeting is launched, Jan. 16. It will be his way of formally beginning his 25th year as the conditioner of that famous stable's thoroughbreds.

AT 74, the dean of American handers starts the year with the largest string he has ever had. He has 26 performers for his various patrons at Hialeah, 40 more at New York's Aqueduct, where he has wintered his steeds for years.

Mr. Fitz, as he is known to thousands of race-trackers, believes a horse winters as well in the north as he does in the south.

Mr. Fitz' career is one filled with what fiction writers like to call the romance of the turf. His parents owned a farm in the Sheephead Bay section of Brooklyn. When he was five, the farm and additional property was purchased for the famous old Sheephead Bay race course. Thus Mr. Fitz was thrown right in with race horses as a child.

Mr. Fitz broke in as a jockey, riding his first mount Aug. 17, 1899, when he was 13. Although he won a fair share of races at

here. He said "the new drugs have accomplished wonderful cures and it is true that many specifics of days gone by had best be forgotten."

"But younger physicians may do well to remember that there are several excellent remedies which are still first rate in certain ailments."

Old Time Cures Called Still Good

CHICAGO (UP)—A doctor appeals to his profession to remember that many old-fashioned cures are still good.
Dr. Charles C. Dennis, Kansas City, Mo., professor of dermatology at the University of Kansas, addressed a scientific meeting

Shucks, Just As The Race Was Starting



Are You Provoked?



This photograph of Hazel Brooks, Hollywood actress, was voted "Most Provocative Still of 1947" by the International Society of Photographic Arts. It was made by Durward Graybill.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Late President

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2. Pictured late South American president	6. Honey makers	10. Decayed	14. Made into law	18. Heating device	22. Year between 12 and 20	26. Arabian gulf	28. Station (ab.)	29. Railroad (ab.)	31. Cushion	32. Sorrowful	33. Stage play	36. Parts	37. August	38. Armed conflict	39. Beams	42. Indonesian	43. Mindanao	44. Perched	45. Health resort	46. Reprove	47. Compass point	48. Soon	49. Courtesy titles	50. Guinea (ab.)	51. Chemical suffix	52. From	53. Hypothetical	54. Structural unit

About 300 RCA Members In Fort Worth Rodeo

FORT WORTH, Jan. 24 — Between 275 and 300 Rodeo Cowboy Association members will compete for \$300 per event per performance plus entry fees in the 1948 Southwestern Exposition and Stock Show rodeo, Jan. 30-Feb. 8. Todd Whitley of Bethel, Okla., recently named 1947's best all-around cowboy, and Toots Mansfield of Big Spring, Tex., president and expert calf roping, will be among the outstanding cowboys in the competition.

The rodeo was approved for RCA members' participation after a misunderstanding on the part of RCA officials concerning the non-profit nature of the Southwestern Exposition and Stock Show was cleared up. The RCA had previously denied approval, asking higher premiums per event. Finishing touches are being applied to the six new livestock buildings on the show grounds, readying them for the opening of the show, Jan. 30. Housed in the \$1,500,000 structures and the newly remodeled horse barns will be nearly 5,000 entries from 22

MURDER AT MY HOUSE

By Rene Ryerson Mart

THE STORY: Jimmy Peters admits having tried to date Margo Haveron but says she is so bound up in her career that she has no time for men. His interest in Margo was rebuffed. Leiphon comes to see me again, ask about the serious breakdown that had me in a sanitarium before I came to Hollywood. I am taken aback. Jeff Haveron was the only one who knew about that. And he's Jeff has told the police...

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A VOICE that must have been mine was answering Leiphon. "It wasn't overwork—" Bitterness at Jeff's betrayal battered down my natural reserve, stung me to reckless lengths of truth. "My agent had me committed to the sanitarium because I had tried to kill myself—twice. He didn't want me to die, you see. Five best-selling mysteries in as many years had been pretty profitable for him. He wanted me to live to write some more."
I was bitter and hostile. Darn this policeman, Darn Max Hoster, Darn Jeff Haveron. Darn everybody to whom my heart had ever gone out seeking love or friendship or just common kindness. It was always like this—it was always thrown back in my face. And I was left alone to pick up the tiny shattered pieces. I was a fool to trust anyone.
Bob Leiphon merely looked thoughtful. "I knew that," he said. "But why did you try to commit suicide? That's what I want to know. There has to be a reason back of such an act."
I got up and moved away from him. I put the length of the room between us. I turned my back on him and stood at the big studio window and looked out unseeing over the drive below and the yellow garden wall and the buildings of Hollywood.
"Well..." he said patiently. "I kept my face turned to the window. Tell him then. Tell him in cold, clipped, precise words. Squeeze all emotion out of them. Don't let him pity me. Don't let

helps me to understand. I was an artist—a good artist, people said, before this happened. I had a future, too. Now I'm just a cop. Hunting down murderers."

WE stood there looking at each other for a long moment, and felt my self-respect coming back. "Then you don't think I'm capable of murder just because I tried to commit suicide?" I said heartily.
"Let us say that I don't think you're any more capable of murder than the two men who were there that night," he said succinctly. "Anyone is capable of murder under certain conditions."
And so we were back to that. "What else do you want to know?" I said slowly.
"How long were you in the sanitarium?"
"Six months."
"There's a ways a certain amount of red tape in a case like that. How did you get out?"
"Max Hoster arranged it. He told one of my stories to Massive Studios and he put it in the contract that I was to have the job of writing the script. He knew if he could make me go back to writing again that I'd be all right."
"He must be a smart guy—Max Hoster."
"He is."
Leiphon relaxed a little. He said he was sorry I had given me so rough a time, but that there was nothing he could do about it. There was no doubt, he said, that Margo Haveron and Art Cleves had died from poison and not as a result of the automobile accident. They were dead—or dying, when their car plunged into the canyon, was the way he put it.
And that, he said, was all the police knew for sure—yet. And so they had to look for motives in the backgrounds and in the relationships of the people involved. And when they found the right motive, they'd know who the killer was.
The only trouble in this case was that there were too many motives. For instance, he said, and he flushed a little when he said it, Jeff Haveron and I had had the same motive.
(To Be Continued)

Hot Turpentine, Lettuce Suggested For Better Health

ELYRIA, O. (UP)—"Four hot turpentine into the wound of an old injury and there's no danger of lockjaw."
That was the home remedy prescribed by a Lorain County, O., newspaper back in the '90s. Another guaranteed remedy prescribed by the clipping unearthed in a family album here, was to prevent small pox by eating lettuce twice a day.
"We defy anyone to produce a case of smallpox that has been contracted by any person who made daily use of lettuce as a food," the newspaper confidently challenged.
Editor Taken Seriously
CALHOUN, Ga. (UP)—Ray McGinty, editor of the Calhoun Times, printed an editorial outlining what he would do if he were mayor. Though it was not meant as a platform for candidacy, McGinty was elected without opposition. Oddly, he had advocated greater taxes.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



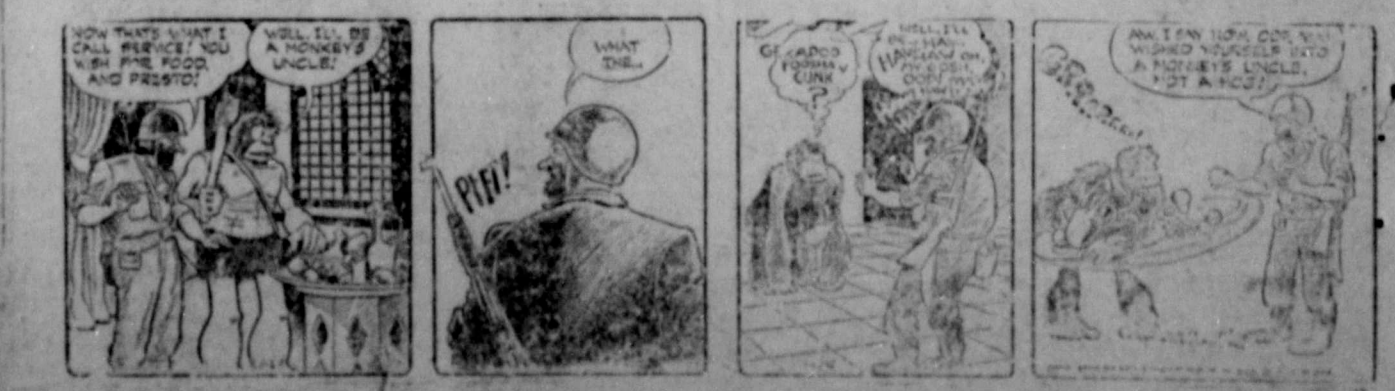
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ALLEY OOP

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Icy Grave Marks Student's Fight With Mountain

By Ronald Nickerson
United Press Staff Correspondent
OTTAWA, Ont. (UP) — The wind swirls the snow from low, gray clouds across the grave of Charles Shiverick, II, 22 of Cleveland, O. The grave is hewn in the 500-foot thick ice near the summit of Mt. Waddington.

The grave marks another chapter in the battle between man and the mountain. Mt. Waddington towers 13,260 feet in the British

Columbia coastal range, a perennial challenge to man. Shiverick, a Harvard University student, was caught beneath an avalanche that tumbled down on a group of university students who had climbed almost to the top of the peak.

His parents arranged with Dr. Neal M. Carter, head of the Canadian government fisheries experimental station in Vancouver and a veteran mountain climber, to try to recover the body.

Carter returned to Ottawa and announced that he had found the body, but had hacked a grave in the ice.

The party headed by Carter searched the peak from a U. S. Army bomber and a light plane

for three weeks. After locating the general area of the slide, they examined it at close range from a helicopter for five days.

The helicopter finally landed on the glacier and Carter spotted the body, but found it was impossible either to take it aboard the plane or down the mountainside.

Carter is one of the few men who have mastered Mt. Waddington, the tallest peak in Canada. Many men have tried, and several have died.

The peak was named after Alfred Waddington, who in 1869 led a party into the wilderness to map a route from the interior of British Columbia to the coast. The entire party was killed by Indians.

No further attempt was made to explore the area until 1926, when Mr. and Mrs. Dan Munday of Vancouver set out to try to climb the peak, which had been inspected from the air. They climbed within 350 feet of the top the following year, but had to give up.

It wasn't until 1936 that a party from California reached the top. A few others followed.



TEXANS TALK TIDELANDS TO TRUMAN
—Apparently pleased with their conference with the President on state ownership of submerged lands, Robert Lee Bobbitt of San Antonio, chairman of the Texas State Bar Tidelands Committee, Attorney General Price

Daniel and Senator Tom Connally leave the White House. The Texans explained their state's annexation agreement with the US and the importance of submerged land revenues to the Texas Public School Fund. They asked Mr. Truman for another hearing before he takes action on pending legislation.

wives out of the kitchen and become what they proudly call a first-class pickling team—tomato pickling.

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Garden Lore

By Ethel Brookes Gilmore

Iris, one of the secondary disciples of Olympus, was the messenger of the gods to men. The rainbow was her roadway between heaven and earth.

Once while she was driving her chariot back to heaven, her milk-white horses became frightened and ran away. The chariot wheels dashed off bits of the rainbow, and where ever they fell to earth, there sprang up the beautiful Iris flower, colored like the different hues of the rainbow.

No flower has a more brilliant history than the iris. According to tradition it was the flower used by Clovis I on the Fleur-de-Lis, a heraldic device. On this device was the representation of a lily presented by an angel to the monarch at his baptism. The three

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New Formula Is Devised For Test Ships

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UP) — A new engineering formula for computing the force necessary to push a ship through the water has been devised by a Notre Dame faculty member.

The formula, originated by Dr. Karl E. Schoenherr, dean of the university's college of engineering, has adopted officially by the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers.

Vice Adm. Edward L. Cochrane, USN (ret.), president of the society said Schoenherr's formula puts the calculations of ship resistance and ship power on a common basis in all model testing establishments in the United States

and Canada for the first time.

The new method also may be adopted by Great Britain and Holland, Cochrane said.

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Blight Proof Oat Promised Midwest

LINCOLN, Neb. (UP)—Midwestern farmers have been promised a new Victoria blight-resistant oat variety by 1949.

Experimental stations in Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas worked with the U. S. Department of Agriculture in developing the new variety. It was christened Nemaha, since Nemaha counties in Kansas and Nebraska are in its area of use.

About 2,500 bushels was produced last year, but no seed will be available for general distribution until next year, it was said.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ranger Times is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

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Wonder Man, Shy Arm and Leg Shows How To Overcome Handicap

OXFORD, Miss. (UP)—William Rybeck of Bethlehem, Pa., is a one-armed wonder. And a one-legged wonder, too.

Rybeck lost his left arm and his left leg in a railway accident when he was 11 years old.

At the age of 26, he has behind him an amazing record despite his handicap.

Now a sophomore law student in the third of his class at the University of Mississippi, Rybeck already holds one degree from Temple University in Philadelphia.

A star athlete, he is a nimble participant in handball, tennis, softball, football and swimming.

Rybeck is a realist. When he suffered his childhood injuries, he

made up his mind not to let the loss of his limbs get a psychological grip on him. He worked hard and adapted himself to conditions.

Not particularly sensitive about his missing members, Rybeck has developed the remaining arm and leg to a remarkable degree. And—probably most important—he has developed his mind to keenness.

When he was graduated from Temple in 1945, Rybeck enrolled at the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. Forced by illness to withdraw, he turned to the south and the University of Mississippi.

At Ole Miss' he's won a lot of respect and has earned the good-natured kidding of his mates, a

fact he grinningly interprets as a sign he's accepted as one of the boys and not as a freak.

He gets around with the aid of a crutch, a support which he wields with amazing dexterity. He can boot a football, for instance, straight through the uprights while balanced solely on the single crutch.

In swimming he's at his best. Using a lunging stroke, Rybeck cuts through the water with a speed and endurance that made many a two-armed and two-legged swimmer give up. Just to add frosting to the cake, he can do a complete back somersault off the high diving board.

Rybeck is no slouch on the wrestling mat either. Weighing

around 150 pounds, he figured he'd tip the scales at about 200 with his other arm and leg. But, despite his difficulty, a lot of the campus boys who consider themselves strong give him a wide berth in the grappling ring.

A member of Phi Delta Phi, national honorary legal fraternity, Rybeck even has overcome that final bugaboo of most law students—he's learned to type with one hand, banging along at a respectable rate of 30 words a minute.

Sponsored, according to the requirements of Pennsylvania law, by Justin D. Girolanio, a Bethlehem attorney, Rybeck plans to return to Pennsylvania next year to take his bar examinations and start his final apprenticeship as a law clerk.

Irked By Exams Students Protest With Beards

NEW YORK (UP)—Undergraduates at Columbia University aren't taking this term's final examinations sitting down.

A self-styled "revolutionary movement" is rousing college men to action to convince authorities that the three-hour tests are unjust. The rebels, who are called "Wilding Whiskers," are growing beards during the ten-day examination period as a protest.

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the administration to revise the present examination setup. The dean promises to confer with student representatives about the problem. "That is, after this term's examinations," he chuckled.

Mother-In-Law To Be Gets Compliment

WICHITA, Kan. (UP)—Moth-

ers-in-law will like this one: Hugh Frederirk spent \$13 to call his girl friend he met overseas. She lives in Lille, France.

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Banker Heads Brotherhood Week In Texas

DALLAS, Jan. 24—D. Gordon Rupe, Jr., Dallas investment banker, has been named Texas chairman for the fifteenth annual observance of "American Brotherhood Week" February 22-29 sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

of War, who is serving as national chairman of the "Brotherhood Week" observance. Mr. Patterson has asked Governor Beauford J.ester to serve as honorary chairman for Texas.

"Brotherhood — Pattern for peace" has been adopted as the theme of the celebration. "Brotherhood Week" of which President Harry Truman is honorary chairman, is sponsored annually by the Conference to promote understanding, justice, amity and civic cooperation among Protestants, Catholics and Jews.

Mr. Rupe said that numerous special programs to encourage greater understanding and mutual respect on the part of every citizen of Texas are being scheduled in town and communities all over the state for the week of February 22-29.

"The National Conference of Christians and Jews was formed 9 years ago by Charles Evans Hughes and other American leaders to combat the rising tide of prejudices which sprung up after World War I," Mr. Rupe said. In the past two decades the Conference has carried on an active campaign in the field of education for brotherhood among all American citizens.

Thomas E. Braniff of Dallas, president of Braniff Airways, Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric Corp., and Roger W. Straus, chairman of the board of American Refining and Smelting Corp., are national co-chairmen of the Conference. The Conference maintains Southwestern

divisional headquarters in Dallas under the supervision of Hastings Harrison, vice president and Southwest director.

Boys Town Prospers In New England

HUBBARDSTON, Mass. (UP)—A New England "Boy's Town" is prospering under the direction of Very Rev. Edwin J. Van Etten of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in Boston.

The institute came into existence in 1913 with one boy, six boys and a run down farmhouse. With 40 boys as a nucleus, the "Town" now has 15 buildings, 18 cows and 4,000 chickens.

More than 30 acres of land have been cleared and expansion plans are underway. Purpose of the farm is the raising of boys to work, to thrive in honesty, to the attitude of decent self-respect, and efficiency and leadership.

NEWS FROM Rising Star

RISEING STAR, Jan. 23—Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ezzell made a business trip to Comanche Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jayce visited in Coleman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carter and Miss Eva Richardson visited Will and Hill in an Abilene Hospital Sunday.

Miss Margaret Watson and her father spent the week-end with their sister and daughter, Mr. Sandifer and husband at Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McBeth are spending this week with their daughter, Mrs. Henry Young in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Laron Holliman of Dallas are visiting his parents here this week.

Mrs. Jeanette Harvey spent last week-end with her sister in Brownwood.

R. J. Jaynes made a business trip to Fort Worth last week.

Mrs. Mattie Stark who has spent the last several months with relatives at Lubbock, returned home Monday.

Mrs. H. D. Loveless and her mother, Mrs. W. O. Dingler, visited Mrs. Dingler's brother, W. L.

Allison, of Eastland, Friday, who is ill.

Mrs. Wanda Crooks and baby, of Comanche, are visiting her mother, Mrs. West.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Wiggins have returned home after visiting relatives in Houston and San Marcus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Elliott and son visited his father at Sipe Springs Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Barnes and baby of Abilene visited relatives here last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Jace visited their son, M. L. and family in Albany Sunday.

Hazel Butler of Lubbock spent last week-end here.

Friends of Miss Artie Boave, who suffered a heart attack several days ago, are glad to report her condition much improved.

People of Rising Star are glad to know we will have a florist in the future, which will be operated by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Barfield of Houston. We welcome them to our community.

Deacons of the Rising Star Baptist church have concluded a deal for the purchase of a 25x45 building from Camp Bowie grove which is to be placed on a lot adjoining the church and made into Sunday school rooms to relieve the crowded condition now existing.

A number of new homes and several surplus A. R. M. Y. buildings are now under construction or being remodeled as homes in this vicinity.

Mrs. Horace English and little daughter of Iran, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock.

According to Mayor A. N. Searly the city will begin within a few days the taking of an unofficial census of the population of Rising Star.

Mrs. Bruce Erwin of near Rising Star has been informed by the War Department that the body of her brother, Pfc. John R. K. Murray, is enroute from Europe to the United States for burial. The funeral will be in Eastland with interment there upon arrival of the body. Murray lost his life in action in France on July 25, 1944. He was with Co. K, 23rd Infantry of the Second Division. Prior to going overseas he was stationed at Fort Sam Houston. He is the son of Mrs. Alma Murray now residing in Eastland who had four other sons in the service.

The interior of the First State Bank has been completely remodeled and re-decorated as has also the fixtures. A Dallas firm was engaged by the bank to do the work.



This Trophy, known as The Texas Livestock Marketing Association Trophy, will be one of the highly valued prizes won by the boy who shows the champion steer in the Boys' Steer Class at the Southwestern Exposition and Fair Stock Show at Fort Worth Jan. 30-Feb. 8. The Trophy will be presented by The Texas Livestock Marketing Association, and all boys who have livestock entries in the show will be guests of the Association at a barbecue Friday night, Jan. 30, in the judging arena in the new \$1,500,000 livestock buildings at the show.

Caut' on Urged In Using Killer 2,4-D

LINCOLN, NEB. (UP)—The herbicide 2,4-D should not be used without expert advice, according to Glenn Viehmeier, of a University of Nebraska experimental sub-station.

Dosages previously recommended now appear too high for safe use, Viehmeier said, but lighter applications will control most of the serious weeds without injuring the plant crops.

Cat Rings Doorbell To Get In House

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—Benton Grill doesn't let the cat out at night because she'd disturb the household by ringing the bell. Grill's daughter Joy now 15 found a kitten on the street three years ago. The cat grew smarter each year.

Now when she wants to go indoors Mama Bell — the cat — doesn't scratch or meow. She gets on tip toes and cranks the handle of the old fashioned doorbell.

Pays \$75 Penalty For Illegal Flying

LINCOLN, Neb. (UP)—Donald M. Mainstem was the first pilot to be convicted in a Nebraska court of illegal flying.

Mainstem was fined \$75 after he pleaded guilty to operating an aircraft:

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Nebraska Opens War On Coyotes

BROKEN BOW, Neb. (UP)—Farmers in this central Nebraska area have organized to reduce the \$250,000 loss they suffer each year from coyotes.

The raiders usually are worst in January and February, when they hunt in packs of 10 to 12. The harassed citizens believe there are one to six of the

Dognapping Racket Found In Denver

DENVER (UP)—Ray Humphreys, chief investigator for the Denver district attorney, has revealed the existence here of an unusual racket—dognapping.

Humphreys said the city police receives reports of eight or ten missing dogs weekly, mostly good, pedigreed animals.

The racket was described by Humphreys as working this way: Members of the gang keep a list of valuable dogs. Before making a "snatch" they "case" the animal and its home. Then they approach it much as they would a human victim.

Friendly dogs are lured into vehicles with food or plain kind words. Less friendly animals sometimes are taken by force.

The farmers plan to use coyote "getters," mechanical devices which shoot cyanide into the mouths of the animal.

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