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Ambassador, Four Of Staff Killed In Crash

LAURENCE A. STEINHARDT, VETERAN OF FOREIGN SERVICE, A VICTIM

By John E. Bird
United Press Staff Correspondent

RAMSAYVILLE, Ont., March 28 (UP) — U. S. Ambassador Laurence A. Steinhardt, a dean of American Foreign Service, and four members of the American Embassy staff were killed today when their U. S. Air Force plane crashed shortly after taking off from Rockcliffe Airport outside Ottawa.

The twin-engine C-47 transport was en route to Washington when it crashed in flames in a field three miles south of this tiny farming community and 12 miles from the Rockcliffe airport.

Master Sgt. Gwyn A. Long, crew chief of the aircraft, parachuted to safety. All others aboard perished.

In addition to Steinhardt, the victims were Alan W. C. Harrington, 21, son of Julian Harrington, U. S. Minister to Canada; Lt. Col. W. F. Trueblood, an exchange officer attached to the U. S. Embassy;

Capt. Thomas Archibald, assistant Air Attache at the Embassy, and Lt. Mark Belanger, also an Exchange Officer.

Witnesses said the plane left the airport in a routine takeoff but was unable to maintain altitude.

Leslie Kipp, a farmer who lives near the scene of the crash, said he saw smoke coming from the planes left engine before the crash and believed the plane was on fire.

It looked like the pilot was trying to gain altitude, and couldn't Kipp said.

Royal Canadian Air Force salvage crews said all the bodies were badly mangled. One of the victims clutched a brief case which officials said contained important U. S. State Department documents.

Steinhardt, 57, a career diplomat, had occupied some of the State Department's hottest assignments in his 17 years of foreign service.

The State Department said he was enroute to New York on private business.

He was U. S. Ambassador to Moscow when World War II broke out and was shifted to Turkey in 1942. He was serving as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia at the start of the cold war between the east and the west. He assumed his duties in Ottawa August 12, 1948, and was considered one of the ablest men ever to hold that post.

Steinhardt and his party took off from Ottawa shortly before 9 A. M. EST. Archibald was at the controls with Belanger in the co-pilot's seat.

Kipp said his attention was attracted to the plane when it sounded like it was in trouble. He rushed outside his house and saw it flying very close to the ground. He said it was losing altitude rapidly and he saw Sgt. Long leap and his parachute open. Long, whose only injury was a sprained ankle, landed about 1,000 yards from the wreckage. He was taken to an Ottawa hospital.

Kipp said the pilot apparently was trying for a forced landing in a field on the farm of Arthur Goujd.

Reserve Officers Recall To Duty To Be Considered

Air Force Reserve and National Guard Officers on inactive duty will be considered for recall to three years of active duty if they meet any one of the following requirements:

If under thirty years of age as of July 1st and with a college degree.

Prior service officers with less than three years of active duty must have an efficiency rating of excellent or better for the last twelve months they were on active duty.

Prior service officers with more than three years active duty must have an average rating of forty or more if of company grade, or forty-three or more if of field grade, for the last three years they were on active duty.

Rated pilots who meet any of these requirements who desire a recall on flying status must be currently proficient in flying or have the ability to become so quickly. Pilots without flying training during the last two years must meet a Flying Evaluation Board.

Interested Air Force Reserve and National Guard Officers who meet these requirements should contact Headquarters, Tenth Air Force, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas and request application forms.

The club girls have already received their awards according to Miss Ethel Woodard, Home Demonstration Agent.



Dr. Ray O. Wyland

Speaker For Regional Scout Meeting Named

Dr. Ray O. Wyland of New York City, Director of Relationships for the Boy Scouts of America, will speak on "Our Crusade For Liberty" at the Opening Luncheon of the Region Nine Annual Meeting at the Skirvin Tower Hotel in Oklahoma City, April 17.

Six hundred top flight Boy Scout leaders, representing the 36 councils of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico are expected for the two-day annual conference.

Dr. Wyland has been a member of the National Staff of the Boy Scouts of America since 1922. He is a former member of the Chicago Rotary Club and Past President of the New York City Rotary Club.

As Director of Relationships, he supervises the program of cooperation between the Boy Scout Movement with all Protestant, Catholic, Latter Day Saints, Jewish, and other religious institutions, Civic groups, Service Clubs, Fraternal Bodies, and all other institutions which use the Scouting Program.

Former Resident Killed In Crash

Oscar B. (Baines) Harrell of Houston, formerly of Ranger was killed near Livingston Monday when the car in which he was riding struck a soft shoulder on the road and overturned. Also killed in the accident was W. E. Mascher, also of Houston.

Harrell was the son of the late D. F. Harrell and Mrs. Harrell who now resides at Nacogdoches. He was a former Bulldog star. He was an employe of the Gulf Oil Corporation at the time of his death.

COUNTY 4-H CLUBS TO HAVE RALLY SATURDAY

More than 150 Eastland County 4-H Club boys and girls are expected in Eastland next Saturday for their annual 4-H Club Rally Day, according to the County and Home Demonstration Agent's office.

The Rally Day will begin in the District Courtroom at 10 o'clock when Judge P. L. Crossley will present the winners their awards won last year in various 4-H Club contests.

After the awards are made the group will go through the Kilgore Creamery for a look at modern ice cream making machinery and then tour the county jail through the cooperation of the sheriff and jailers.

The group will go to the City Park for games and a picnic lunch. Drinks for the group will be furnished through the courtesy of the Eastland National Bank, it was said.

After lunch W. L. Baum, Cisco Fish Hatchery Manager, will talk to the group on stocking, fertilizing and managing a farm fish pond. Baum will be followed by T. D. Whitworth, of Baird, State Dept. of Public Safety, who will discuss safety to the youngsters especially the essentials of safe

Funeral For Mrs. Bobo Held In Ranger Today

Last rites for Mrs. M. H. Bobo, member of a pioneer Ranger family, were conducted this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Church of Christ in Ranger. Wesley Mickey of Fort Worth, former minister of the Ranger Church of Christ and Floyd J. Spivy, minister of the church, officiated and interment was in Merriman cemetery.

Mrs. Bobo died Monday afternoon, March 27, 1950 at the West Texas Hospital where she had undergone surgery the latter part of last week. She was born in Myrtle, Missouri on June 9, 1893 and had been a resident of Ranger most of her life. She had been a member of the Church of Christ since she was 13 years of age, and had been very active in the work of the church since that time.

Survivors are Mr. Bobo and one daughter, Mrs. R. W. Hanberry both of Ranger; and four sisters, Mrs. Henry Davenport, Mrs. Ethel Williams and Mrs. Charles Bobo, all of Ranger and Mrs. Albert Hise of Odessa.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock at the Skirvin Tower Hotel in Oklahoma City, April 17.

Final Rites For Mrs. Fitzhugh Held Sunday

Final rites for Mrs. Cora L. Fitzhugh of Odessa, formerly of Ranger, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Temple Hall Church in Temple. Mrs. Fitzhugh died Saturday, March 25, 1950, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Raines, in Odessa. She had resided in Ranger about seven years prior to moving to Odessa about a year ago.

Survivors are one son, G. O. Bowen of Odessa and the daughter, Mrs. Raines. Seventeen grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive.

Ranger Group At Boy Scout Camp

Ranger Boy Scouts and Scouters reported today that the Jamboree held at Ringling Lake over the weekend end was one of the most successful ever staged by the Comanche Trail.

Scouts and Scouters pitched camp Saturday afternoon and remained at the camp through Sunday. Sunday School was conducted at the camp Sunday morning after which a number of events were staged. In the afternoon, parents visited the camp and attended events and the award ceremonies. A large group of parents from Ranger attended the camp.

Scouts from Ranger who attended the camp were Scott Forney, John Boyd Rush, Jerry Don Cantrell, Gerald Shockey, Charles Boney, Michael Dean, Claude Koenig, Pete Jameson, Jerry Don White, Bennie Robinson, Howard Oliver, John Harvey Wylie, John Leslie Hagan, Gene Bagwell, Duke Dixon, Michael Fuller, Joe Kirk Dorsey, Johnnie Carver and Tommie Sanders.

Scouters who attended were Lee Scouther, Hugh Smith, H. A. Shockey, Jessie White and Bud Fullet.

License Deadline Is Saturday

C. E. May, Jr., whose insurance office is handling vehicle licenses for Ranger drivers, reminded the public today that Saturday is the deadline for the purchase of licenses.

May has asked that persons who have not secured the licenses do so as early as possible in order to avoid a last minute rush.

Freak Weather Plagues Southwest



Autos plowed at five-miles-per-hour near Lawrence, Kansas, during one of worst dust storms in recent years. Eight persons died in the midwest and millions of tons of top soil lost to the raging winds. (NEA Telephoto.)

BOYCE HOUSE REMINISCES ON FOOTBALL HEYDAY

(Editor's Note—When Boyce House began chronicling West Texas football back in 1921, there were no stands and fans surged up and down the sidelines. The sports writers stood behind the attacking backfield. In case of a fumble, the scribes had to do some side-stepping themselves.

House was editor—managing editor—city editor—reporter—editorial writer—and columnist all at the same time on a daily in Eastland and later in Cisco and of the Ranger Times—and as a sideline, he was also the sports editor. "Sports" in the Oil Belt district was high school football, which was played in the Fall and talked about all the rest of the year.

The author of "Were You In Ranger? I Give You Texas," "Cowtown Columnist," and "Cub Reporter" dips into his treasury of football memories in this nostalgic sketch.)

By Boyce House
There was a time when the Ranger Bulldogs eleven were a challenge, season after season, for the state championship. That was back in the days when the old Oil Belt of West Texas was perhaps the greatest hot-bed of high school gridiron rivalry in the state.

The towns were close together—Ranger on the east, then 10 miles west was Eastland, and 10 miles beyond Eastland was Cisco—all in Eastland County—and 30 miles north was Breckenridge.

About 50 miles west was Abilene, somewhat larger than the others but Bulldogs, Lobos, Buckaroos and Mavericks were undaunted.

The race was liable to get scrambled up with some lightly-considered eleven arising to knock over a favorite. At the close of two seasons; there was a tie in the standings, which made a play-off necessary.

And not only was the contest torrid on the field but there were pre-season activities to enroll lads

Plans for a Union Sunrise Easter Service to be held at the Football Stadium got under way at a meeting of the Ministerial Alliance a group of members of all Ranger Churches are cordially invited to make plans to attend.

Members of the Alliance express the desire that this service will be a high experience in the religious life of the community.

More details of the program will be announced later. "Begin now to make your plans to attend this early morning service and pray that the ever-living Christ may be to you a genuine reality," the ministers have urged.

Last Rites For Former Resident Held Sunday

Last rites for Mrs. Lola Murrell of Fulton, Arkansas, formerly of Ranger, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Morris Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Jasper C. Massee officiating. Interment was in Bullock cemetery.

Mrs. Murrell died in Fulton Friday, March 24, 1950. She was born in Ranger, May 21, 1872 and had resided here all of her life until going to Fulton about 10 years ago. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are a son, John F. Murrell of Waco, one daughter, Mrs. Vida Smith of Fulton and seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Raines, in Odessa. She had resided in Ranger about seven years prior to moving to Odessa about a year ago.

Survivors are one son, G. O. Bowen of Odessa and the daughter, Mrs. Raines. Seventeen grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive.

Rites Wednesday For E. L. Hale Of Batesville

Funeral services for E. L. Hale of Batesville will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Killingsworth's Chapel with the Rev. Alonzo Sides officiating. Interment will be in Evergreen cemetery. The body will arrive in Ranger Wednesday morning.

Mr. Hale died suddenly Monday, March 27, 1950 at the home of a sister, Mrs. J. D. Billingsley at Batesville. He was born June 30, 1874 at Harwood and was a retired barber.

Survivors besides Mrs. Billingsley are one son, Jack D. Hale of California and two other sisters, Mrs. H. M. Dunson of Ranger and Mrs. J. P. Reagar of Wichita Falls.

OKLAHOMA AND TEXAS DROUGHT BECOMES ACUTE

By United Press
Farmers and ranchers in arid western Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle begged for rain today as they faced possible dust storms for the third straight day.

The U. S. Weather Bureau at Dallas, in an early morning forecast, said that winds up to 30 miles per hour would sweep into the area before noon.

Winds averaging about 40 miles per hour stirred up new clouds of dust in the South Plains of Texas yesterday, but subsided last night.

A 50-mile-an-hour gust at Gateville, Texas, ripped the roof off a barn Monday and hurled it 100 feet where it struck and killed Bee Smith, 47.

Only a thin gauze-like layer of dust was aloft in Texas early today and it filtered slowly to earth as the wind died down.

Skies were clear before dawn in Oklahoma and Kansas. The Texas Panhandle received

Nationalists Claim Victory On Hainan Isle

TAPEI, Formosa, March 28 (UP)—Chinese Nationalists reported today that they have smashed the first major communist landing on Strategic Hainan Island and "completely annihilated" all 4,000 Red troops who stormed ashore.

Not a single communist invader survived the 17-hour battle on Hainan's northwest beaches yesterday, a nationalist report said.

Shore batteries, warships and planes were said to have joined ground troops in destroying communist Gen. Lin Piao's 118th Division of the 40th Red Army. The fighting raged from dawn until 10:30 P. M. in the Linkow area west of Hoihow.

Hundreds of invasion junks were sunk. A nationalist central news agency dispatch said 1,500 bodies were counted in the water alone.

Hainan is the southernmost of the last two main nationalist strongholds. It lies off the southeast tip of the Chinese mainland and serves as a base for Air attacks on all South China and Naval raids along the mainland coast. It is exceeded in importance only by Formosa, to the northeast.

The central news agency said the Red invaders fought their way ashore from invasion junks in three waves in the face of withering fire from nationalist guns.

Other reports reaching here by way of Hong Kong said the vanguard of the first wave of 1,800 communist troops penetrated five miles inland.

American-trained nationalist troops surrounded the invaders and called in the Air Force to help liquidate the trapped units. Every invader was killed the report said.

Hong Kong sources believed the communists staged the landing in a race against time to reach the island before all guerrillas have been liquidated and before the weather becomes worse.

Census May Mean Change In State Representatives

WASHINGTON, March 28 (UP)—More than a third of the states are likely to gain or lose seats in the house of representatives as the result of the 1950 census.

California may gain the most by jumping eight seats from 23 to 31. If Pennsylvania is trimmed by two seats, as expected, it will be tied with California for second place behind New York in House Representation.

Fredrick Belen, counsel for the house committee on post offices and civil service, said that 18 states probably will be involved in the switches. He said seven midwestern and western states will gain seats at the expense of 11 eastern and western states.

The constant shift in population toward the west coast accounts for all of the recent changes in house representation, a once-a-decade process, census bureau officials explained.

The size of the House has been pegged at 435 seats since 1850. Apportionment changes since then have been restricted to deducting seats from some states and adding them to others.

Belen's estimates of changes as the result of the 1950 census include:

State	Present	Future
Texas	21	22
Arkansas	7	6
Missouri	12	12
Oklahoma	8	7

Fort Worth Man Killed In Crash

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 28 (UP)—E. B. Jacks, 31, was fatally injured today when his automobile hit a light standard. His was Tarrant County's 13th traffic death of the year.

Clipped by Tomshone
CARROLLTON, Ga. (UP)—Three-year-old Genita Miles, visiting the grave of her grandfather here, was knocked unconscious by a falling tombstone.

The club girls have already received their awards according to Miss Ethel Woodard, Home Demonstration Agent.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

By United Press

EDINBURG, March 28 (UP)—Three-year-old Silvia Sanchez of Westlaco died yesterday in the Edinburg polio clinic.

Her death was the tenth of the year in Hidalgo County. The lower Rio Grande Valley now has counted 53 polio cases this year, including 11 since last Friday.

LAREDO, March 28 (UP)—Workers were back on their jobs today building a \$4,500,000 Central Power and Light Company plant while management and union leaders continued to negotiate wage differences.

Striking members of local 93, hod carriers and labor union agreed to return to work temporarily yesterday after the old salary scale of 60 cents an hour. Their walkout last Wednesday idled a total of 200 employees and halted the plant's construction.

WICHITA FALLS, March 28 (UP)—State inspection of Wichita Falls weighing scales and gasoline pump meters disclosed today that more than 50 per cent of

them were inaccurate.

Inspector O. A. Kirkland of the State Division of Weights and Measures and his eight-man staff found 56.7 per cent of scales and 57.5 per cent of gas pumps erroneous.


WACO, March 28 (UP)—Andrew Terry Moore of Waco was killed yesterday when his automobile and truck collided on U. S. Highway 81 nine miles north of Waco. No one else was injured.

AUSTIN, March 28 (UP)—Bert Giesecke, National Housing Chairman for the American Legion, said yesterday that federal funds for loans to ex GI's seeking housing should be available within two weeks.

The Veterans' Housing Funds were recently exhausted. However, both the House and the Senate have passed new legislation and Giesecke said he was confident it would soon become effective.

HOUSTON, Tex., March 28 (UP)—State Rep. Bob Casey announced today he would not be a candidate for re-election but instead will run for county judge of Harris county.

HOUSTON, Tex., March 28 (UP)—A suicide verdict was returned today in the death of a



LIVESTOCK MARKET
By United Press

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 28 (UP-USDA)—Livestock:

Cattle 1600. Bulls and fed yearlings about steady, other classes slow and weak. Medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings 21.50-26.00, small lots good and choice fed yearlings 26.00-27.75, truck lot 735 lbs. 27.75, common lots 20.50 down. Common and medium cows 16.00-18.00, few good to 19.00, canners and cutters 11.00-16.00. Cutter to good sausage bulls 16.00-21.00. Medium

44-year-old florist who was killed with a single blast from a .410 gauge shotgun.

The verdict was rendered by Justice of the Peace Neal Shurtleff in the death of Malon W. Gunn.

and good stocker and feeder steers and yearlings 20.00-24.00, stocker cows 16.00-19.50.

Calves 600. Good and choice grades steady, others weak. Good and choice slaughter offerings 24.00-26.50, common and medium 18.00-22.50, culls 15.00-17.00. Stocker calves 20.00-27.00, some thin, around 300 lbs. Mixed steers and heifers 27.00.

Hogs 1400. Mostly steady on all weights compared with Monday. Good and choice 185-275 lbs. 16.50, with a few lots 16.75, good and choice 280-375 lbs. 15.00-16.25, good and choice 150-180 lbs. 14.50-16.25. Sows 13.00-14.00.

Feeder Pigs 10.00-13.00.

Sheep 12,500. Shorn slaughter lambs steady, aged sheep .50-1.00 lower, most spring lambs unsold, with bids around 1.00 lower at

28.00 down, feeders unsold. Medium to choice shorn slaughter lambs 23.50-24.50. Common to good shorn slaughter ewes and wethers 10.00-13.50.



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I JUST HAD TO, HONEY!

HOW COULD I TEACH THEM FOOTBALL WHEN THEY STOOD THERE MOONING AT ME?

(SIGH) HOW COULD THEY HELP THEMSELVES, YOU BEAUTIFUL GORGEOUS FORMER ALL-AMERICAN?

DON'T YOU START OR I'LL— I'LL—

WHY, GORGEOUS! HOW STRONG YOU ARE!

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ALLEY OOP BY V. T. HAMLIN



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ETSC Runner Obliges Opponent By Slowing Down

COMMERCE, Tex., March 28 (UP)—Mike Mercado, East Texas State Track star, doesn't like to run a slow mile, but he will cooperate with runners who can't keep pace with him.

His teammates yesterday circulated the report that Mike obliged a panting North Texas State runner during a dual meet at Denton last Saturday.

Mercado, running as anchor man, had an eight-yard lead on his North Texas opponent in the mile relay.

Suddenly the North Texas State runner yelled to Mercado to slow up.

"Are you going to slow up, too?" Mercado yelled back.

"Yes," was the answer.

Mercado knew his relay team wouldn't break a record in the stiff wind, so he slowed his pace. The man trailing him also faltered.

When the two men reached the last turn, the North Texas runner shouted: "Now hit it."

Both sprinted for the tape. Mercado won, by eight yards.

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Football . . .

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indignantly denied however that the pep squad leader was the center's grand-daughter! (In those days you could play till you were 21 and maybe longer if they couldn't prove it on you!)

Then there was a young man who arrived from Oklahoma and played on the team all season. That year, the Bulldogs were only moderately successful. When the training for track began, the Oklahoman sauntered out to watch. Coach Blair Cherry asked, "How about trying the shot put?" The youth, in street clothes, picked up the weight, stepped into the ring, raised his hand a couple of times and heaved the shot.

When the toss had been measured, the coach said, "How about putting it again?" The youth obliged and again the distance was measured. Then the mentor said, "Do you realize that, on the very first day of practice, you have twice broken the state high school record?" A little inquiry disclosed that the athlete had attended college for two years prior to enrolling in Ranger High!

There was another lad who moved to Ranger. He was short and chunky, weighing over 200 pounds. He was given a job on the fire department and lived at the fire hall. The chief fear of Ranger fans was that some day this backfield ace would be out in an open field when a fire alarm sounded and through force of habit he might throw down the ball and head for the fire!

Let me hasten to add that if Ranger had players who might have been "imported," so did the rival towns.

And nearly all the Bulldogs were "home-grown" and they included a pair of ends, Roy Stevens and Bob King, who played all through high school together.

Political Announcements

The following have announced their candidacy for the various offices in the coming elections of 1950.

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C. S. (Clabe) ELDRIDGE
P. L. CROSSLEY, (re-election).

COUNTY COMMISSIONER
Precinct No. 1
HENRY V. DAVENPORT
T. E. (Ed) CASTLEBERRY
(Re-election.)

COUNTY TREASURER
H. A. (Hiram) McCANLIES

COUNTY AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY
ELZO BEEN
For Elective Term.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
Precinct No. 2
CHARLES BOBO.
(Re-election.)

COUNTY TAX-ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR
STANLEY WEBB
NEIL DAY
(Second Elective Term)

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then attended Furman where the lanky Stevens was end, blocking back and phenomenal punter while King, at the other wing, was captain. King is now end coach of the University of Illinois.

This pair were products of Eck Curtis' coaching. Did you ever hear of one small town furnishing three-fourths of the backfield of a major University? Ranger did. Gloyd Lyons, Ray Cole and Joe Briley were Bulldogs at the same time and then enrolled at the University of Arkansas and they were 75 per cent of one of the two sets of backs who alternated. These three also were Eck Curtis' proteges.

Blair Cherry was Curtis' predecessor at Ranger and Cherry's outstanding star was Buster Mills, who made the all-time team at the University of Oklahoma and kicked the winning field goal in the East-West game. Against the heavies, favored Cisco Lobos, Mills intercepted a pass for a long touchdown run and once stood on his own 10 and punted to the end of Cisco's end-zone. The ball would have gone on into Stephens County but the fence stopped it. In that same game, a pass was completed, Mills to Mills. That's correct. Bus threw a pass, it was partly batted down, he darted forward and caught it! Oh yes, Ranger won the game.

That was the same season that Mills drop-kicked two field goals in three minutes with a muddy ball to beat Abilene.

By a spin of fate's wheel, the great former Ranger coaches, Cherry and Curtis, are teamed up at the University of Texas, where Cherry is head coach and Curtis is backfield coach.

A Bulldog star who played for both Cherry and Curtis was "Ox" Hinman, who was a stand-out at tackle for Rice. He was playing fullback at Ranger against a mighty Abilene eleven when he was hurt and was shifted to tackle. He would nail the Eagle ball-carrier for a loss, have to be helped to his feet, would sway and almost fall but on the next play, there would be another smashing tackle by Hinman. The Eagle attack, potent early, was smothered.

In this same game was another superb player, who performed on Cherry and Curtis eleven—"Pud" Hammett, triple threat quarterback. Curtis was coach at this time. Ranger was trailing by a touchdown. Every time it was the Bulldog's ball and fourth down, if the ball was barely past the 50-yard line, Hammett would uncork a tremendous toss into the end zone. This was as good as a punt as, in those days, it was a touchback. It was only a question of time until some Bulldog would be able to get down under one of those prodigious heaves—and one did. The game ended, 19 to 19.

But a Ranger player was ruled ineligible and Abilene went on and won the state championship.

The memories come back thick and fast of Aaron Anderson, triple-threat giant; and—in the lineup

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Grand Jury May Investigate Berger Sex Club

BORGER, Tex., March 28 (UP)—A grand jury may investigate reports that more than two dozen teen-agers formed a sex club and held wild orgies in secluded canyons on the Canadian river.

The Amarillo Times and the Borger News Herald said the or-

ganization was known as the "non-virgin club." Instead of paying dues, members agreed to indulge in sex relations at least once a week and remain "on call" at all times, the newspapers said.

District Attorney Bob Galloway said the session of the Hutchinson county grand jury is a regular one and he was not certain that activities of the club would be discussed by the member.

Public officials have declined to comment on the newspapers' reports, but Berger business men have called a mass meeting of citizens for Wednesday night to talk about the situation.

District Judge Jack Allen, listed as a principal speaker at the mass meeting, also had promised to speak at a glee club concert.

The newspapers said club members, numbering at least two dozen, conducted their "meetings" in the river-bottom canyons in good weather and in small hotels when the weather was bad.

Pairings for the "meetings" usually were selected by drawing numbers from hats, the newspaper reports said.

And the Bulldog band always paraded down Main Street after a game, win or lose—(the Bulldogs didn't lose many)—with Baily Thomas tossing the baton 20 feet into the air and never missing the catch or even hesitating on his stepping.

Those were brave sights and glorious days.

Exams Open For State Jobs

Competitive examinations for positions with the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare will be given on May 6 by the Merit System Council, Chas. S. Gardiner, director, announced in a state-

ment released March 25.

Stenographers are needed in every part of the state, Gardiner declared. Clerk - Typists, Field Workers, Interviewers, and Clerks are needed primarily in the smaller cities and towns throughout the state.

Key Punch Operators and Tabulating Machine Operators are needed to work in Austin.

Qualifications for these positions vary from high school graduation to college graduation. Appropriate experience may be substituted for education in many cases.

The positions of Key Punch Operator and Tabulating Machine Operator require training in the use of these machines.

Gardiner stated that these examinations present to people the opportunity for employment with the state under the most favorable conditions. Work under the Merit rule, he pointed out, leads to permanent employment, with good salary, promotional possibilities, liberal vacation and sick leave, and retirement benefits.

Gardiner said that official application blanks can be obtained from the local office of the Texas Employment Commission or the State Department of Public Welfare, or by writing the Merit System Council, 1000 San Antonio Street, Austin, Texas. Applications must be postmarked before midnight, April 15.

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Honors Daughter At Egg Hunt

As a compliment to Jan Watkins on her third birthday, her mother, Mrs. W. P. Watkins entertained at her home Monday afternoon with an Easter egg hunt.

Following the hunt a birthday cake was served to those attending.

Guests were Jimmie Ratliff, Anabelle Ratliff, Sheran Crawley, Skipper Crawley, Jan Houghton, Jackie Hickey, Doug Crawley, Mariam Milms, Alec Brashier, Tommie Brashier, Martha Jones, Phillips, Ray Newnam, Donna Kirk, Annette Harris, Pat Graham, Sue Graham and Pat Townsen.

BOSTON (UP)—An artificial kidney developed at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital has "dramatically improved" the condition of certain patients with heart disease traced to kidney ailment, doctors report.

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Society-Clubs

WMS Has Bible Study Monday

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church met at the church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Bible study.

Mrs. Lee Mitchell, president, presided at the meeting which was opened with the singing of two hymns and a prayer offered by Mrs. Mitchell. Scriptures were read by Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. C. B. Pruet offered another prayer. The study was directed by the Rev. David C. Ham who reviewed the book, "A Vessel Unto Honor" as a pre-revival study. Each member attending the meeting was asked to read a scripture and the meeting was closed by a prayer offered by the Rev. Ham.

Those attending the meeting were Mrs. F. P. Braisher, J. B. Houghton, H. E. Brooks, Pruet, A. W. Warford, Bill Rainwater, Tennie Merrick, E. T. Eubank, Alan Smith, Lloyd Clem, R. F. Webb, J. H. Fuller, F. R. King, J. B. Houghton, Jr., Mitchell, Roy McCleskey, Mamie Ruth Hamrick, Bruce Harris, F. E. Langston, P. C. Long and the Rev. Ham.

Bible Study Group Has Meet

The Vida Elliott group of the First Christian Church met at the church Monday afternoon for Bible Study.

Mrs. Raymond Walker was leader of the study which was based on the last four chapters of First Timothy.

The group will meet next week in the home of Mrs. Lottie Davenport and Mrs. Henry Martin will be leader of the study of Second Timothy.

Those attending the meeting Monday were Mrs. Bob Allen, Walker, Harry Warner, Dick Jones, Martin, Tom Adams, R. C. McCord, Susie Crider, F. M. Moffett and B. G. Pirkle.

o'clock at the home of Mrs. M. L. King. All members are urged to attend.

Class Luncheon To Be Thursday

The monthly covered dish luncheon for members of the Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist Church will be held Thursday at 12:30 o'clock at the church and all members are invited to attend and take with them a covered dish.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson and Mrs. E. H. Mills will be hostesses.

Personals

Betty White and Logan Bryson of Waco were the week end guests of Miss White's mother, Mrs. Ven White.

Otis Carlisle of Dallas spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carlisle. The elder Carlisle is confined to his home with the flu.

W. R. Eaker, who has been seriously ill at his home in Gorman, is reported to be improved. Mr. Eaker is associated with E. L. Martin and Sons.

R. G. Barry is a medical patient

Commentator Says Flying Saucers Real

DALLAS, Tex., March 28. (UP)—Radio commentator Henry J. Taylor was convinced today that the flying saucer is real.

In a nationwide broadcast originating at Dallas, Taylor said last night that the nation should not become alarmed about repeated accounts of flying saucers hurtling through the skies.

"These disks that are flying in our air are very real," Taylor said in the West Texas Hospital.

Inez Harrell has returned from a visit in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bruce are planning to spend the week end in Gladewater to visit their daughter, Rosemary Bruce and to attend the spring recital of Miss Bruce's music students Monday night. Miss Bruce is on the fine arts faculty of the Gladewater schools.

lor said in an American broadcasting company program. "The answer will be wonderfully reassuring when the Army Air Force is prepared to give it."

The Air Force, which has made an exhaustive investigation of reports, has said it found no evidence or proof of the existence of flying saucers.

Taylor said, however, that reports of veteran airmen on flying saucers they had "seen" were too concrete to be discredited.

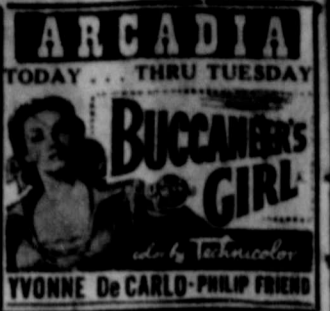
"Meanwhile, this is a military secret and I do not believe it is the proper business of anybody other than the military authorities regarding where they come from or where they go to."

Taylor did not disclose the source of his information that flying saucers are real.

"They are not coming from other planets," he said. "They are not coming from Russia."

Meanwhile, two university of Houston professors offered separate explanations on the flying saucers reports.

Dr. A. L. Pierce, a psychology professor, said people might be seeing "sundogs," or reflections of the sun on high-altitude clouds composed of tiny crystals. But L.



Old Eph Was Smart
MAYNARD, Mass. (UP)—One of the shrewdest Yankee traders in history once lived in this town. Local historians say that when canny Ephraim Pratt was 94 years old he talked a Maynard farmer into boarding him for the rest of his life for a flat fee of \$120. Ephraim lived to the age of 116.

F. Gray of the university physics department said many persons have "deficiencies in the eye that could cause them to think they saw flying objects."

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36,000 Telephone People Will Get Raises This Year



Regular, scheduled raises are important feature of union contracts which the company offers to continue.

Under existing union contracts, which the company has offered to continue, 36,000, or three out of every four telephone people, will get raises this year. Averaged over all employees, these raises will amount to 5¢ per hour or \$2 a week per employee.

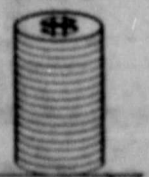
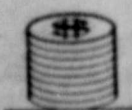
Unlike most industries where an employee must wait for a vacancy in a higher-paid job before he can advance, telephone people get regular, scheduled raises from the day they start until they reach the top rate for their jobs.

Also, in this up-from-the-ranks business, several thousand telephone people move up the ladder to positions of greater responsibility and higher pay every year.

Basic wage rate increases have more than kept pace with increased costs of living.

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Provisions for the security of telephone people have improved, too.

The company's Benefit and Pension

Plan, long recognized as one of the best in industry, was improved in November to provide pensions of at least \$100 a month, including social security, at age 65 after 20 years' service. Actual-

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Fully experienced Operators \$45 \$2,349
A Week A Year

Operators with five years' service: \$42 a week, or \$2,192 a year. One year's service: \$35 a week, or \$1,953 a year.

Fully experienced Business Office Women \$47 \$2,453
(Service Representatives) A Week A Year

Business Office women with five years' service: \$44 a week, or \$2,297 a year. One year's service: \$37 a week, or \$1,931 a year.

The above figures include basic wages for a 40-hour week plus extra pay for overtime, night, Sunday, and holiday work.

ly, under terms of the plan, many employees will get substantially more.

The Plan also includes liberal sickness benefits—up to a year's full pay depending on length of service—plus disability, accident, and death benefits of as much as a year's pay. The plan doesn't cost employees a dime.

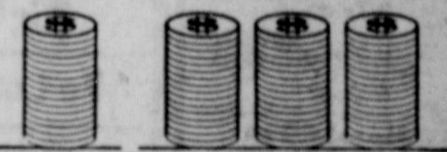
Working conditions are equally attractive under the contracts the company offers to continue.

Telephone people enjoy one to three weeks' paid vacation, depending on



their length of service. Also, they get seven holidays a year with pay.

Judged by any standards you may choose, telephone jobs are good jobs—as they should be to attract the able people it takes to give you good service.



Rate increases in Texas have covered less than a third of the current cost of wage increases already granted — to say nothing of other increased operating costs.

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Obviously, any further increase in wages, beyond those already provided in existing contracts, will have to come from pockets of telephone customers.

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