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Atomic Test Explosion In Nevada Sat; Flash Seen In Las Vegas, 45 Miles Away

SKY LIGHTS UP TO THE EAST; BLAST IS FELT BY RESIDENTS

LAS VEGAS, Nev. Jan. 27 (UP)—An atomic test explosion was set off at the proving grounds 45 miles from here today and some residents said they had felt and seen it.

The Atomic Energy Commission announced at Washington that the explosion was "one of the periodic tests" of atomic weapons scheduled to be staged at the proving ground, the fringe of the 5,000-square-mile proving ground is 45 miles from this southern Nevada city.

Three employees of the Las Vegas Review-Journal reported that they felt the concussion of the blast or saw the super solar light generated by the explosion.

Ronald Gardner, a circulation man, said he felt the concussion and placed the time at about 5 a.m.

Dick Tinch, a pressman, and Marvin Martin, a circulation worker, said they saw the sky light up to the east.

"It looked like a big flash," Martin said. "Then it was gone almost right away."

The commission announced on Jan. 21 that nuclear explosions would be set off from time to time at the 5,000-square-mile Las Vegas reservation for test purposes with a view to speeding development of atomic weapons.

Today's atomic blast apparently was the first. A "dry run" was staged Jan. 24 to check instrumentation and other preparations for the tests now under way.

The Jan. 24 detonation was "non-nuclear"—that is, it was not an atomic blast. Today's, however, was the real thing.

The super solar light generated by the blast lighted the sky so brilliantly that residents of southern Utah, scores of miles away, saw the flash.

They also reported "rumblings"—presumably the muffled sound of the distant blast.

The Las Vegas atomic tests are the first held in this county since July 16, 1945, when history's first experimental atom-bomb explosion was staged in the New Mexico desert near Alamogordo.

Since then, seven other U. S. A-bombs have been exploded. Two were used in World War II against Japan. Two more were exploded in the Bikini tests of 1946, and three were detonated at the Eniwetok proving ground in the Pacific in the spring of 1948.

The Nevada tests are designed to speed development of new kinds of atomic weapons—particularly special purpose A-bombs capable of being delivered by planes smaller than the B-29 or B-36.

They also are expected to speed perfection of atomic warheads for various missiles and artillery pieces.

The army is pushing development of atomic weapons for tactical use against armies as well as strategic use against cities and large industrial concentrations.

Congressional sources have confirmed that progress is being made toward development of "a variety of atomic weapons."

In announcing establishment of the Nevada Range on Jan. 11 the AEC said the nuclear explosions to be held there will result in a "speedup in the weapons development program."

Chairman Brian McMahon, D. Conn., of the Congressional Atomic Energy Commission said the Nevada tests will save "precious weeks" in the drive to perfect the new weapons.

The tests are being held in a remote desert country in southern Nevada at least 30 miles from any habitations.

They are secret and only authorized AEC and armed forces personnel are permitted to witness them.

They are full-scale atomic explosions "under controlled conditions"—by which the AEC means under scientific, laboratory conditions with scores of instruments placed to measure their nuclear effects.

Peterson Begins Patrol Training

Murry Peterson of Ranger left for Camp Mabry in Austin to begin training for the highway patrol, Mrs. Peterson reported.

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"ROCKET AHEAD" With Oldsmobile

Oldsmobile Motor Company, East

Worse Cold Wave Of Year Due Sun.

By United Press

A cold wave described as the "worst of the year" howled into Texas Saturday and the weatherman predicted it would bring snow and temperatures as low as five degrees below zero before Sunday morning.

The U. S. Weather Bureau at Dallas warned that the biting cold would endanger radiators and water pipes, and advised Texans that their heaviest winter clothing would be needed.

The frost, born in the frigid Yukon country of Alaska, whipped into the Panhandle around midnight and had plunged temperatures to 22 at Dalhart and 24 at Amarillo by 4:30 a.m. The cold air mass was expected to reach the Dallas-Fort Worth area by mid-morning.

The forecast called for a 24-hour flurry late today and tonight in West Texas and the extreme north portion of East Texas. Temperatures tonight were expected to range to 5 degrees below zero; to 5 above in the Panhandle; and to 10 to 25 east of the Pecos Valley.

No rain was forecast to relieve the severe drought.

Forecaster John Zimmerman at Dallas said the cold spell probably would equal the chill north which hit the state in early December, dropping temperatures below the 20-degree mark in all of north and west Texas.

Friday's high 73

Friday's low 22

8 a.m. Saturday 47

Train Derailed Near Ranger

A pile of dirt on the tracks derailed an engine of the Wichita Falls Ranger and Southern Railroad about three miles north of Ranger Friday afternoon.

Company officials said that they expected to have the engine back on the tracks sometime Saturday. The train was enroute to Ranger from Breckenridge with a crew of five—engineer, fireman, conductor and two brakemen. None of the crewmen were injured. The accident, which occurred 4:15 p.m., left the engine and tender tilted at a sharp angle.

Reserve Unit Called Up

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 27 (UP)—Some 80 lieutenants and captains of the 405th Organized Reserve Service Unit, stationed at Dallas, will begin receiving active duty orders next week.

Congressmen Of Both Parties Approve Control

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP)—Republican and Democratic Congressmen alike gave prompt and overwhelming support today to the government's wage-price freeze.

Most believed the order will help stop inflation from "robbing the people," but many warned it would not prevent future inflationary rises.

Some criticized the government for failing to act sooner, but were glad the action has been taken now.

They predicted further price roll backs may be needed to check inflation and protect the defense effort from a devaluated dollar.

But Sen. Homer E. Capehart, R., Ind., warned the new controls probably will bring new black markets.

Other Congressional developments:

Draft—The House Armed Services Committee still is not convinced of the need to draft 18-year-olds after hearing defense officials testify for four days. Some members seemed cooler to the proposal than before the hearings started, and one said the military has not "proved the necessity for drafting 18-year-olds."

Foreign Policy—Sen. H. Alexander Smith, R., N. J., urged President Truman to ask French Premier Rene Pleven how much—if at all—Communists have been able to hamper French defense projects.

Even is coming here next week to talk to Mr. Truman. Smith said he wants to know how well European nations will be able to "pull their own weight" in the mutual defense plans "before we send any American boys over."

Communism—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R., Wis., charged "the Red clique in our government engineered the Communist victory in China" and "signed the death warrant of every young man that has died in Korea."

He said the President should replace Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Ambassador -At-Large Philip Jessup with "good loyal Democrats and Republicans."

Christian Church To Hear Dr. Reed

Dr. William Reed, head of the Department of Old Testament at Bible College of the Bible, TCU, will preach both morning and evening services at the First Christian Church, Sunday, Jan. 28.

Lackland Base Suspects Plot In Rumors

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 27 (UP)—Lackland Air Base officers today blamed "fifth columnists" for rumors that clothing and equipment shortages have caused fatal epidemics among Air Force recruits here.

They ordered a search for the instigators of the plot to undermine morale.

Capt. Myron Roth, public information officer, flatly denied nationwide rumors that six men died at the base because of inadequate housing.

Roth said subversive phone calls had been made from the indoctrination center to newspapers all over the nation, and also to Congressmen.

His statement came as Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff, ordered an investigation of admittedly crowded conditions at Lackland.

"We're open for investigation," Roth said. He added that worried parents could ease their fears with a visit to the base if they wished.

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S. Korean Sailors Land At Inchon

24-Hour Naval Blast Paves Way For Raid

By Earnest Hoberecht

TOKYO, (Sunday), Jan. 28 (UP)—South Korean sailors made a daring daylight landing at Inchon Saturday, as United Nations ground forces sent spearheads stabbing to within 10 miles of Seoul against mounting Communist resistance.

The sailors staged a four-hour raid, during which they found Inchon, second largest port in Korea, almost undefended after a 24-hour naval bombardment by a UN task force.

United Press Correspondent Richard Applegate said the little raiding party sailed right up to the dock at 7 a.m. in an 80-foot gunboat. They killed 40 North Koreans and captured two wounded Reds without suffering a single casualty of their own.

Supporting the landing party were the U. S. Cruiser St. Paul and Destroyer Hank and the Canadian Destroyer Cayuga. Only the destroyers fired. The St. Paul's guns were silent.

While Inchon was left almost undefended, Red resistance was reported stiffening along the western front, where UN forces had been advancing steadily for two days. The UN troops seemed about to collide with the main Chinese Red army.

Applegate said the UN 1st Corps had been identified in action and had sent advance elements to within 14 miles of the Communist-held South Korean capital.

The U. S. 8th Army said heavy enemy troop activity had been seen from the air in all villages north of UN positions on the western front.

Police Warn Kids Of Shooting Out Light Fixtures

Ranger citizens have complained to police of the destruction of their light fixtures by gun-shooting youngsters.

Chief of Police W. G. Pounds reminds both parents and children that the shooting of guns in the city is a violation of the law.

Chief Pounds said that if this practice continues, he will order officers to confiscate the air rifles and file charges against the owners.

5 Year Suspended Sentence Given HS Football Star

ANSON, TEX., Jan. 27 (UP)—Kenneth Davis, star Haskell High School football player, received a five-year suspended sentence yesterday for raping a 14-year-old girl near Stamford last summer.

Prosecuting attorneys had asked the 104th district court jury to assess the 18-year-old youth a prison term.

Davis showed emotion only once during the trial.

Tears welled in his eyes when defense attorney Tom Davis wound up his plea that the boy not be sent to the penitentiary.

The young girl victim, clad in a light-fitting white sweater, attended the trial.

Reds Seek Information

SEWON, Korea, Jan. 27 (UP)—The Chinese Communists are desperate for information on Allied intentions in the new Korean offensive and they are paying a high cost in their attempts to get it.

Tidelands Decision Asked

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP)—Louisiana has asked the Supreme Court to reverse its decision upholding federal claims to the rich oil fields submerged off her coast.

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Talk Of Mental 4-F's Brings Up Congressmen

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP)—The House Armed Services Committee was discussing mental 4-F's.

Why that should make chairman Carl Vinson, D., Ga., think of the current crop of new Congressmen is for him to say. But it did.

Assistant Defense Secretary Anna M. Rosenberg had just remarked that there are now 167,783 mental rejects in the 4-F pool.

Vinson thought the number might reduce in the future if young men were tested after induction instead of before. Those who made the grade would be kept, others would be discharged.

Take these new Congressmen, Vinson said. When you look at some of them, "you wonder how they got here."

"But," he continued, "after they stay around a while they may be able to convince the people they are doing all right and making pretty good Congressmen."

Vinson hastened to add he didn't have anybody special in mind—not on "this committee," anyway.

Officers Stop Butter Loaded Truck In Ranger

A truck reported carrying from 27,000 to 37,000 pounds of butter was stopped by state health officials, Texas Ranger and local officials in Ranger Friday night.

Charges against the driver were not known Saturday. The driver and truck were taken to Eastland for investigation.

Various versions of the incident boiled down to a charge of black market, overweight truck or transporting butter that was under health standards.

The out-of-state truck, one of three which officers were reported hunting, was coming from Dallas when stopped in Ranger. Indications were that it did not plan to stop in Ranger but was passing through.

No charges were made in Ranger and county officials in Eastland were not available for comment Saturday morning.

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NO DRESS PARADE FOR THIS SOLDIER—While standing in a foxhole in central Korea, Pfc. Elmer H. Wood, Winchester, Virginia, receives the Silver Star from Brig. Gen. George Peopole, Commander of the 38th Infantry Regiment of the U. S. Second Division. The award was made for gallantry in action during September of 1950. (NEA Radio-Telephoto by Ed Hoffman, Staff, Photographer).

GOVT. WAGE, PRICE CONTROLS BLASTED BY LABOR LEADERS, HOUSEWIVES, INDUSTRIALISTS

By United Press

Industrialists, labor leaders and housewives joined today in blasting the government wage and price freeze but their criticism varied widely.

Management spokesmen said the controls were unnecessary and would not stop inflation anyway.

Labor leaders said the wage freeze created an inequity in comparison with prices. Some hinted of possible work stoppages unless a fair pattern is achieved.

Housewives and other consumers thought the controls were instituted too late. Many were bitter about some prices being frozen at the highest levels ever achieved. And they thought the controls should apply to all types of foodstuffs.

A few retail grocers and meat dealers, who daily must listen to complaints about prices, said they were "glad" the controls finally came.

Philip Murray, president of the CIO, planned to discuss the freeze order with union officials today.

President William H. Ruffin, of the National Association of Manufacturers said the country needed bigger production and a pay-as-you-go policy rather than controls.

"The freeze is unjust and unfair unless labor is given a chance to overcome obvious inequities," said William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor.

The American Meat Institute said price controls on meat would raise "grave problems," including black markets.

The two most powerful meat-packing unions—the CIO packing-house Workers and the AFL Amalgamated Meat Cutters—also urged wage stabilization director Cyrus Ching a telegram demanding an "immediate hearing" for an adjustment of wages for their 200,000 members.

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★ WASHINGTON COLUMN ★

Delayed Action on Inflation Makes Future Control Difficult

By Peter Edson
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—With the cost of living index going up a point or two every week and nothing being done about it, the outlook for controlling inflation is getting no better.

Economic Stabilization Agency's latest maneuver in this field was another fiasco. There are too many cooks spoiling this broth, for one thing, and they all have different ideas.

Toledo's round but sharp ex-Mayor Michael V. Di Salle (he pronounced it to rhyme with La Salle) thought he was to have complete authority in the price field. He took the job on that condition anyway.

On Jan. 5 the word went out that he was planning a temporary 30-day freeze on prices. He apparently thought he had his idea cleared with Charles E. Wilson, Director of Defense Mobilization. If he had not felt it was approved, Di Salle would probably have tried to think up something else to do, since he is completely conscious that something ought to be done, and darn soon.

But five days later Dr. Alan Valentine, Director of ESA—the Economic Stabilization Agency—entirely off. He didn't think the order could be enforced or administered.

Price Director Di Salle went along with this decision like a good boy. There was a grand chance for a bureaucratic brawl here. The team stuck it in the interests of internal harmony. But how long this combination can last is problematical.

DR. VALENTINE appears to be sincerely interested in doing the job without making any mistakes. He is very much the scholar theoretician and perfectionist. One of his admissions to his staff has been to try to keep ESA from being criticized.

Mr. Di Salle is equally sincere, but intensely practical. All he knows is that food prices are constantly going up. People are complaining by the million. That was the justification for trying to hold prices. Di Salle believes this can't be done without making some mistakes now without making some people angry.

After three months on the job, ESA has recruited a little over 300 employees. Only a few of them are veterans of the last price control battle and know what home-front war is all about. Most notable of the vets seems to be James F. Brownlee, New York businessman, who is an adviser to Dr. Valentine.

As of this writing, the price branch of the Economic Stabilization Agency could use half a dozen top-notch, experienced businessmen to handle its principal divisions—industrial manufacturing, industrial materials, manufacturing, retail and consumer goods, forest products, drugs and chemicals. The food division is now in charge of Ed Phillips.

ESA meetings are being held all the time with industry representatives. The stabilization agency has a \$4,500,000 budget on which to get organized. Dr. Valentine talks about a \$100,000,000 operating budget for next year. Until he gets a full staff, he can't do anything definite on issuing regulations and enforcing them.

EX-MAYOR DI SALLE seems to have the idea, however, that the American people don't need all these legal orders to be good right at the start. If people were told what was expected of them now, most of them would comply either out of patriotism or fear that they'll get in bad with the federal government later if they don't.

This was the idea behind the proposal for a temporary, 30-day freeze on prices. It was to carry over till the formal regulations could be issued. It was to keep some manufacturers and merchants from the great indoor sport of marking up prices some more, whenever they didn't have anything else to do.

Every day's delay in trying to hold prices means that it will be just that much harder to freeze them finally. Rolling them back now seems out of the question, since there is no authority for subsidies in the Defense Production Act of 1950.



COMING CARGO CARRIER—THE "CONVERTAPLANE"—A dream plane, with the speed of an airliner and the landing qualities of a helicopter, is the "Convertaplane," envisioned by the editors of Mechanix Illustrated magazine. The revolutionary craft, as visualized in the sketch above, would be able to land wherever a helicopter can—eliminating the long, expensive runways where 90 per cent of all air accidents occur during landing and take-off at high speeds. Pioneers of the new craft, the magazine says, are already perfecting it, with the backing of the U. S. government.

Report Of The 11th Court of Civil Appeals

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals, Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Affirmed: Coleman County Country Club Inc. v. The State of Texas. (Opinion by Judge Grissom) From Coleman County.

Texas Indemnity Insurance Company vs. James G. Harlen (Opinion by Judge Grissom) From Scurry County.

Reformed and Affirmed: R. E. Boucher, et al vs. J. V. Wallis, et al (Opinion by Judge Long) From Comanche County.

Motions Submitted: D. J. Barber vs. Francis K. Mayfield, Taylor.

Capbell, Appellee's motion for leave to file brief. From Mitchell County.

Juanita Valencia vs. Western Compress & Storage Company. Agreed motion for filing briefs. From Taylor County.

Motions Granted: D. J. Barber vs. Francis K. Campbell, Appellee's Motion for leave to file brief. From Mitchell County.

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Cases Submitted: R. P. Caperton, et al vs. Ben Thorpe, et al, Scurry.

Sheet Metal Workers Local No. 175, et al vs. C. A. Walker, Taylor.

Walter E. Scherard vs. C. D. Mayfield, Taylor.

BOYCE HOUSE SAYS

A man in a cafe said to the waitress, "Bring me a steak; I want it not to rare and yet not too done. I want some tea not boiling hot but not lukewarm and I want some toast, not too brown but still well-browned. But, first I would like some oysters."

The waitress said, "Yes, sir—with or without pearls!"

Ft. Worth Livestock

Cattle compared last Friday: Steers and heifers steady to 50 lower, cows and bulls 5-1.00 lower, stockers about steady. Weeks top: Slaughter steers 35.00, heifers 34, cows 27, bulls 28, stocker steer yearlings 33.50, older feeder steers 32. Weeks bulk: good and choice beef steers and heifers 30-35, utility and commercial 25-30, beef cows 22-25.50, canners and cutters 15-22, bulls 24-27, medium and good stocker and feeder steers and yearlings 27-32, choice yearling steers 32.50-35, stocker cows 22-26.

Calves compared last Friday: Slaughter offerings fully 1.00-1.50 lower, stockers about steady. Good and choice slaughter calves 30-35, top 34, common and medium 24-29, culls 19-23. Medium and good stocker calves 28-34.

several flocks lightweight 35-37.50, some 321 lbs. 40, and a few head around 200 lbs to 50.

Sheep compared last Friday: Woolled slaughter lambs 1.00 higher, shorn slaughter lambs, steady, slaughter ewes strong to 50 higher, yearlings poorly tested. Woolled feeder lambs 1.00-1.50 higher, shorn feeder lambs 1.00 higher. Weeks top: woolled slaughter lambs 35, shorn slaughter yearlings 27, ewes 18, woolled feeder lambs 35.50, shorn feeder lambs 32. Closing bulk: good and choice and woolled slaughter lambs 35, good and choice shorn slaughter lambs with no. 3 to fall shorn slaughter ewes 13-17, woolled feeder lambs 32-35 shorn feeder lambs 28-30.

Hogs compared last Friday: Butcher hogs steady to 25 lower, sows and pigs steady. Weeks top: butcher hogs 21.25, sows 18.50 and pigs 18. Closing bulk: good and choice 190-280 lbs. 20.50-20.75, good and choice 165-185 lbs. 19-20.25, sows 17-18. Feeder pigs 12-18.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

New Joan Crawford Picture Arcadia Offering



WENDELL COREY makes a startling disclosure to JOAN CRAWFORD, in a scene from Columbia's "HARRIET CRAIG."

Strong TCU Plays Howard Payne

BY UNITED PRESS

Texas Christian's Horned Frogs, still a strong contender for the Southwest Conference

basketball crown, will be out for their second non-conference win of the week tonight when they met Howard-Payne at Ft. Worth. The Frogs defeated Lackland Air Force Base, 54 to 44, last Monday night.



13 Lucky Guys

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THERE was a lot of conversation, subdued at first, but growing louder, mostly about the fact that the raise in hourly pay had not been mentioned by any of the speakers at the mass meeting. One group discussed it more emphatically than the others and the crowd began to collect there. In the center of the malcontents was Max Lengel.

"Where do the brass hats get the idea that a pin to wear on your overalls would take the place of money?" he asked, and waited for a low growl from his friends to reassure him. "Why should we work to meet a deadline if we don't get anything out of it?"

"If we strike the government will take over the yards," pointed out one of the older hands. "Who said anything about a strike?" said Max. "There's a better way and we all know what it is. All we got to do is turn out a little less instead of a little more. They'll get the idea quick enough." He laughed.

"You mean a slowdown?" Max shrugged. "It don't matter what you call it. We can show them guys in the swivel chairs that we ain't in this for our health any more than they are. They get their, don't they? You've heard about cost plus 10 per cent, haven't you?"

Fergus Mahoney, editor of the Westwaygo News, was still in the crowd and, like everyone else, he had been attracted to the group around Max. His son, Oscar, one of Eddie's squad, was with him, Fergus was an important man in the community, and he took a hand in the discussion.

"Listen here, my friends," he said in an authoritative tone, "you mustn't do anything hasty." "We won't," said Max. "That's the whole idea. We'll do everything slow." He guffawed at his own joke and so did most of the others.

Fergus let them laugh. "What I meant was do not do anything which will besmirch the record of the Westwaygo Boatworks. We're all Americans—we're all patriots!"

HE went on from there, the flag fluttering helplessly ashamed in his waving hands. "Why does everyone talk like that?" Kirsten Peterson asked Margie Lou and the women who were near her. "Why does he say we are patriots when almost we are traitors? Is everybody afraid? Why doesn't someone tell the truth?" She looked around piteously as if for help.

Carl stood right behind her but he could do nothing for her. "The only one who could tell these phonies where to head in," said Joe cynically, "is somebody who had nothing to lose."

"My wife has nothing to lose," said Carl simply. "Time has already slipped a little in her fingers."

"You mean you don't mind if she gets hurt?" "No. She wouldn't mind if she could help."

"Okay, Carl. Here she goes! Come on, you G.I.'s, gather ye 'round." Kirsten didn't know quite why she climbed up on the platform recently vacated by the visiting admiral and his hosts. Neither did she know that surrounding her were many unseen uniformed fighting men.

The working crew didn't pay any attention to her at first. They were too busy building up their private petty grievance. But when Kirsten said "Attention!" in a voice that was no less compelling than the cry of a Valkyrie, everyone sputtered down and turned to her.

Kirsten was in her work clothes, blonde hair under a kerchief but on the platform above the crowd she towered huge and cold and lovely like a statue of Minerva. She might have been the figurehead on a ship, outward bound, facing relentlessly forward.

"What," she said in a voice that still rang as if there were a symphonic orchestra under it, "what are you Americans thinking of? How can we slow down as long as there is a single prisoner in the hands of the enemy? Haven't you heard what happened and what is still happening to the men who fought the battle of Bataan? We can't slow down. Instead we must hurry faster and faster! These prisoners are dying while we talk about how much work we will do for a dollar."

Kirsten paused. Her audience stirred uneasily. Max spoke. "Girle, you don't know what you're talking about. Pipe down."

KIRSTEN paid no attention to Max. "I know that most of you feel the same way I do—you only wish there was more you could do in the 24 hours of every single day. But just a few people talk about getting more money or else they'll work less. And we listen! That's the terrible thing to do. We listen! And they make so much talk—those few people—that we begin to feel that everybody is thinking the same way. The soldiers, wherever they are, hear about such talk and they think we are all like that. It makes them sick and afraid—afraid that when they come home they will hate even their own people. And all because we let a few lazy and greedy people say things for us that we do not really mean."

"Shut her up! She's nuts. All we want is four cents more per hour."

Kirsten raised her voice. "When somebody is going to stick a bayonet in you, is it a good time to ask how much you'll get per hour for trying to stop him?"

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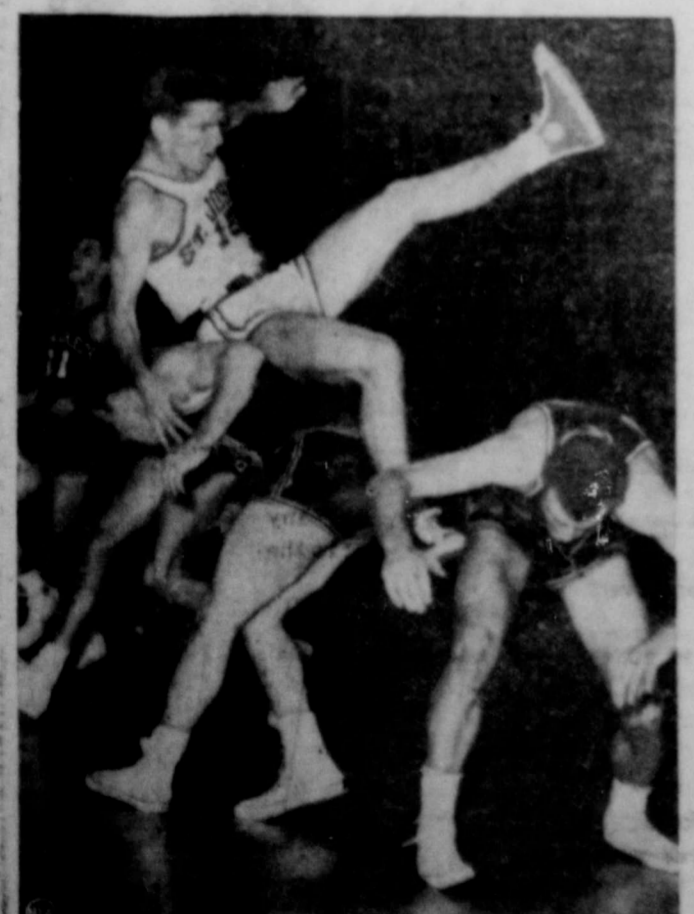
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Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright. For the word of the Lord is right; and all his works are done in truth" (Psalms 33:1-4).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Thought is borrowed from a higher source than matter, and by reversal, errors serve as waymarks to the one Mind, in which all error disappears, in celestial Truth" (page 267).

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The Keasler Oil Co., represented by Clyde Pepsul, production superintendent, has gained the respect and enthusiastic support from the Ranger community. He has announced that their company will begin two more wells within approximately two weeks. Leasing activity in this area has reached a peak not seen since 1920. Drilling rigs are arriving in ever increasing numbers. There is a strong possibility that Keasler's No. 1 Jennings may hold the key to a revitalized and reawakened Ranger.

It's spelled HALTOM and not Holton. Haltom is a player on the high school Beauties cage team. She stopped us in the gym Friday night and asked if we could spell it correctly one time. So to make it official, we'll report that Haltom—that's H-a-l-t-o-m—while playing in the DeLeon game Friday, was charged with three fouls, but Haltom's good playing contributed to the Beautie district victory.

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Sunday, Jan. 28, is Ranger Day at the Livestock Show in Fort Worth. Several local people are planning to attend the Cowtown Jamboree. They are putting it over big this year with about everything you might expect to see at a circus, carnival, stock show and state fair. Mrs. Helen Bradford will represent Ranger Sunday. She will ride in the Grand Entree on a palomino horse belonging to Dr. P. M. Kuykendall.

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Lone Star Ladies Hold Club Meet

The Lone Star Ladies Club met Thursday afternoon. Two new officers were elected. They are: Mrs. Louise Thomas, secretary and treasurer; and Mrs. Ted Sparling, vice president. Plans were made to give a party for the husbands on February 10th in the Community Club House. The group played canasta, forty two and bridge. Mrs. Nolan Butler won the prize for canasta; Mrs. W. A. Robinson won prize in bridge and Mrs. Joy Ball won the prize in forty two.

Refreshments were served to: Mrs. W. J. Van Bibber; Mrs. Ted Sparling; Mrs. E. T. Garrett; Mrs. Ed Harper; Mrs. J. L. Turner; Mrs. F. L. Kirkpatrick; Mrs. H. S. Packwood; Mrs. Joy Ball; Mrs. W. C. Bradshaw; Mrs. Nolan Butler; Mrs. Louise Thomas; Mrs. E. L. Allen; Mrs. E. W. Huffman; Mrs. Arthur Deffebach; Mrs. W. A. Robinson; Mrs. J. A. Bates; Mrs. Odell Cole and the hostesses, Mrs. E. W. Huffman and Mrs. T. E. Payne.

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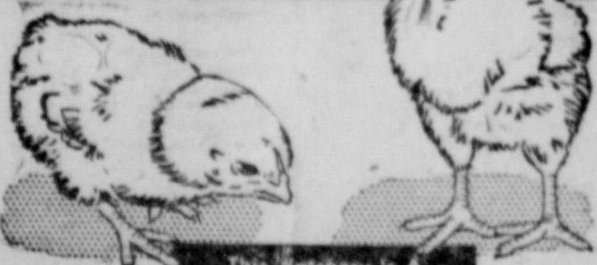
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Church Membership Offers Many Opportunities For Individual

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of a series of articles written by a member of the Ranger Ministerial Alliance in the belief that it will help to promote a "Back to Church" movement in Ranger.)

When "church membership" is mentioned one should think of three things. First, just what is meant by membership, what are the responsibilities of membership, and what opportunities does membership offer to the individual?

The admittance of an individual into membership automatically indicates that one has allied himself with a certain group of people. True Church Membership indicates that one is a believer in the Sovereignty of the Godhead: Fatherhood of God, Sonship of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. True church membership not only indicates a believer in Christ, but also a fellowship and servant ship of the Head of the Church—Christ. The Holy Bible tells us that "Christ is the head of the church," and "that He loved the church and gave himself for her." The Apostles and disciples of Christ were not only servants of the Christ but also of mankind. Christianity carries with it the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." Hence membership in the church of the living God carries with it definite responsibilities.

The first responsibility of church membership is to God. Children of God ought to act and conduct themselves as Christians. They are to have no other God's before them. They are not to take the name of the Lord God in vain. They are to worship Him and Him only—"NO GRAVEN IMAGES".

The second responsibility of the membership is to the church. The church has authority over her members as to CONDUCT, MORALS, SERVICE and RIGHTEOUS LIVING. Members ought to know

the practices of the church and whether they are of Godly or human origin. Any part not of God ought to be discarded and His righteousness instituted. According to the Scriptures church membership has a definite relationship to the home: "Husbands and wives are to love each other as Christ loved His church." Parents are not to provoke their children to anger, and children are to obey their parents. There is also a responsibility to SELF. The individual is to deny himself and follow Christ. He is "To love his neighbor as himself. He is to be pure of MIND, TONGUE, CONDUCT, and INTENTION. The true church member will be faithful to his Saviour and his church in all these matters. The member not only has responsibilities to the church but the church also offers many opportunities to her members.

One of the opportunities which the church offers is association with the finest of God's children. The best people of any community not only belong to God but belong to God's church in the place where they live. The privilege of Bible study will clean darkness, superstition, spiritual slavery, and dictatorship from both the PULPIT and the PEW. Membership in the church of the living God by a "born again believer" gives him the right of assembly for worship and service with other believers.

Membership being fellowship of Christ will mean that true children of God will move their membership when they move from place to place and unite with their church in their new home. That the member will continue meeting his responsibility in serving God, the church, his home, and himself. Opportunities presented by church membership are so great that only the children of God can receive the many blessings.

WMU Will Meet Monday at Church

All circles of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church will meet together at the church Monday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. The Rev. Ralph Perkins, pastor of the church, will be the guest speaker. All members are urged to be present.

Stella Stafford Circle Meeting

The Stella Stafford Circle of the First Methodist Church Missionary Society will meet at 3:00 p.m. Monday in the home of Mrs. J. A. Bates, 306 Summit St. All members are urged to be present.

Sermon Topics For Methodist Church

Sunday sermon topics at the First Methodist Church are: Morning service—"Bearing Another's Cross," St. Mark 15:21. Evening service at 7:30 p.m. "Singing At Midnight" from Acts 16:25. A warm welcome awaits you at the Methodist Church.

Faith Class Meet

The Faith Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church will hold its regular monthly business meeting and social Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 p. m., in the home of Mrs. L. H. Taylor at the Lone Star Camp, plant No. 3. All members are urged to attend.

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J. F. McCulloch

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Martha Dorcas Class Meeting

The Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist church met in the home of Mrs. R. S. Balch Thursday for a covered dish luncheon. Co-hostesses were Mrs. C. W. Alworth, Mrs. W. W. Bailey, Mrs. Rip Galloway, Mrs. S. B. Baker.

The tables were laid with Valentine cloths and napkins. The lunch was served buffet style from the dining table which was centered with beautiful flowers. The Rev. Garland Lavender gave the prayer.

The following members were present: Mmes. J. B. Rayfield, E. Hightower, E. P. Mills, J. S. McDowell, J. A. Bates, T. A. Utley, F. C. Williamson, K. Williams, L. E. Woods, J. F. Reuser, Charles Ashcraft, M. P. Williams, R. L. Willis, Miss Beulah Harrison, G. O. Strong, George Williams, J. L. Turner, E. H. Mills, Rev. Garland Lavender and daughter Nancy, and the hostesses, Mrs. C. W. Alworth, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Galloway, Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Balch.

Hospital News

WEST TEXAS CLINIC
Baby Willard Taylor of Santo was dismissed Tuesday.
Baby Hugh Barry of Kermit was dismissed Tuesday.

L. N. Thompson is a medical patient.
Mrs. S. J. Holub of Gordon was dismissed Tuesday.

G. F. Williams has been dismissed.
C. E. Owens of Eastland and Mrs. T. E. Snell of Eastland have been dismissed.

Miss Betty Jo Fry has been a medical patient and was dismissed Thursday.

CORRECTION
In the January 25th Society Column the Julia Alexander Circle Meeting was reported and the following names were omitted from the list of those attending: Mmes. A. W. Lester, William Eyley, F. C. Williamson, T. J. Melton, B. E. Patterson, G. O. Strong and W. C. Harris.

Kick In Pants For Bevan

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Everett Ringo of Gordon was in Ranger on business Friday.

Miss Anne Mathews and a friend, Miss June Poteet of Kingsville are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mathews. Both girls are students at S.M.U. in Dallas.

Miss Joanne Deaton of Texas Tech in Lubbock is visiting her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Frank Deaton, Frank (Bo) Deaton of Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls will also visit with his parents.

Miss Helen McAnelly of the University of Texas in Austin is the guest of her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Stanley McAnelly. Miss McAnelly has also been visiting Miss Norma Wright and Col and Mrs. Tucker in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barnes of Peru, Nebraska are visiting his daughter, Mrs. David Pickrell and family.

Garbage Men Errs
AKRON, O. (UP)—A near-sighted garbage man cost this city \$20. That amount was what

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