

## Appeal For Safe Driving Made By Safety Group

The Texas Safety Association today made an appeal for safe and sane driving to drivers of "Hot Rods." A. W. Breeland, TSA president, stated that quite a number of complaints have been received from throughout the state regarding reckless and dangerous driving committed by hot rod drivers. Many of these vehicles are said to have illegal equipment, such as muffler cut-outs and straight exhausts. Speeding, racing and a flagrant violation of the rules of the road have been reported in several communities.

Parents should counsel with their teen-age children to see that they drive according to state and local traffic regulations, and that the vehicles themselves comply with the law relative to lights, brakes and other equipment.

President Breeland appeals to parents to encourage their children of legal driving age, to enroll in driver education classes when school convenes this September. He stated that nearly half of the secondary schools of Texas now offer these courses, and that more will probably offer them if enough interest is evidenced locally. Records, thus far, prove amazing results from this training, as young drivers who are trained in school are seldom involved in accidents, while thousands of untrained teen-agers each year are involved in serious traffic mishaps.

Two new traffic laws are expected to help curb accidents, and they may affect hot-rods and their drivers who do not comply with safe driving rules. The vehicle inspection law will require all vehicles to have a thorough mechanical inspection and make any repairs and adjustments that might be needed. This inspection must be done before the vehicles can be registered. The Safety Responsibility Act, effective January 1, 1952, may be invoked against drivers involved in accidents with a resulting death, personal injury, or property damage of one hundred dollars or more.

The Texas Safety Association adds this final admonition; check your driving; check your vehicle; the life you save may be your own.



**A PRAYER FOR RAIN**—Holding stalks of withered maize, farmer H. O. Franks of Krum, Tex., stands amid his parched crop, faces the blazing sun and utters a prayer for rain. Weather observers saw little hope for relief from the disastrous heat wave which has claimed 39 lives and done \$250,000,000 worth of damage since Aug. 1. (NEA Photo).

## SAFETY COMMITTEE WARNS AGAINST GRASS, RANGE FIRE

COLLEGE STATION, Aug. — The continued hot, dry weather has created a situation that is "tailor made" for grass and range fires. Grass and other plants along the highways, in parks and pastures and rangelands are all tinder dry and there are a lot of ways fires can get started. However, just plain carelessness or failure on the part of people to observe the rules of safety as they relate to fire account for a majority of the destructive grass fires.

The State Farm and Ranch Safety Committee of Texas, headed

by J. Walter Hammond of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation and E. C. Martin of the Agricultural Extension Service are strong in their plea for every citizen of the state to join with them in conducting a campaign to hold down grass fires. They point out that the livestock industry of the state is basically dependent upon the grasslands of the state for its existence. A livestock producer without grass for his cattle is fighting a hard battle with a short stick. A blackened range caused from a fire that was started by a carelessly thrown cigarette, cigar or match can put a producer or producers out of business. Most would not be able to purchase feed to maintain their herd over any considerable period of time.

The nation needs every pound of meat that can be produced, say the committee leaders, and grass is our cheapest source of livestock feed. It must be protected. They urge the organization of community and county groups for combating grass fires. The local neighborhood groups should be coordinated on a community and county basis so that if necessary, an effective fighting force could be gotten together in the shortest possible time in case of a major outbreak.

Ranges should be protected by fireguards. Hazards that might possibly cause fires should be eliminated. Glass bottles have started many fires. They act as a magnifying glass and when the sun's rays reach the proper angle, almost any bottle may concentrate the heat from the sun sufficiently to ignite dry grass.

Fires, for any reason, should not be started, says Hammond unless they can be controlled. Trash should be burned in a closed incinerator so as to eliminate the possibility of starting a grass fire.

Motorists are urged to sniff out the fire on cigarettes or cigars before tossing them onto the highway. Many fires are set by motorists who never know what they have done for they are usually miles down the road before the fire is discovered. Those who drive in the country are urged to be on the lookout for fires and should report them when found. A small fire can usually be put out before it has a chance to spread, while on the other hand, if permitted to go unchecked, it may be out of control before it is discovered.

The leaders think the situation is critical enough in many sections of the state to warrant the beginning of a widespread campaign and warn that the next fire may be right in your community unless steps are taken to prevent or put out a fire should one get started.

In the golden age of whaling, between 1833 and 1863, America had as many as 675 ships on the seas seeking the great ocean mammal.

# Accused OSS Man Offers To Stand Trial In Army

## AMERICAN LEGION CLOSING CONVENTION AT SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, Aug. 20 (UP)—The American Legion, department of Texas, closed its 1951 convention last night with the election of Charles C. Gibson of Amarillo as state commander and the selection of Dallas as site for next year's meeting.

In the final session, the state legion also voted to maintain its state headquarters at Austin and build an \$85,000 home there. It emphatically voted down a proposal to move to San Antonio, which had offered its quarters.

The resolution adopted at the convention's close touched upon almost every phase of U. S. Foreign Policy, and among other things demanded that secretary of state Dean Acheson be fired.

Gibson, a World War I veteran and prominent figure in Panhandle politics, was elected commander after 3 other candidates for the post withdrew, the last one just as voting began.

Other officers elected were Robert V. Keenan of Gladewater, Judge Advocate; W. F. Speigel of Fort Arthur, re-named treasurer for the 23rd straight year; Mrs. Vera Langley of Dallas, historian; Rev. William Arms of Ft. Worth, chaplain; and Earnest Davis of Odessa, sergeant-at-arms.

The many-pointed resolution approved in the final session was presented by the State Sen. Rogers Kelley of Edinburg, chairman of the Legion's committee on foreign affairs.

It said president Truman should fire Acheson and stall the state department with "men of high purpose and realistic views." The state department came in for criticism for its conduct of the Voice of America broadcast, which the legion said would be "revitalized," and for becoming an "operational" instead of a "policy-making" agency.

"Instead of giving away the substance of America in a very unrealistic way," the resolution said, "We recommend that the state department concentrate on the major task of formulating American plans to combat the very real threats to our security throughout the world."

## Services Held William Thurman

William Anderson Thurman, Breckenridge, passed away in Talco Friday, August 17. He was born January 26, 1880, in Erath County and had been a resident of Breckenridge for five years. He had been a member of the Breckenridge Church of Christ.

Mr. Thurman is survived by his widow and five sons, Charley, of Almodgo, N.M., Raymond, of Almodgo, N.M., Talco, Texas, Rufus of Louisville, Ky., and Bruner of Breckenridge. He is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. B. S. Spink, Kinross, Texas, and Mrs. S. J. Fonville of Breckenridge; and two sisters, Elizabeth Wilson, Lampasas, Texas, and Hattie Lewis of Olton, Tex.

Also surviving are 22 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Services were conducted at Deedemona by Floyd J. Spivy, minister of the Church of Christ, Ranger at 2:30 p.m.

## Brown County's Oldest Resident Funeral Today

BROWNWOOD, Aug. 20 (UP)—Funeral services were set for today for Mark Crabtree, 109, Brown County's oldest resident who died Saturday night at his farm home near here.

Crabtree, born in Missouri, celebrated his 100th birthday last May 7. He came to Texas when he was 10 and moved to Brown County from Clay County in 1947.

The Legionnaires also sniped at the United Nations and the Marshall Aid plan. The former was called an "ineffective instrument" for halting aggression. The Marshall plan aid. The resolution said should be extended only to countries striving to help themselves.

It said the UN should demand military, economic and political contributions from all its members to help fight Communism.

The UN also should stand firm in denying membership to Red China, the veterans said.

The resolution urged a continued build-up of the North Atlantic defense forces, and suggested a similar defense pact be worked out on a regional basis in the far east.

Plans were offered, as well, in the prosecution of the Korean War in event cease-fire talks fail. The legion advocated bombing of Manchurian bases and air reconnaissance over China, a blockade of the China coast, and U. S. Military aid to the Nationalist Chinese.

## OPS Will Hold "Price Clinic" Here Thursday

The Fort Worth OPS has announced a "Price Clinic" for local merchants in Ranger, Thursday, August 23, 1951.

The clinic will begin at 9 a.m. in the Retail Merchants Building and is intended for all businessmen regardless of their type of business, said Ellis H. Boyd, district OPS director.

"We are making every effort to supply the business community with down-to-earth information about the price stabilization program, and the regulations affecting them," Boyd said.

At the same time, Boyd announced several changes in the price regulations which are now in effect.

He stated that the OPS has amended its general manufacturing regulation CPR 22 by excluding from its definition of a manufacturer persons who merely rebuild, recondition, renovate, or renew a used commodity. For example, Boyd said, engine rebuilders are not covered by the regulation.

"Other OPS actions place ceiling prices on lubricants and greases and on asphalt, and asphalt products," he said. "CPR 63 establishes ceiling prices on wholesale sales of lubricating oils, petroleum and other petroleum products while CPR 66 sets ceiling prices on asphalt and asphalt products."

The OPS official said that a regulation having more effect on the cost of living has been issued placing the 1951 pack of canned salmon under ceiling prices. The prices stipulated in the regulation are generally lower than under the General Ceiling Price Regulation, he stated.

## Jaycees Will Meet Tonight

The Ranger Junior Chamber of Commerce will have their regular meeting tonight. The meeting will be held at the Gholson Hotel at 7:30 p.m.

## Jimmy Crossley Doing Better

Sunday evening, Jimmy Crossley was reported to be doing a little better in his fight against polio. Jimmy has been in the City-County hospital in Fort Worth with polio more than three weeks.

## Services For Mrs. Jimenez Held Today

Mrs. Alejandra Guzman Jimenez who had been a resident of Ranger for the past fifteen years, passed away August 18 at Sanatorium, Texas, where she had been a patient in a hospital for the past month.

The deceased was born December 22, 1919 in Darwin, Texas.

She was a member of the Baptist church.

Funeral services will be held at the First Baptist church in Ranger at 3:00 p. m. today. Interment will be in the Evergreen cemetery.

Rev. Paul Bell will officiate. She is survived by her husband, Albert Jimenez, Ranger, four sons, Arturo, Albert, Jr., Joel, and Ramon, all of Ranger; and one daughter, Celia of Ranger; one brother, Isabel Guzman of Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, N. M.; three sisters, Mrs. Manuel Najera, Dallas, Mrs. Alvarez Leal, Harlingen and Mrs. Alfonso Liendo of Laredo.

Palbearers will be M. J. Martinez, David Jimenez, both of Dallas, Barney Dablis, Hamlin, Salvador Vasquez, Cisco, Louis Martinez and E. Martinez, both of Ranger.

## Farm Bureau Picnic Set For Thursday

The Eastland County Farm Bureau will have their annual picnic at the city park in Eastland Thursday, August 23, 7:00 p.m. There will be recreational activities and singing for the members attending the picnic.

M. T. Howell, service director of Texas Farm Bureau, will explain the newly passed "Drivers Financial Responsibility Law."

Bob Lilly, recent employee of the Texas Farm Bureau will be there to tell how the Farm Bureau can help the farm family, the state and the nation.

Every one is invited to come and bring a picnic basket. Drinks, ice cream, and paper plates will be furnished. All members are urged to come and bring a neighbor family.

The Farm Bureau also announced the recent election of Mrs. Joe Hob Browning as reporter.

## U. S. GOVERNMENT REJECTS OFFER OF ACCUSED KILLER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP)—The Army today rejected an offer by a former OSS officer to re-enter the Army and stand military trial on charges of murdering his commanding officer during a wartime cloak-and-dagger mission behind enemy lines.

It said that Aldo Icardi, former Office of Strategic Services lieutenant who made the offer, could not be tried by court martial, even if he were taken back into the army.

Icardi and former Sgt. Carl Lodiace of Rochester, N. Y., have been accused by the Defense Department of the murder of Maj. William V. Holohan of New York while on a mission in Italy in 1944.

Icardi has branded the Defense Department's charges as "absurd, vicious and completely untrue." Lodiace also has denied that he and Icardi poisoned and then shot Holohan with the help of two Italian partisans.

The Army's refusal of Icardi's offer apparently left only two alternatives—for Italian courts to try the two Americans in absentia or for this government to extradite them if the Italian government makes a formal request. The two have retained counsel and have indicated they will fight extradition.

American civil authorities cannot prosecute the two men because the murder was on foreign soil. And military authorities are stymied because Icardi and Lodiace are no longer in the army.

An army spokesman explained that the break in Icardi's service would prevent him from being court-martialed under the old law, which applies in his case. The new unified code of military justice, which became effective last May 31, provides for bringing men back into service to stand court martial. But this cannot apply to Icardi or Lodiace because the code is not retroactive.

The court of Assizes in Novara, Italy, has moved to extradite the two men for trial there. Italian officials said they were named in confessions of two Italian partisans held on charges of complicity in the slaying.

Icardi told the United Press that "enemies of this country are trying to extradite me to Italy, where I wouldn't stand a chance of fair trial."

"Rather than be extradited," he said, "I would be willing to re-enter the army and face a military court."

A defense department spokesman said there was "no precedent for this situation." Icardi might face a tough time getting back into the army.

Legal technicalities prevent the Army from prosecuting Icardi and Lodiace now since they have been separated from service. Federal courts do not have jurisdiction since the crime took place in an enemy country in time of war.

The OSS mission of Holohan, Lodiace and Icardi was to supply arms and ammunition to guerrilla bands fighting behind Nazi lines.

After a dispute, the defense department said, Holohan was poisoned, shot and dumped into the waters of Lake Garda. His weighted body was found in the lake with a bullet hole through its head. The department said Lodiace fired the fatal shot.

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## GOP PROPOSES ALLIANCE OF REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP)—A Republican proposal for a GOP-Southern Democratic alliance in 1952 would, if made effective, destroy the nation's political balance and lead to dangerous extremes in government, according to Rep. Walter Rogers, D., Texas.

Rogers, the Pampa, Tex., attorney who placed a Republican to win his house in Congress, made the statement in a radio debate in which Sen. Karl E. Mundt, R., S. D., author of the coalition plan, said the alliance must be made "if we are even sincere about this business of trying to stop Socialism."

Mundt said he and his Republican colleagues would support Sen. Harry P. Byrd, D., Va., for president if the Democrats would nominate him. Byrd is an outspoken opponent of the Truman administration.

But Rogers argued that the Mundt plan would cause "a complete cleavage" between the left and right, with conservatives and liberals in two different parties.

He said Britain's present labor government is the outgrowth of a similar split.

"When you get a complete cleavage—that is, stalism on the one side against free enterprise—you have an unbalanced situation," Rogers said. Then, he added, the party in power has "complete power."

## J. W. Goodwin Former Judge Passes Away

LUBBOCK, Aug. 20 (UP)—John W. Goodwin, 95, a former judge, died last night.

Goodwin served as 35th District Judge for 16 years. As attorney for the State Banking Department for 14 years, he helped formulate many Texas banking laws.

Goodwin's father was one of the founders of Texas A&M College and a member of the first class.

Services will be tomorrow in Brownwood.

## Church Of God Holding Revival

The Church of God located on the old Strawn highway began a revival Sunday evening and it will continue throughout this week with services each evening at 7:45.

Rev. R. A. Ratchford, the newly called pastor, will do the preaching and Verney Smith will direct the congregational singing.

The public is cordially invited to come to these services each evening.

## Temperature Hits New High Here

Two unusual things happened in Ranger, Saturday, it rained and the temperature hit a new high for the year.

The temperature hit a top of 108, two degrees higher than had previously been recorded here.

Late Saturday evening it rained with .40 of an inch showing in the rain gauge behind the Ranger Times building.

## THE WEATHER

West Texas—partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday, with widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers. No important temperature changes.

Ride The "ROCKET" And Save Osborne Motor Company, Eastland

For Good Used Cars (Prudens on the New Olds) Osborne Motor Company, Eastland





**JET ACE SETS SPEED RECORD**—Veteran combat flier Col. Fred J. Ascani of Rockford, Ill., broke world's closed-course speed record of 605 miles an hour at the National Air Races in Detroit. Unofficial observers clocked Colonel Ascani at speed of 635.4 mph. (NEA Telephoto).

**Texas Looking For State Welfare Workers**

The State Department of Public Welfare is looking for Field Workers and Child Welfare Workers, according to Chas S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

The salary range for both jobs normally is \$230 to \$260. But Gardiner points out that the beginning salary has been raised to \$240 during the present emergency.

Applicants for the Field Worker job must have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours of college work, or 30 semester hours of college work plus one year of full-time paid social work employment in a recognized public or private welfare agency. High school graduates who have had two years of full-time paid employment in social work in a recognized public or private welfare agency may also qualify for the Field Worker position, however, requires applicants to be graduates of an accredited four-year college or university.

In order to get the required number of workers, Gardiner said a system has been worked out to give examinations on the first and second Saturday of each month. On the first Saturday examinations will be given in the following Texas Employment Commission offices: Amarillo, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Longview, San Angelo, San Antonio, and Waco. In Austin, the examinations will be held at the office of the Merit System Council and in Texasians at the Texas Junior College.

Examinations on the second Saturday of each month will be held in Texas Employment Commission offices located at Abilene, Beaumont, El Paso, Galveston, Harlingen, Lubbock, Odessa and Wichita Falls. On the same dates examinations will be given in Laredo at the Laredo Junior College and in Tyler at the Tyler Junior College.

Additional information may be obtained at any local office of the Texas Employment Commission or State Department of Public Welfare.

**Hollywood Film Shop**

HOLLYWOOD, (UP)—Nerves and jitters keep many an actor from fulfilling his early promise. So it is also with dog actors.

Tex Chambers, owner and trainer of a remarkable mongrel named Mr. Troubles, soon to be seen on the screen with James Cagney and Phyllis Thaxter in the Warner Bros. picture, "Come Fill the Cup," is the authority.

Chambers says Mr. Troubles is too smart for his own good and will have to quit learning new tricks for several months.

"He's taken about as much as he can for his age," Tex said. "If I keep hammering new commands into his little head, he will get nervous and jittery just like some actors do and pretty soon he won't be any good at all."

**Close to Record**

Tex thinks Mr. Troubles can claim some sort of record among canine geniuses for having learned 71 commands by the age of four and a half months. He is eight months old now and knows 87 commands, about half of which he will perform in his first movie.

"Right at this point he has learned how to accept knowledge," Tex said. "That's the most important thing. I'm going to let him relax now and make a game out of the commands he knows without giving him any more for a while."

Chambers picked up his dog at the Los Angeles pound when he was only eight weeks old. "I knew he was a winner," he said.

**Blueberry Time Produces Cash In New Jersey**

MT. HOLLY, N. J. (UP)—It's blueberry time, and a busy time, in Burlington County this summer.

Old-timers can remember when this southern New Jersey area, the nation's largest source of fresh blueberries, was just a big stretch of barren pine land.

Now the popular berry blooms in thousands of cultivated acres. It brings New Jersey farmers nearly \$2,000,000 a year and has increased the value of their once-barren lands from \$600 to \$1,000 an acre.

A U.S. Agriculture Department botanist and a local cranberry grower were responsible for "taming" the wild blueberry bush, which withered and died when offered the care lavished on other cultivated crops.

The botanist, the late Dr. Frederick V. Coville, discovered that the blueberry root bore a minute fungus which furnished nitrogenous food to the bush. After that it became a problem of growing the blueberry fungus and locating superior wild bushes to start with.

**Paid for Discoveries**

Elizabeth White, a cranberry grower, joined Dr. Coville in collecting a stock of good plants to start cultivation of the blueberry. She paid native cranberry pickers \$1 for each bush spotted.

A never ceased to wonder, Miss White, now 79 years old, related, "how they led me through pathless thickets and undergrowth, where all the bushes looked alike to me, to the one bush which was producing berries superior to the surrounding plants in the bog."

All cultivated blueberry bushes today are descendants of the best bushes or crosses of the experimental early specimens grown by Dr. Coville and Miss White.

From bogland, worthless and unwanted, southern New Jersey now has a new industry which brings a big cash crop and employs some 3,000 workers during the peak season.

**Finds Plant Life Link Between U. S., and China**

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., (UP)—A close parallel between plant life in the eastern United States and China indicates a common ancestry of the plants and a link between continents in the prehistoric past, according to a Chinese graduate student at West Virginia University.

Philip Cring-Cheng Chen, who returned to Lanchow, China, to teach after gaining his master's degree, wrote in his research thesis that similarity between the widely separated plant life is "amazing."

There are 38 plant families comprising 77 genera which are common to both regions but which are not found in other sections of the United States or Europe, he wrote. "Eighteen identical specimens are found in the two areas under study."

The Arctic regions may have once served as a "bridge" for plant distribution between Asia and North America, Chen theorized.

**The Campaign Against Aggression Continues**



**Reds Propose Informal Peace Talks On Line**

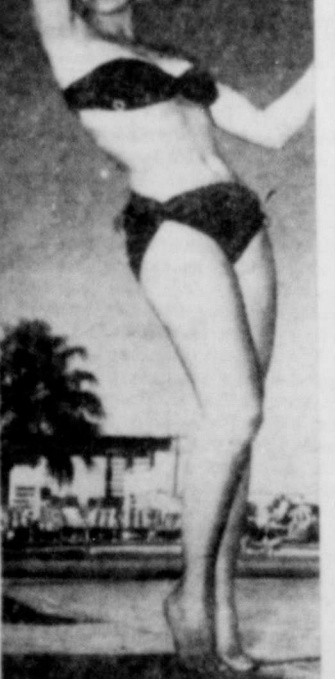
SOMEWHERE IN KOREA, Aug. 17 (Delayed by Censor) (UP)—United Nations patrols all along the front have been receiving for three days mysterious letters proposing that UN and Chinese Communist front line units arrange an informal armistice themselves while cease-fire talks continue at Kaesong. It was disclosed today.

The letters, ungrammatical and awkwardly composed, have been left in advance of the front lines where UN patrols would find them or have been delivered by Korean farmers who approach the patrols under a white flag.

Addressed "Americans and British Officers and Men," the letters are practically identical. They say:

1. Peace talks at Kaesong have been going on since July 10, but soldiers on both sides continue to die.
2. To eliminate needless casualties, UN and Communist front line troops should talk to each other.
3. It is proposed that when UN and Red forces come into contact, they should wave white flags as a signal they are ready to talk.
4. Replies should be sent through Korean inhabitants of front line areas, including any questions or demands for assurances.
5. At a time to be agreed upon, delegates of front line units should meet in no man's land as a friendly party, each side to guarantee the other's security "on the basis of military honor" to try to stop all fighting possible.

One letter was signed "Chinese."



**REPLACEMENT**—If you wonder who's going to take Dagmar's place on that TV program next fall, it's shapely Barbara Nichols, above, of Las Vegas, Nev., currently appearing at El Rancho Vegas. When she replaces buxom Dagmar, Barbara will be billed as "Agathen."

**Meat Packers Agree With Wilson's Policy**

Commenting on the statement by Defense Mobilizer C. E. Wilson that the abolition of meat slaughtering quotas may lead to extensive black markets, disruption of the supply in the large packers at the expense of independent packers, the American Meat Institute said:

"We are glad to see that administrative officials associated with price control efforts are becoming concerned about the development of black markets and disruption of distribution. It is high time they did."

"Since early June, when the government's beef compliance order became effective, 95 leading beef-producing plants located throughout the country, which normally handle nearly 60 per cent of the beef produced under Federal inspection, have experienced a sharp decline in volume."

"This is shown by the fact that while all cattle slaughtering under Federal inspection declined during the period referred to by 19 per cent, the slaughter of the 95 plants declined 37 per cent, and their proportion of the total declined from 58 per cent last year to 45 per cent this year."

"It may or may not be significant that meat slaughtering quotas were in effect during this entire period. The figures showing which slaughterers are losing volume are readily available in the Department of Agriculture or agencies associated with Mr. Wilson's own office."

"It is clearly apparent from the figures cited that, far from concentrating supplies in the hands of established companies, the actual facts just the opposite: they have been losing beef volume at an alarming rate."

"In the case of pork, we believe that most companies in the industry lost heavily on their operations during June and July, especially July."

"As we have pointed out repeatedly, experience has proved that livestock and meat controls are unworkable and lead only to the development of a huge black market which benefits no one but illicit operators."

"We respectfully suggest that, instead of trying to saddle the disruption of distribution on others, when their own regulations are to blame, the officials concerned get busy at once to make it possible for honest operators to carry on their normal service to consumers, to maintain their volume, to stay in business, and to earn a reasonable profit. That is not generally the case now."

When it comes to family members in the same military organization, the 25th Infantry Division at Camp Atterbury, Ind., has 25 girls who can say "Hi, Dad" to 22 soldiers and mean it.

People's Volunteer Force" along with the signature of an individual whose identity UN censors withhold.

A UN unit has received a copy of the letter each day for three days. The letters, though identical, are in different handwriting, all are in English.

**KILLER'S PACE**

BY JULIUS LONG

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CLARA MAYHEW lived in a south side duplex. Sonya let me in as soon as I rang. She had abandoned the slinky gown and was wearing one of her hostess's wraps. I greeted her and after some preliminary conversation I got around to some questions. I suggested that Barney Bidault's death might have been connected somehow with Frannie Martin's death.

"A confession? As to who killed Barney Bidault?" She shot an impatient glance at me. "Don't be absurd. A confession about the death of Frannie Martin, of course. That's what Rod LaGrange was looking for when you walked in on him at the Bidault house?"

I remembered the rifled desk. Sonya went on. "Al Nanabarro said me that there was a confession about Frannie's death and that Barney Bidault had it on him the night of his murder."

I whistled. "And Al didn't say how he knew that?"

"No. But he was positive that Rose had the confession. That's why I rigged up the trick with the gun to save her and get her out of jail."

I scoffed. "You spin a fine yarn, Sonya. Then why did you tip off Nick Ricardo as to what good pictures he could take?"

Sonya stiffened, then she got up slowly. "This is the second time you've accused me of double-crossing Star. Last night I let it go by because I didn't want to waste time trying to convince you of something I couldn't convince you anyway! But now I'm telling you straight—I had nothing to do with those pictures!"

I laughed wryly. "Ricardo's already told me it was you who called him!"

"Only I could have tipped him off?"

"That's right. Only you. I let her light her cigarette. She took a couple of drags, blew still furiously and then stamped out the cigarette with an air of finality."

"That bartender! The man who brought the bottle! I remember now! While we were waiting we decided to run through the trick once more. We were talking about it. Then the bartender with the drinks rapped on the door. I remember now that neither one of us had heard him come up!"

By the time she had finished talking, my mouth was hanging open. Nick Ricardo had taken me for a beautiful ride, palming off Sonya as the squealer, knowing I was sold on the idea anyway. He'd protected his source, all right—that lousy Pete Crummit!

"So you believe me now?" Sonya was eying me with the old cold look. "The phone rang. She answered it. After she finished she told me: 'Clara, calling from the Prater office. There was a burglary there last night. Everything's in an uproar, she says, with police all over the place. A night watchman almost caught the burglar but got knocked out. She can't get my clothes, so I'll have to borrow a

dress from her. Would you mind waiting till dress, and then driving me home?"

I did not mind. She dressed in a few minutes and looked as if Clara's clothes had been made for her. The two girls were about the same size and I decided Sonya would look snazzy in a yellow bathing suit, too.

I LEFT Sonya at the Strand Hotel, and then I drove right around the corner and stopped in front of the Court Bar.

There were a few stragglers present and the only bartender on the job was an ancient character called "Pops."

"Morning, Pops. Where's Crummit?"

The old man frowned. "He's takin' the day off. He's just got some money burning a hole in his pants pocket. He hit a long-shot at the track yesterday."

At the corner I bought a paper. I was there big as life, with an old rogues' gallery picture of Theodore Delaney, also known as Trigger Delaney.

The Fifth Street First National caper was recalled, and it was stated that Rod LaGrange, leader of the gang, was the man I had shot, previously. A by-line story by Max Feldstein quoted "well-informed sources" as saying that the shooting "was believed to be" a reprisal for my killing LaGrange.

Max Feldstein rated another front-page by-line, the story of Rose Bidault's "death-bed" version of the truth about who killed old Barney. Of course the version so-called was only sketchy, but Max was clever enough to make much of it. The yarn was worked, in with the atabarmat story, also front page.

It was a good story, and I knew Star would appreciate it. I folded the paper and capitulated to my stomach, eating a whale of a breakfast. Breakfast finished, I drove to the office. Kitty Coyle said:

"Go right in, Hero. He's waiting for you."

She wore an odd look which I did not understand till I opened the door and beheld Star.

(To Be Continued)

**Life In These United States**

From Readers Digest

**French Accent**

A professor from France was visiting a former colleague at the University of Miami. When a beautiful coed entered the office where they were talking, the Frenchman's eyes lit up with obvious approval. "Ah, lovely, lovely—poor child!" he exclaimed when she had gone.

"Why 'poor child'?" the University of Miami professor asked.

"But to be so young, so beautiful, and not to be in Paris!" was the reply.

A young French physician, serving on the staff of a Chicago hospital, volunteered to teach conversational French to a group of others. One evening he was asked, "Jacques, have you taught the girls 'Je vous aime' yet?"

"Ah, but no, mon ami," he replied. "We save that until last, for, you see, in France when conversation reaches 'Je vous aime'—there is no more conversation."

**On His Way!**

The lower grades were having a hobby show, and fond parents flocked to view their offspring's handwork. On each child's desk was an exhibit with a brief description of his hobby. There was the usual assortment of postage stamps, dolls, model airplanes, seashells, papermatch folders, etc.

But the entry that attracted the greatest attention was a display of Christmas cards with this note: "My hobby is selling Christmas cards. A box like this one sells for 25 cents, or five for \$1. If you

order now, I will get them to you three weeks before Christmas." You can put your order in the box on my desk, or telephone me at Wilson 4025, Charles Thompson.

Old Frank, owner of a scrubby farm on which old had been discovered, was talking to the president of a southern Illinois bank. "I got to get out of this country," he said.

"I can understand that," t the banker replied. "With all the money you have, now you don't need to live in that old shack with all those coon dogs of yours."

"Tain't that," said Frank. "I like it fine here. It's the dogs—the smell from all those old wells is ruinin' their scent. I got to get them out of here or they won't be any good for trackin' coons."

On a flight from Miami to Chicago I sat beside an elderly lady, evidently on her first flight and extremely nervous. About an hour out of Miami, she hit some very rough weather. As the plane continued to buck and rock alarmingly, she exclaimed to me, "My what a terrible driver!"

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## Paper Protest Camera Seizure

BORGER, Aug. 20 (UP)—The Sunday News-Herald carrier three columns of white space, the page-one "picture" its photographer didn't get when Sheriff Hugh Anderson ordered his camera and film confiscated at the scene of a plane crash.

The News-Herald said Anderson ordered a deputy to seize the camera and film of photographer John Turner, who shot a picture of a Navy plane which made a crash landing on a highway west of Borger Friday afternoon.

Pilot of the plane escaped without serious injury. Cmdr. R. J. Inzer, executive officer of the Naval Air Station at Olathe, Kan., denied asking Sheriff Anderson to prevent photographs from being taken.

Turner said Hutchinson County Deputy Sheriff Thomas Ramby took his camera and film plates on orders from Anderson, who in turn was quoted by the cameraman as saying it was "on orders from Inzer."

"I can't issue an order like that," Inzer told the newspaper. "I issued no orders like that. The only request I made was that a guard be placed around the plane."

Attorneys for the News-Herald talked with Inzer, who in turn telephoned the sheriff with a request that the photographic equipment be released.

The newspaper said Anderson turned over the camera to Turner Friday night, but held the film until late Saturday—too late for processing and use in Sunday's newspaper. In protest, the newspaper ran the three columns by four-inch white space "photograph."



UNHORSED — Londoners gaped as they saw members of the Royal Horse Guards, aristocratic, colorfully-uniformed Household Cavalry unit, arriving at Horse Guards Parade in, of all things, a plebeian bus, like the Guardsman above. Guards are now horseless and will remain so until November while their stables at Whitehall are being repaired.

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**HITLER'S YACHT GOES FOR SCRAP**— Adolf Hitler's pleasure yacht, "Grille," is seen tied up at a pier in Fieldsboro, N. J., waiting to be cut up for salvage steel. Officials of the National Production Authority held a brief ceremony on board the doomed vessel to dramatize the nation's need for scrap metal. (NEA Telephoto).

### 15 Year Old Shoots Another With Shotgun

FORT WORTH, Aug. 20 (UP)—A ruddy-faced 15 year-old boy tearfully related today how he shot to death another youth the same age, although he had never seen his victim until shortly before the slaying.

The victim was Paul Benavides, who was shot fatally last night in front of the home of Mr and Mrs. C. C. Walker, parents of the boy who confessed, police said.

Mrs. Walker was slightly wounded in one hand when pellets of the blast fired by her son hit her.

The youth is James Bryant Walker, son of a dairy employe. He told police he and some companions had been driving around in the Walker family car when they met some other boys. One he knew, he said. The others, including Benavides, he didn't.

The youths got into the car and later, young Walker related, Benavides, riding in the rear seat, put his hands over Walker's eyes, nearly causing an accident.

An argument resulted, and Walker said he drove to his home after Benavides threatened to take him to a park, to him and take the car.

Walker said he went into his home to get a shotgun, and his mother tried to stop him. Then, he said, he told her he would call police.

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## D. A. Hulcy Is Speaker At East Texas State

COMMERCE, Aug. 20 (UP)—America's swing into defense production with "a host of controls" may please Stalin by weakening "the dynamism of our enterprise system," according to D. A. Hulcy, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Hulcy, president of Lone Star Gas Company at Dallas, told the East Texas State Teachers College summer graduating class yesterday that the nation can mobilize "more soundly— if we see what is essential to be preserved in the period ahead."

"The more we can keep alive this American style of private competitive enterprising, the more we protect and nurture the free vitality and vital freedom of American enterprise—the sounder and stronger will be our economy in the months and years ahead," Hulcy said.

The speaker also pointed to a "breakdown in our moral and ethical standards" which he said has pushed into government, the home, school and community.

It is "not surprising," he said, "that opportunism has taken hold in government."

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# Society-Clubs

## James Frost Spoke At First Baptist

Rev. James Frost delivered the message at the First Baptist Church last evening to a large crowd of church members and visitors. Taking his text from Acts 10, he delivered a doctrinal message that told again the Baptist stand on the plan of salvation. Assuring the congregation that they had a direct approach to the throne of grace and did not have to depend upon others to go into the presence of God.

Following the evening services Rev. Frost attended the fellowship for the young people and the Intermediates. He led the group in two stunts which were very well received.

Rev. Frost is engaged by the Texas Baptist Training Union Department for field work and has been studying the associational organization of the various Training Union Associations of the state. His faith and love for the Training Union have made him an outstanding Training Union organizer.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hammett of Jal, New Mexico is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sparring this week.

Tommy Moody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Moody, underwent a tonsillotomy in the Gorman hospital Saturday and will be removed to his home today.

Mrs. Bell Blackwell is a patient in the Gorman Hospital. She is expecting a visit today from her son Slim, formerly of Ranger, who will come by to see her while he is on his vacation.

Mrs. C. S. Maddux visited relatives and friends in Wichita Falls Saturday.

Mrs. Tom Edwards is spending the week in San Angelo with her daughter.

Mrs. J. D. Mayberry spent the week-end near Waco with her husband, who is working this month in Bosque County. Mr. Mayberry is employed as a government trapper.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Brandt and Bill have returned from vacationing in Eureka Springs, Ark. and parts of Mississippi. They spent sometime at Lake Lucerne.

Joe Kirk Dorsey, formerly of Ranger, of Snyder, visited friends here over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lewis of Weatherford visited in the home of Mr. Lewis' sister and mother, Mrs. Pat Patton and Mrs. W. T. Lewis.

## No Clues On Missing Girl

HOUSTON, Aug. 20 (UP)—Baffled sheriff's officers found no trace today of a helplessly crippled 13-year-old girl who disappeared last night from her parents' automobile.

The mother of Margaret Louise Allison said the child could not move, speak or even cry out.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allison said they left Margaret Louise on the back seat of their automobile for a few minutes while they went inside a cafe to eat.

Mrs. Allison had brought the girl a soda and given her a few sips only minutes before she was discovered missing.

"She could not have moved a foot by herself," the mother sobbed today. "She can't sit up alone, she can move only one hand and that just a little. It was impossible, absolutely impossible, for her to leave the car alone."

Mrs. Allison said Margaret Louise suffered a stroke when she was only four hours old.

Sheriff's officers questioned a man who rode a bicycle past the Allison automobile last night, but authorities thought it would have been impossible to carry off the girl on a bicycle. However, no other automobile tracks were found near the Allison car.

## Founder Of Texas Town Passes Away

WICHITA FALLS, Aug. 20 (UP)—J. D. Cooper, 85-year-old pioneer north Texas settler who founded the Texas town named for him, was to be buried at Burkhardt today following funeral services here.

Cooper settled in north Texas in 1901 and later became an extensive land owner. His holdings expanded from an original 216 acres to more than 1,000 in the area, with other properties held in New Mexico.

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## Pfc. Gene Deaton Returns To Base

Pfc. Gene F. Deaton left Sunday for Trux Air Force Base in Madison, Wis., after a two weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Deaton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mahaffey returned to their home in Brownsville after spending the past week in the Deaton home. Mrs. Mahaffey is the former Calla Mae Deaton.

## B.W.C. Circle To Be Organized Tuesday

Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. the Business Women of the First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. G. B. Rush to organize a circle of the W.M.U.

All ladies who are unable to attend the regular day meeting of the W.M.U. are urged to be present at the organizational meeting to be held at that time.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. James Higdon have as their guests their relatives, Mrs. Bobby Thompson and daughter, Sharon of Rosco; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones and daughters, Larry Ann and Betty Ellen, and Ruth Bartine of Kingsville; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wheelon of Amarillo.

Mrs. Jack Rayfield and son, Paul, accompanied Mr. Rayfield to East Texas to spend the week. Mr. Rayfield is employed by the Lone Star Gas Company and will be working there this week.

They will meet Mr. and Mrs. Dawdon Covington in Dallas Friday to attend the football game there Friday night.

Mrs. Katie White had as her guest over the week end her daughter, Mrs. Inez Jones of Waco.

Mrs. P. C. Long and Clayton, have returned from a visit with Mrs. E. W. Outlaw and family in White Deer and Amarillo. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Rex Outlaw and Mr. and Mrs. Albert G. Fabel and family in Dallas. In Fort Worth they visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Speech.



**GAVE FATAL DRUG**—Dr. Louis Michalek, above, admitted giving fatal drug injections to two "human guinea pigs" in an experiment at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion. Michalek and his superior, Dr. Donald Slaughter, dean of the medical school, said the deaths resulted from "a tragic error." The university's board of regents is considering possible action against the young doctor. (NEA Telephoto).



**IN RED ROUND-UP**—Steve Nelson, chairman of the Communist Party in western Pennsylvania, walks on crutches to the Federal Building in Philadelphia, where he was held in \$100,000 bail. Nelson was arrested along with five others in an FBI round-up of "second team" Communist leaders in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. (NEA Telephoto).

## 22 Texans Die Over Weekend

Traffic mishaps killed at least 15 persons and other accidents and violence pushed the week-end toll of dead to at least 22.

Worst of the highway crashes was a spectacular, flaming two-car collision near Snyder which killed four persons yesterday afternoon. Dead in the crash were James W. Monk, 22; Troy V. Graves, 20, and James R. Graves, 16, all of Center and Charles D. McCollum, 28, Brownfield.

The Graves brothers and Monk were in a sedan, which burst into flames immediately after colliding head-on with McCollum's car. Besides the traffic deaths, the week-end toll included two persons fatally stricken by heat, two shootings, a suicide, one drowning, and a fatality in an oilfield accident.

At least two of the highway deaths were blamed on rain. Leo P. Goudchaux, 26, Beaumont pharmacist, died when his automobile skidded on wet pavement and crashed into a culvert yesterday on Highway 90 east of Liberty.

Carl James, 47, Austin, died near Roundrock when his automobile collided with a truck driven by Robert D. Odell of Killeen during a heavy rainstorm.

Other traffic fatalities since Friday night included: Oscar Leon Loftin, 24, Brownfield telephone worker, whose automobile rolled over twice at Centry.

Thomas S. Filppo, 61, pedestrian struck by an automobile Saturday night at Fort Worth.

Mrs. Jack Kimbrough, 25, Odessa, and her six-month-old daughter

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## Millers Attend Reunion Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Miller and daughters Betty and Norma Ruth attended the annual family reunion for the Fullers in Stephenville Sunday.

Mrs. Miller's mother was a Fuller. The descendants gather at the park there for a basket lunch. Some seventy-five were there from various states and communities. It was reported that the group enjoyed getting acquainted and visiting with each other.

**Former Resident Honored On Birthday**

Mrs. Richard Fuitts of Odessa, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Leslie Jones Sanders was honored with a birthday party at their home 520 West Main on August 8th on her nineteenth birthday.

The home was decorated throughout with yellow and white garden flowers. The guests were Mrs. Fuitts' school mates of former days from the Ranger schools and Junior College.

The birthday cake was white angel food with tiny yellow candles gracing it.

Mrs. Fuitts is the former Deane Sanders and has just completed the first course in modeling, dress design and fashion styles. The guests presented her with pinkish shears and sewing equipment.

Refreshments of birthday cake, fruit punch and ice cream was served.

**CORRECTION**

The article appearing in Sunday's paper about the birthday party for Paul should have read Mrs. J. B. Rayfield entertained her son Paul Arterburn with a birthday party.

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ser Deborah, killed Saturday when their car overturned near Snyder.

Leon Hillard, 12, bicyclist struck by an automobile at Denton Friday night.

Mrs. W. P. Luckett, 64, and Mrs. A. J. Wemple, 80, of Fort Worth, in a two-car collision near Fort Worth.

Mrs. Etta Wolshohl, 67, run down Friday night as she crossed a street near her home at San Antonio.

Arnold Newsom, 37, Kingsville, whose car was wrecked in a Friday night crash.

J. Y. Garcia, 24, Hitchcock, whose car hit a Texas City Terminal Railway Train in Galveston Creek Sunday.

A fuel tank explosion in the Pegasus field, southeast of Odessa, killed Bobby Wayne Oliver, 18, of Odessa Saturday.

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