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# Texas City Fires Roar

## Texas Citizens Check Damage And Prepare To Rebuild City

TEXAS CITY—(AP)—How can one estimate the property damage to a city where destruction reached into every nook and cranny?

It isn't possible at all here in Texas City where flames and explosions continue to consume hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of material almost hourly.

What is a city's industrial heart worth? At Texas City that heart included the Monsanto Chemical Company property which cost almost \$20,000,000 when built by the government in 1942.

The plant is a twisted, blackened skeleton. And the Texas City industrial loss includes the bright, big spheroids standing row on row on the big oil tank farms at the fringe of the city.

Count in the loss of the giant tanks also. Figure the chemical plant and the acres of tanks at conservative \$27,500,000.

Three Ships Lost. Add the three freighters which have been lost.

The first was the freighter Grandcamp, the one which started this avalanche of destruction.

Then the High Flyer. And finally the Wilson Keene.

Estimate the value of each ship and its cargo at around \$2,500,000. That brings the total to \$35,000,000.

That's ignoring many things such as the damage to the docks and other equipment of that area.

But let it go at that and move into the business district.

Store fronts gaping, their plate glass windows now only dangerous slivers on the sidewalk. Doors hanging askew. Merchandise scattered and torn and soiled.

Piles of Rubbish. Or in grocery stores where once neatly arranged displays are now piles of rubbish.

A barber shop with its striped pole broken on the sidewalk. Unimportant in a holocaust, of course, but it will cost its owner money to replace it.

And there's the public buildings, like the big high school where the windows are torn out and endless small damages.

Then there are the hundreds and hundreds of homes. Real estate experts said 90 per cent of the homes were damaged in one way or another. Insured or not, somebody bears the loss.

Multiply the cost of a window-pane a thousand times over and you have a sizeable expense.

Scores of Roofs Ruined. Patch scores of roofs and you have more.

Call it an even \$50,000,000 for the entire sweep of misfortune and you are probably being too conservative.

Some say the total will mount to \$125,000,000.

Yet, in the face of this gloom, leaders were working on plans for rebuilding a bigger and better Texas City.

Monsanto officials announced they would rebuild as soon as possible.

The executives are talking in terms of millions.

The wage earners are talking in hundreds of dollars, or maybe in just \$50 or so.

But they are all looking for the same thing.

They are anxious to start making a comeback.

## Midland Enters Regional Meet

A contingent of 30 Midland High School students left Friday for Abilene and the regional interscholastic league meet Friday and Saturday.

This is the largest group of students from Midland ever to enter the meet.

The students, sponsors and coaches traveled by bus and automobiles.

They will participate in literary and athletic events.

## Weather

Fair and warmer, partly cloudy Friday night and Saturday with no important change in temperature. Maximum temperature Thursday was 74 degrees, minimum 31. Low temperature Friday was 52 degrees.

Tonight 7:30 Sunday School—8:00 W. D. Wyatt preaching, First Baptist Church.—Adv.

## House Passes Closed Shop Labor Bill

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The House labor bill, laced with tight checkreins on unions and strikes—and backed by more than enough votes to override a presidential veto—landed in the Senate Friday.

It got a cautious reception there. The Senate expects to start debate next Wednesday on its own bill which lacks many of the union cures the House voted.

Chairman Taft (R-Ohio) of the Senate Labor Committee hopes to add some on the floor.

But the changes he has in mind would leave the Senate bill still far less stringent than the House measure. This indicates a big job in ironing out differences when the bills go to a conference committee perhaps late this month.

The House passed its bill late Thursday by a lopsided roll call vote of 308 to 107. A powerful coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats pushed it through, after rejecting all amendments to tone it down.

Both Bans Closed Shop. While this was happening, the Senate committee voted 11 to 2 approval of its legislation.

In some respects the House bill and the Senate committee measure are alike. For example, both would:

• Ban the closed shop, which compels the boss to hire only union members.

• Permit the more common union shop where a majority of workers vote for it, and—in the case of the House bill—where employers want it. Under union shop agreements, workers must join the union shortly after they are hired.

• Authorize court injunctions to stop on-block "national paralysis" strikes, such as a coal or telephone strike. The injunctions would stay in effect during compulsory mediation.

• Set up a new federal mediation agency, independent of the Labor Department.

• Make unions liable for unfair labor practices. Employers already are.

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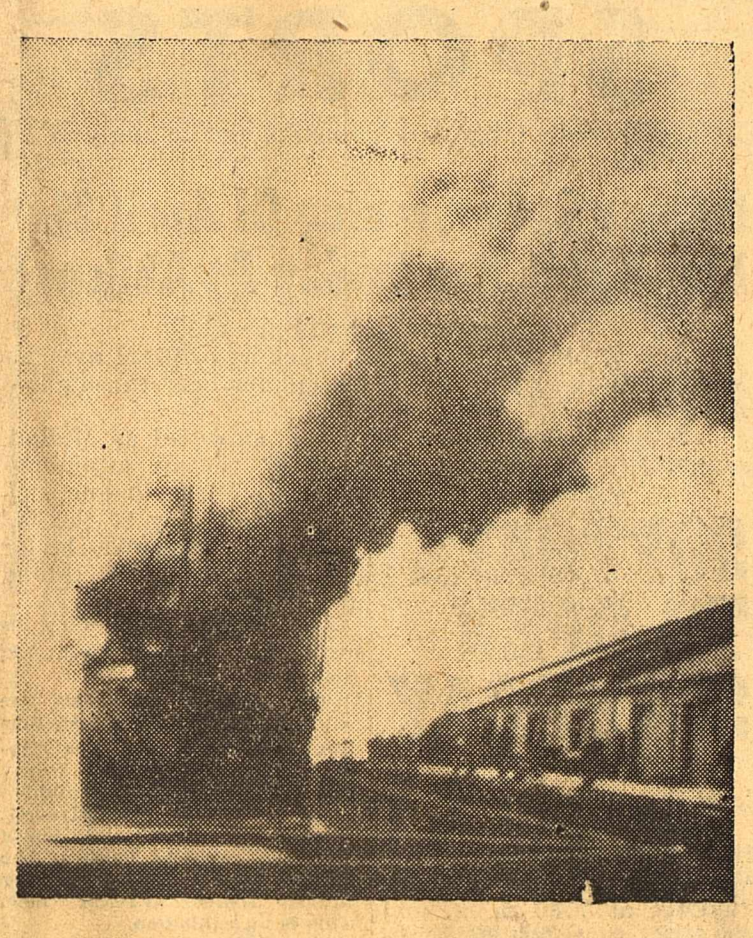
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## Where Fire Started



(NEA Telephoto) This is exclusive picture of the SS Grandcamp burning at the pier before she exploded setting off a series of blasts which fired Texas City.

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## Chief Says Crisis Past; Death Toll Estimate Is 650

TEXAS CITY—(AP)—Flames roared for the third day on the industrial edge of this explosion-smashed Gulf port, Friday, but Police Chief W. L. Laddis said the crisis which gripped the city since Wednesday morning was past.

Estimates of deaths still ranged up to 650 and injuries around 3,000 persons. Property damage estimates ran from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

The major conflagration Friday was at the vast Humble & Refining Company's storage tank farm south of the city. Apprehensive residents still watched the boiling oil fires, but Laddis asserted:

"I believe that all danger is gone."

Five or six storage tanks of approximately 55,000 gallons capacity had exploded and burned since 4 p. m. Thursday. Five other major blasts rocked the city at intervals since 9:12 a. m. Wednesday.

The burning nitrate-laden French freighter Grandcamp exploded Wednesday to set off a blast at the huge Monsanto chemical plant two minutes later. Chains of fire swept through the city in an aftermath.

For the most part, fires were left to burn out, while rescue workers hunted through huge piles of twisted wreckage for the estimated hundreds of persons believed to have been buried.

Twisted hunks of steel and other debris rained down on the industrial section of the city early Thursday when a second nitrate-laden ship, the High Flyer, exploded, sinking a third, the Wilson B. Keene.

A "state of emergency" ruled the city as Gov. Beauford H. Jester issued a proclamation which placed all law enforcement groups under the direction of Col. Homer Garrison, director of the Texas department of Public Safety.

Hundreds of persons who had fled in terror Wednesday slipped back into town, to stand before improvised morgues in mute hope of finding relatives and friends, to stare at ruined homes and stores.

Two tanks of propane, a petroleum gas, which had earlier been believed to have been in danger of exploding, apparently had been rendered harmless by the removal of the caps. Laddis said he learned from "reliable sources" the caps had been removed after the original harbor blast.

John H. Hill said the Humble Oil Company had abandoned hope of saving any portion of its storage tank farm. The two propane tanks located next to the oil tank farm had caused some concern as to the possibility of violent explosions.

Two hundred and seventy-one bodies were counted late Thursday and 194 had been identified.

Many Bodies In Ruins. Fire Captain J. B. Ruby of Houston estimated that anywhere from 75 to 100 bodies remained in the Monsanto plant alone.

A Coast Guard board prepared to investigate the explosion on the Grandcamp.

Memorial services for the dead will be held Saturday on the football field, with the city's ministerial alliance conducting the service.

First aid equipment, abandoned in the rush to escape the danger of the High Flyer's explosion, lay scattered along the streets. Bits of human flesh still clung to electric light and telephone wires.

Blow Off Shoes. One woman said the force of the blast blew her shoes off.

"When I came to, I couldn't find them," she said. "And the woman I was with, she had just disappeared."

The throngs which crowded the temporary morgue, a high school gymnasium, viewed the dead with mixed reaction. The mutilated bodies lay in rows, covered with drab Army blankets.

Nurses stood by with ammonia to administer aid to the grief-stricken.

The probing for bodies continued through the twisted wreckage. Tired rescue workers used torches to cut through piles of heavy steel in the industrial section.

Under terms of emergency, the Red Cross was designated as the disaster relief agency. It was empowered to receive all funds and other assistance offered.

Tonight 7:30 Sunday School—8:00 W. D. Wyatt preaching, First Baptist Church.—Adv.

## R. C. Hoppe Will Be First City Manager Here

R. C. Hoppe, city manager at Sweetwater since 1941, will become Midland's first city manager May 26, Mayor R. H. Gifford announced Friday.

Members of the City Council, at a meeting early Friday, voted unanimously to employ Hoppe who accepted the position by telegram.

His salary will be \$8,500 per year. An ordinance authorizing the employment of a city manager and prescribing his duties was adopted by the council early this year, and efforts have been underway since then to locate an experienced man.

Served As Engineer. Hoppe, who was reared in Abilene, formerly was connected with the State Highway Department as an engineer, stationed in Abilene.

The new city manager and his family are expected to move here next month.

Mayor Gifford and members of the council were elated at Hoppe's acceptance of the Midland offer. They said he has done an outstanding job at Sweetwater and is recognized as one of Texas' best city managers.

## David Dickinson Acts As Manager Chamber Commerce

David Dickinson was acting manager of the Midland Chamber of Commerce Friday. He won the honor with a prize-winning essay in a contest conducted by the Business and Professional Women's Club in connection with Texas Chamber of Commerce Week in Midland.

Dickinson was made an honorary member of the organization. He was in charge of the office Friday.

Marilyn Boynton was to serve as receptionist and secretary for the day but she was unable to do so because she is a contestant in the regional interscholastic meet in Abilene. She was given an honorary membership in the Chamber of Commerce.



### Oklahoma City Top Texas Loop; Dallas Wins One

By WILBUR MATIN  
Associated Press Staff

Oklahoma City found itself all alone on top of the Texas League Friday, thanks to a surprising upset by Houston.

The Houston nine jumped all over San Antonio Thursday night, snapping its seven-game winning streak with a 9-2 victory and tumbling it into second place.

Dallas broke into the win column for the first time this year with a 4-2 victory over Fort Worth, and Beaumont raked up its third win of the season, downing Shreveport 5-1.

Boasting a perfect record of four victories and no defeats, Oklahoma City tied off on five Tulsa pitchers for 14 hits and a 16-8 triumph.

**TODD ENTERS TOURNEY**  
FORT WORTH — (AP) — Harry Todd, Dallas professional who was runner-up in the first Colonial Country Club national invitation golf tournament last year, has accepted an invitation to participate again May 15-18.

### HOW THEY STAND

#### THURSDAY'S RESULTS

**Texas League**  
Oklahoma City 16, Tulsa 8.  
Dallas 4, Fort Worth 2.  
Houston 9, San Antonio 2.  
Beaumont 5, Shreveport 4.

**National League**  
Brooklyn 12, Boston 6.  
Philadelphia 11, New York 5.  
Cincinnati 9, St. Louis 4.  
Pittsburgh 7, Chicago 1.

**American League**  
New York 2, Philadelphia 1.  
Boston 4, Washington 1.  
St. Louis 4, Detroit 3.  
(Only games scheduled).

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Oklahoma City	4	0	1.000
San Antonio	7	1	.875
Fort Worth	3	1	.750
Beaumont	3	5	.375
Shreveport	2	4	.333
Houston	2	4	.333
Tulsa	1	4	.200
Dallas	1	4	.200
<b>National League</b>			
Brooklyn	2	0	1.000
Philadelphia	2	0	1.000
Pittsburgh	2	0	1.000
Cincinnati	2	1	.667
St. Louis	1	2	.333
New York	0	2	.000
Boston	0	2	.000
Chicago	0	2	.000
<b>American League</b>			
Boston	2	0	1.000
Chicago	1	0	1.000
Philadelphia	1	1	.500
Detroit	1	1	.500
New York	1	1	.500
St. Louis	1	1	.500
Cleveland	0	1	.000
Washington	0	2	.000

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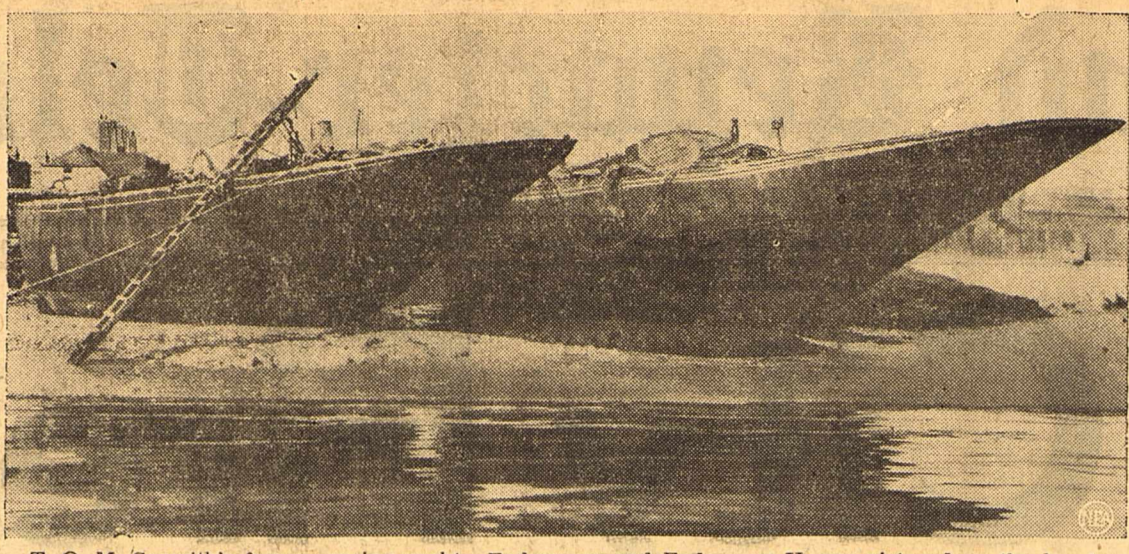
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### Beauty on the Block—And No Takers



T. O. M. Sopwith's famous racing yachts, Endeavour and Endeavour II, are pictured on the beach at Gosport, England, where they recently went on the auction block. The once-sleek beauties couldn't pull a single bid and the auctioneer had to offer their equipment separately. Endeavour's two jib topsails, of 1800 and 2000 square feet each, brought \$80 and \$100 respectively. The boats originally cost between \$100,000 and \$120,000 to build at prewar prices.

## SPORTS

THE REPORTER-TELEGRAM, MIDLAND, TEXAS, APRIL 18, 1947

### Indians Open Evening Of April 23; Play Exhibition Friday At Abilene

In a brand new park and under its brilliant arcs, the Midland Indians play the home opener here the night of April 24.

A gala opening night crowd is expected as Midland supports its Longhorn League entry for an attendance trophy. The league will award a trophy to the ball club of the city with the largest opening night attendance.

### SOFTBALL TO OPEN SATURDAY

Softball will open in Midland Saturday night.

A double-header exhibition is scheduled with a Fort Worth team playing the JayCees at 7:30 p. m. and also taking on a team of Midland All-Stars at 9 p. m.

The place is the new Midland Softball Park on West Highway 80 out of the city.

The public is invited to the opening. It is sponsored by the Midland Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The visiting Fort Worth team is the Dave Lysaght nine, a red-hot outfit "from the city".

League play is expected to open next week.

**NEW EMPLOYEE WORKS AT GREYHOUND TERMINAL**  
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Mrs. Baker comes to Midland from Amarillo.

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### Opening Night Ducats On Sale

Mrs. Harold Webb, business manager of the Midland Indians, announced Friday, opening night game tickets are on sale at the baseball club's office in the Crawford Hotel.

Opening night for the Indians at home is April 24.

A booth from which tickets will be sold may be set up at another location downtown, it was indicated.

### Scotch Foursomes Scheduled Sunday

Regular monthly Scotch foursomes will be played Sunday beginning at 3 p. m., at the Midland Country Club.

Registration must be in by noon Sunday both for the foursome and the dinner Sunday evening.

Reservations should be left at the pro shop at the club, Warren Cantrell, manager, said.

### Baseball Scores

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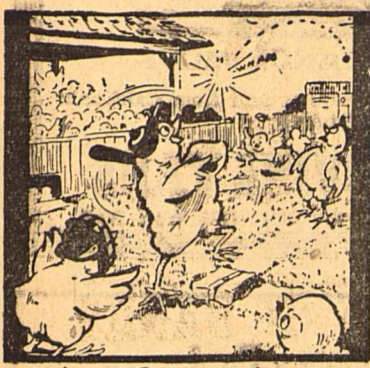
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MARIE JOHNSON, Editor

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**John L. McCarty Of Amarillo Speaks At City-County Federation Meeting**

"Judge people against the backdrop of the time in which they live," John L. McCarty, former Amarillo newspaper man and author of the book, "Maverick Town," said when he spoke at the Texas Day program of the City-County Federation of Women's Clubs Thursday afternoon.

McCarty, who spoke on "Our Southwest Heritage," discussed the "last of the girls of the golden west," Frenchie McCormick, a dance hall queen.

**Wickett Church To Have Revival**

WICKETT—A revival meeting will be started Sunday in the First Baptist Church of Wickett, the Rev. D. D. Simpson, pastor, announced. The Rev. W. Y. Pond, state evangelist, will conduct the services which will continue through May 4.

Clarence Puett, director of music for the First Baptist Church of Monahan, will be in charge of the revival music.

Services will be held at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. daily. Prayer services are scheduled at 7:30 p. m. each day.

The public is invited.

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**Simultaneous Baptist Revival Is Successful During First Week**

The simultaneous revival being held by the Baptist churches of District 8 was successful during the first week as shown by the report of a meeting in Big Spring of the churches participating.

Last Sunday a total of 6,896 persons attended Sunday School, and 1,644 were recorded in Training Union. Four hundred and eighty-eight additions were added to the churches.

In the four associations Big Spring led in the number of additions with 162 by baptism, 154 by letter and 73 by reconnection. The G. A. Y. association had 64; the Lamesa 13; and the Mitchell-Scurry 21.

The Odessa First Baptist Church led in Sunday School attendance with 1001. Midland was second with 740 and Big Spring was third with 567.

Thirty-two churches reported at the Big Spring meeting.

**Coming Events**

**SATURDAY**  
The Youth Canteen at the Midland High School gymnasium will be open from 2 to 5 p. m. and 7 to 11 p. m.

Children's Theater Group 1 will meet at 10:30 a. m. and Group 2 will meet at 1:30 p. m. The Junior Workshop of the Community Theater will meet at 3:15 p. m.

The Midland County Museum will be open from 3:30 to 5 p. m.

The Junior Choir of the First Presbyterian Church will meet at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. Mary S. Ray will have an exhibition of paintings at the Palette Club studio from 4 to 6 p. m. The exhibit will also be presented Sunday afternoon.

**AUSTIN GEOLOGISTS HERE**  
Dr. Hal P. Bybee of Austin, geologist in charge of University Lands, is visiting the University Lands office here. Four members of the graduating class of the Department of Geology at the University of Texas accompanied Dr. Bybee to Midland and are visiting in oil company offices here. They will return to Austin Saturday.

**ULMER RETURNS**  
M. C. Ulmer, president of the First National Bank, has returned from a business trip to Dallas.

**STANTON AGENT HERE**  
Mrs. Imogene Ledbetter, home demonstration agent for Stanton, was a business visitor in Midland Friday.

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**Plain's Nurserymen Meet In Lubbock**

Jesse Breedlove of Tyler spoke at a banquet meeting of the Plain's Nursery Association of Texas Tuesday evening in Lubbock.

The speaker, president of the Texas Association of Nurserymen, a director of the national association and a rose shipper, emphasized the need for soil conservation practices for nurserymen, as well as for other types of agriculture.

James H. Walker of Midland, chairman of the nominating committee, introduced Paul M. Bruce of Almarred and K. M. Dunagan of Carlsbad, N. M., who were named new directors.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Walker of the Walker Nursery of Midland were included in the approximately 45 nurserymen and guests present.

**CLASS PARTY SCHEDULED**

The Friendly Builder's class of the First Methodist Church will have a party at 7:45 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Roland Gray, 600 North A Street.

**MONEY GIVEN SALVATION ARMY**

Members of the Midland County tax assessor-collector's office Thursday gave approximately \$6 to the Salvation Army to help with the work in Texas City. The money was collected in a jar at the office.

**OIL STOVE CAUSES MORNING FIRE HERE**

An oil stove at a residence in the negro section of the city caused a fire Friday morning. Midland fire department reported "very little damage."

**MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED**

Marriage licenses were issued Thursday by the county clerk's office to Walker M. Ralls and Grace McKee Parkinson, and Arnold Baker and Dorothy Adams.

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**Are These Fair Wages For Telephone People**

Because wages are at issue in the telephone strike, let's take a look at what operators and plant craftsmen are now getting. Almost all telephone people are in these groups.

The basic work period is a 5-day, 40 hour week. Scheduled employees are paid overtime for time worked over 8 hours a day, premium time for Sunday and holiday work and added money for evening and night work.

**OPERATORS**  
A girl just out of high school with no previous experience, starts at the beginner's rate of \$26.00 a week. But if she works after 9:00 P. M., she gets \$27.50 a week, and if that week includes Sunday work, she gets \$30.60.

The beginning operator gets three raises in pay during the first year. An operator with 12 month's experience, for example, gets \$29 for a normal 40 hour week. If it includes evenings and Sunday she earns \$33.40.

Periodic increases bring the operator to the top rate of \$35 a week. If she works evenings and Sundays, her weekly earnings are \$40.

But the union wants to increase the beginner's rate of pay from \$26 to \$41—up \$15 a week. Also, they would increase the top wages from \$35 to \$52. That is an increase of \$17 a week.

**PLANT CRAFTSMEN**  
Linemen and installers, starting in right out of school with no experience, begin at \$28 for a basic 5-day week. In two years they are earning \$35.50 a week. Periodic increases raise this basic rate to a top of \$56 a week. Exchange repairmen—the men who take care of repairing the equipment in your office or home—reach a top rate of \$58 a week. Overtime and other extra pay during the past year increased the wages of most linemen, installers and exchange repairmen by about 10%.

The union asks that the beginning wage rate of these plant workers be raised from \$28 to \$43—up \$15 a week. The union would also increase the \$56 top wage to \$78 and the \$58 top to \$80. Those would be increases of \$22 a week.

We believe most people will agree that present wages are good. The company believes that no increases are justified at this time.

The way to resolve these differences of opinions and settle the strike is to arbitrate the wage issue. That would be fair to our employees, to telephone users, and to the company.

The company is trying to settle the strike. It has offered to arbitrate wages. It has renewed that offer and enlarged it. But the union leaders still refuse!

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Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.—John 5:19.

**Ridiculous Conclusion**

Dr. Harlow Shapley, the Harvard astronomer, may be forgiven a rather bitter attitude toward some of our lawmakers and lawmaking processes. Not so long ago he was the victim of some humiliating, indefensible treatment by Rep. John Rankin of the House Un-American Activities Committee, who subjected Doctor Shapley to a one-man star chamber grilling.

But Doctor Shapley's unhappy experience seems to have led him to a conclusion which is overly pessimistic. This is a belief, stated at a Progressive Citizens of America meeting in New York, that it would be but a step from outlawing the Communist Party to outlawing Catholic and other minority group organizations.

This is confusing totalitarianism with democratic methods. Perhaps Doctor Shapley and those who share his views could add to their peace of mind by reflecting on a few truths which are scarcely open to serious contradiction.

Ours is a democratic republican government, and there is no immediate likelihood of a change in its form. Elected officials, through misguided zeal, occasionally attempt autocratic, dictatorial methods such as were used on Doctor Shapley. But such officials form a very small minority.

Doctor Shapley and others have been questioned and harassed by ill-informed officials on suspicion of Communist sympathies. But it is a long step from such harassment to the full-dress process of drafting and enacting a law and, if necessary, testing its constitutionality. It is an impossibly long step from outlawing the Communist Party to outlawing Catholic or other minority organizations.

Catholicism and communism are diametrically opposed. It is woefully underestimating the intelligence of the American President and Congress and electors to suggest that this dissimilarity is not recognized.

The true character of the Communist Party is clearly revealed in its available literature, in its day-to-day activities.

Unquestioning discipline, schooling in revolutionary techniques, tireless work, and American innocence and apathy have enabled the party to make such inroads as it has upon American life. Revolutionary efforts were postponed during the war for obvious reasons. Now the wraps are off. Any means, including the most extravagant insults and untruths, are felt to justify the ends.

Perhaps Doctor Shapley doesn't know or doesn't believe this, but the evidence remains. The Communists are a potential political threat and an actual economic liability. Thus far they have had free rein and legal protection.

To conclude that an end to that protection would mean the start of an all-out government campaign of extermination against loyal, valuable minority group organizations is ridiculous. It is incredible that a man of Doctor Shapley's intelligence should have done so.

**ALBANY OPERATORS RESIGN FROM UNION**  
ABILENE—(P)—The Abilene Reporter-News says the 11 telephone operators at Albany have refused to go out and strike and have resigned from the union.

The newspaper said Albany residents raised \$800 this week and presented it to the operators in appreciation for their service.

**ANOTHER CABLE IS CUT**  
KANSAS CITY —(P)—Officials of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company reported Friday a transcontinental cable had been cut apart two miles west of Blue Springs, Mo.

**SWINDLING CHARGES FILED**  
Charges of swindling with worthless checks were filed against a Midland man Thursday.

**U. S. Congressman**

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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**McKENNEY ON BRIDGE**

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY  
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Many players tell me that they would be afraid to sit down and play with experts. I will admit that I would hesitate to get into the ring with a champion fighter, but bridge is an intellectual pastime, and fear of the expert only makes it possible for him to get away with murder. That is what happened on today's hand.

First of all, the bidding was not good. Playing the hand at three no trump with a void can only make for trouble. Declarer allowed the opening spade lead to ride up to his jack. For want of a better lead, he played the king of diamonds.

AK73	AK73
KQ9853	KQ9853
9	9
73	73
Q865	Q865
J1062	J1062
A7	A7
A5	A5
J92	J92
None	None
KJ10854	KJ10854
KJ84	KJ84

Tournament—Neither vul.

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2 N.T.	Pass	3♥	Pass
3 N.T.	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening—♠ 5			18

**To Preach Here**



Rev. James I. McCord of Austin, dean and professor of systematic theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will preach at the morning worship service at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday, the Rev. Hubert Hopper, pastor, announced. Mr. McCord conducted the recent pre-Easter services at the church here. Arch Tolbert, a student at Austin Seminary, will preach Sunday evening. Tolbert will be student assistant pastor at the Midland church during the Summer months.

**Livestock**

FORT WORTH—(P)—Cattle 800; calves 200; trade slow; prices weak. Medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings 17.00-22.00; few low grades at 12.00-16.00; medium cows 13.00-15.00; good and choice fat calves 19.50-22.00; medium calves 13.00-18.00.  
Hogs 600; butcher hogs 25-50c lower; sows 50-1.00 down; pigs strong to 50c higher; good and choice 180-300-pound hogs 24.25-27.50; good and choice 150-175 pounds 22.75-24.00; sows 19.00-50; stags 16.00-18.00; stocker pigs 22.00 down.  
Sheep 2,000; steady; medium and good Spring lambs 18.00-21.00; good shorn lambs 16.00-18.00; medium shorn ewes 6.50-8.00.

**COTTON**

NEW YORK—(P)—Cotton prices at noon Friday were 55 cents a bale higher to 70 cents lower than the previous close. May 35.03, July 33.10 and October 29.70.

**MEXICAN ARRESTED**  
A Lamesa Mexican man was arrested by police here Thursday for theft of a case of beer from a cafe.

**Bulldogs Play At Sweetwater**

The second time out this season, the Midland Bulldogs were scheduled against the Sweetwater Mustangs in a district baseball game at 3 p. m. Friday at Sweetwater. Troy Stone, the football star, was expected to pitch for the Mustangs with Frank Robertson or Dave Hyatt due to twist for Midland. Midland worked out Thursday at the Indians park and got in a long batting drill. Fifteen players and Coach Barnes Milan left Midland Friday morning for the baseball battle.

**Food Inspections Are Completed Here**

W. M. Howard, sanitarian for the Midland Health Unit, and Dan Mowry, state food and drug inspector of Austin, Thursday completed an inspection of all food establishments in Midland. The inspection started April 1. All cafes, drug stores, meat markets, grocery stores and wholesale houses in the city were inspected. Howard said that a cafe was closed three days to be cleaned up, and six were given 24-hours before a reinspection. "Most of the businesses were in fine shape," said Howard. "The cooperation received from owners was very helpful. School cafeterias inspected were the best that I have seen."

**EX-SENATOR TERRELL DIES IN ALTO HOME**

ALTO, TEXAS—(P)—George B. Terrell, 83, former Texas congressman and father of many of Texas' agricultural laws, died at 8:45 a. m. Friday at his plantation home five miles east of here. He had been prominent in Texas politics since 1898 when he first was elected to the Texas Legislature from Cherokee County.

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**Permian Basin Water Group To Meet Here**

Members of the Permian Basin Water and Sewer Works Association will hold their next meeting in Midland May 20, when "Water Supply" will be the subject of discussion. Joe Stanley of Lubbock is the new president of the association, and E. L. Killingsworth of Big Spring is secretary.

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# Church News

**ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC**  
 Father Frank Triggs, Pastor  
 Rev. Patrick Ryan, O.M.I., Associate Pastor  
 Sunday Masses.  
 8:00 a. m.: Low Mass.  
 11:00 a. m.: High Mass.  
 7:00 p. m.: Novena.  
 Station of the Cross, 7:30 p. m. Friday.  
 Daily Masses 7 a. m.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 Corner North A and Tennessee  
 J. Wooddie Holden, Evangelist  
 9:00 a. m.: Worship.  
 10:00 a. m.: Bible Study.  
 10:50 a. m.: Worship.  
 6:30 p. m.: Young People's Bible Study.  
 7:30 p. m.: Evening worship.  
 7:30 p. m.: Wednesday, Bible.  
 3:00 p. m.: Tuesday, Ladies Bible Class.

**COTTON FLAT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Rev. R. E. Cain  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:30 a. m.: Morning worship and sermon.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Lorraine and Illinois Streets  
 Rev. Clyde Lindsley, Pastor  
 9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Morning worship and sermon by Rev. Lindsley.  
 5:30 p. m.: CYF and Children's Endeavor with a social followed by a worship program.  
 7:30 p. m.: Evening worship and sermon by the Rev. LeRoy Castle.

**SOUTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 California and Colorado Streets  
 J. V. Davis, Minister  
 10:30 a. m.: Sunday morning service.  
 7:00 p. m.: Evening service.  
 7:30 p. m.: Wednesday: Prayer services.  
 7:30 p. m.: Friday: Young People's Training Program.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 West Texas and North A Street  
 Rev. Hubert H. Hopper, Pastor  
 9:45 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Morning worship and sermon, "The New Life," by the Rev. James I. McCord.  
 6:00 p. m.: Young People's Meeting.  
 7:45 p. m.: Evening worship and sermon, "The Renewal of Our Faith" by Arch Tolbert.

**THE HOLINESS MISSION**  
 East Pennsylvania and South Terrell  
 R. C. Jones, Pastor.  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Preaching.  
 7:45 p. m.: Evening service.  
 Tuesday  
 8:00 p. m.: Young People's Meeting.  
 Thursday  
 8:00 p. m.: Prayer Meeting.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
 510 South Baird Street  
 Rev. Paul H. Cox  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Preaching service.  
 6:15 p. m.: Christ's Ambassadors.  
 7:30 p. m.: Evangelistic services.  
 Wednesday  
 7:30 p. m.: Midweek services.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
 300 North Main Street  
 Rev. Howard H. Hollowell, Pastor  
 9:45 a. m.: Church School.  
 10:50 a. m.: Morning worship and sermon.  
 6:15 p. m.: Intermediate and Senior MYF.  
 7:30 p. m.: Evening worship and sermon.

**PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS TABERNACLE**  
 600 South Colorado Street  
 O. W. Roberts, Pastor.  
 11:00 a. m.: Preaching.  
 7:45 p. m.: Preaching.  
 8:00 p. m.: Thursday: Preaching.  
 8:30 p. m.: Evening worship.  
 Wednesday  
 8:00 p. m.: Bible Study.

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Fort Worth and Tennessee  
 Rev. C. B. Hedges, Pastor.  
 7:15 a. m.: Sunday radio program.  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Preaching service.  
 8:00 p. m.: Preaching service.  
 8:00 p. m.: Wednesday prayer meeting.

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
 H and Illinois Streets  
 Rev. R. J. Snell, Rector.  
 8:00 a. m.: Holy Communion.  
 9:30 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Morning prayer and sermon, "The Relevance of Resurrection".

**GREENWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Route 1, Midland.  
 Rev. Lee Bailey, Pastor  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Morning worship.  
 7:30 p. m.: Training Union.  
 8:30 p. m.: Evening worship.  
 Wednesday 8:00 p. m. Mid Week Prayer Service.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 Indiana and Big Spring Streets  
 Rev. F. W. Rogers, Pastor.  
 10:00 a. m.: Sunday School.  
 11:00 a. m.: Morning worship.  
 7:00 p. m.: NYPS.  
 7:30 p. m.: Evening worship.  
 Wednesday  
 7:30 p. m.: Prayer Service.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 1001 South Main Street  
 Rev. Fred McPherson, Pastor.  
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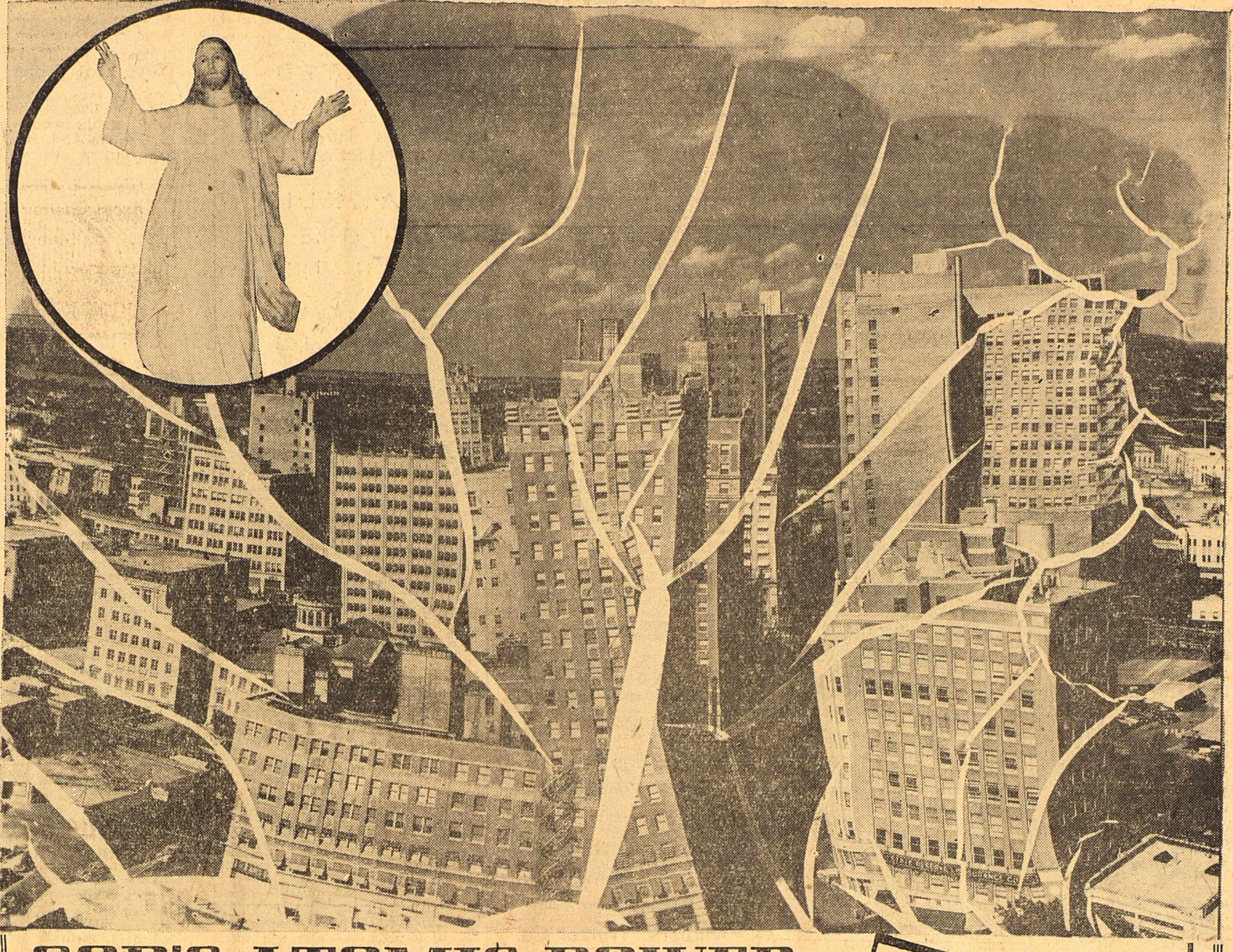
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 Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me is not worthy of Me" (Matthew 10:38).  
 The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "If the disciple is advancing spiritually, he is striving to enter in. He constantly turns away from material sense, and looks towards the imperishable things of Spirit. If honest, he will be in earnest from the start, and gain a little each day in the right direction, till at last he finishes his course with joy" (page 21).

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The program includes: Buford Robey, master of ceremonies; introduction of guests by students; welcome by Ima Jean Smith; response by E. A. Johnson; "Your Future in Business," talks by Jack Daniel, Mrs. C. Keisinger and Henry Murphey. Harlan Howell, principal of Midland High School, also will speak.

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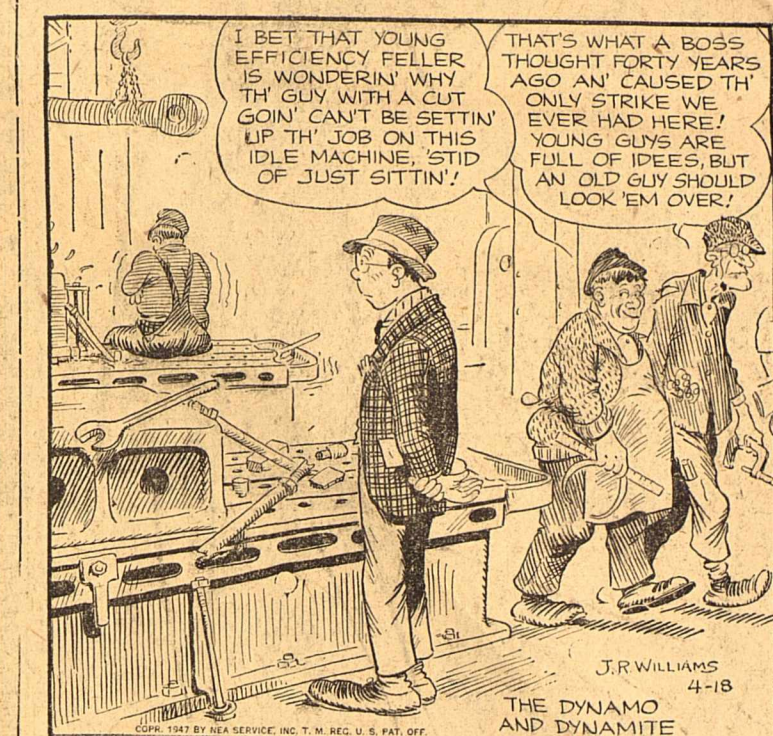
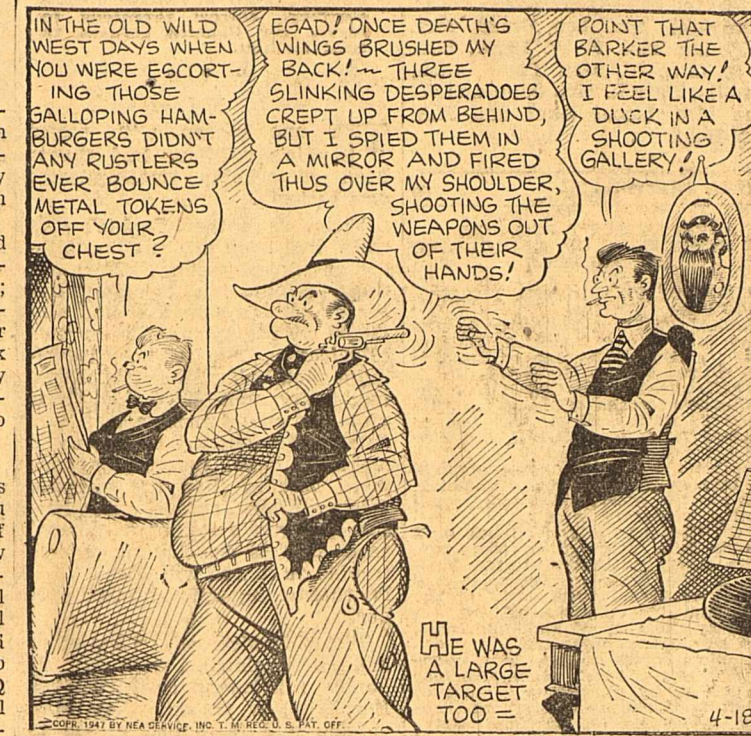
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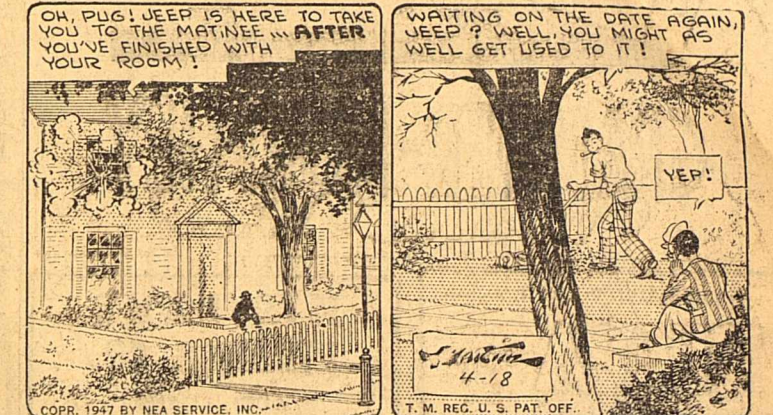
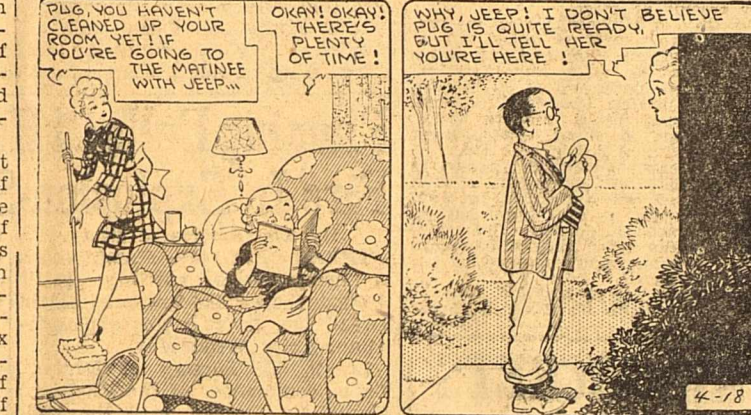
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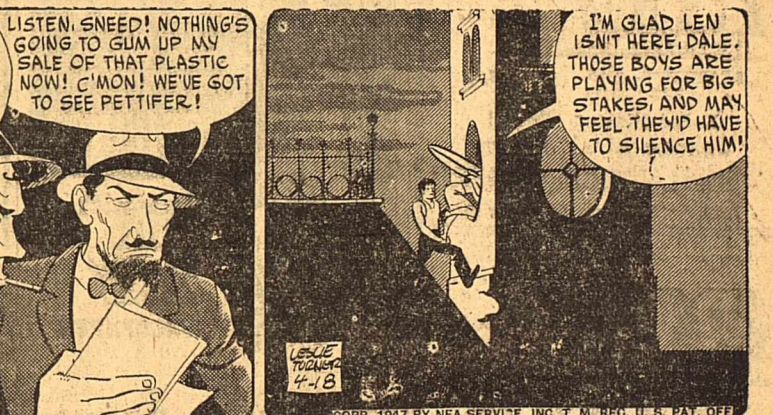


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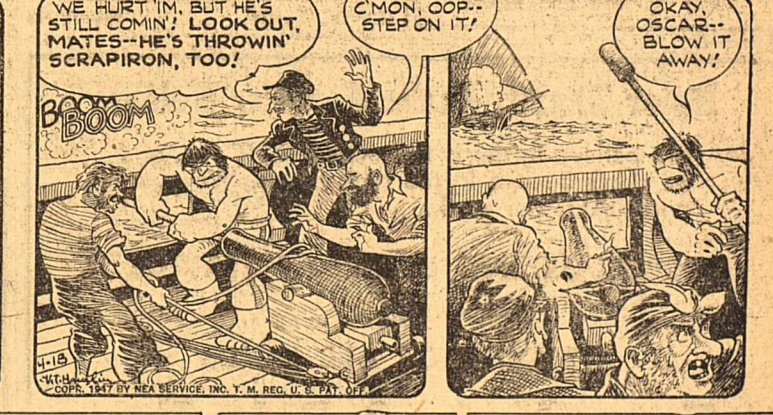
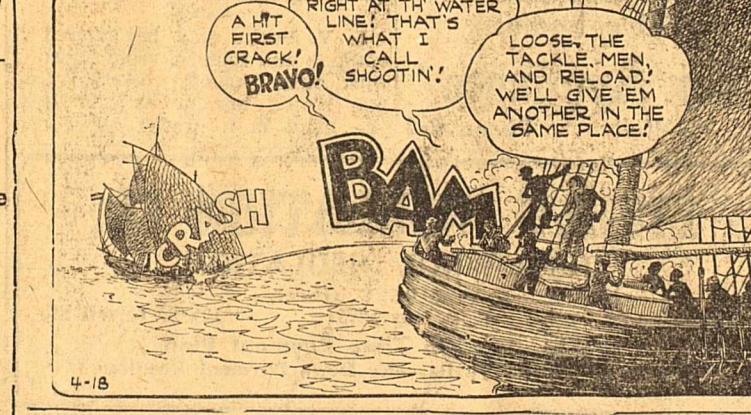


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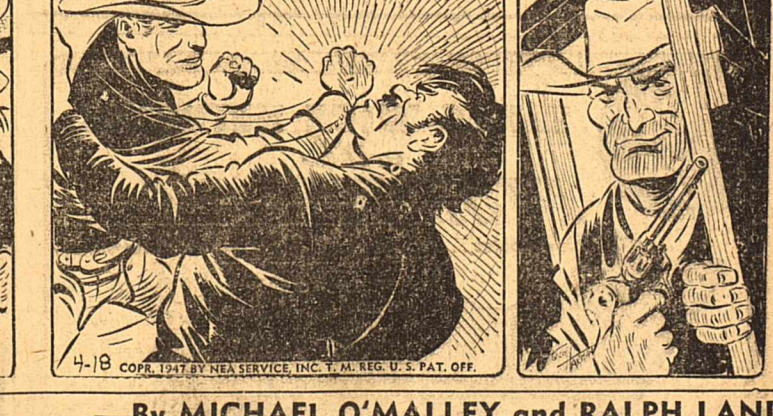
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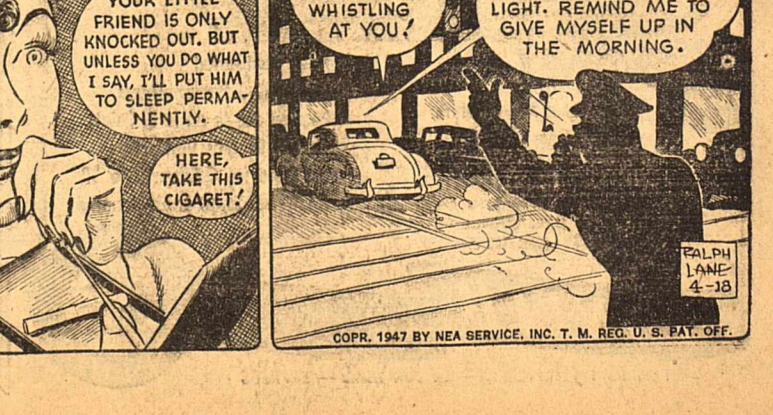
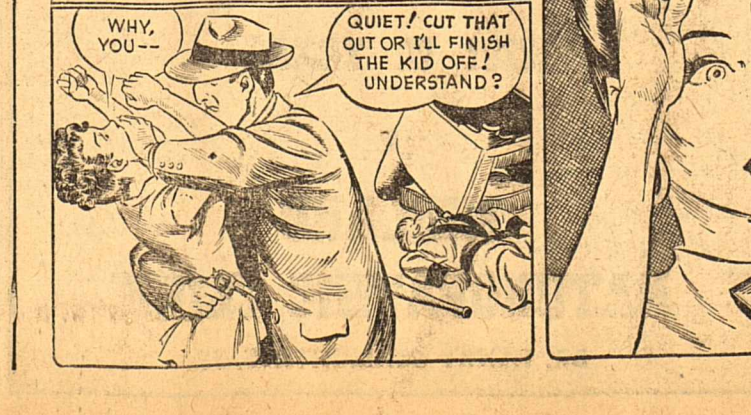
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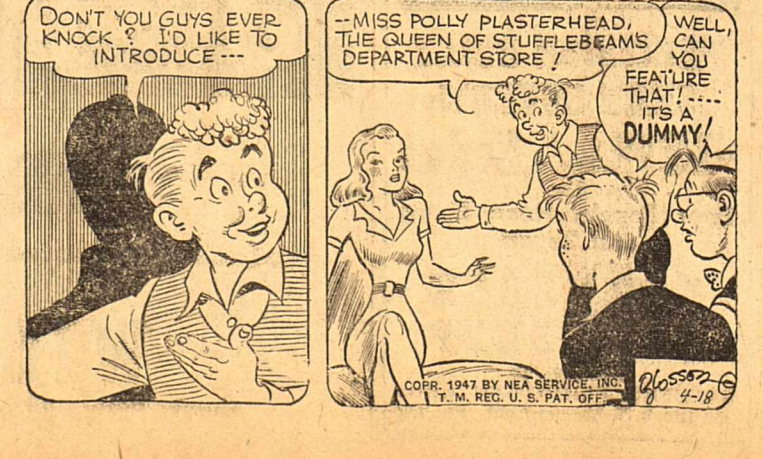
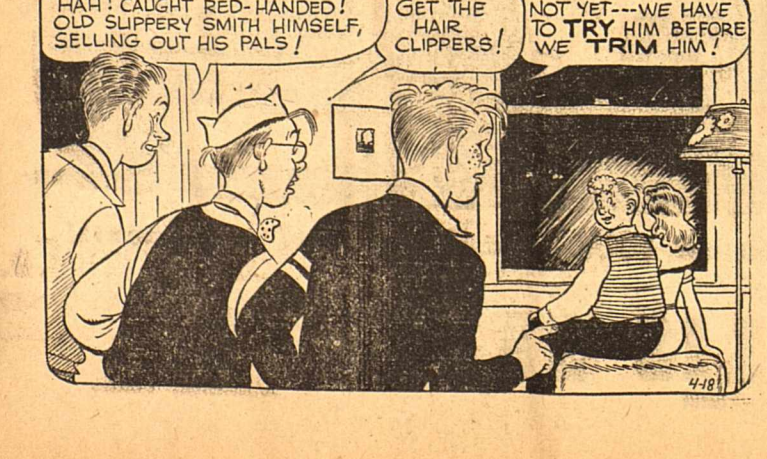


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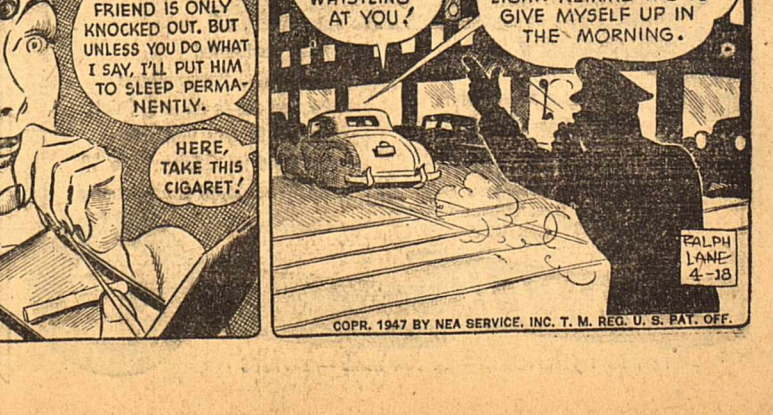
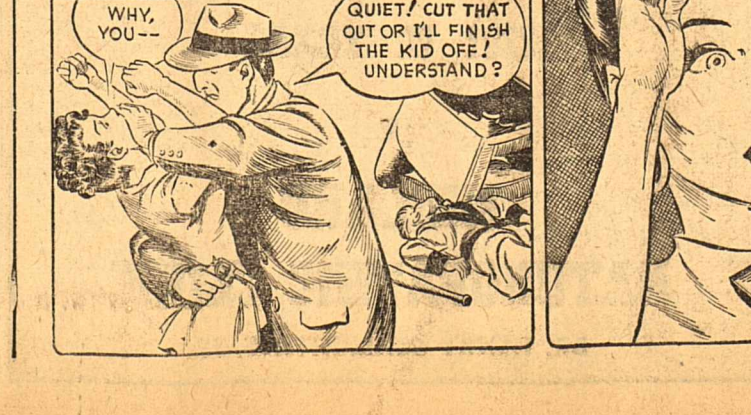


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### Pan American Program Given At Club Meeting

Mrs. K. C. Slough was the leader for a Pan American program Wednesday afternoon at the meeting of the Modern Study Club.

The club met in the home of the president, Mrs. M. S. Dickerson, Andrews Highway.

Mrs. Slough discussed "The Latin-American Front." Other talks were "Report on Latin American Scholarship" by Mrs. Austin Flint; "North American Viewpoint" by C. Bulness; and "South American Viewpoint," a paper prepared by Mrs. Earl Statton and read by Mrs. Dickerson.

Present were a guest, Mrs. Ollie Conder of Dallas, and Mrs. W. C. Cartwright, Mrs. Leo Brady, Mrs. Al Boring, Mrs. B. W. Recer, Mrs. C. S. Shepard, Mrs. Paul Smith, Mrs. Jim Carroll, Mrs. John Casselman, Mrs. Lamar Lunt and Mrs. Ivan Hood.

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The work included in this proposal will involve concrete work, plumbing, sheet metal work, electrical work, painting, carpentry work.

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The City of Midland, Texas, reserves the right to accept or reject any part of any proposal, to waive technicalities, to make any investigation deemed necessary of the bidder's ability to perform the work covered by the Specifications, and to accept what in the judgment of the Mayor and City Council is the best bid.

The bidder's attention is directed to the fact that bids or proposals shall be submitted only on forms provided therefor in the book of Specifications and Contract Documents. Bids submitted in any other form will be considered irregular and returned to the bidder unopened.

The City of Midland, Texas, By **FRED T. HOGAN, Mayor**.

### RETURN ENGAGEMENT

By Gwen Davenport

THE STORY: After a lifetime of dazzling the world, the great actress Sophie van Eyck comes home to the little Maine coast town where she was born. Widow of an international banker, she had lived comfortably on the Riviera until the war. In her party are Victoria Jenkins, her grand-daughter; Marcel Perrault, an elderly Frenchman who is her portrait painter, and Sir Charles Madden, her butler. Sophie has bought the old Penobscot house on exclusive Goose Neck point. Godfrey Mansbridge, who is living in an old actor's home, is on her conscience. She writes of seeing him a home and he accepts. She tells Marcel and Sir Charles, both of whom dislike Godfrey, that she has decided to leave. Sir Charles refuses to wait on him.

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The one person with whom Sophie's relations had always been remarkably uncomplicated was Victoria.

Victoria's mother, Sophie's only child, had been difficult and altogether unsatisfactory. For one thing—Sophie had to admit it—her daughter's babyhood had conflicted with the years of her greatest successes; she had been traveling a good half of the time. Then, too, Mary van Eyck had been plain and one of those women with a talent for obscurity. She could scarcely have married anyone more obscure than the colorless teacher, Frank Jenkins, with whom she had run away at a moment when Sophie was having enough trouble as it was with Basil Vaslow threatening to kill himself over her.

Victoria's girlhood, on the other hand, had coincided with Sophie's happy retirement as Mrs. Max Bernheim, a period when both passion and fame had ceased to claim her and she could devote love and attention to the child. Even to herself Sophie had to admit that Vicky was picturesque where Mary had been nambypamby. Vicky was exquisite and the darling of her grandmother's

your own friends near you? You must believe that I need you. We need you."

"Of course, Grandmother," said Vicky dutifully. "And I can always make new friends."

"Have you made a conquest here already?" Sophie inquired curiously. "Or is it none of my grandmotherly business?"

"Of course it's your business!" Vicky purred for a fraction of a minute. "He lives next door," she said. "Or rather, his family does. He's here on two weeks' leave."

"Then we must have him over often, my dear."

"The funny thing is he doesn't want to come much until his mother has called on you, and all that."

"How refreshing!" said Sophie. "His name is Bagot, Salter Bagot the Third."

"Victoria's intense astonishment, Madame van Eyck sat bolt upright at mention of Salty's name and gripped her granddaughter's arms.

"Vicky! Bagot, did you say?"

"Yes," said Vicky. "His family comes from Boston, but they've been living here in the summer for ages."

Sophie leaned back again, sinking slowly into the satin cushions. "I used to know a Bagot once," she murmured. "Oh, a long, long time ago—"

"Really, Granny?" Victoria tucked her legs under her and curled up on the chaise like a young animal. "Well, if your Bagot was your sort of generation he might even have been Salty's grandfather. That would have been the original Salter Bagot, wouldn't it? My Salty is Salter Bagot the Third."

"No," Sophie said musingly. "the Bagot I knew wasn't called Salter. There are lots of them around this part of the world, you know. Strange—I hadn't thought of that name in many, many years."

It was true she had not, and yet, if the name of Calais could be graven on the heart of Mary of England, the name Bagot could certainly be found in a comparable position on that organ of Sophie van Eyck.

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### Flaming Balls Of Hemp Twine Spread Fire In Explosion-Stunned City

By The Associated Press

TEXAS CITY, (AP)—Flaming balls of hemp twine hurtling crazily through the air like fireworks helped spread fire through this explosion-stunned city Wednesday.

Lt. P. M. Thomas of Denison, Texas, commander of the Hitchcock Naval Air Station, said the balls of hemp twine were in the Grandcamp when it exploded. The blazing balls were scattered over Texas City like confetti.

Lieutenant Thomas said immediately after the explosion at Monsanto Chemical Corp. plant he saw a man, bloody from head to foot, walk out unassisted and wave aside rescuers, telling them to help the more seriously injured. He was drinking a quart of liquor and said he would be all right.

Sgt. J. C. Smith of Beaumont, a Salvation Army worker, was handing a rescue worker a cup of coffee when the High Flyer exploded. A piece of flying steel severed Smith's right foot above the ankle but the coffee was not spilled. The Salvation Army's 50 workers at the scene fed more than 4,000 persons Wednesday.

"There was money everywhere," a woman bank teller at the Texas City bank said in describing the initial explosion. She dived under a desk. The roof of the building caved in. She suffered minor bruises and cuts. The floor of the bank was littered with bills.

J. V. Parise said he entered a building and found a room crowded with dead women workers. One was sitting upright at her desk, one hand in a drawer as if she

### Explosion Resembled Giant Sky Rockets

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD

TEXAS CITY, (AP)—The new ship explosions Thursday which sharpened the sorrow and misery of this stricken city looked like a giant sky rocket, coming as they did 13 hours after twin blasts took hundreds of lives and injured thousands. It further stunned and dazed the weary citizens.

At dawn searchlights still probed crumpled steel and debris that covers uncounted scores of bodies. The blanket of black billowing smoke over the city is heavier than ever, the result of several new oil refinery fires caused by the newest explosions of the ship High Flyer.

In Thursday morning's explosions I watched red-hot steel screaming into the sky. A fiery black cloud climber to 2,000 feet. Then steel fragments pinged on the sidewalk and pavement.

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### Windows Rattle In Baton Rouge, La.

BATON ROUGE, LA. (AP)—A shock resembling a mild earthquake tremor was felt in Baton Rouge Thursday a few minutes after a second ship exploded at Texas City, 235 airline miles from here.

Windows rattled and one man said he opened the front door of his house, thinking someone was knocking. Several persons reported being awakened.

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