

# '60 CENSUS: CITY, 30,880; COUNTY, 39,775

"Big Spring—1960 Pop. 30,880." That's the way the signs can read, based on preliminary census figures for 1960.

And the figure for Howard County is 39,775.

The city's head-count shows a good solid 73.64 per cent increase over the figure of 1950. The county's gain is 48.85 per cent.

The figures were released today to County Judge Ed Carpenter and Mayor Lee O. Rogers by the district office of the Census Bureau, at Lubbock.

Earl E. Kerr, district supervisor, emphasized that the census total does not become official until it has been verified and announced

from Washington, probably in the fall. At that time, also, various population characteristics will be made public.

Kerr said it is probable that barring unforeseen errors—the official figures may be a bit higher. Some "straggling" individual reports continue to come into his office, he said.

Officially, however, the enumeration is complete here, and crew chiefs Louis Stallings and Matt Harrington have closed their office and dismissed the approximately 20 enumerators who did the actual house-by-house count.

The 30,880 figure for the city, while not quite up to the most

	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960
Big Spring	1,255	4,102	4,273	13,735	12,604	17,286	30,880
Howard County	2,528	8,881	6,962	22,888	20,900	26,722	39,775

optimistic forecasts, was nevertheless well within probability of studied estimates.

It is not a disappointing figure by any means. Most civic and business leaders who had been advised of the totals regarded them as evidence of what has been sound, though not necessarily

cept Big Spring—will show a substantial increase.

The city's gain, in number of individuals, was 13,504; that in the county was 13,053. This would indicate that Howard County's growth has been represented substantially in the city's expansion.

However, there are major population "pockets" in such places as Coahoma, Sand Springs, the Big Spring State Hospital, and on-base residents at Webb Air Force Base. With these undoubtedly representing increases since 1950, it would follow that other rural sections of the county have suffered less. This would conform to the general pattern over Texas.

The decade has seen the closing of quite a number of oil camps over the county.

Big Spring, on the other hand, can look back to several very vital developments contributing to its expansion since 1950.

These would include, among others, the opening of the Veterans Administration Hospital; the establishment of the Lake Thomas water supply through the Colorado River Municipal Water District; the activation of Webb Air Force Base; the building of a new junior college plant; and the heavy expansion made by Cosden Petroleum Corporation in its

refining and petrochemical facilities.

The "fabulous fifties" brought the biggest percentage increase for Big Spring of any decade, save that of the oil-boom twenties. The city's population leaped over 221 per cent from 1920 to 1930, since the last five years of that decade brought the original Howard-Glasscock oil play.

But then came the depression years, and the city saw its official population count slip from 13,735 in 1930 to 12,604 in 1940. The next decade—that marked by World War II—saw another upsurge, the gain from 1940 to 1950 being over 37 per cent.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Cloudy to partly cloudy with scattered showers today, tonight and Thursday. Mild temperatures, winds easterly, 10-15 m.p.h. Locally gusty in the afternoon. High today 85; Low tonight 56; High tomorrow 88.

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### Winner Short Only 2 In Census Guess

A mighty good forecaster of figures is Mrs. M. C. Lawrence, 711 Aylford Street.

And she will receive \$100 in cash for estimating so closely to Big Spring's 1960 census figure.

Preliminary figures released today show the city's population to be 30,880. In a special contest conducted last month, Mrs. Lawrence turned a figure of 30,878. Nobody else was very close.

Mrs. Lawrence will receive her award from The Herald and the city's radio stations KBST, KBYG and KHEM. These communications media sponsored the census contest to stimulate interest in the decennial enumeration.

### Triton Cheered

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP)—The world-circling submarine Triton came back home today to the strains of the tune "Around the World in 80 Days" and cheers from jubilant families.

As the 7,750-ton giant was nosed alongside the pier, wives of the crew waved and held high their small sons and daughters who have been waiting to see their father for almost three months—a period in which the nuclear-powered Triton circled the world under water.

The wife of the skipper, Mrs. Edward L. Beach, held a bouquet of red roses and pushed her three children forward to wave at their father.

The children—Ned, 12; Hugh, 11; and Ingrid, 7—held up red-lettered signs that said: "Welcome home Triton."

The white-clad landing crew stood at attention in the rain as the huge, gray submarine pulled alongside within a few feet of a platform of high officials waiting to greet the crew and officers who left here Feb. 16 on a secret mission.



**No Horn, But Making Progress**

Properly escorted, but nonetheless an unusual sight, this B-36L jet aircraft was headed toward its new home at the Howard County Airport this morning on wheels. The Big Spring City Commission authorized Mayor Lee Rogers to request the aircraft in February. Webb AFB officials had notified the commission the plane would be available for display purposes at no charge to the city. The county

## City Commission Approves Increase In Sewage Rates

By JACK RADER

A general sewage rate increase designed to balance the city budget and boost reserves in order to issue sewer and water improvement bonds was approved by the Big Spring City Commission Tuesday night.

The change in rates is needed to bring in \$42,000 to balance the budget which was approved with the agreement that the increase would be approved. To issue improvement bonds, the city must have a sizeable reserve.

In most cases, the minimum rate was increased and a cumbersome fixture counting method of billing thrown out, as commissioner sought an uncomplicated, yet fair rate schedule.

Heaviest discussion centered around billing of office buildings and of hotels and motels. Because many offices have no sewage fixtures a flat rate for buildings was discussed as a possibility.

Commissioner John Taylor suggested a charge per room. This was countered by City Attorney John Burgess's suggestion of a charge per floor. It was finally decided to charge \$1 plus 10 cents per room.

Commissioner Paul Kasch said that motels should take the same rate as a multiple apartment.

A sampling of billing of the city's hotels and motels showed charges ranging from \$8 up to \$28.25 being paid for sewage.

Residences will be charged a flat rate per bathroom going away with a rate based on the number of fixtures. In some cases owners will pay less than under the old rate schedule, but most will pay more. Multiple apartments and rooming houses also will be charged on a per bath basis.

The new rates, with old rates in parentheses, include:

- Houses, one bath, \$1.25 per month (residence or apartment, 60 cents for first four fixtures plus 10 cents for each fixture over garbage disposal unit, 25 cents extra).
- Houses, more than one bath, \$2.25 per month.
- Multiple apartments, \$1.25 per month per bath.
- Rooming houses, \$1.25 per month per bath; (75 cents plus 10 cents per room over eight rooms).
- Hotels and motels, \$1.25 plus 10 cents per room (\$2.50 plus 10 cents per room over 20 rooms).
- Office buildings, \$1 plus 10 cents per room (75 cents plus 10 cents per room over six rooms).
- Filling stations, \$1.25 plus \$1.50 per wash rack (75 cents for first two fixtures, 25 cents for each fixture over two; \$1 per wash rack).
- Restaurants and cafes, \$1.50 for first two fixtures plus 25 cents for each additional fixture.
- Laundries, \$1.25 plus five cents per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.
- All other stores and business houses, \$1 for the first two fixtures plus 25 cents for each fixture over two.
- Hospitals, schools, churches, other institutions and public buildings, \$1 plus 10 cents per fixture.

It was pointed out that the state hospital has a contract for five cents per bathroom. The contract is indefinite. The Veterans Administration Hospital pays a flat rate of \$50 per month. Webb AFB pays \$35 per one million gallons of water used.

Separate rates for drug stores, barber shops and hamburger and sandwich stands were eliminated and lumped under the stores and business house heading.

Drug store and barber shop rates were 75 cents for the first two fixtures plus 25 cents for each fixture over two. Hamburger and sandwich stands were charged \$1 for the first two fixtures and 25 cents for each additional fixture.

## Big Spring School Trustees Adopt Hands-Off Policy On Annexation Pending Action By Court

A hands-off policy, pending court determination of the status of the annexation of the Gay Hill and Center Point Districts to the Big Spring district was adopted by the Big Spring school trustees Tuesday evening.

The board gave official status to a letter which had been prepared previously by Supt. Floyd Parsons concerning the annexation, the ensuing litigation and various problems which conceivably could follow.

Parsons said that the confidence of the county board was appreciated but that "we desire to make it perfectly clear to the affected districts that we have no intentions whatsoever of interfering in any way with the orderly operation of the remainder of the 1959-60 school year." What he had to say, he told the board, was based on the possibility of an annexation and did not presume upon the courts.

So long as he is superintendent he would recommend the continuing operation of an elementary school in the Gay Hill community, he said, and added that the existing classrooms at the Center Point school will continue in use for the foreseeable future.

THE STATEMENT

"We realize that the recent action of the Howard County School Board in annexing the Center Point and Gay Hill Common School Districts to the Big Spring Independent School District has been somewhat disturbing to the residents of the two annexed districts. We fully recognize the impact of this decision upon the communities affected thereby.

The superintendent of the Big Spring Independent School District wishes to delineate his position in this matter. We sincerely appreciate the confidence of the County Board as indicated by this action. We, furthermore, desire to make it perfectly clear to the affected districts that we have no intentions whatsoever of interfering in any way with the orderly operation of the Center Point and Gay Hill Schools for the remainder of the 1959-60 school year. It is our desire that the schools during the remainder of the school year continue to be administered by the local principals and through the office of the County Superintendent of Schools, that normal operating expenses and teachers salaries be paid by any manner determined to be legal, and that all of the usual activities connected with the closing of a school year be executed by the personnel currently in charge.

INVITE DISCUSSION

"Furthermore it is our plan at the end of the school year and subject, of course, to action of the court, to invite a representative group of citizens from each affected district to sit with us to discuss plans and policies for the continued operation of the Center Point and Gay Hill Schools. As long as I am superintendent of the Big Spring Schools, I shall recommend the continued operation of an elementary school in the Gay Hill community. The Center Point situation is not quite as clear. Suffice it to say that we have no

## Ike Throws Challenge On Open Sky

**President Recalls Pearl Harbor Attack**

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower challenged the Soviet Union again today to join this country in opening its skies to inspection flights which might give each assurance against surprise attack.

In a news conference review of the furor over Russian capture of an American spy plane, the President called espionage "a distasteful but vital necessity" lest there be another sneak blow such as the 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Eisenhower said the Soviet "fetish of secrecy and concealment" is a major cause of international tension and uneasiness, and forces the United States to engage in "below the surface" activities to gain information to protect the Free World.

"We prefer and work for a different kind of world—and a different way of obtaining the information essential to confidence and effective deterrence," he said.

"Open societies, in the day of present weapons, are the only answer."

THIS WAS REASON

"This was the reason for my 'open skies' proposal in 1955, which I was ready instantly to put into effect—to permit aerial observation over the United States and the Soviet Union which would assure that no surprise attack was being prepared against anyone.

"I shall bring up the 'open skies' proposal again at Paris—since it is a means of ending concealment and suspicion."

Eisenhower read a prepared statement to a packed news conference on the matter. Among other points, he:

- Expressed doubt the American U2 spy plane was in fact shot

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## Niki Thinks Less Of Ike

MOSCOW (AP)—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev said today the spy plane incident had changed his estimate of President Eisenhower and they will discuss in Paris whether the American leader should come to Moscow as planned.

He made the statement as he stood on a wicker chair talking to correspondents amidst the wreckage of the American plane he claims was shot down May 1 east of the Urals.

One of the newsmen asked him point blank: "Do you want Eisenhower to come here in view of the plane incident?"

"What do you want me to say?" Khrushchev asked. "You get in to my place here and reply for me."

An American correspondent then asked whether, in view of his changed attitude toward Eisenhower, he would want him to postpone the visit to the Soviet Union now scheduled for June 10.

"I would not like to comment," the Premier said. "We can exchange views with the President on that in Paris."

He announced he is leaving Saturday for the summit conference in Paris opening May 16.

DENOUNCE FLIGHT

The Soviet Union denounced the flight by Francis G. Powers, as an act of aggression and put what they said was his equipment, documents and photographs, on display in Gorki Park.

Foreign Minister Andrei I. Gromyko declared in a news conference that the United States was playing with fire and "one of the most dangerous forms of brinkmanship" in sending its planes over Soviet territory.

Gromyko's open skies plan, first advanced at the Geneva summit conference of 1955, as serving

## SPARE NO EFFORT

Gromyko declared the Soviet Union will "spare no effort for a mutual agreement" at the Paris summit meeting despite the U2 spy-plane incident.

The Soviet Union, in a note Tuesday, laid the blame for the Powers' flight squarely on the U.S. government—not just its military leaders—and indicated the flier may be tried for espionage.

Moscow Radio today followed up the protest note to Washington with a strong hint that further U.S. flights over the Soviet Union might trigger a Soviet bomb attack on the United States.

A broadcast beamed to North America recalled that Washington had repeatedly announced that the first sight of enemy planes approaching the United States, American bombers would be ordered to deliver a return blow.

"Why 'then shouldn't the U.S.S.R. do likewise when it finds a U.S. plane in its territory?" the commentator demanded.

The United States meanwhile requested permission for a U.S. Embassy officer to interview Powers, 30-year-old former Air Force pilot from Pound, Va.,

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# New Justice Aide Is Human Dynamo

By JACK ADAMS  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Robert Alan Bicks is known to associates in the Justice Department as a sort of human dynamo.

He is known among congressmen as the incisive young man who has so often given scholarly analyses of proposed antitrust legislation to House and Senate committees.

American big business knows him as a very tough administrator of the antitrust laws.

On Monday, with his 33rd birthday still two weeks off, President Eisenhower nominated him to be assistant attorney general in charge of antitrust matters. If confirmed by the Senate, he would become the youngest man ever to hold that title.

Actually, he has directed the government's antitrust program for more than a year as acting head of the antitrust division.

Bicks is a native of New York City, black-haired, short-statured, stockily built, emphatic in speech and movement. In between his bachelor and law degrees from Yale, he sandwiched in his World War II service as a Navy coxswain. A Phi Beta Kappa, he was comment editor of the Yale Law Review during his last year in New Haven.

After schooling, Bicks became law clerk for Judge Stanley Fuld of the New York Court of Appeals and later legislative assistant to Sen. Irving Ives (R-N.Y.).

He is the son of U.S. District Court Judge Alexander Bicks of New York City and Henrietta I.

Bicks, also a lawyer and a former member of the New York law firm of Campbell & Boland.

Former Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell called young Bicks into federal government service in 1953, when he was only 25. At that time, he became an assistant to Asst. Atty. Gen. Stanley N. Barnes, then head of the antitrust division. He was also made executive secretary of the attorney general's committee to study the antitrust laws, which subsequently came up with a lengthy report on the effectiveness of present laws and proposals for changes in them.

When Barnes took a judicial post in 1956, Bicks was continued as No. 2 man in the antitrust division by Barnes' successor, Victor R. Hansen, and when Hansen left the government in April 1959, Bicks was advanced to the top job on an acting basis.

Thus, he has had a major hand in the firm antitrust policy-making which has marked the last several years.

His hobbies, when he does take time out, are sailing, swimming and tennis, in that order.

Bicks is married to the former Patricia Hughes of Baltimore. They have two sons, Michael Barnes, 3, and Peter Andrews, 6 months.

## Queen To Africa

LONDON (AP) — Queen Mother Elizabeth today flew south on a good-will visit to the troubled Central African Federation of the Rhodesias and Nyasaland.

# Water Usage Climbing Higher

LAMESA — Lamesa water consumption reached a high for the current year during April and the total indicates the city is using nearly two million gallons per day.

W. E. Sealy, city water superintendent, reported the usage total during April was tabulated at 37,092,000 gallons, and the daily average was 1,993,000 gallons.

The high daily usage total was attained on April 25 when Lamesa used 2,503,000 gallons and three days later, the monthly low was reached when 971,000 gallons were utilized.

The monthly totals for 1960 include: January, 23,184,000; February, 39,800,000; March, 39,342,000.

## Former Lamesan Receives Degree

LAMESA — John Gillispie, formerly of Lamesa, is a candidate for the B. A. degree with the spring graduating class at Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, on May 22.

Gillispie, son of J. W. Gillispie, Lamesa, will be an honored guest of President and Mrs. A. Hope Owen at the president's reception Sunday and of the Association of Former Students at dinner on May 20.

Gillispie, who now pastors the South Plains Baptist Church, has served as pastor of the Woolly Baptist Church in Dawson County, as well as the Greenwood Baptist Church in Midland. A member of the Ministerial Alliance at Wayland, his major study is Bible with sociology as his minor.



## Honored For Downing U. S. Plane

These three Soviet Army officers were awarded the Order of the Red Banner for their part in downing the U. S. plane at Sverdlovsk on May Day. Left to right are: Sr. Lt. S. L. Safranov; Capt. K. I. Sheludko; and Maj. M. P. Voronov.

# Rough Tract Of Marshy Land Figures In Insurance Case

AUSTIN (AP) — A rough, marshy tract of land near Athens has figured prominently in the rise and fall of the W. L. Bridges insurance empire under investigation here.

The tract three miles southwest of Athens was promoted by Bridges as a hunting and fishing club for well-heeled members. A lake estimated from 60 to 100 acres added to the value of the property, located near the exclusive Koon Kreek Klub with its 400 acre stocked lake.

Testimony before State Insurance Commissioner William Harrison shows how Bridges took over the 70 acre tract several years ago. Bridges announced then he planned to spend about one million dollars to build a swank club and estate.

In recent months the "Sportsmans Paradise, Inc." which controls the land has done little to improve the property. A roofless shell of a club house, a runway for airplanes and a dam for the lake are the principal assets.

Testimony was brought out that Bridges Jr. took over operations of the Texas Mutual Life Insurance Assn of Texas, Waco, on Aug. 13, 1957. On Aug. 14 he had the tract appraised and issued a note for Sportsmans Paradise Aug. 16 for \$160,000.

The note held by the insurance company with an unpaid balance of \$144,000 was the main item questioned by Harrison when he placed the company into conservatorship.

David McCord of Dallas, who served as president of the club, said he resigned because he was too busy and "none of us know what was going on."

McCord traced the following history of the club: V. E. (Chic) West, owner of the land, placed the property into the Empire Securities Co. in about 1956 and received 75 per cent of the stock. E. B. Monzingo, Dallas security dealer, headed the company and got authorization from the secretary of state to sell \$200,000 in stock.

The company sold \$180,000 in stock, including \$18,000 to the Bridges. The \$190,000—less 20 per cent commission—was used to start building a clubhouse. The company ran out of money about a year later, 1957.

To clear some back taxes, McCord continued, Bridges made a deal with the Internal Revenue Service to buy 75 per cent of the shares of the company, 300,000 shares, for \$100,000. Some 100,000 shares were sold publicly, Bridges' Commercial Discount Corp. made the payments.

McCord said Bridges asked him to revise the insurances of shares which were reduced to 100,000 shares on a pro rata basis. He estimated the club had about 200 members, all but 15 or 20 of whom were stockholders.

He said Bridges sold about 20 memberships for either \$350 or \$750.

McCord said the company could not raise enough money to do much more than fix the runway, cut some roads across the property, put in a deep water well, chop out undergrowth around the lake, add minnow pens and worm beds. He said the only way Sportsmans Paradise could bring in more money would be to sell more stock, or club memberships or to subdivide the tract and sell cabin sites.

Bob Gorham, a relator for the Insurance Department, estimated the present value of the property at \$77,000. It has two small houses.

McCord disagreed and said he figured the property is worth at least \$200,000. One reason, he said, is because the secretary of state authorized the original issuance of \$200,000 in stock.

McCord said he understood Monzingo and West had spent about \$160,000 to build the four walls of the giant center room of the club plus walls and foundation for two additions on either side of the main room. No roof has been put on the clubhouse.

Gorham reported that a J. C. Powers is caretaker at the property and drives a truck with the words "W. L. Bridges Farms" written on it.

He gave his estimate after checking with officers at the First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. in Athens and the county tax assessor-collector's office. He said he got estimates of \$60 to \$100 an acre.

## Experts See Something Amiss In Spy Plane Photo

WASHINGTON (AP)—U. S. experts have deduced some significant information from the picture of a Soviet air base that Moscow claims was taken from an American spy plane.

The picture, made available for world publication by the Soviets after it had appeared in the Moscow newspaper Pravda, purports to show an airfield on which aircraft are arranged in two rows. Specialists in the analysis of aerial photographs agreed that it was possible to get a picture as clear as the Soviet-supplied photo from an aircraft flying at an altitude of from 10 to 12 miles.

The most significant fact deduced from studies of the Soviet photograph, however, is that the aircraft shown are probably obsolete TU-1's, the Soviet copy of the American B-29 bomber that won fame in World War II. The Soviets

were known to have mass produced this type of bomber that is powered by four conventional piston engines.

The identity of these Soviet planes has led to two alternative conclusions: 1. That the Soviet picture was taken long ago or, 2. That the Soviet air force is still maintaining a type of bomber that the United States has long since retired.

Since building the TU-1's in great numbers, the Soviets moved into jet power for their bomber force. They have several hundred turbo-prop bombers and a substantial number of Bison turbojet bombers.

American photo analysts are reasonably sure that the craft shown in the Pravda picture are not either of the two jet powered Soviet bombers.

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## 4-H Clubs Hold Tuesday Meetings

Vealmoor 4-H Clubs met in the 7th and 8th grade rooms Tuesday morning for regular sessions.

There were 12 present in the girl's meeting and they decided to hold a workshop this summer during the second week of June. The youngsters will make dresses.

The boy's club discussed when to plant cotton and the method of planting. They also discussed when to start next year's projects. Judy Brice led the music during the girl's meeting. Gary Green and Glen Banks led the motto for the boys.

## Firm Closes

Driver Truck and Implement Company, located on the Lamesa Highway, will be closed Thursday until 1 p.m. for the funeral of Jess Wilbanks. Wilbanks, pioneer Big Spring oil operator, was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Curtis Driver, owner of the company.

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## Postal Receipts Jump Slightly

LAMESA — Postal receipts in Lamesa jumped slightly upward during April, reaching \$11,156, the second highest total of the current year.

Postmaster C. E. Taylor indicated the total was somewhat higher than in previous April tabulations. Top figure for 1960 thus far was in January when the receipts totalled \$11,978.

In February, the figure was \$10,975 and in March, the receipts were tabbed at \$10,150.

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# CRMWD Has Slight Increase In April

Water consumption by the member cities of Odessa, Big Spring and Snyder offset substantial losses by the oil repressuring companies and the Colorado River Municipal Water District showed a slight increase for April.

The 778,541,000 gallons metered to customers was 74 of one per cent over the amount delivered in April, 1959.

Odessa required 350,130,000 gallons, a gain of 11.4 per cent, while Big Spring's 189,270,000 gallons was 7.25 per cent over last year. Snyder was up 17.3 per cent in reaching 56,118,000. Total consumption by the cities was 595,518,000 as against slightly more than 637,000,000 a year ago.

SACROC dropped 22.7 per cent to 117,311,000 gallons, Sharon Ridge

fell 38 per cent to 37,075,000. Lion Oil declined 13.4 per cent to touch 24,939,000 and Texas Gulf Producing took 3,698,000, a gain of 17 per cent. Total oil repressuring was 183,023,000 gallons, down sharply from the 231,404,000 for the same month a year ago.

Through the first four months of 1960, consumption has aggregated 2,321,517,000 gallons as against 2,579,924,000 for the same period in 1959.

The current trend is upward, however, according to records of O. H. Irie, assistant general manager-production. For instance, last Saturday Odessa exceeded 12,000,000 gallons, which is comparable to its summertime peak. Big Spring on the same day had mounted to 7,725,000 gallons.

## GARDEN TALK

### There's Still Time To Do Well With Gardens

"What should I plant now in order to have flowers during the summer?" This question has been asked several times during the past week. It seems that the hail devastated many gardens, and people are just now getting around to the messy task of starting over.

Gardens are the result of planning plus work and luck. The hail was bad luck, but the planning and work are things we can do something about. For summer flowers you should plant gladioli now, and it is still not too late to set out rosebushes if you get those in the cans and there are some bargain buys at the nurseries and feed stores and places where they bought a few too many roses this season. Now is the best time for zinnias, cosmos, petunias, and verbena's. These are all old favorites that seldom fail.

For the vegetable garden, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, sweet

corn, black eyed peas, squash and melons should be planted now. It is about time to plant new lawns, too. Whenever you can get five consecutive days of 80 degree weather, you can get wonderful results by seeding bermuda grass. It won't be long until we have that sort of weather, either.

Even though the hail did destroy much of our gardens, there is plenty of time for a full summer of production, and these are just some of the more reliable plants we can depend on if you just happen to start out in the next week or so. While we are planning ahead, make a note to plan for a fall garden, too. There is a whole different list of things that do well in the fall. When planning for the summer, plan fall plantings to take their places as they fade and die. Gardening is an all time business, and every season has its own work.

—BRUCE FRAZIER

### Dawson Residents Request Study For New Library

LAMESA — Members of the Dawson County Library Board and Chamber of Commerce committees requested study of the need of new library facilities in Lamesa at a regular meeting of county commissioners here this week.

C. W. Tarter, superintendent of Lamesa schools, also appeared at the meeting to request that a road be paved in front of the V. Z. Rogers School here.

Will Morris, spokesman for the library group, made a date to meet with the commissioners in the near future to check specific recommendations on size, location and cost of a new library facility for the county.

Don Nutt, president of the Chamber of Commerce, pointed out that a recent poll of memberships indicated the library prob-

lem was of major concern. Judge R. F. Spraberry spoke out in favor of the plan as did Alton Addison and Abe Furlow, commissioners. Commissioner J. E. Aihart pointed out that the county budget need to be kept in mind but added that he was in favor of a new library "if something can be worked out."

No definite action was taken on either proposal. The commissioners will not meet again until May 13, their next regularly scheduled date. They will convene as a board of equalization on May 23.

**Aid For Japan**

TOKYO (AP) — Foreign Minister Aichiro Fujiyama told a Parliamentary Committee today the government would ask the United States for military help if Russia should attack Japan.



### Campaign In The Rain

Sen. Hubert Humphrey didn't let a little thing like rain slow him down in his West Virginia campaign. Son Doug, 12, held an umbrella over his dad while Humphrey addresses a gathering. Mrs. Humphrey, right, didn't seem to mind the rain. The senator lost his race.

### 6 Nashville Stores Start Partial Food Integration

By The Associated Press

Six Nashville stores have begun serving Negroes at previously all-white lunch counters on a partially integrated basis.

Small groups of Negroes sat without incident at the six counters Tuesday under a previously secret agreement to serve them during slack periods. Others planned a second test of the plan today.

Officials of the six Nashville stores said they reached an agreement with white and Negro civic leaders to serve Negro customers at the previously all-white counters during slack periods. The agreement was not announced in advance.

All six stores had closed their counters at various times in recent months during sit-in demonstrations which resulted in the arrest of nearly 150 Negroes.

As part of the agreement, Negroes ended a boycott of downtown stores which store officials said had not been effective. They said the agreement was made to bring an end to the threat of violence.

**Lamesa Permits Lag In April**

LAMESA—Building permits in Lamesa dropped more than half from the previous month as applications in the amount of \$180,650 were approved, City Secretary Jack C. Goodloe reported.

The total during March was \$365,519, the highest for the current year. The April tabulation is the lowest for that month in the past three years.

Highest single application was granted to Suttle Purcell for construction of a residence for \$25,000.

### Squatters Get Ax As U. S. Lodges Suit

BLYTHE, Calif. (AP) — The ax has fallen on the Colorado River squatters, a determined band of nearly 1,000 who for half a century have farmed land they knew they didn't own.

"It's a terrible blow," says Fay Olson, secretary of the Associated Farmers of the Lower Colorado River.

She referred to an eviction suit filed Tuesday in Los Angeles against Benjamin and Lucille Langendorf of nearby Crossroads, Calif.

U. S. Atty. Laughlin E. Waters said it was the first of suits to evict 970 people from 27,000 acres of rich bottom land on the Arizona and California sides of the river from Hoover Dam to the Mexican border.

The Associated Farmers are headed by Bill Murphey, who a few years ago headed another group which built a bridge across the river without legal sanction.

To get their produce from the Arizona side to the railroads on the California side, they erected a 420-foot steel span with their own hands.

Observers say there still may be basis for the settlers' hopes of staying.

"This has been going on for years," said one townsman. "It was almost exactly a year ago that the Interior department announced it was going to file suit, and yet the settlers are still here. It will be a long time, if ever, before they are actually forced off the farms and resorts they have developed over the years."

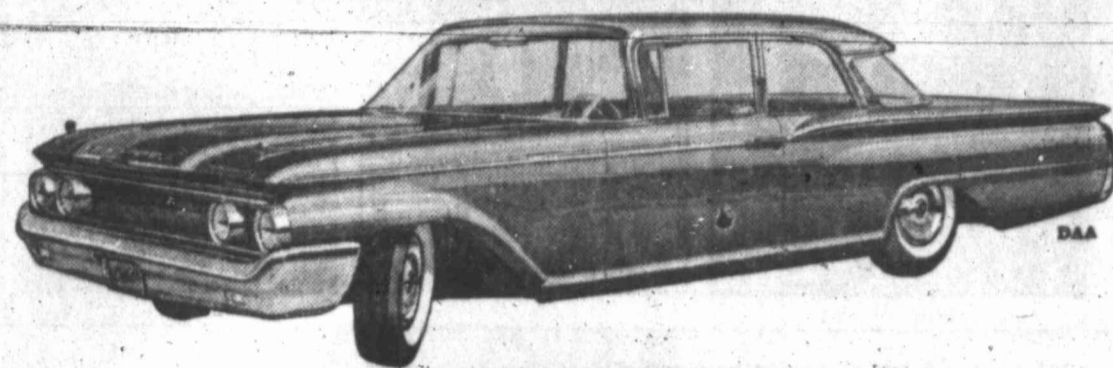
The government says the land was withdrawn from public settlement many years ago for use in river channel control and reclamation projects.

### Boy Hangs Self

NEW YORK (AP)—A 18-year-old boy hanged himself Tuesday night after protesting in vain that it wasn't his turn to wash the dinner dishes of the family of seven. James Williams, Negro, was found hanging by a necktie in a closet in the family apartment.

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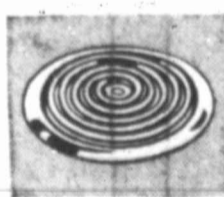
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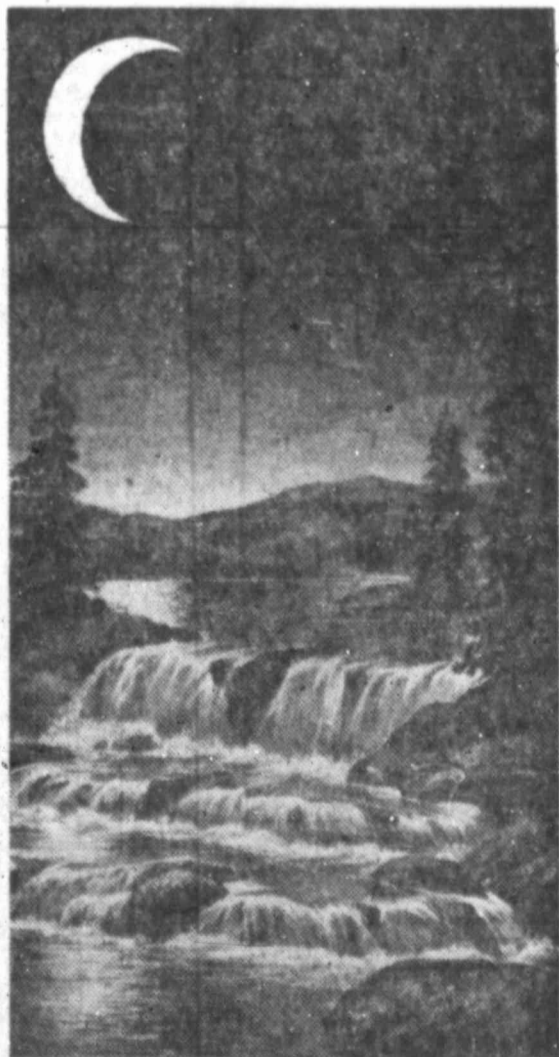
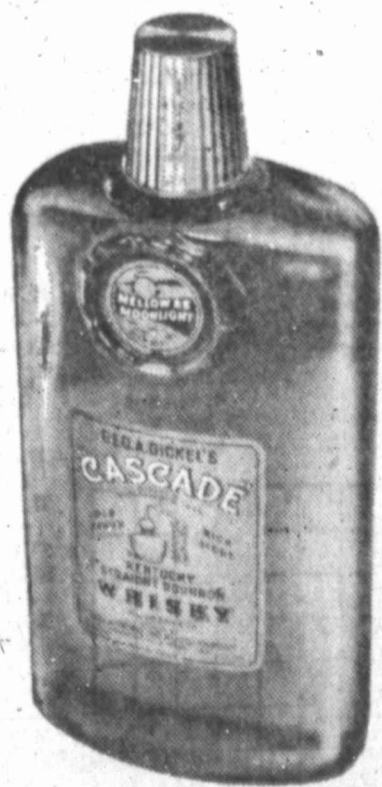
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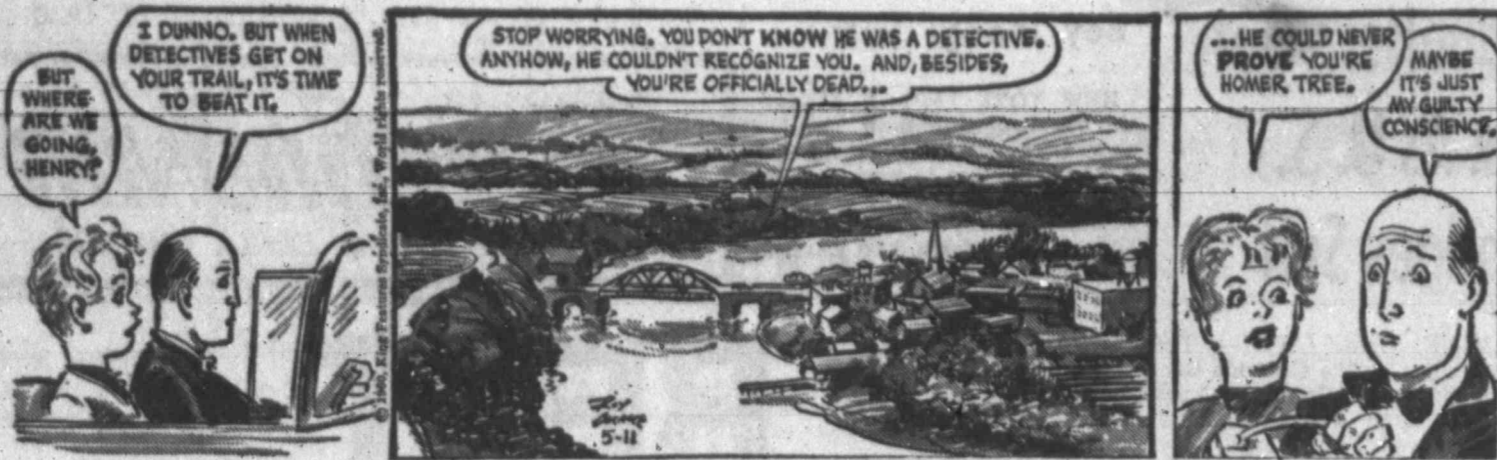
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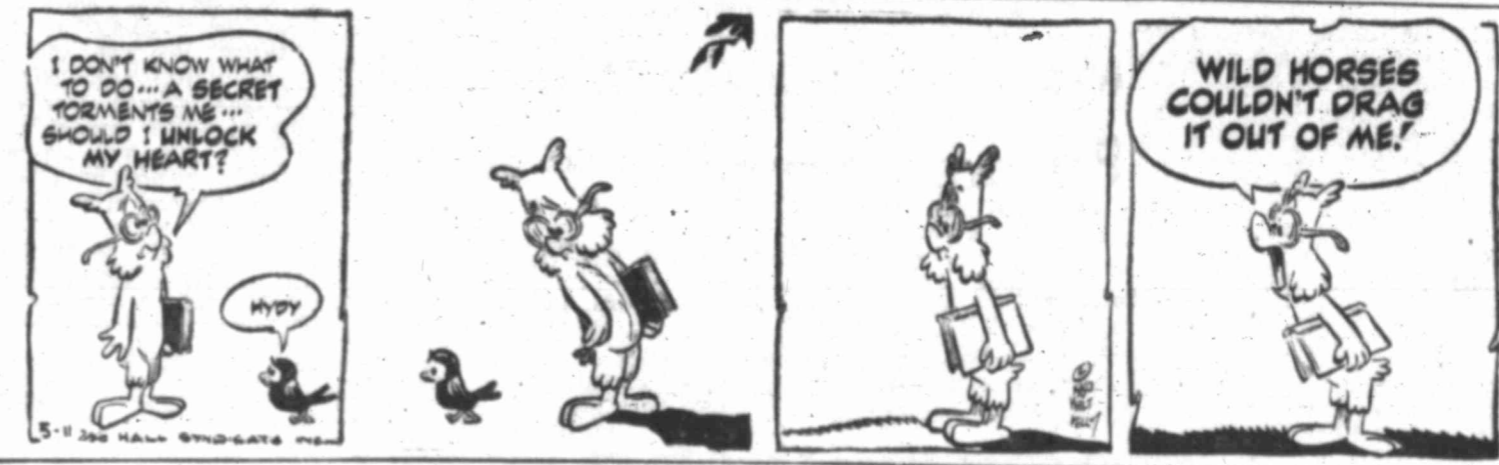


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9. Feast day; comb. form  
12. Residence  
13. English country festival  
14. River island  
15. Ovules  
16. Scouting group  
17. Lyric  
18. Possessive adjective  
20. One who loves  
22. Puts money to use  
26. Ammonia compound  
27. Girl's name  
28. Sun disks  
30. Reverential fear  
31. Edict  
32. Mountain in Alaska  
35. Hard tough metal  
36. A king of Judah  
37. Muse of lyric poetry  
40. Occidental  
42. Narrow-minded teacher  
44. Expose to moisture  
45. Suffix denoting tumor  
46. Work unit  
48. Goes by car  
52. Sarcastic comment; colloq.  
53. - Grande  
54. Ancient British tribe  
55. Summer; Fr.  
56. Water resort  
57. Nostrils

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-57.

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE  
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10. Assisted  
11. Cubic meter  
12. Intent gaze  
14. Mystic Hindu ejaculations  
22. Bantu language  
23. At once  
24. Struggle for superiority  
25. Scattered  
29. Fisher for certain fish  
31. Those who expiate  
32. Rice paste  
33. June bug  
34. Mass. cape  
35. As it is written; mus.  
36. Name in modern Greece  
37. Aftersong  
38. Send payment  
39. Saying  
41. Yellow fish  
43. Journey  
47. Tibetan gazelle  
49. The Ger.  
50. Compass point  
51. Pet name for a little girl

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**Inventor Dies**  
ANDERSON, Ind. (AP) — Dr. Clarence H. Robinson, 89, internationally known educator and holder of scores of patents on mechanical devices, died Tuesday.

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# Capacity Crowd Attends Public Hearing On Paving

An overflow crowd jammed the city commission room Tuesday night to voice general approval of the 100-block assessment paving program which the commission unanimously adopted at its regular session.

Some residents dissented, however, citing financial burden, and doubt that the paving will stand up. One woman, whose husband is at Webb AFB, said they could not vote here and she could not agree to pay for paving.

About 50 persons crowded into the commission room at city hall for the public hearing. Extra chairs were provided but a few persons had to stand in the doorways.

Paving is expected to begin around July 1. Signing residents for the paving is slated to start immediately by the contractors, W. D. Caldwell and H. D. Counts.

The paving program will be paid for in part by the city. City Attorney John Burgess told the crowd that the city will pay about 33 1/3 per cent. Total cost of the project is \$370,661 with the city's share, \$137,174.

"Under law, property owners can be required to pay up to 90 per cent of a paving program's total cost," Burgess said.

The assessed rate per front foot of the streets previously petitioned, depending on the width of the street involved. The cost includes curb and guttering and paving to the middle of the street. Driveways will be included to a depth of two feet from the street.

The per front foot costs include 22-foot streets, \$2,847; 30-foot streets, \$3,876; 36-foot streets, \$4,288; 40-foot streets, \$4,408; 44-foot streets and wider, \$5,179.

The program is to include one and one-half inches of hot mix laid on a crushed stone and caliche base, a six-inch curb section and an 18-inch gutter section, according to Bruce Dunn, director of public works.

Dunn pointed out that the program consists of about 50 per cent of the streets previously petitioned for paving, and said, "The front foot cost is lower than the last paving program and we are getting better paving for less money." Dunn said the paving will benefit the city and the property owner alike.

Property owners have four years to pay for their share, Burgess noted. Payment is to be in five installments with the first payment due 10 days after the paving is completed and accepted. There is no provision for monthly payments.

Among spectators voicing approval of the program were W. L. Walker, 1614 E. 17th St., who said, "The cost is as reasonable as any I ever ran into."

Charles Neefe, 1710 Purdie, said he was all for the paving but doubted the benefit of widening Birdwell Lane.

Dunn pointed out that under the Master Planning, Birdwell Lane will be made a secondary thoroughfare and be widened to 60 feet its entire length.

W. F. Campbell, 906 W. 5th St., said I want to see the street paved.

On the discussion table, M. C. Lawrence, 711 Ayford, told the commissioners that "I don't get much with my pension and don't know how I can make the payments."

Lawrence's comments were seconded by a few other residents who noted financial burdens. Mrs. Frank Strickland, 701 Settles, said, "We are already stretched to the limit."

Mrs. John Murphy said, "We are a service family. They didn't let us go and I can't see why we should pay for the paving."

## Marchbanks Is Optimist Prexy

Charles Lindsey Marchbanks is the new president of the Optimist Club.

He was elected at the breakfast meeting of the club this morning at the 66 Cafe.

Other officers named with him were Jim Calmes and Joe Jackson, vice presidents; Herb Vinson, Cecil Thixton, one-year directors; Don Green and Rex Hutcherson, two-year directors.

New members presented were E. J. Tucker Jr., Lloyd Duncan, T. A. Thigpen, Ross R. Roberts, O. T. Tilley and Thomas Fryar.

## Deputy Goes After Two Prisoners

Tommy Cole, deputy sheriff, is en route today to El Paso to take custody of two prisoners held in the El Paso jail. The men are wanted here for forgery and passing, according to Miller Harris, sheriff. He identified them as E. B. Hickman and S. B. Gilbert.

Harris said a third man, identified as "Jackson," is being held in Bismark, N. D. He is also wanted here to answer a charge of "raising" checks. Harris said the man is charged with making the face of one check \$16, instead of \$8 and another of making a \$6 check read \$60.

Whether he will be returned here depends on what action North Dakota may take in his case. He faces charges there of a similar nature.

## Brown Graduates

Roger D. Brown is among the 97 members of the University of Texas School of Law who are candidates for bachelor of laws degrees on June 4. He is the son of Mrs. J. E. Brown, 1606 Wood, and the late County Judge J. Ed Brown. J. Sewell Couch, formerly of Big Spring, but now of Kermit, also is in the graduation class.

## Council Decides To Establish Traffic Group

The Big Spring City Commission passed a resolution releasing depositary bonds covering city funds at the State National and Security State banks, during its regular meeting Tuesday.

A paving lien release against Mrs. Violet Lindsay's property on Douglas St. in the Cedar Creek addition was given approval.

Approval was given for John Burgess, city attorney, to draw up an ordinance establishing a Big Spring Traffic Commission as an advisory body to the city commission. The ordinance will be presented at the next meeting.

Mayor Lee Q. Rogers was authorized to sign a quit-claim deed to I. Weiner to clear up Weiner's title on land in the Brown Addition.

## C-C Rites Set For W. A. Bunch

COLORADO CITY — Willie A. Bunch, 65, died Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. after a brief illness.

He was born in Erath County on Jan. 14, 1895, and had lived in Colorado City for the past six years. Bunch was a retired farmer and a World War I veteran.

He married Mrs. Oleta Schaefer in Colorado City on March 31, 1960. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Kiker and Son chapel. The Rev. Jim Garraway, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Bunch is survived by his wife; four brothers, Jessie E. Bunch, Colorado City; Ed Bunch, Dexter, N. M.; Lee Bunch, Snyder; Russell Bunch, Stephenville; and one sister, Mrs. W. T. Little, Stephenville.

## DWI Case Filed

Charges of DWI have been filed against Otis H. Ogden, 56, Andrews, who was arrested on Monday by the Texas Highway Patrol. He was arrested, the patrol reported 10 miles west of Big Spring.

# Commission Decides To Buy Three Cars, Other Equipment

City police will get two new cars and the city inspection department will gain another car following bid acceptance June 14.

The Big Spring City Commission, meeting in regular session Tuesday, decided to look at bids for three passenger cars during the first regular meeting in June. The police cars will boost the departments' vehicle strength to eight.

The car in the inspection division will be used by the assessment paving program inspector. The commission has not hired this inspector as yet.

Bids on an asphalt distributor to maintain paving and industrial tractor equipment to dig ditches will be taken at a special meeting May 31.

size cars, the commission will take bids on "compact cars."

A proposal to buy three replacement police cars was turned down for the present time. The cars to be replaced have recently been repaired and should be good for several thousand more miles, commissioners agreed.

With the additional patrolman hired, the need for more police cars was cited. The current fiscal budget includes provision for the purchase of the cars.

Commissioner Paul Kaech questioned the need of police cars, however, and said, "One Saturday night I was at the station and there were four cars parked. Only two were out on patrol."

"Does the police department need more cars?" Kaech asked.

Mayor Lee Q. Rogers said that situation is not usually the case.



## With Our Gratitude

Gordon Dickinson, president of the Hi-Y council, is shown as he presented an appreciation gift to Delbert Downing, manager of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, following Downing's address to the Vocational Banquet, Tuesday night. Downing had issued his challenge to the graduating high school seniors in their choice of a vocation. The banquet was sponsored by the YMCA and marked the close of its vocational guidance program.

## Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y Students Honored At Y Banquet

Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y students were honored by the YMCA Tuesday night at the first annual Vocational Banquet. The banquet was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church.

The banquet marked the close of the vocational guidance program at the YMCA which is designed to help the high school senior graduate in order to give them a job, or riches, or recognition, but that they would have to fight for everything they are to receive.

Each student was escorted to the banquet by a person representing the profession in which the student had indicated an interest.

Delbert Downing, manager of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, gave the principal address. He advised the students that the world wasn't just waiting for them to graduate in order to give them a job, or riches, or recognition, but that they would have to fight for everything they are to receive.

Downing also challenged the graduates, if they planned to enter college, to strive for an education rather than merely a degree.

Gordon Dickinson, president of the Hi-Y council, expressed the group's appreciation to Mr. Downing with a gift presentation.

Bill Quimby gave the introduction speech and the Rev. Frank

# Kennedy Wins, Humphrey's Out

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP)—Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass) took a giant stride toward the Democratic presidential nomination today with a smashing victory in the West Virginia primary.

He not only rolled over Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn) he also knocked him out of the presidential race completely.

At 1:08 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) Humphrey conceded. Moments later he issued a statement in which he said:

"I am no longer a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination."

Kennedy flew back from Washington early today.

"West Virginia has tonight given me a major boost toward the Democratic nomination for president," he said jubilantly.

Kennedy, a Catholic running in a predominantly Protestant state, thanked the voters.

"I had no doubt," he said, "that you would cast your vote on the basis of the issues and not on any religious prejudice."

Kennedy jumped ahead at the start and steadily increased his margin.

With 1,702 of 2,750 precincts reporting, the scorecard looked like this: Kennedy 140,992, Humphrey 93,530.

This gives Kennedy around 60 per cent of the votes counted.

The Kennedy victory wasn't entirely unexpected, but the size of it certainly was.

A few observers had thought that Kennedy might take a clobbering here. But usually the guess was that it would be close, with the edge, if any, going to Humphrey, a Congregationalist.

The timetable shows how unexpectedly easy it was.

West Virginia ballots are long, and most are counted by hand, so the prediction was that it might be 2 a.m. before a winner could be declared.

Yet by 9:30 p.m., only two hours after the polls closed, a reporter found Humphrey gloomily studying the early but, for him, already ominous returns.

The normally bouncy Humphrey, seeing the shattering of his presidential hopes, looked grave and resigned.

An hour later Kennedy's headquarters reported Kennedy would fly back here after all. Like Humphrey, he had gone to Washington Tuesday. Unlike Humphrey, he hadn't definitely planned to come back, saying he had to go campaigning in Maryland's primaries coming up May 17.

But as the results rolled in, Kennedy apparently decided this was too good to pass up. And back he came for the victory celebration.

By 11:20 Robert Kennedy, the senator's brother was saying that victory now seemed certain. "We are grateful to the people of this state," he said.

## More Artillery Joins Fracas

More heavy legal artillery is being lined up for the impending battle over the annexation of the Gay Hill and Center Point Schools to the Big Spring Independent School District.

J. C. Hensley, Austin, described as one of the state's outstanding legal experts on school law, will be seated beside Gil Jones, attorney for the school board and the Big Spring Independent School District.

Bill Kerr, widely known Midland attorney, will join forces with Harvey and Hartman Hooser, lawyers for the two common school districts.

It is quite probable both of these attorneys will be in the court room Friday when a hearing on a temporary injunction against the Big Spring board will be aired.

It is certain both will be on the scene when the appeal trial in annexed districts have started is heard in the courts.



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# Webb AFB Joined To World Girdling Teletype System

Webb Air Force Base Tuesday became a part of a new and fully automated communications system, linking in with United States Air Force bases throughout the world.

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the first of its kind, makes possible the handling of a message from any major AF installation such as Webb AFB to any other major installation in the world with a minimum of manual processing.

Since November, 1936, when a prototype center was installed at Andrews AFB, Md., for service testing, the AF has installed automatic switching centers in five locations overseas. Overseas switching centers were built at a cost of approximately \$2,100,000 per center. The automatic switching centers are operated by the Air Force Airways and Air Communications Service.

In addition, the Air Force leases from Western Union five automatic switching centers in the United States at Andrews AFB, Md.; McClellan AFB, Calif.; Warner-Robins AFB, Ga.; Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio; and Carswell AFB, Tex.

The center at Siegelbach, Germany, completes the nucleus of a switching complex that serves some five million miles of circuits. Throughout the network, messages will be transmitted between centers at the rate of 100 words per minute, and with inter-switching centers, at the rate of 200 words per minute. In addition to significantly decreasing the time required to handle messages, the new system will result in a substantial saving in personnel costs.

# C-C Council Approves Hike In Gas Rate

COLORADO CITY—The Colorado City Council Monday granted the request of the Lone Star Gas Co. for an increase in gas rates of 5.4 cents per thousand cubic feet, for residential and commercial users.

The increase was granted after the council had changed the wording of one paragraph of the ordinance prepared by the gas company officials for the council's signature and had discussed the propriety of the ordinance's penalty clause. The clause provides for a penalty of approximately 10 per cent on persons who do not pay bills within 10 days.

Roy Porter, local gas company manager, assured the council that the gas company would not accept a change in the penalty section of the ordinance and told the council that the penalty was standard in the billing procedures of his company.

The council also bought a new Ford truck from Craddock-Witten Motors for a trade-in figure of \$2,497. It was the low bid of four. The council voted to ask for bids on a new police car, a new pickup and a new boat and motor for the lake patrol and gave the city manager authority to employ an umpire or umpires for Little League baseball games.

Mrs. Charles Root and Mrs. Oren Feaster were appointed to the city's recreation committee to replace Mrs. Bill Rhode and Mrs. Ken Cowan whose terms expired. Henry Billberry, Jay Craddock and R. B. Baker were named members of the Board of Equalization.

# City Repairs Tennis Courts

All four tennis courts at the city park are now equipped with cyclone fence nets, according to Bruce Dunn, director of public works.

The chicken wire net has been replaced with the cyclone fence material to make all nets the same. The cloth tape at the top of the nets which is wearing out, will soon be replaced, Dunn said.

# Births Outnumber Deaths In Dawson

LAMESA—Eight deaths and 38 births were recorded in Dawson County during April. It was reported by Arthur Standefor, Justice of the Peace.

Standefor indicated that each of the totals had fallen off from the first three months of this year when more than 50 births and 20 deaths were recorded in each of the three periods.

# FFA Members Receive Awards

LAMESA—Kenneth Hogg was presented an outstanding merit award at a recent annual parent-son banquet of the Lamesa Future Farmers of America Chapter.

He was cited for top achievements during the past year. Special merit certificates were awarded to Frank McCasland, Ronnie Ryson and Larry Nance for dairy cattle judging.

Sid Wristen was awarded the chapter's honorary farmer degree.

Harold Hiley received the public speaking award and Melvin Keithley received the awards for electrification. Jimmy Nance and Wayne Dersine also were recognized for achievement.

Hiley, president of the chapter, introduced the sweetheart, Lynetta Griffin and the chapter queens, Shari Addison and Cheri Medina.



South's Entry

Miss Linda Johnson, 20-year-old junior at the University of Mississippi, will represent nine southern states in the national Miss Wool Pageant at San Angelo, May 9-15. She wears a beautiful white wool formal of her own design which she will wear in the competition for the \$10,000 wool wardrobe and a year of travel as goodwill ambassador for the wool industry.

# THE FRONT ROW

By Bob Smith

Some art notes: The show at HCJC is worth taking in.

There are some names familiar to local art patrons, and the paintings are representative of every part of Texas, and surrounding states.

All are at least passable, some of the exhibits being of a fine nature, most worthy of consideration.

As always, the paintings present a variety of media and subject matter, and range from realistic to abstract.

The college's exhibitions, including this one, always hang in the library and in the hallway outside.

Public support of art continues to spread.

Several cafes have hung paintings by local artists, and now Maybelle's Antiques is displaying eight works by John Findlater.

Terry Patterson's exhibit at the Sands has run its course, and the next month there be hangs to Lois Hogue Shaw, of Sweetwater. Mrs. Shaw is widely known in West Texas for her work, has studied under some of the country's top painters, and is listed in Who's Who in American Art. Her works are always worth consideration.

Findlater will have a one-man

# Earp Cleared In Wild Shot

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP)—Just like on television, when there is any wild shooting on the Wyatt Earp show, it's the other guys who do it.

And that was the case Sunday night during the stage show featuring Hugh O'Brian, the television Wyatt Earp, who is in Lubbock, Tex., this week with his show.

During the show, Frisco Estes, 22, fell like so many have done who faced Wyatt. But his expression of pain was real. He had been hit in the chest and arm by six bird shot.

But it wasn't Earp—or rather O'Brian—who fired the shot which hit Estes.

Savannah City detective J. H. Griner said the shot was fired from the pistol of William Daniel Woland of Burbank, Calif., who was supposed to be shooting blanks. Griner quoted Woland as saying he did not know how the target shell got mixed in with the blanks.

Griner said Woland was released on O'Brian's request and added, "Our investigation showed that Hugh O'Brian was in no way connected with the incident."

# Gen. Van Fleet's Dog Is Missing

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP)—Gen. James Van Fleet's internationally famous dog, Happy, is missing.

The dog was a gift to the retired general from Syngman Rhee, the recently ousted president of Korea.

Happy, a Korean hound, disappeared from the home of Van Fleet's brother, R. R. Van Fleet, who was keeping the dog for the general.

# Mother's Club Officers Installed

LAMESA—New officers for the Lamesa High School Golden Tornado Band Mothers Club were to assume their duties at the organization's final meeting of the year Tuesday in the high school band hall.

Mrs. Don Nutt will assume her duties as president; Mrs. Homer Simpson, vice president; Mrs. Harley Campbell, secretary; Mrs. W. B. Beeson, treasurer; and Mrs. J. H. Foster and Mrs. Pete Buchanan, bus chairman.

# Critic Silenced

HAVANA (AP)—Pro-government unions early today seized *Diario de la Marina*, Cuba's oldest newspaper and the loudest critic of Prime Minister Fidel Castro and his regime.

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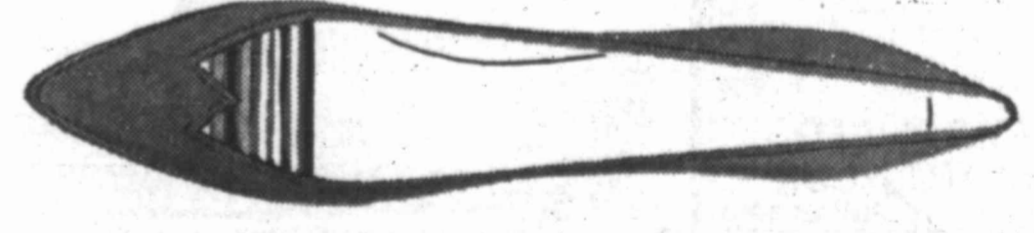
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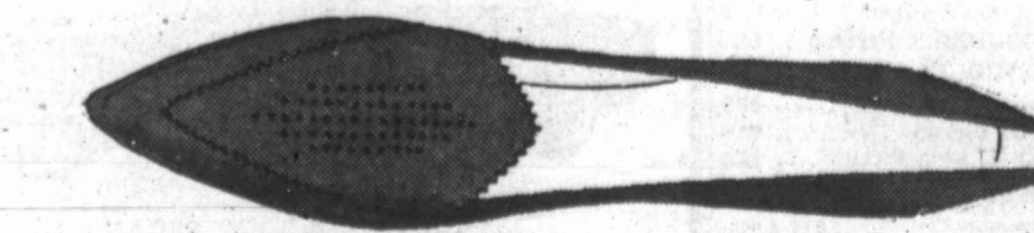
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