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## Czechoslovakia's Jan Masaryk Ends Own Life

### Witnesses Describe Muldrow Shooting

The state rested its case at 1:25 p. m. The slaying of Robert Muldrow, III, 41, on the lawn of his home, 1001 North D Street, last September 7 was described by witnesses at the trial Wednesday of Mrs. Mahotah Muldrow, 40, who was indicted for murder in connection with the shooting of her estranged husband.

### New Arctic Blasts Hit West Texas

A new Arctic blast hit the Panhandle Wednesday and pressed in on the rest of Winter-plagued North Texas. The cold wave was forecast to reach all of the state, except the lower Rio Grande Valley by Wednesday night.

A warning to protect young livestock, tender crops and water pipes was issued for the Dallas area, where temperatures in the lower 20's were forecast for Wednesday night.

### School Trustees Name Principals; Set Class Dates

The reelection of school principals for the 1948-49 term, and the setting of class dates for baccalaureate and commencement services featured the regular meeting of trustees of the Midland Independent School District Tuesday night.

### English Family Welcome To Texas Is Postponed

GALVESTON—(P)—This city's "Welcome to Texas" reception planned for the Fred Payne family, journeying from England to make their home in nearby LaMarque, Wednesday was postponed from Thursday to 3 p. m. Friday.

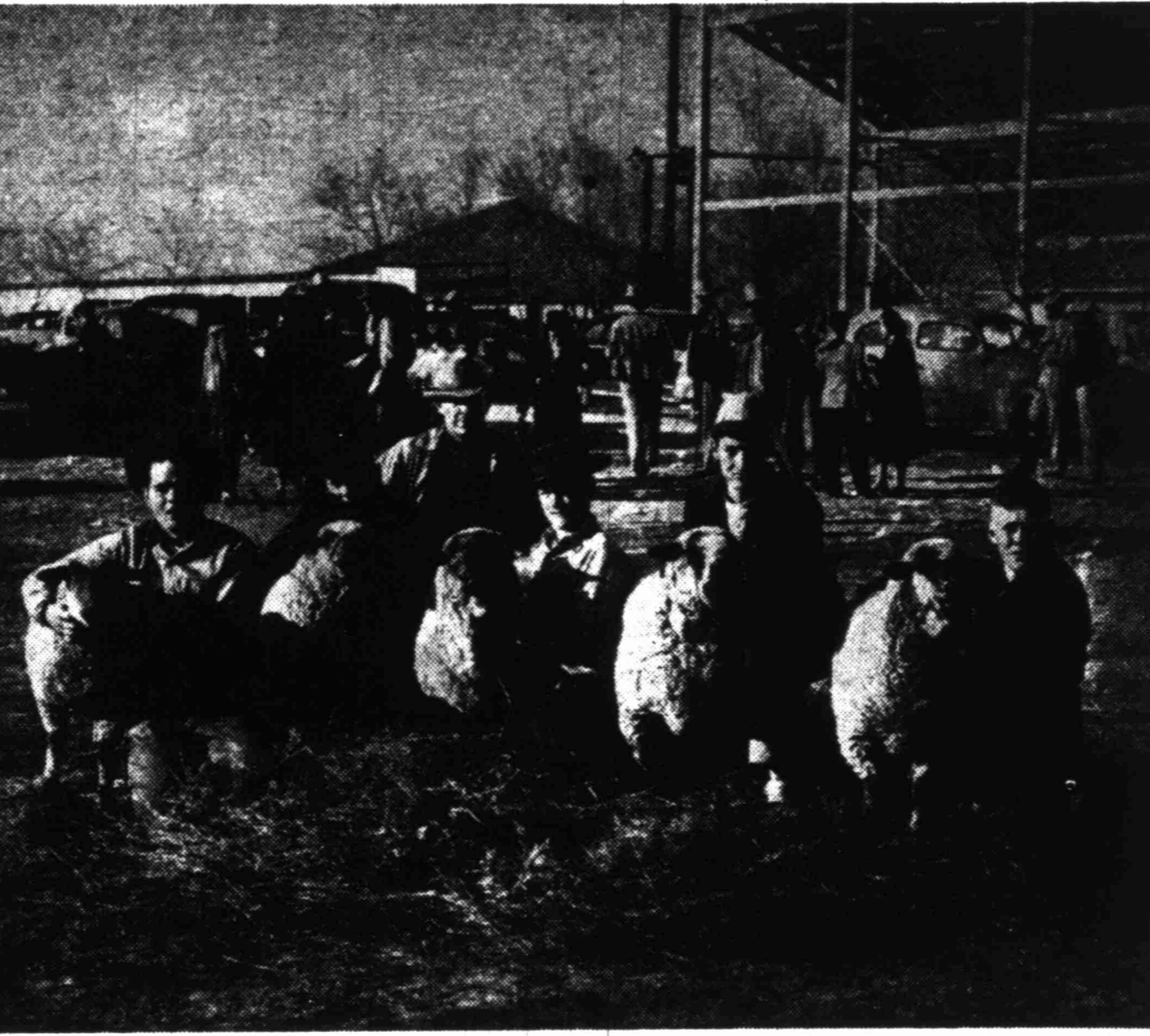
### Odessa's Sand Hills Hereford Show Opens

ODESSA—(P)—The annual five-day Sand Hills Hereford Show opened here Wednesday. The opening day schedule included a parade and a special judging of 4-H and FFA calves and lambs, plus judging of fat fine wool lambs and registered sheep.

### Chennault Says China Aid Will Halt Russia

WASHINGTON—(P)—Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault told the House Foreign Affairs Committee Wednesday that Russian aid to China would halt "top military aggression" in Europe.

### Midland FFA Champion Pen Of Lambs



Champion pen of five lambs of the Midland Livestock Show Monday were these, fed and exhibited by members of the Midland chapter of Future Farmers of America. Left to right, the boys are Wayne Richardson, Archie Rowe, Norman Drake, Don Bizzell and Delmar Dodson. Vocational Agriculture Teacher J. R. Cuffman is immediately behind the Drake lamb.

### New Ordinance On Garbage Gets First Approval

A new garbage collection ordinance for Midland was passed on first reading at a meeting of the City Council Tuesday night, along with standard plumbing and house moving ordinances. They will be effective if passed on second readings at the next regular council meeting.

### 'Conserve Gas,' Appeals WTGC

Citizens were urged to conserve natural gas as much as possible Wednesday as the West Texas Gas Company was notified by government weather bureaus the present cold weather might exist for several days.

### Champions In The Scharbauer Lobby



Champion calves and lambs of the Midland Livestock Show, attracted many interested spectators when the animals were displayed in pens in the Scharbauer Hotel lobby Monday night. Norman Drake, Midland County 4-H Club boy, is in the pen in the background, grooming his champion milked steer. Rafter Willis, Ector County 4-H boy, is in the center pen, straightening a misplaced hair on his champion drylot steer. In the foreground, obscured by onlookers, are the champion crossbred and fine wool lambs, exhibited by Bonnetta Cox and Marion Wilkerson of the Glasscock County 4-H Club.

### Nation Shocked At Passing Of Leader

PRAGUE—(P)—Jan Masaryk, non-party foreign minister in the new Communist government of Czechoslovakia, killed himself Wednesday in a leap from his third floor office, the government announced. He was 61.

### Tom Sealy Quits City Plan Board

The resignation of Tom Sealy as chairman and member of the Midland Planning Commission was accepted with regret by members of the City Council at their Tuesday night meeting. Sealy, in a letter to the council, said he was resigning because of the press of personal business and because of his duties as president of the Chamber of Commerce.

His successor on the commission will be named at the next meeting of the council. The purchase of two dump trucks for the street department was authorized on low bids submitted by Broadway Motors and Elder Chevrolet Company. Each firm will provide a truck. The four bids received on six-city trucks were Broadway Motors, \$2,234.47; Elder Chevrolet, \$2,239.33; Murray-Young Motors, \$2,349.95; Mackey Motor Company, \$2,494.40 and \$2,704.90.

### Armo Spears Trial Postponed Until May

Trial of Armo Spears on an indictment charging murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Robert L. Wallace here last October 12 had been postponed until the term of 70th District Court which starts May 17. Judge Cecil C. Collins announced Tuesday afternoon. Men called for jury duty have been excused for the duration of this term of court.

### Dewey Wins First GOP Ballot Test

WASHINGTON—(P)—New York Gov. Thomas E. Dewey showed Wednesday he still packs a potent political punch by capturing six of eight presidential delegate votes in New Hampshire. But by taking the remaining two in Tuesday's first 1948 primary, former Gov. Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota kept himself in the thick of the race for the Republican nomination.

### Woods Hole, Mass. Closes

WOODS HOLE, MASS.—(AP)—Mrs. Frances Crane, former wife of Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk, Wednesday termed his death "a very tragic situation and one which will touch the whole world."

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Lone Star Steel Company gave a \$1,504,647 check to the War Assets Administration Wednesday as down payment on purchase of the Daingerfield, Texas, blast furnace.

### Midland Rancher To Welcome English 'Cowhands' To Texas

Charles A. McClintic, Midland rancher, left Wednesday for Galveston, where he will be among the official group of Texas cowmen welcoming three English boys and their parents to their new ranch home in Texas. The boys, Skipper, Leonard and Howard Payne, and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Payne, will land in New Orleans Thursday morning and will be brought by plane to Galveston. After the official welcome, they will go to their new home on a ranch near LaMarque. It all started early last year, when one of the Payne boys wrote a letter from his home near London, England, addressed to "A Texas Cowboy, U. S. A." The letter was sent to Midland and was published in The Reporter-Telegram, before being distributed by The Associated Press. The boys were anxious to correspond with Texas cowboys and to move to Texas if possible. McClintic corresponded with the boys and their parents, and then joined with other Texans in financing their trip to America. Arrangements were made for the Payne family to reside on the Doddiebug Ranch near LaMarque. The Midland rancher also promised to take the boys on a trip to Ruddiso, N. M., later this year.

### WEATHER

Cloudy, snow or sleet and colder in Panhandle, South Plains and upper regions east of Pecos Valley Wednesday night and Thursday. Cloudy and cooler Thursday. Lowest temperatures expected during Wednesday night and early Thursday, 2-14 degrees in Panhandle and South Plains, 14-24 degrees in upper portions East of Pecos Valley, and 24-32 degrees elsewhere in West Texas. Maximum temperature Tuesday was 71 degrees, minimum 35 degrees. Minimum Wednesday was 28 degrees at 10:30 a. m. and temperature was dropping.

### LAKE SUCCESS — (AP) — Dr. Jan Papanek, Czechoslovak delegate to the United Nations, demanded Wednesday that the U. N. Security Council investigate the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Calvin Mettete, former GI chauffeur of Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, testified Wednesday that Meyers offered him \$2,000 to give false testimony at the general's present federal court trial.

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THE sudden and shocking death of Tommy Bishop was accepted in the town with a lethargy that was surprising...

Sam Blanding, the sheriff, was of the opinion an inquest wouldn't be necessary. Tommy Bishop died as the result of an accident...

"I thought it wouldn't be a bad idea to have Enos here. We aren't familiar with the technicalities of a situation like this and—"

McKenney on Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY America's Card Authority

You can get into an argument on today's hand, starting right off with South's opening bid. Should he open with two spades or one spade?

Everything would change at once. Sam Blanding wouldn't sit there, placidly smoking his pipe, with that pleasant look on his face...

North had bid two no trump, do you think that East should pass? He should not pass, especially over two no trump.

Hand diagram showing cards for North, South, and Dealer. Includes a small table with card counts and a tournament score.

Bottle Of Ink Serves 'Uncalled For' Purpose

MEMPHIS, TENN. (AP)—Sixteen-year-old Betty Walden had a severe cold. So she placed a jar of medicated salve on her bedside table when she retired for the night.

So little power is carried by air waves of human speech that if 5,000,000 persons all talked at once, the power created would hardly light a small bulb.

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Comic strip panels about a woman named Wash and her friends, with dialogue about washing and social gatherings.

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FUNNY BUSINESS

Illustration of a man and woman in a room, with a speech bubble saying 'Good voice, but frankly, one of her upper molars needs filling!'.

Fire Department Calls For Fighting Equipment

TROY, N. Y. (AP)—The fire department of Fostenkill wants residents to fork over \$50 when they call for fire fighting equipment and \$25 for each hour of its use.

Accidents in 1946 took the lives of 100,000 Americans.

Animal Antics

Illustration of a rabbit and a dog playing, with a speech bubble saying 'Boy! That drive is as sweet as the one coming out to the course—in that Checker cab!'.

Horse's Owner Fined For Neglect Of Care

MONROE, PA. (AP)—A farmer who testified he bought a "special, secret medicine" for his sick horse, but consumed most of it himself, was fined \$9.13.

The former Prince of Wales introduced a new and popular suede shoe for men.

SIDE GLANCES

Illustration of two men in suits sitting at a table, with a speech bubble saying 'I often wish I'd taken up practice in a large city—it must be much easier to bring suit against a stranger!'.

CARNIVAL

Illustration of a group of people at a carnival booth, with a speech bubble saying 'No crackers with the tea, waiter—one never knows when one will want to whistle!'.

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Comic strip panels featuring Red Ryder and his horse, with dialogue about a ranch and a picture.

ALLEY OOP

Comic strip panels about a man in an alleyway, with dialogue about a magic lamp and a slave.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Comic strip panels featuring a group of children, with dialogue about a boy and a girl.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

Comic strip panels featuring a woman named Boots and her friends, with dialogue about a party and a man.

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**On the Spot**

Lt. Gen. G. H. A. MacMillan, commander of British forces in Palestine, has twice escaped death at the hands of assassins. In the latest attempt, his automobile was demolished by a land-mine but he was not in it. The blast occurred at the Jaffa-Jerusalem road.

**Stanton News**

STANTON — R. R. Galloway, vocational agriculture instructor, and his livestock judging team from Odessa High School spent Thursday afternoon with County Agent Eiland doing practice judging.

R. S. Higgins, Jr., 15, and his sister, Harriett, 13, did well in the Martin County 4-H Club Livestock show. R. S. led out the champion dry lot calf of the show, and Harriett received champion and 11th place with her four Plymouth Rock capons.

Fifteen Martin County 4-H Club boys had entries in the Midland Livestock show Monday and Tuesday. They were Earl Koonce, Fred Church, Wayne Church, Bob Cox, W. D. Chandler, Weldon Appleton, R. S. Higgins, John Dale Kelly, Dwayne Peterson, Loyd Mims, Darrell Froman, David Davidson, J. C. Newland, James Tunnell, and Malcolm Tunnell.

Mrs. S. L. Newsom has returned from Dumas where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, C. F. Richards.

Mrs. Mabel Dingwell, who has been here since December with her mother, Mrs. T. S. Haynie, returned to her home in New York recently.

Fred Deerfield of Littlefield has accepted a job with the Memorial Hospital as an X-ray and laboratory technician and business manager.

Mrs. Lewis Gregg and Mrs. R. A. Bennett visited relatives in Colorado City Thursday.

**Weatherbeaten Historic Mission Being Repaired**

AUSTIN — (AP) — Historic San Jose Mission at San Antonio is having its facade lifted for the first time in more than 200 years.

A contract for restoration of its facade was recently let and it includes waterproofing to minimize future damage, Mrs. Ethel Wilson Harris, custodian for the State Parks Board, reported here that recent weather has subjected the mission to a "terrific beating."

Water and ice were both blamed for the cracking and chipping of the mission's stone front.

The mission has been designated as a national historic shrine. The shrine is administered by the Catholic Church, the State Parks Board and the National Park Service. The mission was built in 1720 by the Franciscans.

**George Bernard Shaw Says 'No' To Homework**

AYOT ST. LAWRENCE, ENGLAND — (AP) — To George Bernard Shaw, asking children to do homework is simply monstrous.

"The school managers ought to be warned by the society for the prevention of cruelty to children," observed the playwright.

"If they required such overtime, day in and day out all the year around, from the Prime Minister, the Lord Chief Justice or the Astronomer Royal, they would be certified for a mental hospital."

"It would kill me in a week."

Well, asked a press association reporter, how would Shaw begin if he were a grammar school teacher?

"By threatening to murder my classes if they dared to think of their lessons out of school."

**Martin County HD Club Has Meeting**

STANTON — Mrs. Imogene Ledbetter, county agent, discussed "choosing accessories" before the Valley View Club at a meeting recently in the home of Mrs. Lewis Carline.

Spring hits, supplied by merchants, were displayed by Mrs. Ledbetter and modeled by the club members. Glove-making of fabric and leather materials was demonstrated by Mrs. Ledbetter, Mrs. Hoyt Britton, and Mrs. C. A. Castleberry.

Visitors included Mrs. Troy Pierce and Mrs. Steve Church, and members present were: Mrs. W. E. Berry, Mrs. J. R. Phillips, Mrs. W. H. Butler, Mrs. Stanley Reid, Mrs. R. S. Higgins, Mrs. J. T. Mims, Mrs. C. A. Castleberry, Mrs. Hoyt Britton, Mrs. Imogene Ledbetter, and the hostess.

**WATERFOWL PRESERVES**

The U. S. Biological Survey has created two preserves for the protection of migratory waterfowl in the salt marshes of the Louisiana coastal area. They cover 159,300 acres.

**Club Decides Charity Should Begin At Home**

LITTLETON, COLO. — (AP) — Four boxes of food and clothing originally destined for the needy in Holland will be sent instead to the Navajo Indians at Window Rock, Ariz.

The Home Demonstration Club here had the supplies ready for shipment.

Then, somebody suggested that charity might begin a little closer to home.

Mrs. Ray H. Baker, chairman of the club, said the boxes would be sent to the Indians.

**Sinclair Workers Order Strike Vote**

FORT WORTH — (AP) — Members of the Oil Workers International Union employed by the Sinclair Refining Company Wednesday were backing up wage demands with a strike vote.

O. A. Knight of Fort Worth, president of the union, ordered the nationwide strike vote Tuesday among the union's 10,000 employees of the company.

Results of the election will be announced in mid-April.

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**Parity, Farm Price Support Are Important To Farmers**

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Nice baby, full of trouble, right in Congress' basket: parity and farm price support.

They may sound like Greek to city people. But they're important to farmers. Here's an explanation.

Parity simply means equal. And price support means only that the government will buy up crops, if necessary, to keep farm prices from falling too low.

The law says there's parity (equality) between farm prices and other prices when—

A farmer can buy, with the money he gets for his crops, the kind and amount of things he could buy in some past time. What past time?

Good Years For Farmers

In most cases it's the period of 1909-14, called a base period. Those were good years for farmers. Here's an example of parity:

Say wheat sold for \$1 a bushel in 1909-14. And in that period for \$50 a farmer could buy a certain kind of suit, or tools, or other things.

Say now wheat sells for \$2 a bushel but that suit or those other things sell for \$100. That's all right.

There's parity, or equality, there. The price of the suit has doubled. But so has the price of wheat. The farmer is spending for a suit twice as much as in 1914, the same kind of suit, but he's earning twice as much.

When there's real equality like that between farm prices and the price of things farmers buy, the government says parity is 100 per cent.

What happens?

Say now that 100 per cent of parity for a bushel of wheat is \$2. What happens if the price of wheat falls below \$2, which means below parity?

The government says that if the price falls below a certain point under \$2 (or parity) it will step in and buy the farmer's wheat or lend him money on it. How far below?

Right now, in the case of a crop that is covered by the support program, the government steps in if the price goes below 90 per cent of parity. In this case it would be 90 per cent of \$2 (parity), or \$1.80.

But doesn't the government sometimes wind up with a lot of farm products on its hands and a lot of money spent? Yes.

Tries To Get Money Back

The government tries to get back the money spent by selling the crops for what it can get. Last year it wound up losing \$42,000,000 although it spent many millions more than that through price support.

Congress passed the laws setting up the price supports. But not all crops get it. For instance, there's no price support for citrus fruits like oranges and grapefruit.

But here are two big kinds of farm products that get price support:

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2. Hogs, milk, eggs, chickens, potatoes, sweet potatoes, soybeans, dry beans, and some others.

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**Queen Of The Circus Arena**

Harriett Beatty, wife of the intrepid Clyde Beatty, preens in her dressing room prior to her entrance into the big top of the Clyde Beatty Circus which will show in Midland Wednesday, March 17.

Sharing honors with her famous husband, Mrs. Beatty presents a unique trained wild animal act in which she directs joint performances of a Royal Bengal tiger and an Indian elephant in the same arena in which her husband presents his startling wild animal exhibition. Performances will be presented at 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. at the softball park on West Highway 90.

**Reds Lack Board For Olympic Events Action**

ZURICH, SWITZERLAND — (AP) — Members of the Soviet sports delegation which attended the winter Olympic games at St. Moritz as observers declared here after the games that Soviet sportsmen would have taken part in the games "if they had been invited."

Otto Mayer, chancellor of the International Olympic Committee, commented later that the Soviet Union had not yet formed a national Olympic committee, and therefore could not have been invited.

If a Russian Olympic committee has been established by the time the International Committee meets in May, the Soviet Union will "without any doubt" be asked to take part in the Summer Olympic games in London, Mayer added.

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