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I am weary with my moaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.—Psalm 6:6

Aid To China

President Truman's top economic adviser, Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, has warned that a rise in military spending will unleash new forces of inflation.

One of the undecided items in a new budget is aid to China. Congress has voted the Chiang government \$125,000,000, but that is almost gone.

To this situation now is added the clear warning that all-out aid to China might bring dangerous inflation here at home.

Real Spadework

Soviet scientists are reported to have discovered a deposit of "millions" of dinosaur skeletons, and also to have unearthed in the Crimea the remains of a city of the early Christian era.

Youthful Actor

- Horizontal: 4 Fish eggs, 1,7 Pictured, 14 Interest, 15 Accomplish, 16 Wastrel, 17 Place, 18 Rip, 19 Slice, 20 Hoes, 21 Cravat, 22 Plural suffix, 23 Mixed type, 24 Higher, 25 Chinese measure, 26 Ironed car, 27 Cavity, 28 Feel, 29 Make into law, 30 Hebrew deity, 31 Right (ab.), 32 Aerial wireman, 33 Cable (coll.), 34 Book, 35 Sheet, 36 Of the ear, 37 Proposition, 38 Unpleasant, 39 Thrice again, 40 Stupor, 41 Street, 42 Vertical: 1 Waiter, 2 Waken, 3 Sings

Answers to Previous Puzzles: HORIZONTAL: 1. FISH EGGS, 2. PICTURED, 3. INTEREST, 4. ACCOMPLISH, 5. WASTREL, 6. PLACE, 7. RIP, 8. SLICE, 9. HOES, 10. CRAVAT, 11. PLURAL SUFFIX, 12. MIXED TYPE, 13. HIGHER, 14. CHINESE MEASURE, 15. IRONED CAR, 16. CAVITY, 17. FEEL, 18. MAKE INTO LAW, 19. HEBREW DEITY, 20. RIGHT (AB.), 21. AERIAL WIREMAN, 22. CABLE (COLL.), 23. BOOK, 24. SHEET, 25. OF THE EAR, 26. PROPOSITION, 27. UNPLEASANT, 28. THRICE AGAIN, 29. STUPOR, 30. STREET, 31. WAITER, 32. WAKEN, 33. SINGS, 34. VERTICAL: 1. WAITER, 2. WAKEN, 3. SINGS



Building Up A Lot Of Pressure



DREW PEARSON ON THE WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

WASHINGTON. — Perry Brown, of Beaumont, Texas, the American Legion's new national commander, missed a chance to advertise Texas as when he visited the White House with Louis Johnson, former assistant secretary of war.

So they say

In a dynamic society such as we have in America, virtue does not inhere in stability, but in adaptability to greatly accelerated social change.

THE DOCTOR SAYS

Diabetes Affects More People Than Is Realized Even Now

By EDWIN F. JORDAN, M. D. Written for NEA Service. Diabetes is a disease which is probably more important than is realized even now.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

UN Conservation Conference To Peer Into Earth's Future

WASHINGTON—This may be a little on the deep dish side, for people who want to peer into the future as far as they can peer.

Questions and Answers

Q—How should Chinese names be written? A—In Chinese, surnames are written first and that order is usually followed here.

R. L. MILLER WILL ADDRESS JAYCEES

R. L. Miller, district manager of the Texas Electric Service Company and a director of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Friday noon in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer.



"Not so hard! NOT SO HARD!"

Texas Sheep And Goat Raisers Eye Wool Support Plan

SAN ANGELO—The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association... J. M. Jones of Salt Lake City... The proposal is based on the difference between the support price and the average price of wool received during the year.

Post Office Sub Station Has Large Parking Area

The Midland post office sub station in the Dunagan Sales warehouse in the 600 block on West Missouri Street will begin receiving packages Friday morning.

Construction Job Shut Down When Noise Irks Judge

DALLAS—(AP)—Noiseless construction work would be wonderful, but... "I'm afraid the only way to stop the noise is just not to do the work," said H. F. Pettigrew.

Midland Airman



Pfc. Jessie L. Mann, son of Jack Mann, 407 West Florida Street, Midland, is training as an Air Force technician at the USAF Technical School at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming.

Stanton News

STANTON—Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Green and children of Klondike, former teachers in the Stanton schools, visited here during the weekend.

Social Situations

SITUATION: You are referring to your husband's family. WRONG WAY: Refer to them as "my in-laws."

Scouter Banquet Scheduled Monday

CRANE—The annual Permian District Scouter Banquet will be held here Monday at 7:30 p. m. in the Community Hall.

Christmas Program Plans Underway

CRANE—The First Baptist Church will have its Christmas program and tree on December 17.

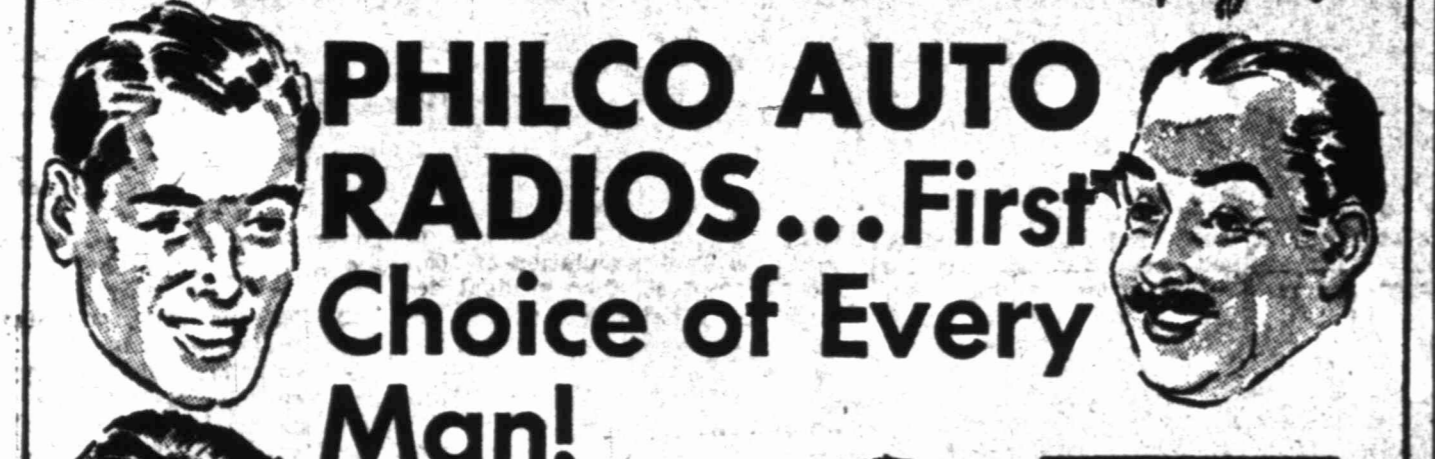
Johnson To Oppose Taft-Hartley Repeal

DALLAS—(AP)—U. S. Senator-elect Lyndon Johnson said he would oppose any effort to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act.

HARKRIDER WINS SALES AWARD

DALLAS—W. B. Harkrider of Midland was "number nine" among all Southland Life Insurance Company salesmen in the matter of new business paid for during the month of November.

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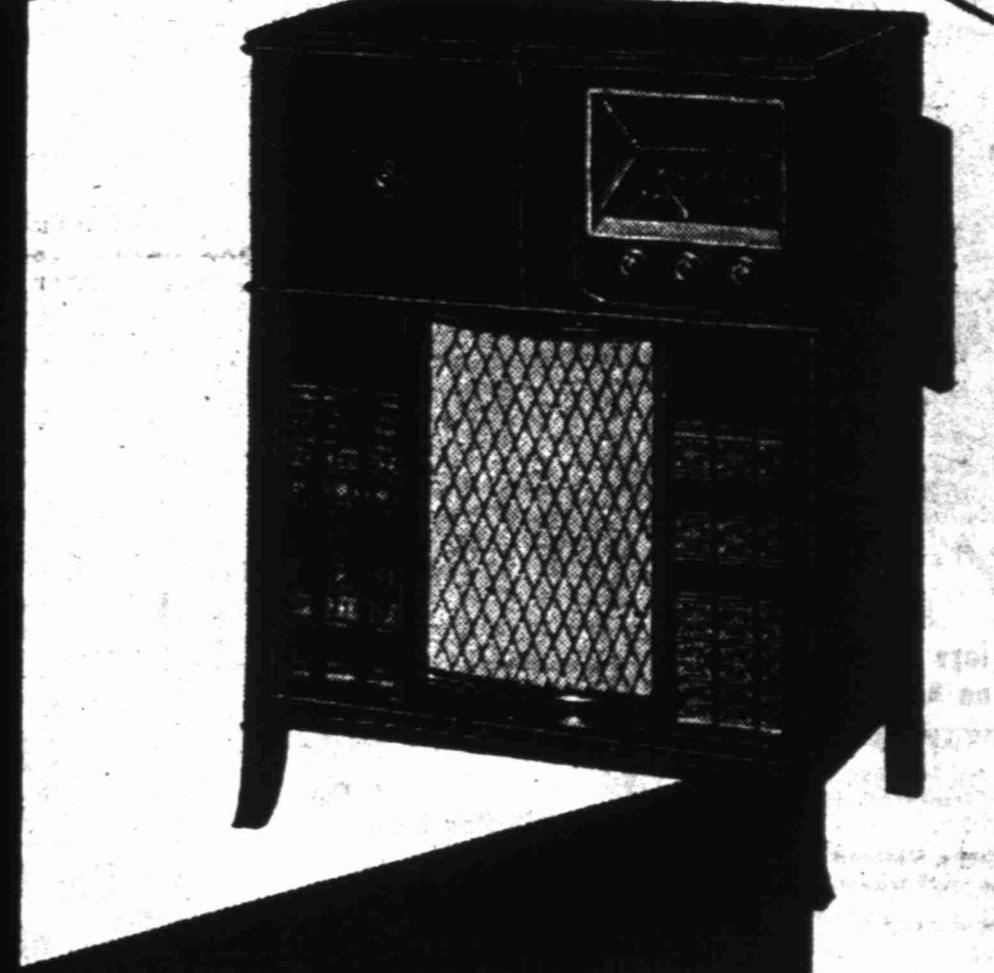
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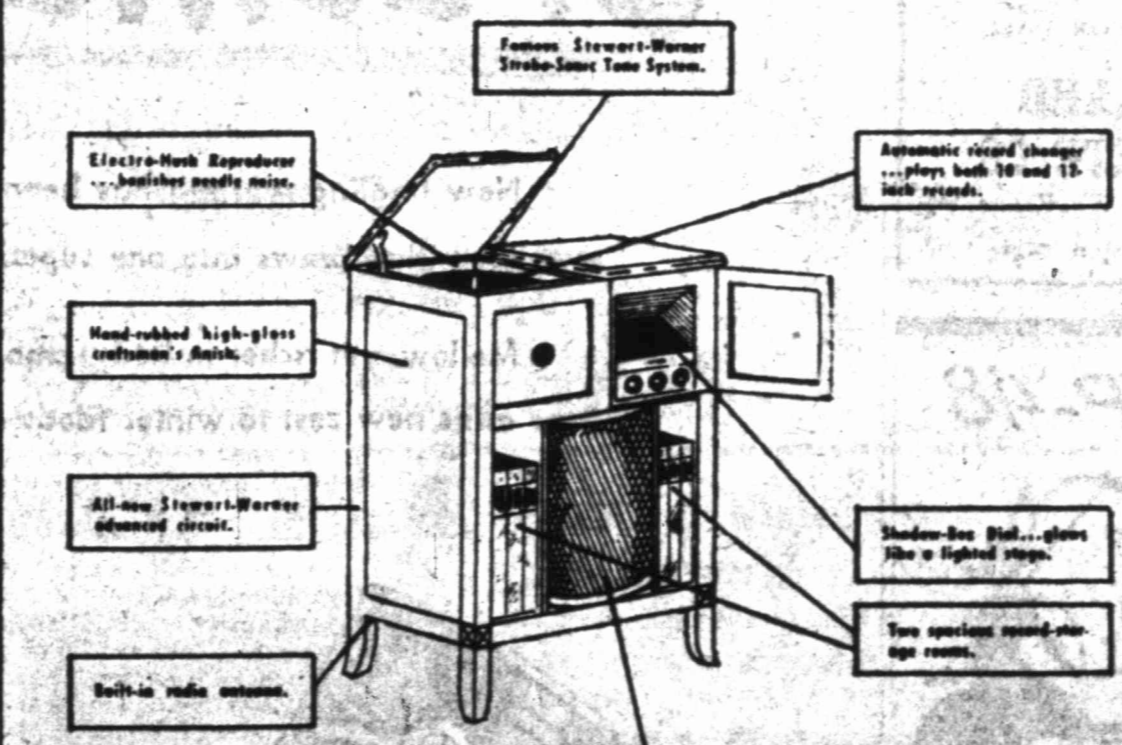
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★ IN HOLLYWOOD ★ Seems Clift Found What He Was Hunting In 'The Search'

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD—Montgomery Clift said he was going to Europe for a vacation. But a pal tells me the real reason—a pretty little French girl in Paris. They met overseas during the filming of "The Search." ... Now that her private life is back on an even keel, M-G-M is all set to do a big build-up on Gloria de Haven. And how she deserves it.

Postmaster Gives Final Warning On Christmas Mailing

A stream of Christmas greeting cards and packages already is pouring into the post office. It is expected to reach flood proportions this week, following Postmaster N. C. Oates' warning that all packages and all Christmas cards for out-of-state delivery should be in the mail by Friday. ... "If they are mailed later, some will not be delivered until after Christmas," he warned.



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Secret Papers May Unravel Spy Question

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON—(AP)—So far as the public is concerned there are three main points in the excitement over the Chambers-Hiss secret papers case.
1. How those highly secret papers ever got out of the State Department.
2. What kind of spy ring really was operating here in Washington, how it operated, and who was involved.
3. Whether anything like that is going on now and what protection the government has against it.

Chambers, at public hearings of the House Un-American Activities Committee last Summer and in a radio interview, accused Hiss of being a member of a pre-war Communist "apparatus" in Washington. Hiss denied this and his libel suit against Chambers was a challenge to Chambers to put up or shut up and pay damages. Chambers then came up with the papers.
The papers cover a period in 1937-38. And all this may seem like old stuff now.
But if there was a spy ring here then, the question is:
How far did it reach into the government, that it could get those papers—some of them marked "strictly confidential" for the secretary of state—into the hands of a man, Chambers, who said he was a Communist at that time?
And if a spy ring could have been built so beautifully, what reason is there to believe it was ever broken up completely?
Starts Over Again
A federal grand jury in New York investigated an alleged spy ring here about 14 months and got nowhere. Now, with these secret papers available, it's beginning its investigation again.
And the Un-American Activities Committee spent many weeks, and got many headlines, investigating an alleged spy ring here and didn't wind up with much more than headlines.
Now the committee is rushing back into its investigation.
The committee and the grand jury, with the help of Justice Department agents, now have a chance to make a thorough investigation into spy ring work here—if any—past and present.
The welfare of the country requires a complete investigation with facts, instead of one-day sensations and headlines, to show what really has happened.

Two Texans Selected As Rhodes Candidates

HOUSTON—(AP)—Two candidates for Rhodes Scholarships have been selected from Texas. Both are Fort Worth youths.
Dr. William V. Houston, president of Rice Institute and chairman of the State Rhodes Scholarship Committee, announced that Karl W. Brockman, Jr., and D. L. McQuirk had been named to represent Texas next week in regional competition in New Orleans.
The regional board will award four scholarships among 12 candidates from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.
Brockman is a student at Rice Institute and McQuirk is attending the United States Military Academy at West Point.

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(NEA Telephone)
"Grandma" Sprouse, 77, of Cat Hollow, Ky., believes her home town is the "only civilized place left in the world." Mrs. Sprouse put Cat Hollow on the map in 1946 when she married Delbert Sprouse, then 18. Since then she's visited several large eastern cities, including New York, where a trip to Coney Island confirmed her belief that the end of the world is not coming, but "we're into it a right smart piece." The happy Sprouses are pictured on a visit to Columbus, Ohio.

JUAREZ CELEBRATES 289th ANNIVERSARY
JUAREZ, MEXICO.—(AP)—Juarez officially opens Tuesday a five-day celebration of its 289th anniversary.
Tuesday's program includes the opening of an industrial and agricultural machinery exposition, dancing, fireworks and a literary program.

AUTHOR JAMES HILTON SEEKS U. S. CITIZENSHIP
HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—Author James Hilton intends to become an American citizen.
He disclosed Tuesday that he took out his first papers at Los Angeles. He is a British citizen who has been in this country since 1934.

No Place Like Cat Hollow

+ McCamey News +

McCAMEY—James Autry Nicholas of McCamey has been elected to Delta Sigma Pi, national commerce and business fraternity, at the University of Texas.
Postmaster and Mrs. R. A. Johnson are the parents of a daughter born Friday in a McCamey hospital. The baby, named Judy, weighed nine pounds.
The WBCS of the Methodist Church will have its annual Christmas program and party at the annex Monday. The hostesses for the day are Mrs. Bill Ramsey, Mrs. D. C. Burch, Mrs. Burley McCollum, Mrs. Thomas L. Fuller, Mrs. Joe Guthrie, Mrs. Dutch Cullwell and Mrs. Claud Brown.
The Women's Missionary Society of the First Christian Church met Monday with Mrs. J. W. C. Hayes. Mrs. Buri Williams led in the Study, "Missions to American Frontiers."
The First Christian Church of McCamey has engaged the services of George Brown of Fort Worth for a Pre-Easter Campaign of evangelistic visitation of one week.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack P. Hampton and son, Johnny, of Dumas, Texas, were Thanksgiving guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hampton, and his sister, Jean.
The Rebekah Lodge will have a bake sale at 10 a. m. Saturday in the Odd Fellow Hall on Main Street.

Texas Operators Favor Phone Strike

DALLAS—(AP)—Union members in Texas voted by a one-sided majority to strike against the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company if new contract negotiations fail, a union official reported.
Ray Hackney, Dallas, director of the Communications Workers of America, said the workers will remain on the job until called out by their bargaining committee. Negotiations on the new contract were to be opened Wednesday in St. Louis.

TEXAS TENANTS GET EXCESS RENT REFUNDS

DALLAS—(AP)—Tenants in eight states, including Texas, received more than \$84,000 in rent refunds during November, an area rental official reported.
Luther M. Millam, regional compliance officer for the national housing expediter, said 1,233 tenants had received the refunds. He said the average refund per person was \$62.50.

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Slow-Boat Northerners Bring Weird Winter Weather To Texas

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD
Associated Press Staff
The eleventh wrong-way cold front of the season moved on Southern California Wednesday, headed for Texas.

Already 10 of these wandering fronts have strayed from the normal Arctic weather path, invading the Lone Star State from the West.

Result:
No good rains, no really cold weather and an irritating series of dust storms. It all adds up to the strangest goings on in Weather Bureau history.

Here's the pitch:
The cold fronts still are churned up in the same old weather bowl—Siberia and China. But they are taking a different route to Texas. A. M. Hamrick, head of the Dallas Weather Bureau explained:

"Usually, cold masses move out of Siberia and China, through Alaska and Northern Canada, sweep through Montana and the Dakotas and whistle into Texas. That Arctic route really gives them a chill.

Fuzzy Cold Fronts
But the 10 fronts this year have strayed southward, crossed the Pacific's warming waters, passed through Southern Oregon and California and moved eastward to Texas."

The parade of puny cold fronts, too warm to bring rain, raised plenty of sand in Arizona, New Mexico and West Texas and hazed out the sun from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande.

Over in Fort Worth the Soil Conservation Service took the filler off its nose to announce that the threat of "serious dust storms" again menaces Oklahoma and Texas, particularly the Texas South Plains.

A normal cold front, a bitter, blue, wet norther from the North, could break the Southwest's drought. So far only one front this year, on October 29, has been on the Arctic beam.

The 10 others have come via slow boat from China.

1949 Red Cross Goal Set At \$60,000,000
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Red Cross lowered its sights Wednesday, setting its 1949 fund raising goal at \$60,000,000—only four less than this year's total.

Basel O'Connor, president of the organization, announced Tuesday night that E. Roland Harriman, New York banker and rail executive, will direct the campaign scheduled for March.

EISENHOWER

was my boss
by Kay Summersby

Captain, WAC, Army Of The U. S.
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Instalment 33

Back in Versailles, November faded into December and the weeks dragged by until a Saturday, December 16.

My final diary entry for that Saturday mentioned that the First Army's attack found the going heavy.

And I added vaguely:
"The German has advanced a little."

General Eisenhower said the advance was in a sector known as the Ardennes.

On Monday, however, it was apparent even to me the Germans had launched a full-scale counter-offensive.

Ike, the one solely responsible for the success or failure of our counter-attack and therefore the only one entitled to the luxury of depression, had to smother his own feelings and act as the eternal optimist, the confident buckler-upper. And he carried off the role with perfect aplomb.

The same day he received this report of the Skorzeny assassins, along with other heartbreaking news from the actual front, he prepared an order of the day for every member of the Allied armies.

In it the supreme commander called not only for an ironclad halt to the German attack, he also stressed the offensive, an all-out offensive to take this opportunity of destroying the Germans—while the enemy was out of his pillbox and his deep fortifications.

"Destroy the enemy on the ground, in the air, everywhere," he urged. "Destroy him!"

On the twenty-fourth all our air concentrated upon Nazi airfields and grounded a good portion of enemy fighters.

No one thought much about that night being Christmas Eve, although I recalled longingly the plans of General Bradley's now-harried aide-de-camp for a huge party at 12th Army Group.

General Ike, apologetic because the long-awaited Christmas Party was impossible, invited some of his intimates to dinner.

I thought him more depressed than at any time since I'd met him. He was low really low.

On the following day, however, headquarters sensed a new air of confidence which started down at the lowest levels and surged right up to the supreme commander's office. Ike himself agreed, officially: the Germans were stopped.

While field commanders turned to regrouping and planning problems necessary for a return to the offensive, General Eisenhower once more took up some of his office headaches.

The general had to resume his arguments against the idea of an over-all ground commander, an idea which seemed to some almost exclusively from the British and hit broadly at the appointment of one man: Field Marshal Montgomery.

Several days later the field marshal sent a long message saying General Eisenhower's proposed operational directive was bound to fail, in his personal opinion. Furthermore, he still believed there should be one permanent commander for all ground forces. Monty left no doubt as to who should be that commander, as far as I could see.

The general didn't say much about this situation. But he and Beetle agreed in a regular morning conference that Montgomery had changed considerably since the day in Bari. Just one year before, when Monty said he wanted to "join the team."

"You must have the patience of Job."

(To Be Continued)

Bennett Named New NAM Head



Wallace F. Bennett, left, receives the congratulations of Morris Sayre after being elected president of the National Association of Manufacturers in New York. Sayre is the retiring president. The new NAM head is a Salt Lake City, Utah, paint and varnish manufacturer.

Fred W. Shield, IPAA President To Be Honored At December 16 Dinner

Fred W. Shield, of San Antonio, president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America will be the honor guest for a dinner meeting of independent oil men of the Permian Basin at 7 p. m., December 16, in Midland.

The affair will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. Tickets may be secured from James N. Noland at his office in the Midland Tower.

Shield is an independent oil operator, and has properties in West Texas. All members of the IPAA in this region, and all other independent oil producers, oil operators, royalty owners, and others interested in the oil business, are invited to attend the dinner.

A fellowship hour will be held on the mezzanine floor of the hotel, starting at 6 p. m., preceding the dinner.

Several entertainment numbers will be presented during the program.

LETTERS

from
SANTA

The North Pole
Dear Children,

As I entered the toy shop this snowy morning I knew at once something was wrong. Instead of the merry clatter of hammer and saw, everything was still as a mouse. Not a single soul was at work. And then I discovered why! Way over in a corner, stretched out on a couch was a tiny elf. But not one of our. He looked as though he had traveled a long distance and was now very tired. By his dress I could tell he must have come from that famous band of elves who live in the Swiss Alps. His tiny peaked cap and short felt trousers were apple green brightened with embroidery in Alpine design. And he wore a flowing white shirt.

Without a word I tiptoed out of the shop and made a big bowl of bread and milk. Then I returned to the toy shop and, propping the tiny elf with thumb, I fed him some bread and milk. After a while he opened his eyes. "Santa," he begged, "Santa I have come so far to join your famous toy shop elves. May I stay? I can make the most wonderful Swiss music boxes. And I'll work very hard. Be good, too."

"Why of course you may stay," I said. And just think how happy the children will be to have such lovely music boxes."

Love,
SANTA CLAUS

West Texas Natural Gas Reserves Cited

WASHINGTON—(AP)—There are enough natural gas reserves in West Texas and New Mexico to supply a big market in Arizona and California, two El Paso Natural Gas Company officials testified Tuesday.

The officials who testified at a Power Commission hearing on applications for the El Paso company to build a transmission line were Paul Kayser, president of the Texas concern, and Fazen Dixon, consulting geologist.

CHARGES FILED AGAINST TWO TEXAS FLYERS
OKLAHOMA CITY—(AP)—Charles C. Conner, 35, of Shamrock and Troy Vencil, 40, of Dallas were charged with flying an airplane while intoxicated Tuesday when they landed here.

Al Young, aviation safety agent for the Civil Aeronautics Authority, said the two men kept airplane traffic at Will Rogers Field in a dither attempting to land their small plane in an unorthodox manner.

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Cowboy Ace



Meet a Cowboy ace who will be in the Hardin-Simmons lineup Wednesday night when Coach Jack Martin sends his Cowboys against the Olympic champion Phillips Oilers. Shown above is Glen Burroughs, two-year Cowboy letterman who started his season off Monday night by scoring 11 points as Hardin-Simmons inaugurated the 1948-49 season with a 66-32 victory over Southwestern University in Georgetown.

The only team in the National Football League annually to play Thanksgiving Day games is the Detroit Lions.

Down SPORTSLANE
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The block and tackle are about to be replaced by the hook and jab in Texas amateur athletic circles. For the Texas Golden Gloves, the state's top winter sports event, isn't far off.

The Golden Gloves, sponsored by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and directed by Sports Editor Flem Hall, will come into its teens in 1949.

A score of regional tournaments in key cities that dot the state like pepper on an egg yolk will be unraveled in late January and early February.

Regional winners will battle in Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum February 9 through 14 for state championships in the 13th annual state meet.

Dozens of district tournaments will shuttle winners into regional rings. State Championships will be sent as a team to Chicago—with the Star-Telegram footing the bill—to compete in the Tournament of Champions.

Titlists there will scrap with winners of the New York Tournament of Champions for National Gloves crowns.

The Golden Gloves is open to any amateur over the age of 16.

Contestants must qualify through the regional center nearest to their home, school or army camp. The various tournaments are sanctioned by the AAU, and all contestants must hold AAU cards.

Activities are under supervision of the Texas Golden Gloves Athletic Association, Inc., which holds copyright to the name in Texas.

Fists will fly in eight weight divisions: flyweight (105-112 pounds), bantam-weight (113-118), featherweight (119-126), lightweight (127-135), welterweight (136-147), middleweight (148-160), light heavyweight (165-175), and heavyweight (over 175).

In all tournaments, contestants will box no more than three two-minute rounds with one minute rest.

Fighters from flyweight through welterweight will use eight-ounce gloves. Twelve-ounce mittens will be used in the three heavier weight classes.

Regional tournaments will be staged in Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownwood, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Harlingen, Houston, Lubbock, Odessa, Paris, San Antonio,

Shires Charged With Murder In Death Of HI Erwin, Ex-Umpire

DALLAS — (AP)— Art (The Great) Shires, who mixed baseball with boxing, has been charged with murder in the death of W. H. (Hi) Erwin, a former minor league player and umpire.

Shires was charged with murder with malice aforethought in the court of Justice of the Peace W. L. Stewart.

The one-time major league first baseman was questioned Monday night and released on a \$5,000 bond in a habeas corpus writ. He was to appear before Judge Robert A. Hall in District Court Wednesday.

Erwin, 58, died in a hospital here Saturday. Officers quoted Shires as saying he had a fight with Erwin October 3.

Turbulent Career
Dr. F. A. Rogers, one of the physicians who examined Erwin, said he found Erwin had died from hypostatic pneumonia and cirrhosis of the liver with contributing causes being blows to the head, chest and abdomen.

The 42-year-old Shires, whose turbulent career in the big leagues made headlines in the late twenties and early thirties, had no comment when informed of the murder charge.

The charge said Shires "willfully and with malice aforethought killed William Hiram Erwin by beating him with his fist, the defendant's fist and stomping him with his, the defendant's feet, with shoes on."

Police entered the case when Erwin's physician reported he believed the former ball player died of internal injuries suffered in a fight.

The aptly-named Rearward will make his racing debut in the famed Calumet colors this winter at Hialeah. He is a full brother to Armed.

BASKETBALL SCORES
(Tuesday)
Texas Tech 49, Rice 38.
St. Louis U. 59, Baylor 44.
East Texas State 60, Austin College 47.
Creighton 50, Trinity 26.
McMurry 61, Southwest Texas 54.
H-SU 57, Howard County JC 45.

Sports

Sits This One Out



All-America Halfback Doak Walker, left, attended the All-America Conference game at Ebbets Field, New York, with Rusty Russell, assistant coach of SMU. The Southern Methodist star, who had never seen a professional football game before, says he prefers a coaching job to a pro career.

Steve Brooks, runnerup for riding honors in 1947, will be a major addition this winter to the Hialeah jockey colony. He is coming here with Dixiana stable.

Walker May Forego Pro Grid Career For Position As Coach

NEW YORK — (AP)— Southern Methodist's Doak Walker, outstanding of the nation's present college grid crop, may forego professional football for a coaching career.

The two-time All-America halfback, who still has another year of eligibility, expressed faint interest in the money game Tuesday night in an informal talk with newsmen after receiving the Heisman Trophy as the outstanding college player of the year.

"I'm majoring in physical education," he said. "I'd like to coach when I'm through." He added that a pro grid career didn't appeal to him much at the moment.

The 170-pound triple-threat star received the award at a dinner at the Downtown Athletic Club. Wilbur Jurden, club president, made the presentation.

Some 800 turned out for the event, including a large party of Texans who flew to New York by special chartered plane.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Doak Walker, Sr., of Dallas, the athlete's parents; his sister, Pat, 15; Norma Peterson, a friend, and his present backfield coach at Southern Methodist, Rusty Russell.

Ten-Game Loser Says He'll Quit

BEAUMONT — (AP)— Beaumont High School Football Coach I. B. Griffith Tuesday told The Enterprise he would not seek to continue beyond the expiration of his present contract on June 30 of next year.

Beaumont High lost all 10 games last season. Dr. R. L. Williams, superintendent of Beaumont City Schools, said he had not received Griffith's resignation.

City College of New York's basketball team has set a new CONY scoring record each season for the last three campaigns.

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Southwest Cagers Continue Losing

By The Associated Press
Baylor's Bears dropped their third straight basketball game Tuesday night, bowing to St. Louis University 50-44 at St. Louis.

The Bears led 22-21 at one point in the second half, but the Billikens pulled far in front in the last five minutes of play.

Three of Baylor's starters, Jim Owens, Don Heathington and Odell Preston fouled out of the game. Owens paced Baylor scoring with 18 points.

The touted Oklahoma Sooners open their season Wednesday night at Norman, Okla., against the University of Texas Longhorns.

Another game matches Texas A&M against Sam Houston State at Huntsville.

Only other Southwest Conference team in action last night was Rice which dropped a 46-39 decision to Texas Tech in a game at Houston. Texas Tech never was behind.

Competition in 12 intercollegiate sports is sponsored by Michigan State College. Last year they drew a total of 1,553 candidates.

Trade Rumors Fly At Baseball Parley

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—(AP)—Wednesday was the official opening of the forty-seventh annual minor league convention, but as usual, it was the majors who hogged the spotlight, as far as any important baseball news was concerned.

Trade rumors here in the lobby of the Nicollet Hotel flew thicker than the snowflakes which blanketed the streets outside.

A member of the official family of the New York Giants said he expected to announce a "big trade." Although he refused to say who or what club was involved, he promised "a pretty good story."

It is known Manager Leo Durocher is eager to palm off his big catcher, Walker Cooper, and his slugging first baseman, Johnny Mize. Bob Hannegan, president of the St. Louis Cardinals, is openly interested in Cooper, especially if the latter's knee operation proves

a success. Pitchers Red Mungler and Murry Dickson figure prominently in such a deal.

The Giants would like to get First Baseman Eddie Waitkus, Catcher Clyde McCullough and Pitcher Cliff Chambers from the Cubs. Charlie Grimm, boss of the Bruins, has indicated an interest in Mize, but was noncommittal when pressed for a statement.

Hot Off The Griddle

Not so with General Manager Frank Lane of the rebuilding Chicago White Sox. The busiest "David Harum" of the big leagues thus far—he's already completed four player deals with rival major league clubs—said he was hopeful of closing a couple of deals for Third Baseman Bob Dillinger of the St. Louis Browns and First Baseman Eddie Robinson of the Cleveland Indians.

Other trade rumors hot off the griddle included:

- 1—Pitcher Dixie Trout, Detroit, for Second Baseman Johnny Bernardino, Cleveland.
- 2—Third Baseman Frankie Gustine, Pittsburgh, for either Catchers Clyde McCullough or Bob Scheffing, Chicago Cubs.
- 3—Catcher Phil Masi, Boston Braves for Outfielder Wally Westlake, Pirates.

Joe Maxim Decisions Bivins In 10 Rounds

CLEVELAND—(AP)—Joe Maxim Wednesday joined the assorted flock of heavyweight title aspirants waiting in the reception room to do business with Joe Louis.

The fancy-boxing Clevelander turned in a workman-like performance Tuesday night in outpointing Jimmy Bivins in a 10-rounder. Maxim weighed 182 1/2, Bivins 178.

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Bigtime Cage Tilt Set Wednesday

It's bigtime basketball at 8 p. m. Wednesday in the Midland High School gymnasium when the Phillips 66 Oilers meet the Hardin-Simmons University Cowboys. The Oilers are on a tour in Texas and the strong H-SU quintet is selected to oppose them here. The game is sponsored by Midland High School.

The star-studded Phillips team is expected to win but the underdog Cowboys have not conceded. Hardin-Simmons opened his season with a rousing 66-3 victory over Southwestern University. The 66ers are fresh from a victory over West Texas State at Amarillo. Several All-America cagers will be in the Oilers lineup. Also several members of last year's Olympic basketball team will be in Oilers uniform.

Both quintets have new coaches. The Phillips team is tutored by All-American Cab Bannick, former player. The Cowboys are coached by Jack Martin, ex-Cowboy scoring star. The game has all the angles and will present some really great cagers.

Cagers Split Two Contests

ANDREWS—Midland High cagers split a brace of games here Tuesday night with the Andrews High teams. Midland won the B game curtain-raiser 38-30. Andrews won the varsity tilt 39-25. The games opened the season for Midland.

Two hot workmen, Mickey McGee and Phillips Oliver, led the Midland B's winning attack. Each chucked in 15 tallies. They got 30 of Midland's 38 tallies. Smith led Andrews scoring in this one with 14 points. The Purple of Midland held a 20-14 halftime advantage.

Both McGee and Oliver are transfers to MHS. Either one and both could make the A string. McGee becomes eligible in January. Oliver is a sophomore and must wait a year for varsity eligibility.

Not Enough Showing

Inability to take enough shots and a lag at the free line cost the Midland varsity its game. The Bulldogs took only 29 shots for field goals, making 11 of them. Hamilton of Andrews made 18 points for high-point honors in this tilt. Messersmith tabbed six points to spark Midland. Messersmith and Miller of Midland fouled out of the contest. Andrews had a 19-13 halftime lead.

The box scores:

MIDLAND B	FG	FT	F	TP
McGee	6	3	3	15
O. Phillips	7	1	2	15
Burks	2	0	2	4
Drake	1	0	1	2
Branch	0	0	3	0
Tredaway	0	0	0	0
Spiller	1	0	0	2
Bush	0	0	1	0
B. Phillips	0	0	1	0
O'Neal	0	0	0	0
Johnson	0	0	0	0
Black	0	0	0	0
Chauncey	0	0	0	0
Mohley	1	0	0	2
Locke	0	0	0	0
Burris	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	4	13	38

ANDREWS B	FG	FT	F	TP
Smith	7	0	5	14
Floyd	2	0	2	4
Phillips	4	0	3	8
Forbes	0	0	0	0
Hughen	0	0	0	0
Raid	0	0	4	4
Partee	0	0	3	0
Madison	0	0	0	0
Cotton	0	0	1	0
Totals	15	0	18	30

MIDLAND A	FG	FT	F	TP
Messersmith	3	0	5	6
Henderson	2	1	2	5
Miller	1	2	5	4
Smith	1	0	2	2
Conline	0	0	3	0
Bissell	1	0	1	2
Harris	2	0	3	4
Weaver	1	0	2	2
Buckingham	0	0	3	0
Deel	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	3	24	25

ANDREWS A	FG	FT	F	TP
Hamilton	6	6	3	18
Weatherly	0	0	1	0
Walker	1	1	2	3
Dillard	0	0	0	0
Curley	1	2	2	4
Hervey	0	0	3	0
Graham	1	1	3	2
Short	0	0	1	0
Summerwell	5	1	4	11
Holman	0	0	1	0
Totals	14	11	20	39

Rice Seeks Grid Contests With Navy

HOUSTON—(AP)—Rice Institute is negotiating with the Naval Academy for a home and home football agreement, Athletic Director Jess Neely said here.

Neely said no contracts have been signed and he doubts the first game can be arranged for 1950.

The Houston Chronicle Tuesday quoted Rep. Albert Thomas (D-Texas) as saying the two teams would meet Sept. 30, 1950, in Houston and that the schools were negotiating for a 1951 game in Baltimore.

Big Spring Man Heads District 5-AA

ABILENE—(AP)—W. C. Blankenship, Big Spring school superintendent, Tuesday was elected chairman of District 5-AA in the Inter-scholastic League program.

Other officers named were C. W. Tarter, Sweetwater, vice chairman, and Nat Williams, Abilene, secretary.

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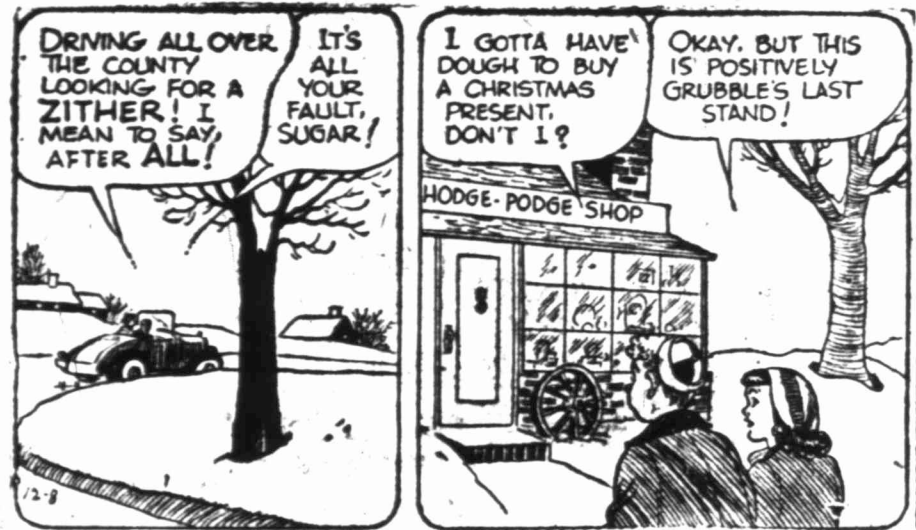
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making that great big noise, because it was getting louder and louder. It sounded now like somebody was crying. But such a very loud cry. It was coming from behind some rocks. Daddy Ringtail hurried toward the rocks and began to climb over them. And when he got to the top, he saw what it was that was making the noise. It was a big yellow lion. The lion was crying. And if you've ever heard a lion crying, you'll know how loud and how awful the noise was. Tears as big as raindrops were rolling down his wrinkled old face. But the lion stopped crying when he saw Daddy Ringtail. Daddy Ringtail and the lion looked at each other.

"Happy day and what are you crying about, Mr. Lion?" Daddy Ringtail said very politely. "Oh, Daddy Ringtail!" the lion said, and his voice was as loud as a great big roar. "I'm having such an awful time. Whenever I open my mouth to say something to somebody, I make an awfully loud noise that frightens everyone away. That's why I'm crying." And the lion's voice was so loud that Daddy Ringtail wanted to cover up his ears, but he didn't, because he wanted to be polite.

Daddy Ringtail smiled. He knew exactly how to help Mr. Lion, so that the great big voice couldn't frighten all of the animals away. "Mr. Lion," Daddy Ringtail said, and catch all the pulls threads with tiny stitches. "The lion wiped his tears and blew

his nose, and then he said: "I've tried to talk quietly with my great big voice, but I can't do it." "Of course you can't," Daddy Ringtail said. "You can't talk quietly with a loud voice. But you can talk quietly with your quiet voice. Everyone has two voices, a loud one and a quiet one."

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Democrats Announce Liberalized Bill To Admit Europe's DPs

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Rep. Walter (D-Pa.) Wednesday completed a new displaced persons bill which he said would eliminate all the features President Truman has objected to in the present law. Walter, the No. 2 Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee which handles such legislation, told a reporter he will introduce the measure when the new Congress opens January 3. His bill, he said, would guarantee against racial, religious or nationalistic discrimination, double the number of homeless Europeans eligible to enter the United States, and give them four years—instead of two years—from last July to apply for admission. Under the present law 205,000 European refugees are to be given entry to this country the next two years. The measure, passed by the 80th Congress last July, was denounced by President Truman as being unfair to Jews and Catholics. Two-year Extension Walter's bill would declare a displaced person eligible for consideration if he entered Germany, Austria or Italy on or after Sept. 1, 1939, and on or before April 21, 1947. The present dates are Sept. 1, 1939, and Dec. 22, 1945. By moving up the latter date, Walter said, thousands of persons would become eligible who moved into Germany, Austria or Italy to escape the Russians. Walter says his bill's "guarantee" against discrimination would require that visas be issued to the various racial and religious groups in the same proportion that the number of displaced persons in each group bears to the total number of displaced persons. Many auto accidents are caused by tires being off balance.

Rail Board Orders Foster Reduction On Per-Well Basis

AUSTIN—(AP)—The Railroad Commission's recent 20 per cent allowable reduction in the Foster field, Ector County, was ordered applied on a per-well basis Tuesday. The general reduction was ordered November 27, following a showing by producers in the field that 20,278 barrels of crude daily could be produced without physical waste. The commission previously had ordered the field closed in, along with 15 others, unless production could be had without wasteful flaring of gas. The Foster field was the only one of the 16 to which the closure order applied that did not contest the order in court.

Christian Church Started At Andrews

ANDREWS—The First Christian Church of Andrews was organized Sunday afternoon with 14 charter members. The charter party will remain open until January 1. The new church group, which will meet temporarily on Sunday afternoons in the Means Memorial Methodist Church, was organized under the sponsorship of the First Christian Churches of Midland and Odessa. The Rev. Lawrence Pugh of Odessa preached the sermon at the organization service, and the Rev. Clyde Lindsley of Midland ordained the officers. An electric cooker—between a casserole and a roaster—is now on the market. It boasts automatic heat control, a five-quart removable inset pan and special insulation of glass fibers.

Dear Santa—

Dear Santa: I am a little boy five years old and I have been pretty good this year. Will you please bring me two guns, two scabbards, cowboy suit, nuts, candy and fruit. Please don't forget my little friend, David.
Thank you, lots of love,
Earl (Butch) Harris.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a bicycle, cash register, house shoes, robe and doll. Don't forget other little girls and boys.
I love you,
Margaret Prine.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me two cap guns, scabbard, red cowboy suit, cowboy belt and some more toys. Please bring my little sister a ding-dong and all of us presents.
Love,
Richard Johnson,
Terminal, Texas.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a little copper horse, electric train that uncouples, complete football suit, table football game, set of pencils, box with my name on it for school, official football and radio and record player.
Carl Otis Hyde, Jr.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a cash register, little football and little car.
Jim Hyde.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a train, grader-tractor, farm set. I am three years old and have been a good little boy. My dog is a good little dog of the candy and oranges so I am going to hang up one of my mother's.
I love you,
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Dear Santa: I am a little girl seven years old and in the second grade. I have tried to be a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a Rudolph projector with Rudolph film, a doll house with furniture, binoculars. If you have any extra dolls, I would like one.
Your friend,
Verna Marie Carter.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl two years old. I try to be good. I would like for you to bring me a doll and tricycle. Don't forget other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Royce Whetstone.

Dear Santa Claus: I read in the paper that you were coming to town but I couldn't be there. I would like to see you at Christmas. Will you bring me a bow and arrow set and a wood burning set and a Keystone filling station?
Don Devore.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a football suit. I want a basketball. Then I want a sleigh, jack-in-the-box, bike, cowboy boots. I would like a shocker.
I am a little boy seven years old and I've been good all year, so please remember me at Christmas. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas, too.
I am,
Yours truly,
Clayson Van Alstyne.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me two guns and two shotguns, also a truck. Bring us some small toys. Don't forget candy.
Bye now, love,
Jay Pat.

Dear Santa Claus (and Helpers, too): Please bring me a wedding doll and a sidewalk-juke. Bring my little brother a football and football hat and choo-choo train.
Love,
Sally and Bobby.

P. S. Please put some candy in my stocking and my sweet little brother's, too.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy six years old. I am in the first grade. I like my teacher and would like for you to bring her something nice. My mother and my sister live at Tulsa, please go see them.
I want a gun and holster with bullets in it, cowboy boots and football (so I will be good when I get in high school).
If you have an extra drum, please leave it. There will be plenty of candy, nuts and all the pie you want.
Lots of love,
Jerry Barron.

Major Fight Shapes Up Over Decision On ECA Shipments

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A major governmental fight shaped up Wednesday over the decision to stop giving American ships a 50-50 share of Marshall Plan "bulk" cargoes. "Fantastic," snapped Maritime Commissioner Greenville Mellen of the newly disclosed ruling by Economic Cooperation Administrator Paul G. Hoffman. Mellen summoned his fellow commissioners to a special session to consider the policy decision which Hoffman ordered into effect January 1. The ECA chief said he based his action on the grounds that the use of higher-cost American shipping for such products as grain and coal is cutting into dollars meant for European recovery. But Mellen, who only Tuesday charged any such action would amount to a "sell out" of the American Merchant Marine, retorted: "If Mr. Hoffman is so interested in having shipping prices competitive, why does he not demand that American railroads charge the same rates for hauling Marshall Plan goods in this country as the European railroads charge over there?" "In fact," Mellen added to a reporter, "why not reduce all U. S. prices to European levels?" It seemed likely the battle would reach President Truman, who reversed one major Hoffman policy decision—dealing with grain exports—only last month. But Hoffman pitched the shipping dispute right at Congress. He sent notice of his decision directly to Senator Bridges (R-NH), chairman of the Senate-House "watch-dog" committee on foreign aid. It appears certain Congress will have the final say. ECA legislation—the question of second-year recovery funds for Europe—will come up early in the new session.

T. A. Pauley Heads Upton Stock Show

McCAMEY—T. A. Pauley of McCamey was named general chairman of the Upton County Livestock Show at a recent meeting of the Agriculture Committee of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce. The 1949 show will be held in the spring. W. M. Day, county agent, was present at the meeting to represent one of the working activities of the 4-H Clubs of the county. Five committees were appointed by the chairman to handle specific phases of the program. They are: Show Committee: Walton Poase, adult horse show; Hamp Carter, adult sheep show; E. Guy Branch, 4-H division. Pen Committee: Dee Locklin and Bill Brown. Finance Committee: Oliver Jacobsen, Jesse Russell, E. F. Matejowsky, Tom Workman and Lloyd Yochan. Sales Committee: Bill Van Atta, Matt Dillingham, Jack Ott, W. H. Carter, Pearl Rankin and Henry Neal. Advertising Committee: Bill Moore, Howell Johnson and Mrs. Tom Workman.

Rain, Snow, Cold Weather Move Into Most Of Country

CHICAGO—(AP)—Rain, snow and colder weather hit wide sections of the country Wednesday. A storm moving inland over the Pacific Northwest into Wyoming brought rain along the coast and snows over much of the northwestern quarter of the country. More snow and colder weather was forecast for Wednesday night and Thursday as the Pacific storm moved eastward out of Wyoming. The Midwest reported the lowest temperatures Wednesday, ranging from zero at Bismarck, N. D., to freezing over the North Central region. The mercury was near normal in the Middle Atlantic, Eastern and New England states. The nation's highest mark Tuesday was 83 at Jacksonville, Fla. Church Men To Hear High School Groups Two high school groups, the A Cappella Choir and the Speech Department, will present a special program at the December meeting of the Presbyterian Men of Midland at 8:30 p. m. Thursday in the cafeteria at the West Elementary School. William B. Neely, program chairman, announced. Ray Lynch is president of the organization. The choir, directed by Miss Elizabeth Cope, will sing several selections, and members of the Speech Department will dramatize Edwin Markham's poem, "How the Great Guest Came." Miss Vera Harris is the director. Deacons of the church will hold their regular meeting in the school at 8 p. m.

Rankin Veterans Start Legion Post

RANKIN—Organization of an American Legion Post in Rankin was perfected Monday night when 21 veterans met in the courthouse. The post has been named Grady Boyd American Legion, with the number of the organization to be assigned at a later date. Grady Boyd, who lost his life while serving in the U. S. Air Force during World War II, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Boyd of Rankin. Officers of the new organization are: Gordon Steele, commander; J. Linton Clark, vice commander; John D. Hurst, adjutant; Jim Lane, finance officer; O. R. Adams, historian; Marvin Bell, sergeant at arms; and the Rev. R. L. Herring, chaplain.

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NTSC Exes Meet Wednesday Night

Ex-students of North Texas State College who reside in Midland and vicinity will meet at 7 p. m. Wednesday in the Private Dining Room of Hotel Scharbauer for the purpose of organizing a Midland chapter of the NTSC Ex-Students Association. DeWayne Davis is in charge of arrangements for the dinner-meeting. All former students of the Denton school are invited and urged to attend.

Midlander's Brother Injured In Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Wycoff left Tuesday night for Hayes, Kan. after receiving word of the critical condition of Wycoff's brother, Ed Wycoff, of Hayes who was injured in an automobile accident Tuesday afternoon. The Kansas man reportedly suffered a brain concussion, punctured lung and a fractured arm. The accident occurred near Hayes.

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