

# Permian Basin OIL & GAS LOG

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## Wolfcamp Yields Oil To Make Apparent Andrews Discovery

A new oil discovery from the Wolfcamp formation of the lower Permian is apparent by Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 2-11 University, wildcat between the Shafter Lake and Fullerton fields of North-Central Andrews County. After recovering heavily oil and gas cut mud in drillstem tests in the current horizon, operator cemented 7-inch pipe to 8,672 feet, total depth, and perforated at 8,395-8,420 feet.

The project was swabbed natural for six hours and made 13 barrels of oil. Perforations were then washed with 1,000 gallons of mud acid. After pressure was lifted, the load kicked back and the well then swabbed and flowed 110 barrels of new oil in nine hours. Shakeout was eight per cent mud.

This prospector, 1,980 feet from south and west lines of section 11, block 13, University survey, was continuing to flow, along with swabbing in order to determine the producing capacity of the Wolfcamp.

## Winkler Pay Opener Flows More New Oil

More oil flowed from the North-east Winkler County Devonian at Gulf Oil Corporation No. 135-E Keystone, recent discovery from that formation in an unproven territory 13 1/2 miles northeast of Kermit, secured a second drillstem test.

The investigation was at 9,994-9,744 feet, with the tool open two hours and five minutes. A 1,000-foot water blanket was used.

Gas reached the surface in 20 minutes and fluid in 50 minutes. In one hour and five minutes after the test began, oil showed at the top and flowed to tanks for one hour, making 79.33 barrels through a 5/8-inch bottom hole choke.

There was no water. Gas-oil ratio was 757-1. Gravity of the petroleum was 38 degrees. Gas volume was 1,442,000 cubic feet per day.

Hydrostatic pressure was 5,500 pounds. Open flowing bottom hole pressure was 3,500 pounds and shut-in bottom hole pressure after 15 minutes was 4,700 pounds.

When a 1/2-inch pipe was pulled, recovery was 450 feet of clean oil.

Electric surveys were being run on last report. Operator will likely run casing and complete as a new discovery.

The pay opener is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 2, block B-1, psi survey. Nearest production is about seven miles west in the Keystone field.

## Humble Stakes Site For Scurry Wildcat

Humble Oil & Refining Company is to start operations at once at a new wildcat in North-Central Scurry County.

It will be Humble's No. 1-B Luther Edmondson. The drillsite is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 437, block 97, H&TC survey.

The venture is projected to 7,000 feet to explore into the Pennsylvanian lime.

It is in the same quarter-section with the French M. Robertson No. 1 Edmondson, which is 7,500 feet below 2,500 feet in lime and anhydrite. The Robertson prospector is 330 feet from north and east lines of section 437, block 97, H&TC survey.

The Humble No. 1-B Edmondson is one mile west and one quarter of a mile south of the same company's No. 1 L. N. Permian, which is bottomed at 7,050 feet in lime and is to set and cement 5 1/2-inch casing on bottom, and then core ahead.

Humble No. 1 Permian flowed oil at the estimated rate of 30 to 35 barrels per hour during a drillstem test at 7,004-54 feet. No water developed. The total depth of 7,054 feet has been corrected to be 7,050 feet.

This is a new discovery from a lower section of the Pennsylvanian lime. This well is about one and one-half miles west of the discovery of the North Snyder field to open production from the Canyon line of the Pennsylvanian. That development was Standard Oil Company of Texas No. 1-2 Brown.

## Pacific Western To Drill Lamb Wildcat

Pacific Western Oil Company has filed an application with the Railroad Commission, requesting permission to drill a 7,500-foot rotary tool wildcat in Central-West Lamb County, 8 1/2 miles southwest of the town of Sudan.

It is to be that concern's No. 1-B D. L. Brown, et al, 440 feet from north and east lines of labor 5, league 213, Deaf Smith OSL survey.

Projected depth is scheduled to allow an investigation into the Clear Fork section of the lower Permian. It is to start drilling immediately.

## Casing Being Run At Jones Ranch Flanker

An attempt to extend the Jones Ranch field of Northwest Gaines County, Amerada Petroleum Corporation was running pipe to the Devonian at its No. 2-D Jones. (Continued on page 14)

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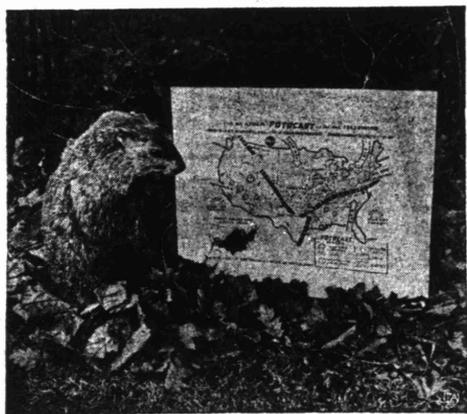
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# Stalin Invites Truman To Europe

## 'A-a-h! Spring Isn't Far Behind!'



That old veteran weather forecaster, Mr. Groundhog, came out of his burrow Wednesday to take a look at the Acme Potocast weather map and see how things are shaping up. It was a nice, dull, gray day in Midland and vicinity, and he didn't see his shadow. And you know what that means—Spring is just around the corner.

## Storms Leave 112 Dead; Losses Multiple Millions

Weather's wintry elements lashed out over 15 states from Texas to California in January, causing at least 112 deaths and millions of dollars damage to citrus and vegetable crops.

But the final death toll, property damage and livestock losses remained undetermined as the storm-battered Western section of the nation still reeled from the January blizzards.

A survey Wednesday unfolded to some extent the widespread damage over the storm belt from the worst weather in several years.

The damage to citrus and vegetable crops runs into the millions of dollars—\$39,000,000 in California alone.

The livestock loss still is undetermined and probably will not be known until Spring. The job of saving thousands of cattle and sheep which were snowbound on the Western rangelands by January blizzards still is not finished. Neither is the huge task of bringing relief to the thousands of marooned ranchers and Indians. The emphasis in the Western blizzard belt still is on relief operations—not on counting the losses.

Some communities in the Western blizzard area were isolated for days—some for weeks. Roads choked with huge snow drifts halted all travel over hundreds of miles in the Dakotas, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Nevada, Utah and Idaho.

The federal government joined with the Western blizzard states in the relief and rescue work. Planes and snow-moving equipment moved in. Bulldozers and snow plows opened the snow-locked highways and secondary roads. Planes carrying (Continued on page 13)

## Life Sentence For Odessa Man Upheld

AUSTIN—(P)—The Court of Criminal Appeals approved a life sentence Wednesday for an Ector County man convicted in the slaying of his twin brother.

Dennis Randall was convicted June 9, 1948, by an Ector County district court in the slaying of Dallas Randall, February 13, 1948, who was shot after an argument over which brother would play the juke box. The shooting took place in a tavern.

## Search Resumed For Hotel Fire Victims

RIPON, WIS.—(P)—Search was resumed Wednesday for the bodies of five persons believed to have died in the fire which destroyed the Grand View Hotel early Tuesday.

One unidentified body was recovered from the ruins late Tuesday, but Police Chief Ira Dunham said five other hotel guests still were unaccounted for.

Dunham said 48 guests occupied 40 rooms in the hotel, operated by Mrs. Mamie Kuhn. The hotel register could not be located, but Dunham said all but six guests were located after they escaped or had been rescued.

Some were taken to hospitals with injuries and exposure. Dunham listed as missing and presumed dead: Lloyd Wasserbach, 27, and Albert Belich, 60, both of Madison, Wis.; Robert Wingler, 32, Iowa City, Iowa; Charles Wendland, 80, Alice, Calif.; and Clara Solverson, 62, all of Ripon.

## SCRUGGS AND DOWNING TO ATTEND STOCK SHOW

R. D. Bobb Scruggs, president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, and Delbert Downing, manager, will leave Wednesday night for Fort Worth to attend the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show. They will continue on to Arlington Thursday night when Downing will be the principal speaker at a ladies night meeting of the Arlington Rotary Club.

Temperatures over the state Wednesday, included: Abilene 28 degrees, Amarillo 20, Austin 33, Big Spring 30, Brownsville 43, Dallas 24, El Paso 30, Houston 38, Waco 28, Beaumont 36, Corpus Christi 42, Fort Worth 26, Laredo 37, Texarkana 24, Wichita Falls 18 and Galveston 40.

Meanwhile there were widely-varying statements as to damage to the Lower Rio Grande Valley's citrus fruit by the freeze.

Consoling Views  
J. E. McDonald, Texas state agriculture commissioner, stuck to his stand. He said the freeze damage was "light" and that citrus trees suffered more than the fruit itself.

A different slant was taken by the United Citrus Growers Association, composed of 200 growers. The association sent telegrams petitioning President Truman and Congress for aid through a subsidy. Another telegram asked Gov. Beauford H. Jester to have the Legislature impose a two-year moratorium on liens on citrus groves.

Whatever the truth of the damage to valley crops, there was no doubt the freeze will boost fruit and vegetable prices. In fact, the prices already were on the way up at most Texas markets.

## School Room Damaged By Gas Explosion

B. E. Parmley, custodian of the West Elementary School, received burns about the hands and face in a gas explosion in the school's boiler about 7:20 a. m. Wednesday. No children were in the building at the time.

The explosion occurred when Parmley discovered the pilot light on the boiler for the school heating system was out. He struck a match to light the pilot and gas, which had escaped inside the boiler, blew up. Slight damage

was caused to the boiler and five windows in the room were blown out.

Parmley was treated at Western Clinic-Hospital for flash burns and released. His injuries were not serious.

School officials said classes had been dismissed at the school Wednesday while a thorough check of the entire heating and gas system is being made. Damage to the boiler also is being repaired.

School Thursday classes will meet as usual Thursday, Supt. Frank Monroe said.

Gas and heating systems at all Midland schools are being checked thoroughly. The systems at all buildings are automatic except for pilot lights in the boilers, officials said. They added that automatic pilot lights are being installed in all buildings. Gas company officials are assisting in the survey.

A meeting of school custodians was to be held Wednesday afternoon in the superintendent's office. The boiler room at the West Elementary School is in the Southwest corner of the building and damage was confined to that room. The venting system of the boiler prevented serious damage.

Officials said the gas systems at all schools were thoroughly checked before the start of the current semester.

The State Department has not yet made public a list of the nations which it and the other negotiating powers hope may be included in the expanded pact. They are reported to include Italy, Portugal, Ireland, Iceland and probably Denmark, in addition to Norway.

Already in the negotiations are the United States, Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg.

Of all these 13 nations, Norway is the only one which has a common border with Russia. That frozen boundary, up at the top of the European continent, is one of the world's diplomatic hot spots.

This comes about as the result of two occurrences. Last Saturday (Continued on page 14)

## Truman Bill Would Override State Bans Against Closed Shop

WASHINGTON—(P)—The chairman of the National Labor Relations Board said Wednesday the Truman Administration's labor bill would override state bans against the closed shop.

NLRB Chairman Paul M. Herzog testified before the Senate Labor Committee, which is considering the bill under a new "hurry up" order calling for night shifts. Secretary of Labor Tobin was to follow Herzog to the stand.

Herzog said in his prepared statement the new measure would specifically restore federal precedence over state laws in the field of union security arrangements—including the closed shop, in which only union members are hired. This would apply to interstate commerce; states could still forbid closed shops in local affecting only commerce within a state.

Committee Speeds Hearings  
A number of states have banned such arrangements, and the Supreme Court recently upheld those bans. The Taft-Hartley Law, which the Truman bill would replace, gives precedence to the states in such matters.

The committee voted 10 days ago to wind up hearings on the proposed new labor bill February 10. But the sessions which started Monday moved along so slowly the Democratic majority got alarmed.

So, at a meeting late Tuesday, the committee decided to hear out Herzog and Tobin Wednesday even if that requires running the session into the evening.

Starting Thursday the speed-up really will get underway. From then through February 10 the hearings are to start each day at 9:30 a. m. and run to 10 p. m.

## Mexican Mob Kills American Inspector

MEXICO CITY—(P)—Robert L. Proctor, Foot and Mouth Commission inspector, from Tucson, Ariz., was found dead Wednesday, after an assault by a village mob.

Proctor and Raul Sanchez, Mexican inspector, were attacked Monday about 100 natives at Temascalcingo, in the mountains 75 miles northwest of here. The two inspectors had gone there to vaccinate cattle against foot and mouth disease.

This is the third clash in which men of the joint U. S.-Mexico Commission fighting the livestock disease have been killed.

The commission said it assumed the mob opposed the vaccination of cattle. Proctor and Sanchez broke away from the crowd, but Sanchez was overtaken quickly and beaten badly. He is in a Toluca hospital.

Proctor was thought to have escaped and to be in hiding, awaiting rescue. An Army plane and 100 soldiers searched the rugged country Tuesday. Early Wednesday his body was found in the mountains near Temascalcingo.

## Bigamy Charged Midland Couple

STANTON—Mrs. Evelyn McCloskey and Gordon Clements, both of Midland, have been charged with bigamy here as the result of their marriage last December, a member of the Martin County Sheriff's Department said Wednesday. Both have been released on \$1,000 bond.

A deputy sheriff here reported the couple was married by Stanton minister December 11, 1948. The complaint said both had been married before and neither had obtained a divorce.

The couple was arrested by the Midland County Sheriff's Department on felony warrants from Martin County.

They were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Lynn White here who set their bonds. They are bound over for action by the grand jury at the next session of District Court.

## To Speak Here



O. H. Koch, Dallas, consulting municipal engineer, will address Midland service club members at a meeting of the Rotary Club Thursday noon in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Schaeber. He will discuss the working and benefits of Midland's proposed Master Plan, particularly as it affects zoning. Members of all service and civic clubs are invited to attend. A series of public hearings on the Master Plan will be held next week.

## Three Scouts Are Victims Of Frost Bite

At least three members of Boy Scout Troop 54 of Midland suffered injuries due to frost bite and freezing on a trip to Pine Lodge in New Mexico last weekend. The group hiked four miles in sub-zero weather through more than a foot of snow when the truck in which they were riding stuck in a hole.

Clifford Wilcox, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox, is believed to have suffered the most serious injuries. His father said doctors told him the boy's feet were not completely frozen but were frozen in spots. He also has a severe cold and sore throat, but is reported to be improving rapidly.

John Ratcliff, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ratcliff, has a sore spot on one foot which resulted from freezing. He is not in bed. His injury is not believed to be serious.

The group returned to Midland Monday morning in automobiles called from here when the truck could not be moved in time for the return trip.

## Reduction In Excise Taxes To Be Sought

WASHINGTON—(P)—House Republican Leader Martin (Mass.) Wednesday proposed that Congress cut most excise taxes back to pre-war levels.

These are the levies, sometimes called "luxury" taxes, on theater and movie tickets, railroad fares, furs, luggage, cosmetics and telephone bills.

Martin announced he has drawn legislation to cut back these taxes.

## RELATIVE OF MIDLAND MAN DIES AT GILMER

H. L. Straughan, Sr., was notified Wednesday of the death of his sister, Mrs. Gertrude Bassel, at the home of her daughter in Gilmer.

The funeral service and interment are planned for Thursday in Stephenville, and Straughan is leaving for Stephenville to be present for the service.

## Six Die In Hotel Fire

WASHINGTON—(P)—Six persons died in a fire which destroyed the Grand View Hotel in Ripon, Wis., Wednesday night. Authorities fear at least six persons died in the blaze. Most of the hotel's 48 guests escaped to the street in their night clothes.



Walls of the 76-year-old Grand View Hotel in Ripon, Wis., crumbled during a fire which destroyed the building. Authorities fear at least six persons died in the blaze. Most of the hotel's 48 guests escaped to the street in their night clothes. (NEA Telephoto)

**WEATHER**  
Partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional rain and not so cold Wednesday night. Thursday partly cloudy with no important temperature changes. Maximum temperature Tuesday 47 degrees. Minimum Wednesday 32 degrees. Precipitation early Wednesday, .01 inch.

**Morning Dress**



**Mrs. R. Vosatko Guest Speaker To Beta Delta**

Mrs. Rudolph Vosatko was the guest speaker to the Beta Delta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Tuesday night, when the meeting was held in the home of Mrs. J. W. Thomas Jr., 2000 West Holloway Street.

Her subject was "Jewelry," one of a series of programs in the chapter's study course on "Beauty." She discussed especially costume jewelry, and jewelry for men as well as for women.

Final plans were made for a Valentine dance at which the chapter will entertain February 14 in the American Legion Hall. Dancing will start at 9 p. m. with Jimmy Furman's orchestra playing.

Mrs. Thomas, chapter president, discussed plans being shaped by the City County Federation of Women's Clubs for a Woman's Club Building, and appointed Mrs. Johnnie Myer as the Beta Delta representative for future meetings called to discuss building plans.

Guests for the meeting were two Beta Sigma Phi members-at-large, Mrs. Marion Culver and Mrs. Sarah Johnson, in addition to Mrs. Vosatko.

Members present were Mrs. J. L. Crittenden, Mrs. Myer, Joyce Hendrick, Mrs. E. L. Kopsky, Jean Marie Johnson, Mrs. W. S. Kotch, Jr., Mrs. Gerald Keeler, Elizabeth Knox, Mrs. Raymond Ayles, Ann Baird, Verda Bartlett, Reta Beights, Barbara Brannen, Mrs. Leroy Butler, Mrs. Noel D. Casson, Betty Cooke, Mrs. Travis M. Lary, Joyce Melancon, Ruby Millard, Mrs. Wayne Moore, Mrs. Charles N. Reeger, Ruth Simmons, Dell Steel, Lee Ida Pinkston, Mrs. Bob Vutech, Billie Walker and the hostess.

**Nu Phi Mu Sorority Has Called Meeting**

Mrs. Thelma Denson was hostess to a called meeting of the Nu Phi Mu Sorority Tuesday night in her home, 106 East Maiden Lane.

Plans were completed for a Valentine dance to be held February 12 in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel. June Higdon, assisted by Patsy Cline, are in charge of the decorations; Mrs. Louise Fry, refreshments; and Helen Stephens, invitations. Each member was given four bids for the dance.

Plans also were discussed for a bake sale and a rummage sale. June Higdon is in charge of the bake sale and Helen White the rummage sale.

Refreshments were served to the members by Mrs. Louise Fry, Mrs. Louise Harless, Helen Stephens, Helen White, June Higdon, Norma Jean Sinclair, Betty Hayes, Rosemary Johnson and Patsy Cline, a guest.

**TEXAS JAYCEES PLAN DINNER FEBRUARY 16**

AUSTIN—(P)—The Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce will honor all local Jaycee presidents, the executive board, state committee chairmen, legislators and capitol press and radio reporters of JayCee age (36) at a dinner February 16.

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**FHA Representative Addresses Realtors**

Judge J. A. Raley of Lubbock, Federal Housing Administration representative for West Texas, was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Midland Real Estate Board Tuesday noon in Hotel Scharbauer.

Eighteen members and two guests attended the session. Floyd O. Boles is president of the organization.

**TO MEET FRIDAY**

The Sashaway Square Dance Club will meet in the American Legion Hall at 8 p. m. Herb Gregerson of El Paso will call the squares.

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**Texas Day Program Arranged By Civic Music Club For March 1**

Choice of a guest for the annual Texas Day program of the Civic Music Club, scheduled March 1, was made in the business meeting following a Beethoven-Brahms concert in the North Elementary School auditorium Tuesday night.

Members voted to ask John Seagle, baritone who has been heard on radio programs and records and who is now a teacher of voice in Trinity University, San Antonio to appear on that date.

Seagle has made records for Victor and Decca, and is perhaps best known for the radio series, "Church in the Wildwood." He is the son of the late Oscar Seagle, baritone soloist whose records were one of the music library in most homes a quarter-century ago.

Announcement was made of a series of children's concerts to start February 10 under sponsorship of the American Association of University Women, presenting Mr. and Mrs. Howard Orr, pianists, who are members of the Civic Music Club.

Orr was director of the program Tuesday night, and in an introduction described Beethoven and Brahms' products of very different upbringing, alike only in that both were lifelong bachelors and both wrote immortal music. He read excerpts from letters of the two men to clarify their personalities.

He played the first program under a piano solo, Beethoven's "Variations, op. 34," Don Moore, baritone soloist, presented as the first Brahms number the familiar "Cradle Song," with Mrs. Holt Jewell as accompanist.

Mrs. Frank Miller played another Beethoven selection as a piano solo, choosing the "Sonata op. 90." The adagio cantabile movement from Beethoven's "Pathetique Sonata" was played by Mrs. E. S. Hitecock, violin; Mrs. Charles F. Henderson, cello; and Mrs. Eugene Vanderpool, piano. A Brahms number was the closing selection, with Mrs. Orr playing "Rhapsody, op. 119."

Bert Gaines was introduced as a new club member. The date for the next club meeting was changed to February 14, because the "Wings Over Jordan" choir is to be presented in Midland on the usual date, February 15.

**WE, THE WOMEN**

By RUTH MILLETT  
NEA Staff Writer

Think of it—it's actually getting to be fun to shop again.

Once more the clerks not only have time to wait on customers, they have time to act interested and pleasant. And they seem happy when they've made a sale.

Bargain hunting is again a major feminine sport. There are "reduced" and "greatly reduced" price tags all over the place.

Almost never are those irritating words "you're lucky to have it at any price" heard these days.

The disdainful shrug is seen no more. If a customer doesn't like one thing she's shown another pronto. And, if she doesn't find anything that suits her—well, the clerk is sorry, and won't the customer try the store again?

Customers First

The customer can walk into almost any store and get attention. Clerks are once again more interested in the customer than in each other.

And no one looks outraged when you ask for some special service.

Many a woman who grew to hate shopping during the war years, and the scarcity years that followed, is waking up to find that happy shopping days are here again.

The customer may not always be right, but she's usually welcome. She's an important person, whether she pays cash, says "charge it, please," or admits she is "just looking."

It took a long, long time for this happy state of affairs to return, but it certainly seems good, now that it is here.

And it certainly is a lot easier on the dispositions of both customer and clerk.

**Group Discussion Held On Yard Care At Pyracantha Club**

The entire group present for a meeting of the Pyracantha Garden Club Tuesday morning in the home of Mrs. George P. Bieder took part in a discussion on care and maintenance of yards under leadership of Mrs. C. M. Chase.

Those present were Mrs. W. H. Dunn, Mrs. Frank Reeves, Mrs. Doraid N. Johnson, Mrs. Stuart Sisley, Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs. H. W. Matthews, Mrs. Frank Whitaker, Mrs. B. G. Grafa, Mrs. Brutus Hanks, Mrs. E. W. Cowden, Mrs. R. S. Duffield, Mrs. Robert Spivey.

Mrs. Harry Murray, Mrs. H. W. Stoltenberg, Mrs. Harry Russell, Mrs. C. E. Oberholtzer, Mrs. R. H. Frizzell, Mrs. Jack K. Doran, Mrs. Ray Cox, Mrs. Lawrence Berry, Mrs. Bill Holley, Mrs. Roy Lockett, Mrs. John K. Lydecker, Mrs. C. W. Matthews, Mrs. E. V. Mitchell, Mrs. E. P. Whealdon, Mrs. Max David and Maedee Roberts.

**German Frau Is Boss Of Supply Details At Control Points Of 'Operation Vittles'**

Working with a staff of three, Frau Hahn, a refugee from the Russian zone, is proud and satisfied at having handled her job well. "At least my allied counterparts tell me I have," she explained.

**200,000 Tons Of Food**

Two hundred thousand tons of food have been ordered, distributed, changed, cancelled and re-ordered by this small German woman who lost her husband, father and brother during the war. She is living now with a teen-aged son and her old mother in a small apartment.

"There are 30 different kinds of food to be ordered and you have to be on deck not to miss any as, for instance, kosher meat for Berlin Jews," Frau Hahn asserted.

Thirteen hundred tons of food are leaving the five "Vittles" airports daily bound for Berlin. Germans there do not know about Frau Hahn, who says she is just doing her duty. She received only one letter from a Bavarian mother who thanked her.

**Letters Ask Favors**

But she showed a pile of letters asking her bureau to send a food parcel to the "starving father of the sender," or to "ship a winter coat via airtail to my old aunt."

"We even get letters asking us to supply the sender with CARE parcels but I simply can't. I keep three assistants, myself, some typists and two telephones busy around the clock to be at hand whenever it is needed."

"Sometimes the military authorities make things difficult for us. Suddenly they order us to halt all food transports to the airports and after an hour they're screaming for more food," the tired-looking widow said.

"Fast decisions, quick actions and the ability to improve are required here," Frau Hahn said. "Be assured we learned it during the past six months while the airlift has been working."

"We like our work and we know the Berliners appreciate it even if they don't know us or our names."

**Couple Marry In Evening Church Rites**

The marriage of Miss Lela McPherson of Midland and H. D. DeLave of Big Spring was solemnized in the Calvary Baptist Church Tuesday evening, in a double-ring ceremony by the bride's brother, the Rev. Fred McPherson of Lubbock, a former pastor of the Calvary Church.

The Rev. A. L. Teaff, present pastor, gave the nuptial prayer. For wedding music, Wanda Smith and Lalee Teaff, girls from the Sunday school class which has been taught by the bride, sang "Always," Berlin. They were accompanied by Mrs. Teaff, pianist, who played "I Love You Truly," Jacobs-Bond, and the traditional couple marches.

The bride was dressed in a blue costume, with a corsage of white gardenias. She was attended by Mrs. Bob Allen, and Mr. Allen served as best man.

Baskets of white gladioli and rose carnations with fern marked the altar.

Girls of the Sunday school class were hostesses for the informal reception which followed in the church parsonage, where 38 guests called to wish the couple happiness. Wedding cake and punch were served from a lace covered table. The wedding gifts were on display in one room.

Mrs. DeLave has been operating a neighborhood grocery store in Midland. The couple will reside in Big Spring.

**Henry Conkling To Head Sigma Chis**

Henry Conkling was elected president of the Sigma Chi Alumni in a recent noon meeting held in the Petroleum Club. Conkling succeeds C. W. Chancellor, Lee Flood's successor as secretary-treasurer is Joe Conkling.

Others present at the luncheon and regular meeting were J. L. Brown, William Boring, C. J. Conkling, C. W. Chancellor, Jr., R. M. Conkling, Russell C. Conkling, W. H. Conkling, Walter Cremin, F. A. Douglas, Jr., George Gibson, C. A. Goldsmith, Howard Griffin, Ralph Keen, Charles Linehan, Reagan Legg.

B. A. Miller, Keith Miller, Hamilton McKee Jr., S. P. Nordyke, Erie Payne, Charles Pierce, R. I. Sewell and Robert M. Turpin.

**Carolyn Alexander And Midland Student Wed In Fort Worth**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Sherwood, Jr., are at home at the Highlands Park Apartments, 4306 Bryce Street, in Fort Worth after their marriage in the chapel of the University Christian Church in Fort Worth Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherwood, Sr., have returned to Midland after attending their son's wedding. He and his bride both are students in Texas Christian University.

She is the former Carolyn Alexander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Alexander of Corpus Christi. Her parents also were guests for the wedding, at which the Rev. LeRoy Castle, also a TCU student and a former assistant pastor of the First Christian Church of Midland, officiated.

The bride's father gave her in marriage, Miss Margaret Goodson of Corpus Christi was maid of honor and Bervin C. Hines of Midland was best man. The wedding soloist was Mrs. Douglas Schwartz of Fort Worth.

White flowers decorated the chapel for the ceremony. The bride was dressed in navy faille with white accessories, and carried orchids on a white Bible.

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**Literature Group Hears Book Review**

Mrs. J. V. Hardwick reviewed a current best-seller, "So Dear to My Heart," North, for the Contemporary Literature Group of the American Association of University Women Tuesday night. The meeting was in the home of Mrs. J. W. Carroll.

In addition to the review, a chapter in the book on literature, which is the text for the group's study course, was discussed by Mrs. William E. Cox.

Others present were Mrs. E. H. Scooby, Mrs. Rex Russell, Mrs. H. W. Puckett, Mrs. R. V. Hollingsworth, Mrs. R. F. Carroll and Mrs. Ray Seifert.

**Drama Review Will Be Given For AAUW**

Mrs. W. T. Schneider will be the program guest for the American Association of University Women Saturday at a luncheon at 1 p. m. in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel. The Contemporary Literature Group of the AAUW Branch will be hostess.

Mrs. Schneider, who is a member of the Play Readers Club here, will review a current play at the luncheon.

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**Square Dance Expert Will Be Club Guest**

Herb Gregerson of El Paso, square dance expert who has visited the Sashaway Club here to give instruction in the old-time dances, will be the club's guest again Friday night, when the club has its monthly meeting in the American Legion Hall.

The dance will begin at 8 p. m. and will be for members only. Mrs. E. W. Halfast is president of the Sashaway Club.

Green lima beans are a good vegetable to serve along with a Welsh Rarebit; add a crisp salad of lettuce and chicory and a fruit pudding for dessert.

**VALLEY VIEW MEMBERS TO ASSIST ON PROGRAM**

All members of the Valley View Home Demonstration Club will take part in the program on wardrobe selection at a meeting Friday at 2 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Tyson Midkiff on the Andrews Highway.

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W. R. Crownovers Are Feted With Farewell Party In Crane Hall

CRANE — Honoring the W. R. Crownovers, who are moving to Borger, fellow employees of the Gulf Pipe Line Company and their families entertained with a supper-party Monday night in the Community Hall here.

Gifts were presented each member of the Crownover family. The Crownovers have lived in Crane 21 years. Those present included the honorees, Mr. and Mrs. Crownover and their children, Kay and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Mills, Eugenia and Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Owens, Brenda and Ila De, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Lovelace, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ferry and children, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Beane, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Meizer, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Entler, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb and John Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thorpe and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hogsett, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Childress, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bassham, Betty Lee and Gwendolyn, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Moore and Buddy, J. N. Moore, Mrs. Nedra McVier, Scotty and Gordon Miller and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Birdsong.

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SOCIETY Youth Center Chatter

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Coming Events

THURSDAY Men's prayer service in the First Baptist Church will start at 7:15 a. m. Yucca Garden Club will meet with Mrs. B. R. Mathews, 2106 College Street, at 9:30 a. m. Midland Garden Club will meet at 10 a. m. in the home of Mrs. H. S. Forgero, 901 Outburst Street. Nu Phi Mu Sorority will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the home of Tommie Cole in Pagoda Park. Youth Activities Week sponsored by the Midland Ministerial Association will close with a supper and program in the First Methodist Church beginning at 5:45 p. m. Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary will meet at 8 p. m. in the VFW Hall.

FRIDAY Neighborhood meetings for Women of the Church of the First Presbyterian Church, observing a Week of Prayer for Missions, will be held at 9:30 a. m. in the homes of Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson, 1311 West Missouri Street; Mrs. J. Clifford Hall, 1111 North Colorado Street; Mrs. W. T. Hays, 608 West Kansas Street; and Mrs. Tom Sealy, 410 South L Street. Other groups will meet at 3 p. m. with Mrs. J. F. McClure, Andrews Highway; Mrs. Frank Downey, 606 West 56th Street; Mrs. Frank Stubbeman, 1502 West Texas Street; Mrs. R. L. Wood, 1507 West Ohio Street; Mrs. N. B. Winter, 905 West Michigan Street; Mrs. Daniel E. Griffith, 701 North Marienfeld Street; Mrs. Jack Matthews, 1203 West Storey Street, and Mrs. William C. Fritz, 1910 West College Street. Ladies Golf Association will have its weekly luncheon at 1 p. m. in the Midland Country Club with Mrs. W. P. Goodma, and Mrs. J. Earl Wilson as hostesses. Promenaders Square Dance Club will meet at 8 p. m. in the North Elementary School and invites any Midlanders interested in learning square dances. Band aids will meet at 7:30 p. m. in room 107 at Midland High School. Executive board of the First Christian Woman's Council will meet at 3 p. m. in the home of Mrs. H. Frizzell, Jr., 202 West Kansas. SATURDAY Children's Story Hour will start at 10:30 a. m. in the Children's Room of the Midland Public Library. Moment Musical Junior Music Club will meet at 11 a. m. in the Watson Studio. American Association of University Women will meet at 1 p. m. for a luncheon in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel. Modern Story Club will observe its annual Husbands' Evening in the Lamar Luncheon home. Coterie Club will be entertained with a buffet supper and dance at 8 p. m. in the American Legion Hall. Hosts are Mrs. and Mr. Ralph Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Lea, Mr. and Mrs. John Walston. Junior Choir of the First Baptist Church will meet at 10:30 a. m. in the church. MURRAY'S HAVE GUESTS Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Murray have as guests in their home Mrs. Murray's mother, Mrs. L. B. Carter of Petersburg, Ind., and also her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Paul of Detroit, Mich.

Hobby-Antique Show Plans Are Shaped In Club Collectors and hobbyists of Midland will give the public an opportunity to share their enthusiasm and admire the products of their taste and skill at an antique and hobby show to be sponsored by the Modern Study Club March 20, 21 and 22. Dates for the show were announced last month, but definite plans were made and committees were set up at a called meeting in the home of Mrs. F. R. Schenck, club president, Tuesday morning. The show will be staged in the City-County Auditorium. In addition to the display of hobbies, which is open to all residents of any age, the show will feature antiques from private collections and also displays by local dealers in antiques and firms which specialize in restoring antiques. The club will use proceeds of the show for its regular projects, including assistance to the Dunbar Branch Library, and a contribution to the fund for a Woman's Club Building. Committees Named Appointed on the arrangements committee, which will be in general charge of the show, are Mrs. Earl A. Johnson, Mrs. W. S. Nelson, Mrs. Lamar Lunt, Mrs. R. E. Morgan, Mrs. Carl Westlund, Mrs. A. C. Buines, Mrs. Schenck and Mrs. J. M. Devereux. Mrs. Charles L. Sherwood will be chairman of advertising and publicity, assisted by Mrs. Ed Shakeley, Mrs. Ivan Hood, Mrs. Al Boring and Mrs. Earl Statton. On the finance committee are Mrs. C. H. Shepard, Mrs. Kenneth Slough and Mrs. John Casselman. A committee to work specifically on the hobbies display comprises Mrs. C. C. Keith, Mrs. Harris A. Smith, Mrs. C. S. Britt and Mrs. W. C. Cartwright. A special project committee is made up of Mrs. G. C. Hughes and Mrs. J. W. Carroll.

Chapter BS of the PEO will meet at 12 noon for a luncheon in the Private Dining Room of the Scharbauer Hotel, then have a program in the home of Mrs. F. C. Cummings, 1002 West Missouri Street. We also have our Ping-Pong champs! These are the kids who can hold a table all afternoon without losing a game. Some very brilliant shots have been perfected by various people. For example, never, never step in the way of "Pronto" What's the one? (Unless you just happen to be tired of carrying that hand around.) Joe Dorsey, Bill Adams, Ad Blackman, Cairns, and Frizzell, Carolyn Curd, and Donald Johnson also wield mean paddles. I think the Youth Center should have a Ping-Pong tournament, it would prove very exciting. What do you think? UI isn't going to be caught with its prices up—or down. Film fans have been snickering at the low prices on store window signs on meals, on clothing, etc., seen in movies shot from a year to two years ago. Now the price problem—should they be up or down?—for movies to be released a year hence, is being answered. Prices shown in "Illegal Entry" and other UI films to be released during the next 12 months will be down 15 per cent from current levels—based on predictions made for the studio by mail-order house economists. Anyone who doubts the potentiality of films for television should talk to Hal Roach. His production program, exclusively for TV, includes 18 different series. The details of the conversion of his studio to television production and the elaborate production plans are summed up in a slick brochure. "Portrait of Jennie" is playing here but David O. Selznick is still mixing colors trying to improve her looks—cutting and adding new dubbing to the picture. Job For Horses Bruce Bennett is up for the lead in four big westerns—Ed Haggerty, "I Say Old Chappie, Where's Your Zante?" Tex Williams goes to London in the Spring with a new western tune written especially for the British, "I Say Old Chappie, Where's Your Zante?" Diana Lynn's performance as a mermaid in "Bitter Victory" is a terrific switch from her nice young girl roles and is bound to raise her

stock as an important dramatic actress. Economy note: The Dells, swank filmtown cafe, long has featured an item on its menu listed as "Childs Portion — \$2." Recently they had to add "For Children Only" . . . It hasn't been announced yet, but the big amateur cycle of the Major Bowes era is about to descend on us again. The Skouras Theater chain will soon reveal an enormous talent hunt involving hundreds of theaters west of Chicago. It's a gimmick to lure people back to the movies and the winners will get trips to Hollywood and other big prizes. Recovery note: Glenn Billingsley, nephew of the Stork Club boss, ran a couple of swank Hollywood restaurants during the war but found the going rough. Now he has a hamburger stand at the corner of Melrose and Vine and business is so good he's thinking of opening another. From chat to hamburgers—well, that's what's happening to Hollywood, too.

Brownie Troop 27 Starts New Project Starting a project planned to make them better acquainted with their own community, girls of Brownie Troop 27 began work on a scrapbook at a meeting Monday in the home of Mrs. Bill Glasscock, leader. Refreshments were served after the work hour to Mary Frances Glasscock, Nell McAnally, Beverly Porter, Roma Gall Newman, Fae and Anne Plummer, Mary Jane Wilson, Patricia Nolan, Wilma Dee Skelton, Barbara Faucett and Ronnie Mills. A thin sugar glaze for cookies may be made by mixing sifted confectioners' sugar with milk, fruit juice, or water so that it is about the consistency of thin cream.

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Pause Now and Then To Play Refreshed Ouida Polk Bride Of Dwain Henson In Stanton Ceremony STANTON—Ouida Polk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Polk, and Dwain Henson, son of Mrs. Alta Henson, were married in a Sunday morning ceremony in the home of the bride's parents here. The Rev. T. R. Hawkins, pastor of the Stanton Baptist Church, officiated for the double-ring ceremony. The wedding party stood in a doorway where fern and white flowers formed an arch, flanked with tall baskets of pink gladiolus and white carnations. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was wearing a suit of aqua wool with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Wedding Attendants Miss Alta Mae Coggins, niece of the bridegroom, was maid of honor and Guy Henson served as best man. Miss Coggins was attired in a grey suit with pink carnations forming her corsage. A graduate of Blackwell High School in the class of 1948, the bride is employed in the REA office here and has been chosen Lions Club Sweetheart. Henson completed his high school education in Stanton, serving three and a half years in the Air Corps during World War II, and has been in the grocery business here the last two years. The couple will be at home in Stanton after a week's wedding trip, which started immediately after the ceremony. Relatives and close friends who attended the wedding were the parents of the couple and Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Polk, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Burns and children and Mr. and Mrs. Mason Coggins and daughters.

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Choate-Parr Rites Are Read At Rankin

RANKIN — Mrs. B. Choate and Frank Parr were united in marriage Saturday afternoon in the home of the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Zack Monroe. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Warren H. Choate, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Mrs. Parr has been associated with the Rankin Coffee Shop and Mr. Parr is city night watchman. They will make their home in Rankin. The ceremony was witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Pat Monroe and son, Jimmy, Mrs. Zack Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. Zackie Monroe.

MIDLAND VISITORS L. A. Chapman, manager of the Colorado City Chamber of Commerce, and A. C. Bishop, Board of City Development manager at Sweetwater, were Midland visitors Tuesday afternoon. Advertise or be forgotten.

What To Do For That Sluggish, Down-and-Out Feeling Remember the time when you could eat like a horse, bubble over with energy, felt happy as a lark? Was it not because you liked to eat—didn't know what indigestion was, felt strong as an ox? As you advance the "old stomach" and ever-changing blood" need help. Now you may again release vibrant energy to every muscle, fibre, cell. Every day—every hour—millions of your red-blood-cells must pour forth from the marrow of your bones to replace those that are worn-out. A low blood count may affect you in several ways: no appetite, underweight, no energy, a run-down condition, lack of resistance to infection and disease. To get real relief you must keep up your blood strength. Medical authorities by analysis of the blood, have by positive proof shown that SSS Tonic is amazingly effective in building up blood strength in non-organic nutritional anemia. This is due to the SSS Tonic formula which contains special and potent activating ingredients. Also, SSS Tonic helps you enjoy the food you eat by increasing the gastric digestive juice when it is non-organically too little or scanty—thus the stomach will have little cause to get balky with gas, bloating and give off that sour food taste. Don't wait! Energize your body with rich, red-blood. Start on SSS Tonic now. As vigorous blood surges throughout your whole body, greater freshness and strength should make you eat better, sleep better, feel better, work better, play better. Have a healthy color glow in your skin—firm flesh. Fill out hollow places. Millions of bottles sold. Get a bottle from your drug store. SSS Tonic helps Build Sturdy Health.

Jimmy Stewart's Own Poll Is Indecisive; Aren't They All? BY ESKINE JOHNSON NFA Staff Correspondent HOLLYWOOD—If the pollsters whose errors are coming home to roost are still having headaches, Jimmy Stewart is ready to share the aspirin. In a nationwide contest, Jimmy asked fans to write and tell him what they'd like to see him do on the screen. He confessed he was confused. After five years at war, he returned to Hollywood, starred in "It's a Wonderful Life" and the critics said the war had failed to mature him. He made "Magic Town" and the critics said they were tired of him playing a small-town hero. They liked his performance in "Northside 777," but questioned his charge of pace in "Rope." They liked his comedy in "You Gotta Stay Happy." So Jimmy appealed to his fans. The fans came right back. They agreed Jimmy should: 1. Be different. 2. Remain the same. 3. Play comedies. 4. Take only serious roles. "I guess," Jimmy told me, "I'll just go on accepting the stories I think are right for me—I'd like to do a western next—and play them as well as I can." Mild Recession UI isn't going to be caught with its prices up—or down. Film fans have been snickering at the low prices on store window signs on meals, on clothing, etc., seen in movies shot from a year to two years ago. Now the price problem—should they be up or down?—for movies to be released a year hence, is being answered. Prices shown in "Illegal Entry" and other UI films to be released during the next 12 months will be down 15 per cent from current levels—based on predictions made for the studio by mail-order house economists. Anyone who doubts the potentiality of films for television should talk to Hal Roach. His production program, exclusively for TV, includes 18 different series. The details of the conversion of his studio to television production and the elaborate production plans are summed up in a slick brochure. "Portrait of Jennie" is playing here but David O. Selznick is still mixing colors trying to improve her looks—cutting and adding new dubbing to the picture. Job For Horses Bruce Bennett is up for the lead in four big westerns—Ed Haggerty, "I Say Old Chappie, Where's Your Zante?" Tex Williams goes to London in the Spring with a new western tune written especially for the British, "I Say Old Chappie, Where's Your Zante?" Diana Lynn's performance as a mermaid in "Bitter Victory" is a terrific switch from her nice young girl roles and is bound to raise her

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### West Texas Lists 17 Amendments To State Water Code

ABIENE—(P)—West Texas objections to the proposed new State Water Code have been summed up in 17 proposed amendments due to be made public sometime Tuesday. A committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce worked last Tuesday night compiling the objections. They are being put together in the form of a 15-page document.

The water code was drawn up by the Texas Water Conservation Association for submission to the current Texas Legislature. West Texas claims the proposed code is dangerous to West Texas water rights.

D. A. Barden, WTCC manager, said "We will personally submit these 17 objections to West Texas legislators and to all members of the West Texas League for the protection of municipal water rights." He said the 17 points were approved by lawyers and engineers of the WTCC.

The water supply group meeting here was composed of the following: M. Wagstaff, Abilene; C. E. Coombes, Stamford; and WTCC Water Engineer, Homer Hunter.

**BIDS ON \$5,292,000 IN ROAD PROJECTS ASKED**

AUSTIN—(P)—Bids on projects estimated to cost \$5,292,000 including 222 miles of new roads were called for Tuesday by the highway commission.

The bids will be received here February 15 and 18.

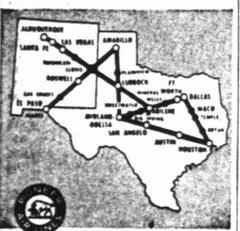
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### Stanton News

STANTON—Mr. and Mrs. Farron Adams and sons and Mrs. Lawrence Black and daughter, all of Crane, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Blocker and children of Midland were recent visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Keisinger are in Plainview visiting his brother, who is confined to a hospital there by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Kelly of Levelland visited relatives here Sunday.

H. S. Blocker has returned from a business visit in Dallas.

Dick Hittson of Breckenridge, former Martin County stockman, is here on business.

Floyd Smith visited John Atchison and Marshal Parker, both of Stanton, at an Abilene Hospital last week.

**More Visitors**

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Davis of Odessa visited her mother, Mrs. Clara Atchison, here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Johnson, Miss Gladys Johnson, Mrs. R. A. Bennett and Mrs. Alta Henson visited John Atchison Sunday at an Abilene hospital, where he recently underwent surgery.

Mrs. C. A. Stoven, who has been visiting Miss Maude Alexander here, has returned to San Antonio.

Funeral services were held here Monday for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hall. The baby was born Sunday.

Elis Ray Bennett has returned home from the University of Texas, where he recently completed studies and received his degree.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ehrhridge were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McCarter of Midland, their daughter, Billie Ehrhridge of Odessa and Mrs. Ehrhridge's sister, Mrs. Dale Glazier of San Francisco, Calif.

### SHEEP BREEDERS ELECT

FORT WORTH—(P)—The Purebred Sheep Breeders' Association of Texas re-elected J. P. Heath of Argyle as president Tuesday night. Hamilton Choat of Olney succeeded T. R. Hinton of Keller as secretary. Hinton was named vice president.

Eskimos use boats made of skins stretched over a wooden frame. In times of famine they remove the untanned skins, boil them and eat them.

### Twenty Feet Thick



At Belmont, near Alliance, Neb., a Burlington Railway rotary plow backs up for another run at 15 to 20-foot snowdrifts in an effort to clear the tracks. The plow, using its own power plus two steam engines, hit the drifts, then backed up for a new whack. Shoveling crews in foreground stand on packed drifts to scoop the snow into the rotar when drifts are about 15 feet.

### Dallas To Fight On Against New Airport

DALLAS—(P)—Dallas promises to "exhaust every legal remedy" in its fight to review the Civil Aeronautics Board grant of funds to Fort Worth for the Midway Airport.

The city's stand was outlined by H. P. Kucera, city attorney, Tuesday the Fifth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans turned down a petition by the City of Dallas asking for a rehearing. The funds will be used to build a controversial airport about midway between the two cities.

The language of Wales is akin to the language of both Ireland and of Scotland.

### Two-Months-Old Baby Dies Of Strangulation

TEMPLE, TEXAS—(P)—Justice of the Peace L. S. Jones ruled that the death of a two-months-old infant at nearby Killen Tuesday was the result of "strangulation by vomiting." He ruled the death was accidental.

The baby boy was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Doyle Woods. Mrs. Woods said the baby was all right at 8 a. m. but that when she awoke suddenly at 9 a. m. the child was dead.

The father, with the Army at nearby Camp Hood, is from Mowato, Okla. The body was sent to Oklahoma.

### Retailing Costs Pictured As 'Big Squeeze' In Food Prices

WASHINGTON—(P)—Consumers have been doing more howling about high food prices than is justified, says the Agriculture Department.

It issued a food marketing report Wednesday which took sharply to task those who criticize farmers, food processors and distributors.

Food consumers are better off, the department declared, than their pro-

### Negro Freed In Strike Shooting

WATERLOO, IOWA—(P)—A 55-year-old Dunkerton, Ia., negro was freed Wednesday of a man slaughter charge which stemmed from last May's riot and shooting at the strike-bound Rath Packing Company plant.

A district court jury, after three and one-half hours deliberation Tuesday found Fred Lee Roberts innocent of manslaughter in the shooting of William (Chuck) Farrell, a striking CIO packinghouse worker.

Roberts had pleaded self-defense. He said he shot into the air "in terror" when his car was stopped by a crowd outside the plant gate as he was driving to work. He had testified that the crowd began shaking his car and crying out, "Kill the jig."

The trial closed another case growing out of the lengthy packing house strike. Wilbert Warren, a striking CIO packinghouse worker, has been convicted of conspiracy to incite a riot. He has appealed his three-year sentence.

### COMPACT APPROVED

SANTA FE, N. M.—(P)—The Pecos River Compact between New Mexico and Texas will be submitted for approval to the New Mexico Senate. It was approved unanimously Tuesday by the New Mexico House of Representatives.

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### Wool Growers' Meet Attendance Is Short

SAN ANTONIO—(P)—Members of the National Wool Growers Association—those who could leave their storm-stricken ranches—met here Wednesday for the group's 84th annual convention.

Delayed by icy roads and late trains, about 400 of the expected 1,000 sheep men had arrived Tuesday night.

Two principal problems face the wool growers: How to improve production in the face of a mounting world demand, and how to recover from this winter's storms.

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# Sports

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## SAN ANGELO "B" WINS

# Rough Bobcats Tree Bulldogs

By TANNER LAINE

Midland's Bulldogs came roaring back in the second half to force the issue but San Angelo's Bobcats had too much reserve built up and thus won a 3-AA basketball game here Tuesday night 48-42 in the MHS gym.

In the "B" game curtain-raiser, San Angelo conquered Midland 47-36.

From the opening minutes of the varsity tilt when Rasmus Schleyer and Roy Morris pumped in a couple of long field goals the Bobcats were ahead and Midland could never quite pull up. San Angelo scored eight points before the Bulldogs scratched. San Angelo was on top 23-8 at the end of the first quarter.

The score at the half was San Angelo 28, Midland 16. Midland played a whole of a comeback in the third quarter and pulled up to within five points of the visitors 37-32 going into the hectic stanza. The Purple managed to get within four points of the flying Bobcats in the last quarter struggle at 48-38 and 48-42. And even narrowed the margin to three points at a 42-45 count. But San Angelo had one sport left, and it brought a free toss and a field goal to sew up the ball game, 48-42.

**Bobcats Were Rough**  
San Angelo fielded a rough team. Its players committed no less than 23 fouls and many more went unheeded. Midland could have won the fight on free shots but sank only 16 of 32 charity tosses. This slump a: the free line and bad passing hurt the Bulldogs.

Larry Messersmith of Midland was high-point player of the tilt with 13 counters on four field goals and five out of 12 free shots. At that, his game was off from his standard. Kent Miller played his best game of the season for Midland and was runner-up to Messersmith with 12 points. Schleyer got 11 tallies for San Angelo and Roy Morris pugged in 10. These two Bobcats were ejected on fouls late in the melee. And three more Cats had four fouls at the finish. Mickey

McGee, the newcomer, played good ball for Midland.

**Lead In "B" Game**  
Midland was ahead of San Angelo at times in the "B" contest. The Purple had a 9-7 lead at the end of the first quarter but San Angelo was on top at the half 20-19. Midland pulled ahead in the third quarter at 21-20 but San Angelo came back to get ahead 24-22 and never let go. The score was 27-27 San Angelo going into the last quarter. The Bulldogs pulled up to 37-30 but the margin widened for the Bobcats and ended 47-36.

Nickel of the visitors was high point maker in the "B" game with 13 tallies on four field goals and five charities. Bob Burks with 11 points and Ollie Phillips with 10 tallies sparked Midland in this one.

The box scores:

MIDLAND B (36)	FG	FT	F	TP
O. Phillips	4	2	2	10
Burks	5	1	3	11
Spiller	1	2	2	4
Weaver	1	1	3	3
B. Phillips	1	0	0	2
Drake	1	2	1	4
Johnson	0	0	0	0
Chauncey	0	0	0	0
Bush	0	2	3	2
Branch	0	0	2	0
Totals	13	10	16	36

**SAN ANGELO B (47)**

FG	FT	F	TP
Kendall	3	2	8
Hartman	3	3	9
King	2	3	7
Nickel	4	5	13
Magill	1	0	4
Walker	1	0	2
Parker	3	0	1
Totals	17	13	47

**MIDLAND (42)**

FG	FT	F	TP
Messersmith	4	5	13
Henderson	1	0	2
Gilmore	0	0	0
Harris	2	2	6
McGee	2	3	7
Miller	4	4	10
Bizzell	0	1	1
Buckingham	0	1	1
Smith	0	0	0
Totals	13	16	42

**SAN ANGELO (48)**

FG	FT	F	TP
Rowland	3	0	4
Morris, Roy	5	0	10
Morris, Ray	4	1	9
Schleyer	5	1	11
Clatterback	0	0	1
Oney	1	3	4
Kendall	0	0	2
Magill	0	0	0
Hartman	0	0	0
Parker	0	0	0
Totals	21	6	28

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## Three On One



Marty Costa, Penn State's six-foot six-inch basketball center, towers above and more than spread eagles a trio of little teammates. The short stuff, left to right: Kenny Weiss, Joe Tocci and Mitt Simon

# Banquet Theme Past And Ahead

More than 90 Midland High School football players, their girlfriends, coaches, special guests and Booster Club members will attend the annual grid banquet at 7 p. m. Wednesday in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel.

The event annually honors the MHS teams and is given by the Bulldog Booster Club, which backs high school athletics and literary activities.

Mike Brumelwood will master of ceremonies. Jack Jones, president of the Booster Club, will give the welcome. Coaches will be introduced and will in turn introduce the players. The Midland Lions Club Orchestra will furnish music. New Coach Thurmon (Tugboat) Jones will speak.

More than 300 persons are expected to attend. The banquet theme looks back at the 1948 season and into the future of Midland's new high school football era.

# Michigan Gets O'Donnell Trophy As Grid Champion

DETROIT—(AP)—The University of Michigan, undefeated on the football field in 23 straight games, made room in its trophy cases Wednesday for a prized addition, the Rev. J. Hugh O'Donnell Memorial Trophy emblematic of the 1948 national collegiate championship.

The award, based on The Associated Press football poll, was presented to the Wolverines Tuesday night by the Notre Dame Monogram Club at the annual banquet of the Detroit Times Quarterback Club.

Notre Dame put up the O'Donnell trophy, bearing the name of its late former president, after the Irish retired a similar award, the Dr. Henry L. Williams Trophy, by winning it for the third time in 1947.

Midwestern football bigwigs turned out en masse to honor Michigan's second straight undefeated grid team, as well as two All-America stars.

**Doak Walker Hailed**  
Doak Walker, Southern Methodist's brilliant halfback, was hailed by 1,000 banqueting quarterbacks as college football's outstanding back of 1948.

Dick Rifenburg, Michigan's All-America end, received a similar award as "most valuable player" and Bennie Oosterbaan, who directed the Wolverines to a sweep of nine games in his first year as head coach, received an award as "Coach of the Year."

H. O. (Fritz) Crisler, Michigan athletic director, accepted the O'Donnell trophy, an imposing three-foot high plaque, from Fred C. Miller of Milwaukee, president of Notre Dame's Monogram Club and a former Irish football captain.

And Kenneth L. (Tug) Wilson, Western Conference commissioner, took the occasion to present Michigan with the Fielding H. Yost Memorial Trophy emblematic of the Big Nine championship.

## Tilden Booked



(NEA Telephone) William "Big Bill" Tilden, tennis champion of bygone days, as he appeared in the Los Angeles County Jail after being booked on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and violation of his probation.

## McCamey Team Will Meet Sioux Indians

McCAMEY—The McCamey News basketball team has scheduled a game with the Sioux Indian Travelers to be played in the McCamey High School gymnasium Wednesday, February 9.

The Sioux Indians are the undisputed Indian champions of the world on the hardwood and are touring the country taking on all comers. Their headquarters are in Crookston, Neb.

The team representing the McCamey News is hailed as one of the strongest independent teams in West Texas and is undefeated in six starts this season.

# Ranch House Five To Oppose Davids

The undefeated Ranch House team of the City Basketball League (Midland) will be opponent of the House of David famed five at 8 p. m. Saturday in the MHS gym. The game is sponsored by Midland High School and is a benefit.

Tickets are on sale for citizens at the Chamber of Commerce office.

The Midland cagers will be out to make a good show against the potent Davids. And their material indicates they may do it.

Some of the best Ranch House basketball players include: Frank Brahoney, all-Southwest Conference cager; Larry Wiles, former Hardin-Simmons College player; Barney Barnard, Jimmy Smith, and four ex-MHS stars including Copper Daugherty, Duck Drake, L. C. Neatherlin and Leonard Shepherd.

Daugherty, Drake and Neatherlin were members of the great 1944 Midland High team, which went to the state tourney and lost only to the eventual state champion, Shepherd. Drake is a few years before that. Davids Are Tall

House of David basketekers include Moose Ludka, Tony Hecht, Frank Mekulus, Bud Scott and Bobby Rota. Center Ludka towers seven feet, three inches, and is the backboard control and post. Forward Rota is the small and clever clown but a dangerous ball player. Hecht is six feet, six inches of guard. Guard Mekulus is six feet, three inches tall and is in on the rebounds. Bud Scott is six feet, three inches tall and a crack forward.

In the first game at 7:30 p. m., undefeated VFW collides with once-defeated Ted Thompson Agency, which is smarting from its recent loss.

In the second battle immediately following, the Ranch House, undefeated in three tilts, meets the Jay-Cees with a win two and lost one record.

These games are not "private" by any means. The public is urged to attend. A small fee is charged to pay for lights and maintenance.

Here is how the scoring is going among the Bulldog basketekers:

Player	FG	FT	TP
Messersmith	97	62	256
Henderson	36	20	92
Miller	29	23	81
Harris	27	21	75
Gilmore	18	10	46
Smith	11	13	35
Bizzell	11	7	35
Buckingham	9	1	19
Drake	7	1	15
McGee	4	4	12
Weaver	3	0	6
Deel	1	4	6
Conline	1	3	5
E. Phillips	0	7	3
Totals	257	171	585

The annual meeting of the Perennial Basin Rifle and Pistol Club will be held at 7:30 p. m. Saturday in the club room of the Ector County Library at Seventh and Lee Streets in the city of Odessa.

Election of officers is the main business item. Awards will be presented. Two movies will be shown. They are: "Trigger Happy Harry" by the National Rifle Association and "Dudum" by the Colorado State Publicity Department.

A number of Midlanders are members of this organization and are urged to attend the meeting.

**ROUNDIN' UP THE STRAYS**  
Bill Richards of Midland is among the SMU footballers who vacationed in Mexico. A recent negro basketball game at Stanton ended in a free-for-all. The fistcuffs came in the third quarter after one boy swung on another and reinforcements poured off both benches.

The game was not finished. No raises were reported. There was bad weather for the 1947 football banquet last year and there will be bad weather for the 1948 event Wednesday night. There will be approximately \$150,000 worth of horse flesh in the First Annual Howard County Sheriff's Possé Futurity at Big Spring in April. It will be a quarter-mile race designed to bring together the best two-year-old colts in the Southwest.

The San Angelo Bobcats have a hectic week this week in basketball, making up some of their "bad weather" cancelled games. They played Lamesa Monday night, Midland Tuesday night, and have three more games this week. We would like to see Coach Jack Mashburn give his Bulldogs some free toss practice; 21 times Tuesday night the boys acted like they were throwing powder puffs at the ring. With Abilene coming up, the Purple should get plenty of heaves for free and might cash enough of them to win.

Abilene notably is rough. Playing in glasses doesn't seem to bother Bob Burks, "B" basketek, at all. He's one of the best boys on the second Purple outfit. Betcha Tugboat makes a good end out of Duane Bush, big, lanky boy up from the ranks. 30 for strays, knife and fork league opens tonight at the Bulldog banquet.

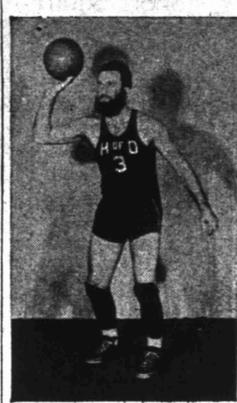
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## Scoring David



Leading scorer of the house of David team, which plays in the MHS gym Saturday night, is Frank Mekulus. This tree-topper is never left out of rebounds. He tips the scales at 210 pounds and is a former All-America with the Michigan State quintet. He played pro basketball with the Detroit Gems of the National Pro League. He is also a baseball pitcher and once performed with Amarillo.

# Major Leagues Turn Attention To Better Mask-And-Mitt Men

NEW YORK—(AP)—It looks as if the catching department in the major leagues is going to get a big lift this season.

Big league club owners, concerned over the scarcity of ranking receivers last year, have made a concentrated effort to bring up outstanding minor league backstops during the Winter. No fewer than 35 new faces will be seen crouching behind the plate at the training camps this Spring.

Last year was an exceptionally poor one for catchers. Only Bob Scheffing of the Chicago Cubs reached .300. Only six caught 100 or more games. The weakness in that department was manifested when Walker Cooper, out most of the season with an injury, was named the National League's all-star receiver. Buddy Rosar, despite a .255 batting average, made the American League team.

The invading bunch of mask-and-mitt men includes several who have failed to make the grade before but have found a new lease on life in the minors. Among the veterans back for another chance or Ken-Bilvestri, Homer (Dixie) Howell, Joe Garagiola, Morris Martin, Hank Ruszkowski and Ralph Houk.

The list of newcomers without previous big league experience includes Stan Lopata, Larry Claffone, Forrest Burgess, Carl Swatski, Don Wheeler and Earl Turner. Among the farmhands back after a year of seasoning are Joe Astroth, Sal Yvars, Paul Burris, Joe Ginsberg and Len Okrie.

Here is the way the teams probably will open the season behind the plate:

American League—Boston, Birdie Tebbets; Chicago, Joe Tipton; Cleveland, Jim Hegan; Detroit, Aaron Robinson; New York, Gus Niarhos; Philadelphia, Buddy Rosar; St. Louis, Les Moss; Washington, Jake Early.

National League—Boston, Phil Masi; Brooklyn, Roy Campanella; Chicago, Bob Scheffing; Cincinnati, Ray Mueller; New York, Walker Cooper; Philadelphia, Andy Semolich; Pittsburgh, Clyde McCullough; St. Louis, Del Rice.

## Diamond Greats Will Teach At Houston's Clinic February 18

HOUSTON—(AP)—Jack Knott, Cincinnati Reds scout, and Manager Bobby Pragan of Fort-Worth of the Texas League will be instructors at a baseball coaches clinic here February 18.

Working with Knott and Pragan will be a group of local professional baseball players, including Eddie Dyer, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, and Johnny Keane, manager of Rochester of the International League.

## Weather Postpones Aggie Spring Practice

COLLEGE STATION—(AP)—There's too much mud on the Texas A&M football practice field. Spring practice, scheduled to start Friday, has been postponed indefinitely.

Coach Harry Stitteler said he won't let the practice start until there's been a period of "at least four days of good weather."

Despite the delay, Stitteler said "We plan to accomplish considerably more than last Spring when we got in only ten or twelve days of real work because of the weather."

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### Pair Sought For Kidnaping, Robbing Minnesota Cattleman

GAINESVILLE —(AP)— An unidentified man and woman are accused of kidnaping and robbing a Minnesota cattle feeder who stopped here with his wife enroute to spend the winter in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Texas Ranger Lewis Rigler said Tuesday night complaints charging armed robbery and kidnaping have been filed here against a man and a woman. The two are not in custody.

Rigler said the victim, Joe Noll of Ortonville, Minn., told this story:

Noll and his wife were waiting here for the ice storm to lift. Noll had driven to a North Gainesville grocery Saturday when a car driven by a woman drew alongside. An armed man slipped from it into Noll's car and forced the cattle feeder to drive seven miles north of Gainesville.

There he made Noll disrobe in subfreezing weather while the armed man searched for a large diamond ring Noll had worn earlier in the day. Unable to find the ring the man took \$1,083 in currency from Noll and forced Noll to drive across the Red River into Oklahoma to a point about nine miles north of Gainesville. There the woman pulled alongside in the same car the couple had used near the grocery. The armed man transferred to that car and it sped away toward Ardmore, Okla.

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### Farm Income Falls Below 1947 Level, Says Bank Report

DALLAS —(AP)—The farmer lost ground in the Southwest last year but department stores gained.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, in a 1948 review, said farm prices fell below 1947 but department store sales increased greatly.

The report said:

1. Production of most crops was hurt by drought with largest declines for winter wheat, oats, peanuts and grapefruit. However, larger crop of cotton, corn, barley, grain sorghums, rice and pecans were harvested. The total farm value of all crops was "appreciably below the 1947 record, though above all previous records."
2. Industrial employment and production edged upward gradually but steadily. Crude oil production exceeded by 10 per cent the previous record set in 1947. The value of construction contracts totaled 15 per cent more.
3. Department store sales were nine per cent above 1947. Total sales surpassed the record dollar volume of 1947 by a greater margin than the previous year-to-year increase.
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### Folly the Leader



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### Fabled World War II Figure Retires From Military Scene

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK —(AP)— Another of the fabled figures of World War II is gone from the American military scene.

And this one—Gen. Courtney H. Hodges—leaves a question mark behind him as he goes into retirement.

The question in many minds probably is:

"Who is he?"

Well, he is a shy, quiet-voiced, gray-haired, slender man who commanded what some soldiers regard as the most powerful trained striking force in history—the American First Army.

The faces of Generals Eisenhower, MacArthur, Bradley and Patton are known to practically every man and boy in the land. Yet it is doubtful whether one American out of five could pick from a group in uniform the portrait of General Hodges, who rolled a vast Army from St. Lo in France to the River Elbe in Germany.

Rose From Buck Private

Why? He has had quite a career in 43 years. He flunked out of West Point, enlisted in the Army as a private and rose to the rank of full general. The American First Army he commanded had quite a career, too.

It was the American First Army

that broke the Nazi line at St. Lo in Normandy; after being the first Army into France. It was the first American Army into Belgium.

It was the American First Army that was first into Germany. It was the first to pierce the Siegfried Line. It was the first to capture a major German city—Aachen. It was the American First Army that was first across the Rhine at Remagen. It was the American First Army that was the first Allied Army to link up with the Russians along the River Elbe.

There is a big difference between achievement and recognition. And there is a big difference between the public renown accorded Gen. George Patton and his famous Third Army and that enjoyed by Gen. Hodges and his First Army.

Today Patton, dead, still is better known than Hodges, alive and retired.

Difference 1: Personality

It is doubtful that Hodges regrets his name is less in the public memory than high-tempered glamorous "George" Patton's. But the fame he doesn't desire for himself he always has hoped would go to the Army he led for the feats it performed.

Perhaps because he did flunk out of the military academy and worked up from private to general, Hodges became more tradition-bound than Patton, who was no scholar at West Point but did eventually graduate.

It is more likely, on the other hand, that the difference stemmed from a fundamental difference in personality. Life always was easy for Patton, the aristocrat, and hard for Hodges.

Hodges always fought his battles quietly, silently. Patton fought noisily—and advertised.

If Hodges now has less of a hold on the public heart it might be because a general who was a private perhaps remained—too private. He never played himself up. But what his Army did will live and last.

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Beauchamp Refrigeration Service at 216 North Main Street in Midland now has in stock enough Gibson refrigerators to deliver one at any time.

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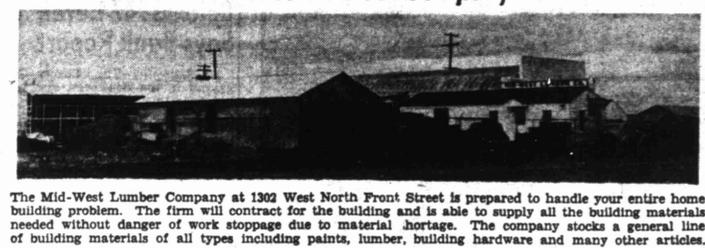
Now is a good time to begin thinking about air conditioning for the Summer and Beauchamp's can supply Carrier air conditioners from the half-ton size to the 100-ton size. The firm also has Carrier heating units.

The newest model RCA Victor radios at Beauchamp's are equipped with seven wave bands for a much better pick up of foreign broadcasts than ever before. Other models come in table and console models and are combination radios and record players. One model has a double speaker.

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The location again is 1302 West North Front Street and the telephone number is 1106.

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**Navy Gets Largest Land-Type Airplane**

ALAMEDA, CALIF.—(AP)—The 92-ton, 180-passenger Lockheed Constellation, the world's largest commercial-type land plane, went under the Navy's care Wednesday.

A commissioning ceremony was scheduled for 12:30 p. m. at the Alameda Naval Air Station, to be followed by a 15-minute demonstration flight accompanied by a squadron of fighter planes.

The four-engine, double-deck aircraft flies 300 miles an hour at an altitude of 12 miles. It can carry enough fuel for a flight from San Francisco to London.

Using jato (jet assisted takeoff), the Constellation can get into the air in 3,000 feet and can land on most regular airports because of reversible propellers which furnish braking power.

**Mutiny Reported By Army In Korea**

SEOUL — (AP)—Korean Army Headquarters reported Wednesday 38 soldiers mutinied and killed two sentries Sunday night at Pohang, an East coast fishing village 185 miles southeast of Seoul.

The rebels were reportedly surrounded by 400 loyal troops 10 miles south of Pohang.

The mutineers killed the sentries at an ammunition dump where they seized 25 American rifles, 35 carbines and 3,000 rounds of carbine ammunition, the Army said.

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**Byars Murder Jury Still Incomplete**

BROWNSVILLE — (AP)—Judge Arthur Klein drew on a supplementary group of 30 tamenies Wednesday as efforts continued to form a jury for the murder trial of Michael H. Byars, 28.

Byars is charged in the August 10 death of his wife, Juanita, who burned to death in their Harlingen apartment. Selection of four more jurors was brought to seven the total chosen in two days, exhausting the special venire of 50 prospective jurors.

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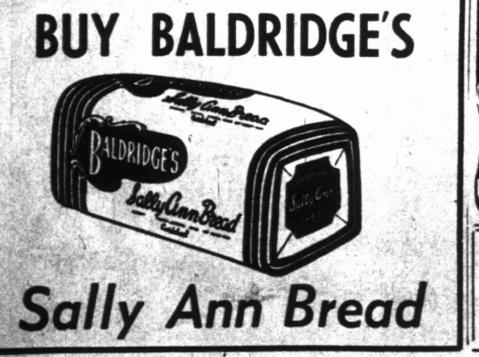
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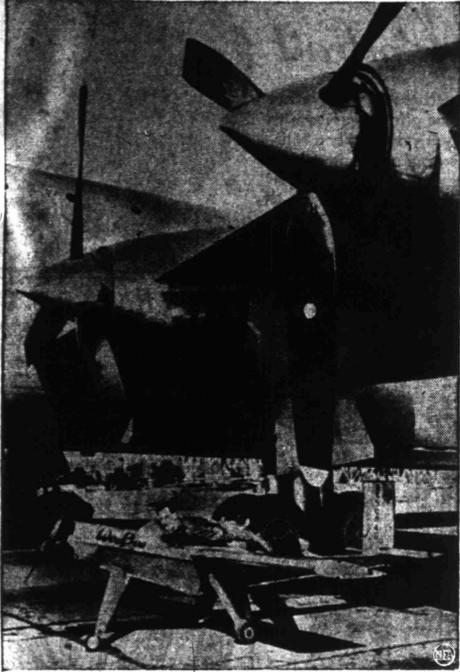
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The world's smallest plane, the "Wee Bee," is practically lost next to the world's largest, the Convair-U. S. Air Force X-99. The two got together at Lindbergh Field, San Diego, Calif. The "Wee Bee's" designer, Ken Coward, shown on the tiny plane, claims his creation is practical.

Committees Busy On Proposed New Laws

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Senate was in recess until noon Thursday. The House, in session Wednesday, hoped to rush through an affirmative vote on a bill already passed by the Senate to let industries parcel out scarce products among themselves for seven more months.

The Administration asked for this temporary extension of the voluntary agreements program, hoping later to give it more teeth and a longer life by passing a new bill. The present law expires March 1.

On the Senate side of Capitol Hill, the Rules Committee was called into secret session to vote on proposals which would wipe out the filibuster. Professing lawmakers from Dixie had a compromise ready to offer. But the committee seemed cool to anything but a resolution that would gag debate at any time on any matter by a two-thirds vote.

**Military Matters**  
The House Armed Services Committee continued hearings on Army-

Crane News

CRANE—Mr. and Mrs. John E. Clark spent last week at their ranch in New Mexico.

A. E. Galloway made a trip last week to Muleshoe, where he has business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Taylor and son, Richard Jr., left Sunday for Minden, La., where Taylor's father was seriously ill. Word was received in Crane Monday that the elder Mr. Taylor had died and the funeral would be held Tuesday.

Tom Hogan, Jr. and R. D. Shaffer are in Fort Worth attending the Fat Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Alexander of Loving, N. M., were visitors in the W. W. Allman home over the weekend.

A total of 775 poll tax receipts and 18 exemption certificates were issued in Crane County.

March of Dimes contributions here totaled \$381.18.

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Littlefield Men Drown in Reservoir

ROMA, TEXAS—(AP)—The Martie R. Gomez reservoir was being drained for the body of Willard Hill, one of two Littlefield men who drowned Tuesday when their boat sank.

The body of the other victim, G. W. Falls, was recovered late Tuesday.

The reservoir is 19 miles southeast of here. Two other men in the boat swam ashore. They were J. Ernest Jones of Littlefield, who is Lamb County school superintendent, and a Mexican guide.

L. E. White and J. R. Whatley, both of Lubbock, were members of the same fishing party but were not with the others at the time of the accident.

Before weight and length standards were developed, men weighed gold and silver against grains of wheat "taken from the middle of the ear," and measured by the first joint of the finger or the length of the human foot.

Labor Leaders Eye Diplomatic Positions

MIAMI, FLA.—(AP)—AFL leaders Wednesday considered plans for an expanding labor role in international affairs.

These include the possibility that several union leaders may be appointed to U. S. diplomatic posts abroad.

Because Russia belongs to the World Federation of Trade Unions, the AFL never joined that organization as did the CIO. But now that the CIO, as well as the British Trades Union Congress and the Dutch Labor Movement, have pulled out of the WFTU, AFL interest has perked up.

Members of the AFL's Executive Council, in their annual mid-winter meeting here, reportedly look with favor on the idea of sharing with the CIO membership in a new international labor group without Russia or the Soviet-dominated governments.

Labor leaders have suggested to the State Department that union men from this country could serve well as U. S. diplomats because of the labor charter of so many foreign governments.

Political help the unions gave President Truman in the November elections has greased the way, with the idea progressing to the point that the labor organizations have been asked to suggest names for possible diplomatic appointments.

**MIDLANDER BECOMES CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT**  
D. C. Baldwin of Midland Wednesday was notified by the State Board of Accounting at Austin that he has passed a required examination and now is qualified as a certified public accountant.

Read the Classifieds.

Annual Meeting Of TB Association Is Scheduled April 5

The annual meeting of the Midland County Tuberculosis Association will be held April 5, it was decided Tuesday night at a meeting of its directors.

President John J. Redfern, Jr., announced the following committee appointments: Revision of constitution, Ferd Rhodes, chairman, Mrs. Netty Romer and J. A. Lore; and Finance-Budget, F. H. McGuigan, chairman, Mrs. Annie Ford and R. S. Brashears.

Redfern also announced the appointment of the second vice president as the association's representative to the new Social Service Council, Barney Greathouse now holds the position of second vice president. The next meeting of the council is scheduled February 15.

Mrs. Linnie H. Davidson, executive secretary, reported on a workers' conference she attended in Austin last week. Quoting from the address of the principal speaker at the conference, she said tuberculosis in 1947 claimed the lives of 2,740 Texans, and that last year 13,298 new cases of tuberculosis were reported in the state. And Texas has only 2,000 beds for treatment of the disease, she reported. The speaker said this situation presents a real challenge to all TB associations and to citizens in general.

Key Year In Development Is At Age Of Five

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE  
AP Newsfeatures Writer

As children make the transition from infancy to childhood, says Louise Hornbrook, helping teacher in a Kansas City, Mo., kindergarten, their most difficult learnings are those involved in finding out their relations to others, and in coming to terms with themselves. Writing in the Missouri Parent-Teacher, she says:

"In infancy the world revolves around junior and his wants, but as he grows older he is faced with problems in human relationships which frequently are in conflict with his own desires. This is especially true when a child becomes five."

It is then, Miss Hornbrook says, that junior enters kindergarten and for the first time perhaps, comes face to face with large groups of children of his own age who are total strangers to him; an adult whom he probably has never seen before in his life; a room that is very different from any that he has been in before. Only through experience and guidance by someone who knows how to help children make friends will he learn the techniques which will become more or less his pattern of social behavior.

This important age of five is a key year in his development. It is the time in his career when he will benefit greatly from wise guidance and trained leadership and a life full of first-hand experiences. What really is needed at this time is more space in which to work and play, more materials with which to work, longer building time for blocks, more advanced rhythms and songs, plenty of time in which to paint, work with clay, wood, and other materials.

It is a year, she says, when curiosity should be encouraged; horizons broadened, not restricted to the printed page; independence and initiative guided and cultivated; creative ability fostered and developed.

"The painted picture the child brings to you may not look like 'beans on a mountain' or a 'man out walking' or a 'girl picking flowers' but that is what it is to the child who has created it and, therefore, it is accepted and praised for its beautiful colors and the story it tells," she says.

Fish have been found in mountain lakes above the line of perpetual snow.

CRANE WOMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL THERE

CRANE—Mrs. Winnie Flannigan, 57, died in a Crane hospital Monday. She had resided in Crane County 14 years, with the exception of a few years spent in Odessa.

Funeral arrangements are pending the arrival of Mrs. Flannigan's sister from Magnolia, Ark., and two brothers from Missouri.

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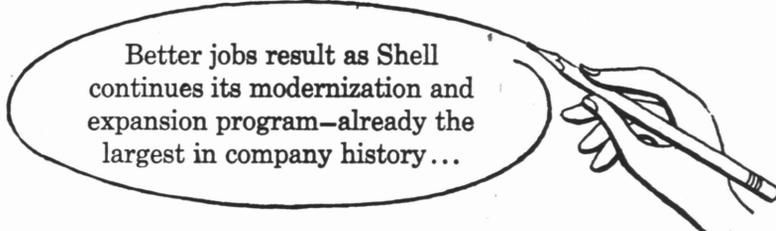
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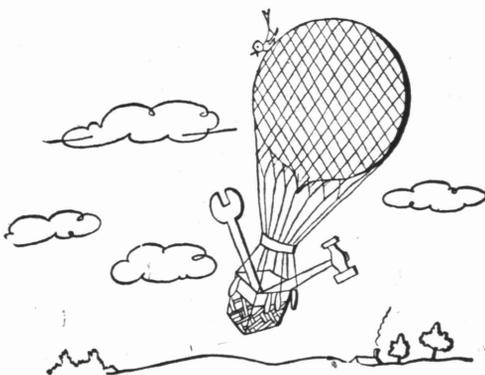
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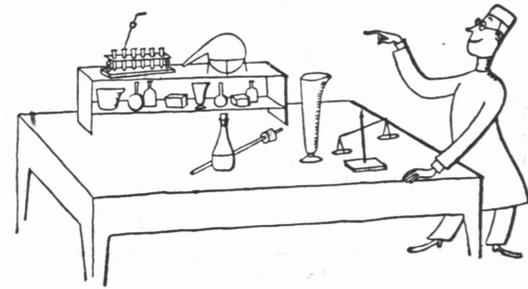
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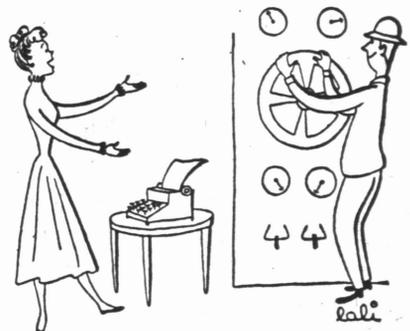
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FUNNY BUSINESS



"I distinctly heard George rattle the key in the door—and then he disappeared!"

Raps DAR



Hitting the Daughters of the American Revolution's "undemocratic attitude" toward minorities, Grace Yuriko Oshima declined to try for a trip to Washington, D. C. She had been chosen by fellow St. Louis, Mo., students to compete in the DAR's "Miss Pilgrim" contest. Miss Oshima is a 17-year-old Nisei.

McCamey Woman Dies In Crane

CRANE—Mrs. D. C. Cummins, 58, wife of D. C. Cummins of McCamey, died Tuesday afternoon in a Crane hospital where she has been confined nine weeks following a fall in which she broke her hip. She had lived in McCamey 10 years. Her husband is an employee of the Shell Oil Company. Mrs. Cummins is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Irene Green of Seattle, Wash., who has been with her mother since the accident, and two sons, Noel of Odessa and Gayle of Goldsmith. Five grandchildren also survive.

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Daddy Ringtail

Daddy Ringtail And Toowit Toowoo

By WESLEY DAVIS

"I'm going to see my very good friend, Toowit Toowoo." Daddy Ringtail said to his monkey family one fine day, and away he climbed through the forest. Toowit Toowoo was really an owl who had been away to visit his father in China, way over on the other side of the world. Toowit Toowoo was a wise old bird. He had always told everyone what to do when they didn't know what it was that they wanted to do. He always gave them good advice. Daddy Ringtail climbed and climbed through the forest until he



came to the tree where the owl lived. Toowit Toowoo was sitting on a limb of the tree with his eyes closed. He didn't look very happy. "Happy day, there, Toowit Toowoo!" Daddy Ringtail said. "Where are the animals who come to see you for you to tell them what to do when they don't know for themselves what it is that they want to do?"

Toowit Toowoo opened his big yellow eyes. "Oh Daddy Ringtail!" he said. "I just don't know what to do! No one comes to see me any more, for me to tell them what to do."

"Hmm!" Daddy Ringtail said. "When did they start not coming to see you?" Toowit Toowoo closed his eyes so he could think better. "Right after I came back from China is when they stopped coming to see me," he said. "I was so tired. I told everyone that I was so tired I didn't know what to do. Then no one came to see me any more." Oh, it was very serious business indeed. Imagine! Here Toowit Toowoo had always done a very fine business of telling folks what to do when they didn't know themselves what it was they should do. Now the fine business was all gone. No one came to see Toowit Toowoo any more and they hadn't been coming to see him for his advice since the day he came home from China so tired he didn't know what to do

himself. Daddy Ringtail smiled to see the wise old owl so disturbed by what had happened, but Daddy Ringtail knew the way of all his trouble. "It was because you were so tired you didn't know what to do," Daddy Ringtail said. "No one would want to ask you to tell them what to do, if you didn't know what to do yourself." Yes sir, to help other people you should first know how to help yourself. Happy day!

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PRISCILLA'S POP

—By AL VEEMER



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OH, SURE!



WHAT! IN THE DEAD OF WINTER?

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—By RAND TAYLOR



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YOU STAY THERE, SANDRA K— I'LL HAVE MONEY WHEN I GET BACK!



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—By LESLIE TURNER



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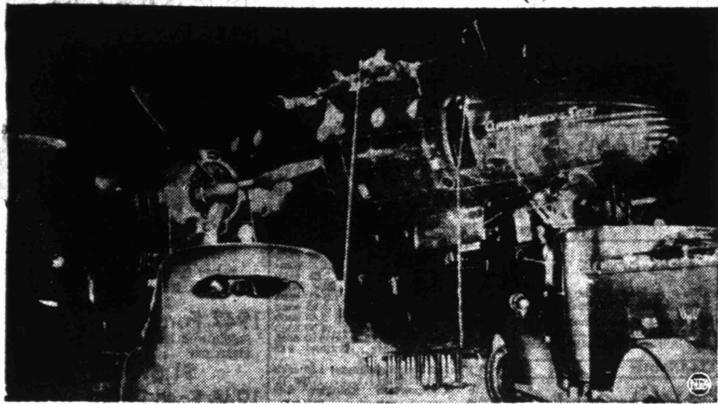
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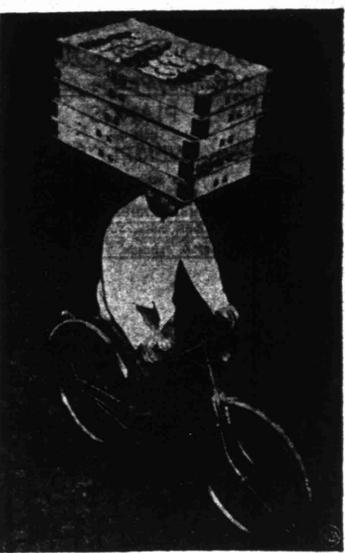
**Private Plane Crashes Into Airliner**



A Pan American World Airways Constellation, bound from New York City to London with 33 passengers aboard, made an emergency landing in New York after colliding with a private plane over Long Island. None of the passengers aboard the airliner were injured. Pilot and passenger in the light plane were killed. Note jagged hole ripped in the top of the clipper. (NEA Telephoto)

**Merkel Hereford Is Female Champion At Fort Worth Judging**

PORT WORTH—(AP)—A Texas animal won the top award Tuesday at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, but top judging honors went to Oklahoma. A judging team from Oklahoma A&M, composed of L. E. Castle, Bennie Doane, Dean Thomas and Jack Le Force, won the meat judging contest. But the champion Hereford female of the event is Blue Bonnet Domino 138—owned by W. J. Largent and son of Merkel. Division winners in the judging contest included Texas A&M, first in lamb judging, and Texas Tech, first in beef judging. Buckle L. Ranch of Childress showed the champion Quarterhorse mare, Little Peggy H. First go-round winners Tuesday at the rodeo were: Saddle bronc riding: Fred McKay, Galeton, Colo., first; Bud Linderman, Red Lodge, Mont., second; Bill Myers, Fort Pierre, S. D., and Marvin Holmes, Pichena, Okla., splitting third and fourth. Steer wrestling: Buck Sorrels, Tucson, Ariz., first; Jiggs Burk, Comanche, Okla., second; B. H. Tucker, Fort Worth, third. Tuesday Matinee: Bareback bronc riding: Steve Johnson, Long Beach, Calif., first; Bill Williams, Clarksville, third. Calf roping: James Kenney, Carlsbad, N. M., 17.5; Buck Standifer, Clovis, N. M., 17.8; Roy Savage, Chico, 21.1. Saddle bronc riding: Carl Buckfeldt, Fort Pierre, S. D., first; Bill Meyer, Fort Pierre, S. D., second; Manuel Enos, Fort Worth, third. Cutting horse contest: Cricket, first, owned by Alida D. Sage, Triangle T Ranch, Sheridan, Wyo., ridden by Ramon Wood, 147 points; Jodie Earl, second, owned and ridden by John Wisdom, Haskell, 144 points; Edward, owned and ridden by J. W. White, Mason, 130 points. Steer wrestling: B. H. Tucker, Fort Worth, 10.7; Ike Thomason, Tucson, Ariz., 12 flat; Steve Heacock, Billings, Mont., 14 flat. Brahman bull riding: Buck Rutherford, Duncan, Okla., first; Dick Griffith, Scottsdale, Ariz., second; Max Overstreet, Fort Worth, third. Tuesday Night: Bareback bronc riding: Bobby Boothe, Duncan, Okla., and Kenny Madland, Bismark, N. D., splitting first and second; Tommy Likes, Emporia, Kan., third. Calf roping: Lanham Riley, Fort Worth, 22.4; N. A. Pitcock, Aspermont, two loops, 25.5; Hal Churchill, Fort Cobb, Okla., 26.5. Saddle bronc riding: Casey Tibbs, Fort Pierre, S. D., first; Carol Olson, Alberta, Canada, second; L. E. Weeks, Abilene, third. Steer wrestling: Burr Andrews, Clarksville, 11.1; Ken Boen, Fort Smith, Ark., 13.3; Lex Connelly, Benson, Ariz., 31.6. Brahman bull riding: Wag Blessing, Burbank, Calif., first; Sonny Lavender, Holliday, second; Marvin Shoulders, Henryetta, Okla., third.



**That's Using Your Head**

In Rome, Italy, delivery boys like this energetic lad use their heads. This fellow is balancing five cases of pastries on his noggin. It's a neat trick on a clear road, but what does he do in a traffic jam? (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Albert Bisetti.)

In the Middle Ages, almost every nation had its own standards of weights and measures—and there were variations between those of one trade or guild and another. Before the end of the War, of 1812, the British Navy, which started the war by numerous naval defeats, had sunk, captured or blockaded every American frigate.

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**HOUSTON STOCK SHOW OPENS WEDNESDAY**

HOUSTON—(AP)—The 17th annual Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition opened Wednesday with a downtown parade led by Gov. Beauford H. Jester.

Actually, the serious business of the show—judging of steers, fat sheep, swine, turkeys and chickens—had been underway two hours by the time the parade started.

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**Outcome Of War-Torn China's Dilemma Is Beyond Human Knowledge Or Control**

By DEWITT MACKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

When we describe the outcome of a situation as being "on the knees of the gods" we mean it is beyond human knowledge or control. That accurately sums up the position in revolution-torn China. There is no man inside or outside that vast country who could possibly read the future with any degree of certainty at this moment of chaos.

The victory-flashed Communist troops of Gen. Mao Tse-Tung stand virtually at the gates of the Nationalist capital of Nanking on the Yangtze. Within the hands of this iron-fisted, peasant-born leader rests control of Manchuria and Northwest China.

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Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek left behind, when he folded his tent and slipped away to the South, is trying to negotiate peace with the conquering Mao.

In the far South, the four provinces centered on the great City of Canton are being organized for a last-ditch stand against the Communists. This final effort is in the hands of the new governor, Gen. Hsueh Yueh.

All this of course seems to present a grave threat to the interests of the United States and other Western Powers in the Far East. By the same token Soviet Russia's stock in the Orient has taken another jump. Moscow is challenging America's dominance in China, Southern Korea and Japan.

However, the Chinese crisis still is developing. We don't know what may come of the peace negotiations in the North, or how things may turn out with the four-province program of defense in the south. Therefore it's my guess—and it is a guess—that the American government may pursue a course of watchful waiting before making further important moves.

**Interesting Situation**

For instance, we have this interesting situation: The new lord and master of Northern China, Mao Tse-Tung, is a dyed-in-the-wool Communist, but he is an individualist—a good deal of a law unto himself. Thus, while he regards America as his chief enemy because of her help for the Nationalists, he has said his government will deal equally with Russia and the Western Powers.

Maybe Mao had his tongue in his cheek when he said this. Still, that is something which can't be determined until we see him in action at the head of a Communist regime. In any event, he has to be reckoned with at this juncture, whatever attitude he may adopt towards the Western Powers.

**No Bargaining Order Issued By NLRB, Says Utilities Head**

ABILENE—(AP)—The West Texas Utilities Company said it has not been ordered by the National Labor Relations Board to resume negotiations with the AFL union of electrical workers.

Company President Price Campbell said Tuesday an NLRB examiner has recommended to the board that the company desist from failure to negotiate. But, Campbell said, the board has not acted on the recommendation.

Monday, regional NLRB director Edwin A. Elliott at Fort Worth said he received an examiner's recommendation from Washington that the company bargain collectively with representatives of the union.

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**McCamey News**

McCAMEY—Mrs. L. C. Griswold left recently for Bowling Green, Ohio, to attend mid-year commencement exercises at the Bowling Green campus. Eunice Fae, received her B. S. Degree in elementary education. Eunice Fae graduated from McCamey High School in 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. O. I. Courtney of Big Lake were McCamey visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Tom Fuller has returned from Sam Clemente, Calif., where she spent 10 days visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Maxey, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Coker and daughter, Carolyn, of Kansas City, Mo., are visitors in the home of Mrs. Coker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Pauley. G. C. Pauley of Balinger, father of Mrs. Pauley, also has been a guest in the Pauley home.

The women of the Methodist Church will serve a Mexican supper Tuesday night, February 8, in the Methodist annex.

R. L. Leuschner and Clyde Ash spent three days last week fishing in Lake Walk.

Earl Bone, Edd Halameck and Ernest McKinney went to Fountain Inn for three days of fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Haley had as their guest last week his sister, Mrs. Minnie Smith.

Walter Haddas of St. Paul, Minn., was a guest in the Russell Rambo home recently.

Mrs. Annet Keith of Odessa, formerly of McCamey, recently underwent surgery in a McCamey hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Preston announce the arrival of a five-pound, two-ounce son, Rickey, last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Alexander of Crane are the parents of a daughter born Saturday.

Little Steven Don Haberly, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Haberly, was admitted to the hospital Sunday suffering from pneumonia. He is reported improving.

**Law Enforcement Officers School Slated At Odessa**

A law enforcement officers' training school will be held in Odessa February 7-11. Sheriff Ernest Braughton, Ector County sheriff, and S. O. Hall, Odessa police chief, announced. The classes will be held in the Ector County Courthouse, and all officers in this area are invited to attend.

The sponsors said the classes will be held twice daily, 4 to 6 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.

The training school is being held in cooperation with Director J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., who is assigning FBI representatives to present some of the instructions.

Other instructors will be civic leaders, law enforcement officers and attorneys.

The speakers will include Sheriff Braughton; Chief Hamm; Manager Preston Kors of the Odessa Chamber of Commerce; D. K. Brown, special agent in charge of the El Paso division of the FBI; Vernon DeBolt, publisher of the Odessa American; J. N. McKean, manager of KRIG, Odessa; Capt. C. O. Layne, Texas Highway Patrol, Pecos; Malvern McDonald, Odessa city attorney; Bob Drinnan, captain, El Paso Police Department, and Arthur T. Potter, FBI special agent, El Paso.

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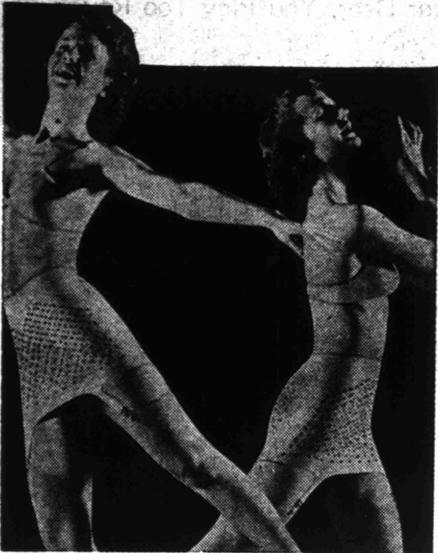
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Still Battling



Detectives John C. Kenny, left, and Charles Watkins, right, restrain Elmer Stanford, 40, as he was led away from a New York City house after being wounded and captured during a gun battle with police. Stanford was arrested as the rifleman who wounded a Catholic priest Saturday.

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Weather Prophet At Punsawtawney Sees His Shadow

By The Associated Press  
The groundhog, fabled weather prophet of American history, exposed himself briefly Wednesday, then disappeared into his burrow. In the American tradition—but without any scientific basis—the groundhog's action means six more weeks of winter.

Observed in Punsawtawney, Pa., at 7:32 a. m. (EST), the groundhog peeked out into the 28-degree cold, then ducked back into his earthy home.

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Lawrence Tierney  
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WHERE THE BOYS GO TO GET  
William Elliott Catherine McLeod  
"OLD LOS ANGELES"  
Added: "Tall, Dark & Gruesome"

Stalin—

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weekly news conference at 3 p. m. Thursday.

Ross replied with a flat "No" when asked whether he anticipated there would be any statement on the subject prior to that time.

The Stalin invitation, as quoted by NBC Correspondent Henry C. Cassidy in a broadcast from Paris, said:

"In a second message to Kingsbury Smith, European manager of the International News Service, Stalin today has invited the President to come to Russia or to meet him in Poland or Czechoslovakia. Stalin says his doctors forbid him to make the long trip to Washington, where President Truman has expressed willingness to receive the Russian leader. Stalin dots all the I's and crosses the T's of this invitation by naming the specific cities in which President Truman would be welcomed. They include, Moscow, Leningrad, Kaliningrad, Odessa and Yalta.

"Stalin recalled it has long been his wish to meet the President again and he told Mr. Truman so long ago as 1945 in Potsdam. There is one curious note about this new message from Stalin. He tells Kingsbury Smith he is grateful to President Truman for his invitation, apparently referring to remarks the President has made in press and radio conferences.

"Stalin may be laboring under the wrong impression that Kingsbury Smith is acting as an official intermediary, an impression that Smith here in Paris would be the first to deny.

"But the new message, despite the skepticism that greeted the previous one, puts more emphasis on the Soviet peace offensive. Reaction is not yet available but European diplomats can hardly be less skeptical of this than of the other."

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Oil & Gas Log—

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south outpost to the pool, and 760 feet from west and 560 feet from north lines of section 2, block A-7, p. 2.

The 5 1/2-inch casing was being set in the top of the Devonian, called at 11,333 feet, on an elevation of 3,676 feet. This top makes the venture 67 feet high on that formation to Amerada No. 1-D Jones, dry hole one-half mile to the east.

Total depth is 11,364 feet. The Devonian so far penetrated has shown porosity and staining in drilling samples.

When the pipe is set and cemented, operator is to make about 10 feet of hole and begin production tests.

Deep Exploration Is Set For Dollarhide

Location was made for a new exploration in the Dollarhide-Ellemburger field of Southwest Andrews County as Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 21-B Cowden.

The drillsite will be 660 feet from west and 1,980 feet from north lines of section 3, block A-55, p. 2.

The deep zone is expected to come in above 10,500 feet. Drilling with rotary tools is scheduled to start by January 5.

Faulty Test Shows Oil In North Snyder

Standard Oil Company of Texas No. 3-1 Brown, second well in the North Snyder field of North-Central Scurry County to find production in the Canyon reef line, continues to penetrate more producing formation.

A drillsite test was taken at 8,409-44 feet. A one-quarter inch bottom hole choke was used.

Gas showed at the surface in five minutes and oil started flowing out at the top in 22 minutes. The packer leaked during the entire hour that the oil was allowed to flow.

In the first 45 minutes the flow was 11 barrels of oil. In the last 15 minutes the flow was 15 barrels. Open flowing bottom hole pressure was between 1,100 pounds and 1,750 pounds. Shutin bottom hole pressure after 30 minutes was 3,350 pounds.

This development has flowed oil on two previous drillsite tests. It probably will be completed as it is.

The venture is 1,520 feet south of the discovery well of the North Snyder field, and 1,980 feet from west and 1,890 feet from south lines of section 440, block 97, H&TC survey.

Amerada Abandons Failure In Crockett

Amerada Petroleum Corporation has plugged and abandoned its No. 1-E Shannon, Ellenburger failure in West-Central Crockett County, seven miles west and a little north of the Todd field.

Total depth was 8,150 feet, following a drillsite test with packer set at 8,046 feet. The tool was open two hours. A light blow of air held at the surface for 25 minutes.

Recovery was 120 feet of drilling mud and 510 feet of black mud cut with sulphur water. There was a strong sulphur odor.

The dry hole is 1,996 feet from south and 663 feet from east lines of section 24, block Q, EL&RR survey.

Nature Helps City Collect Water Bill

ARLINGTON—(AP)—Nature helped the City of Arlington collect a delinquent water bill last week, City Secretary Marion W. Edwards said.

The slow-paying water user came into Edwards' office and paid up. "Now can I have my water turned back on?" he asked.

A check revealed it had not been turned off but had frozen.

His Office Is His Chinchilla Farm

CHARLESTON, S. C.—(AP)—A Charleston dentist runs a profitable fur farm on crowded King Street in the heart of the city's business district.

The farm is on the second floor of an office building. It's about five feet wide and 14 feet long. Eighteen chinchillas live there.

The farmer, Dr. John T. Green, values the relatively rare little South American fur-bearers at \$500 each. He paid \$2,500 for his first four in 1946. He has sold two pairs since then for the same price and counts those he has now as clear profit.

Their pearly-grey fur commands a premium price because it is so soft and downy. Sometimes as many as 30 hairs grow from a single root, Dr. Green said. From 125 to 140 pellets are needed for a woman's coat. A small one may cost from \$35,000 to \$60,000.

Probably none of Dr. Green's pellets will wind up on Milady's back, however. They're worth more for breeding purposes. Chinchillas weigh about 23 ounces when fully grown. It costs about \$3.50 a year each to feed them seeds, grain green vegetables, fruit and hay.

Tulsa Landlord, Evicted From Meeting In Fort Worth, 'Just Admires Joseph Stalin'

FORT WORTH—(AP)—Paul Johnson, Tulsa, Okla., landlord who was evicted from a mass meeting of Fort Worth landlords Tuesday night, Wednesday told a Star-Telegram reporter:

"If the time has come in America when I cannot say 'I admire Joe Stalin,' then I had just as soon leave this country."

The Tulsa was asked to leave a meeting at the First Baptist Church here in connection with the "Tulsa Plan" for evicting tenants as a protest against government rent control.

"I was invited to speak and I was invited to leave," Johnson said. The Star-Telegram, which had two reporters present at the meeting, said Johnson's speech was interrupted when Johnson stated:

"I like the Russians. In Hastings, Neb., there where I was born, there were no negroes and the Russians washed my clothes.

"I admire Joe Stalin. If he gives you his word, he will keep it."

At this point, an ex-serviceman who served three years in the Philippines leaped to his feet, shouting, "Why don't you go live in Russia?"

Escorted From Platform  
Hansen D. Borden and Robert Steagall, Fort Worth landlords who had called the meeting in protest against continued rent controls, escorted the speaker from the platform amid angry mutterings from the crowd.

"May I apologize?" Johnson asked. "No!" shouted the crowd.

"May I apologize for this talk?" asked Borden. Again the audience shouted "No!"

Seating himself on the front row beside his gray-haired wife, Johnson told a reporter, "No one understands. I have \$300,000, and would give every cent of it to have made that talk."

"Are you a Communist?" Johnson was asked. "I don't know," he answered. "What is your religion?"

"Presbyterian—but I don't go to church."

Steagall escorted Johnson out of the church after the Tulsa landlord passed to shake hands with the ex-serviceman, Emery W. Evans, and invite him to come to his hotel room "and have a talk."

"I do not endorse what you said," Steagall explained. "Wouldn't you go to Russia?"

Wednesday, Johnson said, "If the time has come in America when I cannot say 'I admire Joe Stalin,' that defender of Stalingrad who held back that damn mad Hitler, and to whom I attribute the fact that my boy came home, then I had just as soon leave this country."

"I wouldn't go to Russia, but I would go to Greece," the Tulsa landlord shouted.

Asked if he thought he could raise \$300,000 in Greece now, Johnson said "No." Asked if he thought he would have more freedom in Greece than in America, he again replied "No."

Johnson was described by a Tulsa Tribune reporter as "a bonafide businessman."

Livestock

FORT WORTH—(AP)—Cattle 1-500; calves 500; fed steers and yearlings slow and weak again; most around 1.50 below last Friday; some steers off more; light weight yearlings off less; cows and calves steady to strong; fat calves strong; good light weight yearlings mostly 18.00-22.00; good and choice light weight yearlings 22.00-24.00; common lots 16.00-17.50; beef cows 15.25-16.00; canners and cutters 10.00-15.00; bulls 15.00-20.00; good and choice fat calves 22.00-24.50; plain and medium 18.00-22.00; few stocker steers calves 18.00-23.00.

Hogs 1.700; butcher hogs and sows mostly 1.00 below Tuesday's levels; feeder pigs steady to 1.00 down; good and choice 1.90-2.00; top mostly 20.00 with a top 20.50; good and choice 15.00-18.50; hogs 17.00-19.75; few 300-400 lb. heavies 17.50-19.50; soft and oily lightweights around 12.50-15.00; sows 15.00-16.00; and feeder pigs 9.00-17.00.

Medium and good classes steady; medium and good classes steady; 23.50; medium and good shorn slaughter lambs 21.00-22.50; medium to mostly good woolled slaughter yearlings 20.50; few good slaughter ewes up to 12.00; fleshy feeder lambs 21.50; other feeders 21.00 down.

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New club members gained during the month of January, of whom some were inducted at the luncheon, include Joe Robertson, Thurmon (Tugboat) Jones, J. C. Mayes, J. O. Maye, Jr., Alfred Giesen, Dunway Graham, D. C. Baldwin, M. G. Browne, M. L. Butler, Charles Conkling, Jr., Robert Cox, Cleve Culbert, Jerry Duncan, Glen Gibbins, C. L. Glass, Dave Henderson, Houston Hill, Gerald Johnson, Reagan Legg, H. S. McFadden, H. M. Mechling, Lynn Metcalfe, J. E. Miles, Frank Miller, W. C. Mitchell, Ben Murray, W. B. Kirk, W. B. L. Penn, J. R. Phillips, Hal J. Sussler, Jr., Cliff Shambler, R. J. Smith, W. O. Stallings, Clarence Symes, B. C. Vincent, J. C. Williams and Bob Denton.

An air travel film was shown at the Wednesday luncheon, presented by Bob Scruggs.

Social Units Hold Joint Meeting Here

Representatives of 13 Midland social agencies met in the County Courtroom at the courthouse here Tuesday afternoon to discuss plans for setting up a coordinating unit and a confidential index related to the work of the agencies.

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Social agencies represented at the meeting were County Welfare, Child Welfare, Children's Service League, Red Cross, Tuberculosis Association, Public Assistance, County Veterans Service Office, Salvation Army, Chamber of Commerce, the Exceptional Class of Midland schools, County Health Unit, Texas Employment Service and a volunteer agency which has not listed a designation as yet.

Representatives of the agencies are to meet again this month.

West Plans—

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night the Russians expressed to Norway their strong opposition to the North Atlantic Security Project. They asked whether Norway intended to join and if so whether membership would obligate the Norwegians to grant bases to foreign powers. The Norwegians were reminded they were neighbors of the powerful Soviet Union.

Red Warning Rejected  
Tuesday night the Norwegians announced the reply. In effect it rejected Russia's implied warning not to join the pact by stating that Norway intended to examine the possibilities of an Atlantic security arrangement. As for bases, the Norwegians said they did not intend to grant any unless they were attacked or threatened with attack.

Not in almost a year had Russia come to such a point of diplomatic differences with a neighbor. What the Soviet might do next was a subject of considerable speculation here.

It appeared to diplomatic authorities that the quicker the question could be decided the better, and the first move toward deciding it will be to invite Norway to take a hand in the talks which have been underway here many months.

Spurgers Is Host At Meeting Of Cleaners

John L. Spurgers, manager of Masters Cleaners, was host to members of the Midland Cleaners Association for a regular monthly meeting at his place of business Tuesday night.

Routine business was discussed following the dinner. For these reasons, a committee of physicians and scientists said, a cure can be found.

C. E. McCain is president of the association, and Ray T. Kelly is vice president and secretary.

In less than two years of the War of 1812, the American navy of 20 ships had sunk or captured 26 British war vessels and had lost but seven of their own.

Cure Seen For Rheumatoid Arthritis

CHICAGO—(AP)—Rheumatoid arthritis, a widespread crippling disease for which there is no known cure, tends to disappear during pregnancy.

The symptoms also vanish or lessen during attacks of jaundice.

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New Lions Members Inducted Wednesday

Induction of new members featured the weekly luncheon meeting of the Midland Lions Club Wednesday in the Scharbauer Hotel.

Bob Pine, members' chairman, announced Eddie Jones, Oklahoma team won the Melvin Jones Month contest. Losing team captains were Joe Hullum of the Texans, Steve Shannon of the Canadians and Carl Herndon of the Yankees.

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