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WEATHER
Mostly cloudy and not quite so cold. Occasional rain Wednesday night and in the Panhandle and South Plains Thursday. Maximum temperature Tuesday 50 degrees. Minimum Wednesday 32 degrees.

New Oil Pay Proven In East Midland Well

A new and higher pay section has been found in East Midland County by a prospector on the outside of the proven limits of the Tex-Harvey field.

Harry B. Lake and associates No. 1 Hugh Dixon, 15 miles southeast of Midland, and 860 feet from south and east lines of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 9, block 37, T&P survey, T-3-S, is bottomed at 7,317 feet in the upper zone of the Spraberry sandy lime of the Permian, and is preparing to shoot the section from 7,062 feet to 7,317 feet with nitro glycerin, and then attempt to complete as a producer and as the discovery of a new pay stratum for the Tex-Harvey field.

Has Made Clear Oil

The section at 7,062-7,201 feet had a recovery of 2,370 feet of clean oil, 4,400 feet of drilling mud, cut with oil, and one half a barrel of drilling water, during a 17 hour drillstem test.

The venture was then deepened to 7,317 feet and a nine hour and 45 minute drillstem test was taken at 7,201-7,317 feet.

Gas showed at the surface in 25 minutes. The gas volume was not gauged or estimated. Recovery was 900 feet of drilling fluid and 5,200 feet of clean, pipe line oil. The fluid all unloaded from the drill pipe while being pulled. There were no signs of formation water.

A string of 5 1/2-inch casing is cemented at 7,062 feet.

Operator is to move off the rotary drilling rig, and will then move in a portable unit to use in shooting the open hole at 7,062-7,317 feet with nitro glycerin.

Will Shoot Pay Zone

After the shot the hole will be cleaned out and efforts will be made to finish the venture as a commercial producer. Interested observers expect that this will be done.

The section at 7,062-7,317 feet is above the zone from which the first two producers in the Tex-Harvey field have been completed.

Lake and associates have decided not to drill on down to the original Tex-Harvey field pay, if they can make a well for the section at 7,062-7,317 feet.

Link To Speak On The Origin Of Oil

Theodore A. Link of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, will address the West Texas Geological Society at 8 p. m. Wednesday night in the district courtroom of the Midland courthouse.

Link comes to the West Texas society under the auspices of the Distinguished Lecture Committee of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

His subject will be, "Theory of Transgressive and Regressive Reef Development and Origin of Oil Within Them."

Link has had 32 years experience in geology during which time he has worked in all areas of the United States, Canada and South America. He is at present an independent consulting geologist and is a vice president of the AAPG.

West-Central Kent Wildcat Is Planned

Drilling is to be started soon on an 8,000-foot wildcat to explore into the Ellenburger, in West-Central Kent County, 11 miles west of Clearmont.

The project will be drilled by Lewis T. Lohman of Dallas, and associates, as their No. 1, J. W. Young. It will be at the center of the northwest quarter of section 98, block G, W&N survey. Drilling will be with rotary tools.

Associated with Lohman in the wildcat are Paul C. Teas and Roy Cuffey of Dallas and Sidney Gardiner of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Lone Star Producing Company, Big West Drilling Company, Signal Oil & Gas Company and Spartan Drilling Company all hold acreage in the vicinity of the exploration. Big West has the contract to drill the development.

NW Borden Venture Gets Oil, Gas Shows

Some slight shows of oil and gas have been encountered in North-West Borden County in the Ellenburger at the Thomas W. Dowell and associates No. 1 Cantrill, a deep wildcat.

Those petroleum indications came during a two hour drillstem test at 9,710-9,842 feet.

Recovery was 340 feet of slightly oil and gas cut drilling fluid. Open flowing bottom hole pressure was 225 pounds. There were no signs of formation water.

Operators are preparing to drill deeper.

Top of the Ellenburger has been (Continued On Page Nine)

9 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

Governor Opposes Sales Tax Plan

25 Persons Die In Iowa Plant Blast

SIoux CITY, IOWA—(AP)—The main office building of the Swift & Company Packing Plant here was shattered by an explosion Wednesday and a high city official estimated at least 25 persons were dead.

Walter W. Lindgren, superintendent of public safety for the city, made the preliminary estimate of "at least 25 dead."

Lindgren called it "probably the worst disaster in Sioux City history."

Lindgren said firemen and volunteers had donned gas masks to go into the debris-choked basement where cries of the injured could be heard.

The National Guard was summoned.

Cause of the explosion was not immediately known.

Estimates of the dead ran as high as 30 and some placed the number of injured as high as 200.

Walter Kerbs, a spokesman for the firm, said "There is no telling how many may be dead or injured."

The office building is a five-story brick structure. The south side of it was demolished.

Eight Children Die In Fire



Mrs. Bert Edkin rests in Williamsport, Pa., hospital after escaping a fire which swept through her home, taking the lives of eight children, all members of her family. Mrs. Edkin, her husband and her son, Egbert Colgrove, survived the blaze, which leveled their home.

Midlanders Vote On School Bond Issue Thursday

Thursday will be election—school bond election—day in Midland.

Qualified voters of the Midland Independent School District will determine whether \$450,000 in bonds will be issued for the erection of a Northeast Elementary School and a negro high school here. Both are needed, school authorities say, to house increased public school enrollment.

Voting will be between the hours of 8 a. m. and 7 p. m. in the City-County Auditorium on West Missouri Street. Frank True will be the presiding judge.

Adult residents of the school district who have rendered personal or real property for school taxes, and who have paid their poll taxes may vote in the special election. Voters are urged to bring poll tax receipts to the polls.

Only three ballots were cast during the absentee voting period which ended Saturday.

No Tax Increase

School trustees have stressed the fact that the issuing of the bonds will not require an increase in the present school tax rate of \$1.40 per \$100 valuation. Supt. Frank Monroe said the tax retirement and current operating funds will be adjusted to service and retire the additional bonds without increasing the tax rate.

Although the ballot will read "For or against the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax," as required by state law, trustees said the tax rate will not be increased.

They explained the tax levying will be internal and will not affect the present rate.

Four Dallas bond houses have contracted to purchase the bonds at maturity interest rates ranging from one and three-quarters to two and three-quarters per cent. The sale is contingent upon approval by the voters of the issue.

Twenty-year maturity bonds, optional after 10 years, will be issued.

The proposed elementary school will be located at the corner of Parker and Fort Worth Streets in (Continued On Page Nine)

Security Bill To Face U.S. Many Years

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Committee for Economic Development estimated Wednesday that national security will cost at least \$20,000,000,000 a year for years to come.

In the face of this costly cold war defense, it urged definite action to: (1) Safeguard civilian supremacy in the republic; (2) Strengthen long-range security; and (3) Protect individual freedom.

The CED, an organization of business executives, said the \$20,000,000,000 estimate on the annual cost of security for the next several years embraces several items. Military defense is the big one, followed by rearming of non-Communist nations, European recovery spending, atomic energy development, U. S. broadcasts overseas, and much of the government's diplomacy and intelligence work.

One of its principal recommendations was for a transfusion of civilian leadership into the whole security program. The CED criticized today's preparedness planning as being "neither efficient nor in balance."

Strong Action Urged

And, while urging continued strong action against subversive activities, it called for caution in (Continued On Page Nine)

Post Office To Remain Open

Postmaster Noel G. Oates announced Wednesday that parcel post and stamp windows at the Post Office will be open Saturday until 6 p. m. for the benefit of Christmas shoppers.

Money order and registry windows will not remain open after noon, Oates said.

Authorities Fear For Safety Of Girl

KELSO, WASH.—(AP)—The determined search for a missing 16-year-old girl continued Wednesday in the jungle-like southwest Washington forest where the girl disappeared Sunday.

Authorities are doubtful the 16-year-old Kelso girl will be found alive.

Unless she wandered beyond the search zone and into some mountain cabin, the girl has been without food and shelter for three days and nights of snow, rain and sleet weather and has been exposed to freezing temperatures.

Surplus Water Sent To New York Mayor

BLOOMINGTON, IND.—(AP)—A five-gallon can of this city's surplus water was on its way Wednesday to Mayor William O'Dwyer of water-short New York City.

Staff members of Radio Station WTTW and Television Station WTVV noted water was flowing over the waterworks dam here and decided to start what they called an irrigation-by-mail plan.

With New York's bathless-shaveless Friday decree in mind, they said in a letter to Mayor O'Dwyer, "Hope this will be good for a few shaves, anyway."

Republicans May Drop 'Me-Tooisim'

CHICAGO—(AP)—Republican Party strategy leaders were reported agreed Wednesday that the GOP must shed "me-tooisim" and give the voters a clear choice on 1950 election issues.

Arthur E. Summersfield, Michigan national committeeman, voiced the view. He said the GOP National Strategy Committee which he heads is in general agreement with him.

Ammonia Gas Fumes Injure Four Men

OAKLAND, CALIF.—(AP)—Waves of ammonia gas swept through an industrial district before dawn Wednesday.

Four men were taken to a hospital. A tank car, filled with liquid ammonia, was being pumped out at a fertilizer plant. A pipe split and the cargo spilled into the streets.

Fumes generated from the liquid spread quickly over three square blocks.

Police and firemen roped off the area and blowing equipment was rushed in to disperse the heavy gas which settled in pockets.

Study Is Ordered On City's Plan

Real estate men, developers, contractors and other interested persons overflowed the new, spacious council chamber in the enlarged City Hall Tuesday night to ask the City Council to give further study to the proposed ordinance providing for pro rata payment for the extension of water and sewer lines.

The proposed ordinance was passed on its first reading by the council at its November 22 meeting. Final action is scheduled at the December 27 meeting.

Richard Brooks, attorney, represented the Midland Real Estate Board in the proceedings. He requested the council to defer action on the ordinance pending further study. He recommended that the council or a committee representing the council meet with representatives of the Real Estate Board and other interested groups to discuss the ordinance in detail, making certain technical changes, if deemed advisable, for the benefit of all concerned.

The attorney said the board is not opposed in principle to the idea, but suggested that the proposed ordinance will not attain the objective for which it was intended. He said realtors have several recommendations to offer concerning the proposal.

Request Granted

The council adopted Brooks' recommendation and ordered City Manager W. H. Oswald to schedule a study session at the earliest possible date.

Councilman Robert I. Dickey presided at the meeting in the absence of both Mayor William B. Neely, who is ill, and Stanley M. Erskine, mayor pro tem. Frank Shriver also was absent. W. F. Hejl and H. E. Chiles were the other councilmen in attendance.

The proposed water sewer extension ordinance was designed to permit the city to meet increased demands for service and to minimize the "strangling" of water and sewer extensions.

Under the proposed ordinance, the user would pay a part of the cost of his supply lines which go down the street or alley, on a front foot basis. The city would continue to pay the full cost of trunk lines and fire protection facilities when and where justified.

Direct Benefit

The proposed ordinance provides, Oswald explained, that the cost of extensions will be absorbed by persons who get the direct benefit from them, rather than all citizens. The matter concerns all residents since the provisions of the ordinance mean the difference in (Continued On Page Nine)

Reduced Oil Output Cuts State Funds

AUSTIN—(AP)—Gov. Allan Shivers said Wednesday he is "personally against a sales tax" mentioned at a state-wide oil prororation hearing here Wednesday as a possible route to increased state revenue.

"We've got to have some additional money for state hospitals," the governor said. "If we can get it from a combination of cutting back some expenditures and additional revenue, that's all right. But I'm personally against a sales tax."

Governor Shivers said the anticipated cutback in allowable crude production and the resultant drop in state revenue from that source "makes the situation more serious." He said he wants to know how much the cutback would amount to before commenting further.

Texas must turn from petroleum to a sales tax or some other source for more revenue, the Railroad Commission was told at the prororation hearing.

H. P. Nichols of Tyler, executive vice president of the East Texas Oil Association, said the "depressing" future facing the oil industry will not permit it to carry "all or part" of a tax increase.

The remarks came after decreased nominations for Texas January Crude oil and reports of increased imports in prospect for next year indicated there would be a further cutback of Texas allowable production next month and possibly others in future months.

Imports Increase

Commissioner Ernest O. Thompson told oil men foreign crude imports in the state will be reported to the commission at 445,000 barrels per day this year with 1950 imports anticipated at 624,000 barrels per day. Last year, he said, crude imports totaled 353,000 barrels per day.

Texas production in recent months has failed to measure up to production anticipated by the state comptroller in forecasting revenue for the current biennium. Imports coupled with increasing above ground storage, Thompson said, is necessarily reflected in decreased demands and resultant allowances for Texas crude.

"The picture facing this sovereign state is very dark," Nichols remarked. "We've got to look for other sources of taxation. The depressing market will no longer permit the oil industry to pay the increasing grocery bill."

Suggests State Economic

Commissioner Olin Culberson inquired of Nichols if he didn't think another route might be to decrease governmental expenditures instead of looking for new sources of revenue.

Nichols agreed that it might easily (Continued On Page Nine)

Biggest Harvest Of Tax Season Starts Thursday

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The biggest harvest of the tax season starts Thursday.

The government expects to reap \$15,000,000,000 tax dollars—some 40 per cent of annual revenue—over the next three months.

Corporations must make final payments on tax of 1948 income Thursday, giving the government its last crack at last year's record high profits. A decline in corporate income tax collections is expected after that, reflecting lower 1949 profits.

The tax focus after Thursday will be on individuals, who finished 1948 payments last March but in many cases have something to do about 1949 income taxes ahead of the general deadline next March 15.

A calendar of dates to remember: January 1—Social Security Insurance (old age and survivors benefits) taxes increase upon both employers and employees—automatically, so there is no return to be filed.

For both employees and employers, the rise will be from one to one and one-half per cent on wages or salaries up to \$3,000.

January 1 also marks the opening of the season for getting refunds on overpayments of 1948 income tax through withholding.

How To Get Refund

The only way to get a refund will be to file a final 1948 income tax return by the deadline.

January 15—Last day for filing 1948 income tax declarations (estimated), or amending declarations filed earlier to avert a penalty.

For farmers, who have a unique position, this will be the first contact with 1949 taxes. All farmers whose 1949 income exceeded \$600 are required to declare the amount they took in.

The farmer will not have to pay (Continued On Page Nine)

McDonald Thinks Texans Should Approve Quotas In Thursday's Election

State Agriculture Commissioner J. E. McDonald says Texas farmers should approve the cotton marketing quotas set by the government.

An election will be held Thursday.

McDonald advises approval "because in the absence of a constructive and permanent national farm program we are confronted with an emergency."

U. S. Rep. Tom Pickett told some 600 East Texas farmers at Crockett Tuesday night Congress had no intention of setting up a system for computing cotton acreage allotments without giving farmers their credits for war crops.

Criticism of the 1950 acreage allotments has centered around their failure to give credits for war crops substituted for cotton during the national emergency.

B. F. Vance, head of the State Production and Marketing Committee which figured county allotments, told the meeting his group could do nothing about the situation.

"I know hurts, but there's nothing I can do now," he said. "The allotment for the state was computed in Washington."

Vance said he understood that current plans were to figure the 1951 and 1952 allotments "along the same plans they figured the 1950 allotments."

Urges All To Vote

Earlier Tuesday, Vance had urged all Texas farmers to vote. He said this is the basic question: "Will farmers who plant more land to cotton than their acreage allotments provide be required to pay a penalty on the cotton produced from the extra acreage?"

Vance added: "Every cotton farmer in the state will be affected by the outcome."

If cotton marketing quotas are approved (Continued On Page Seven)

Voting To Be Held In PMA Office Here

The cotton marketing quota referendum here will be held in the Midland County PMA office Thursday, Charles Champion, spokesman, announced.

Balloting will be from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m.

All Midland County farmers engaged in the production of cotton in the calendar year of 1948 are eligible to vote in the referendum for the 1950 crop, Champion said.

The PMA office is located on the second floor of the courthouse.

Police Department Now In City Hall

The Midland Police Department Wednesday occupied its new quarters on the first floor of the enlarged and remodeled City Hall.

The department may be reached through a new door on the east side of the building or through the main entrance on Illinois Street.

The City Jail will remain in the old Police Station building.

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Low Bid For Section Of Midland-Lamesa Highway Is \$153,742

AUSTIN—(AP)—State highway officials Tuesday opened bids on the paving of 16.74 miles of the proposed Midland-Lamesa highway, State 349, in Martin County and a bid of \$153,742 by Strain & Brown, Inc. of San Angelo was low.

The bid is for grading, structures, flexible base and double asphalt construction from the Midland County line north to Farm Road 97 (Andrews to Lenora). State Highway 349 already is paved from the City of Midland to the Midland County line.

The Midland-Lamesa link is a major project of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. A fence building and widening project, financed by Midland firms and individuals, now is underway. Right-of-way for the road was contributed by property owners in the area involved.

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State's Weather Outlook Is Dreary

By The Associated Press

Texas weather still had a dreary look Wednesday. The cold, cloudy and rainy weather is expected to continue through Thursday.

However, temperatures were rising gradually in a slow breakaway from the northerly earlier in the week.

The slight break in the cold wave also is expected to continue through Thursday.

Wednesday morning's low again was at Dallas in the upper Panhandle. It was seven degrees, one degree higher than Tuesday.

Other chilly readings early Wednesday included Amarillo 17, El Paso 27, Lubbock 25, Cleburne 26, Childress and Wichita Falls 28, Marfa 26, Guadalupe Pass 28, Salt Flat 28, Southward, however; Galveston and Corpus Christi reported temperatures there fell no lower than 46.

Precipitation for the 24 hours ending at 6:30 a. m. covered most of the state outside the Panhandle and West Texas. Totals included Austin 36 of an inch, Waco 28, Laredo 28, Lubbock 17, Bryan 28, Palestine 28, Del Rio 24.

Vote - Midland School Bond Election Thursday - Vote

Birmingham Zoning Law Is Tossed Out

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. —(AP)—A federal judge Tuesday threw out Birmingham's law barring a negro from living in a white section. Mayor Cooper Green said the city would appeal.

U. S. District Judge Clarence Mullins said the city could not enforce its racial zoning ordinance because it violates the U. S. Constitution.

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★ IN HOLLYWOOD ★

Video's Success With One Old Vehicle Has Hollywood Gaping

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD — EXCLUSIVELY YOURS: Hollywood wants back a movie that went to television. "Nothing Sacred," the old Carol Lombard-Fredric March picture, is such a big hit on video that Warner Brothers are trying to land the re-make rights. If they get them, the new version will co-star Danny Kaye and Virginia Mayo.

Barbara Stanwyck will be Clark Gable's leading lady in his next film, "To Please a Lady."

Dinah Shore won the title of America's Best-Dressed Woman two months ago. Now she's worried that she can't afford it. She told me: "I've bought more clothes in the last two months than I've purchased in five years."

Gloria de Haven just rented a tiny house in Beverly Hills. Apparently she's going to leave the children with her estranged husband, John Payne.

Butch Jenkins may be making a film comeback at the age of 12. Ed Marin and Randy Scott are talking about starring him in their first independent movie, "Ride, Cowboy, Ride"—a western in which the leading character is a youngster.

It's Murray Lerner's neck. Says the bachelor film producer: "I'd rather date a Hollywood secretary than a glamor girl. The secretaries have more brains and can talk." Barbara Dunn, the gal who made

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SANTA CLAUS PARTY SLATED AT ANDREWS

ANDREWS — Santa Claus will make his appearance in Andrews at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 24, for a brief visit at which time he will distribute candy to all children.

Following the visit, a free show at the Wallace Theater will be given for all kiddies.

All children who can be asked to bring a toy to the Lions Toy Chest for needy children.

The Andrews Lions Club and the Wallace Theater are sponsoring the party.

off her head. She was in the shower for six hours.

Quitting Down
Larry Parks refused to give up his motorcycle riding while under contract to Columbia. But he'll put the bike in mothballs when he starts shooting on "Stakeout." It's his own production and he doesn't want to take any chances.

Bob Topping and Lana Turner have become such fiends for seclusion that they've asked fan magazines to stop photographing their new home.

Ginger Rogers and Dennis Morgan are teamed for another film at Warner Brothers. Ginger won her Oscar playing opposite Dennis in "Kitty Foyle" and the studio is hopeful that history will repeat.

I found Red Skelton in his dressing room making lengthy notes on the margin of his script. He explained: "When it ain't funny I change it. I drive writers crazy and when they release the picture I'm always right."

Silliest sight of the week: Ava Gardner dining alone at Chasen's and not a single man in the place paying the slightest attention to her.

Dennis O'Keefe has completed another screenplay—he writes under the name of Jonathan Rix. Title is "Baby Makes a Million."

Bob Hope is trying to get to Tokyo by Easter to entertain the troops there... Walter Wanger is paying Bob Preston for the lead opposite Joan Bennett in "The Ballad and the Source" to be filmed in Europe.

+ Coming Events +

THURSDAY
Nu Phi Mu Sorority party will be at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Peggy Sanders, 1210 South Weatherford Street.

Yucca Garden Club Christmas party will be at 10 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Ralph Lowe, 1801 West Missouri Street.

Lucky 13 Club Christmas party for members and their husbands will be at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. W. N. Cole, 700 North Marienfield Street.

LYT Sewing Circle Christmas party will be at 3 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Glenn Shoemaker.

St. Ann's Mothers Club parties for children will be in St. George's Hall—at 3 p.m. for pre-school children and at 4 p.m. for the older group.

Tejas Garden Club Christmas party will be at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Roy Minear, 1702 West Illinois Street.

Delta Delta Delta alumnae Christmas party will be at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. M. W. Bailey, 304 West Jax Street.

Midland Garden Club will meet at 10 a.m. in the home of Mrs. William B. Neely, 2104 West Brunson Street.

First Baptist Young Women-Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. with Lola Farnsworth and Jean Godfrey 607 South Main Street.

Cub Scout Pack 51 will meet at 7 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Fellowship Hall.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary will meet at 8 p.m. with Myra Robinson, 600 West Watson Street, Apartment B.

Midland Geological Society Christmas dance will begin at 9 p.m. in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall.

Xi Theta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will have a Christmas party

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Delphians Plan Holiday Coffee

The last 1949 program of the Jaeth Delphian Society, which will resume its study course on January 10, was presented in the Palette Club Studio Tuesday morning and a coffee was planned as a holiday entertainment Friday.

Mrs. John S. Braun will be hostess for the coffee at 10 a.m. in her home, 1201 West Cuthbert Street. The next regular meeting of the chapter, which would fall on December 27, has been cancelled.

"The Crux of Europe's Reconstruction Problems" was the subject of the program Tuesday, with Mrs. L. Houghton, Jr., as leader. Topics were "Germany and the Germans," by Mrs. W. M. Waters; "Recovery, Depression, Dictatorship," by Mrs. R. E. Andres; and "Clashes of Nazi Germany," by Mrs. Charles M. Linehan.

Other members present were Mrs. R. M. Barron, Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, Mrs. E. W. Cowden, Mrs. A. E. Lynch and Mrs. Harold F. Kelly.

Guests of the chapter were Mrs. Joseph Williams and Mrs. Milton W. Loring.

Rainbow Assembly Receives Charter In Ceremony Thursday

A ceremony constituting the Rainbow Assembly of Midland, which will receive its charter, will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Masonic Hall. All members of the assembly and members of the Eastern Star and Masonic Orders are invited to attend.

The Rainbow Assembly was organized in Midland last year and has conducted regular meetings since. Mrs. Fred Wycoff served as mother advisor for its initial term, and was succeeded by Mrs. Clyde Hambleton. Peggy Lou Whitson is worthy advisor, the highest office for girls of the chapter.

An organization for girls, the Order of Rainbow is sponsored by the Eastern Star and Masonic groups. The local assembly is affiliated with state and national organizations. A representative of the Midland assembly attended a state convention in the summer.

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Stanton Residents To Stage Benefit For Youth Center

STANTON — The entire cast of "It's A Date" to be presented Thursday and Friday nights, is made up of Stanton residents. The show is being sponsored by the American Legion and will be given at 8:13 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Stanton High School auditorium.

Proceeds will go toward a Youth Center for Stanton.

The show is made up of a series of skits including Santa Claus Land, The Breakfast Club and a minstrel act.

Among those in the cast are Evelyn Mills as Ginger Jones, Guy Hansen as Jo-Jo Brown, Findley Rhodes as I. Gott Rocks and Mrs. Bland Cross as Aunt Fannie.

Bob Deavenport will impersonate Eddie Cantor and Mary McClesky will play Patsy Lee. A chorus of six men dressed as women will play "Labor Daze." Three members of the chorus are Roy Polk, who will be Beanie the Baby-Sitter, Ed Robinson as Rosie Queen of the Runway and Dub Stanley as the Million Dollar Baby.

Jim Tom will play in the minstrel scene, as will Dwaine Henson.

During the Santa Claus Land skit, a tiny toy popularity contest will be held and the Royal Family of Toyland will be chosen. The King and Queen and their court will be crowned during Friday night's performance.

Anyone interested in entering a baby under six years of age in the contest may contact Norma Deever, telephone No. 262-J, in Stanton.

RUTH MILLETT

Smart Tricks Of Courtship Spell Trouble After Marriage

By RUTH MILLETT
NEA Staff Writer

A technique may work fine during courtship—yet cause nothing but trouble if it's used after marriage.

For instance, during courtship a little competition is a fine thing. But after marriage a man doesn't want to have to compete for his wife's undivided attention—whether the competition comes from other men, his in-laws, her job, or the girls she still is sitting with at a bridge table when she should be home to greet her husband.

During the dating period it may seem cute for a girl to appear to be helpless. But once she is married, helplessness becomes adroitly inefficient, and no man thinks it is cute.

While the courtship is on, a girl may be able to get by with being the young and gay life of the party. But once she is a man's wife, he begins to squirm whenever he thinks she is making herself conspicuous.

After Marriage, No Questions Before marriage a woman can find out about anything she wants to know about a man by asking questions. Her questions are flattery, because they show she finds him interesting. But after marriage if she wants him to tell her anything she had better wait for him to volunteer. Otherwise, he'll shut up like a clam, thinking she

Supper Entertains Employe Group In Mrs. O'Neil's Home

A Christmas salad supper Monday night in the home of Mrs. A. E. O'Neil entertained a group of Shell Oil Company employes who work together on the twelfth floor of the Petroleum Building here.

The holiday theme was carried out in the Christmas tree and the arrangement of red pyracantha berries, foliage and red candles on the mantle. A red candle, surrounded by the berries and green leaves was used for the centerpiece of each serving table.

Gifts were exchanged and holiday records were played during the evening.

Guests were Mrs. Gene Brusenhan, Mrs. Margaret Baker, Alice Walton, Nell Shaw, Frances Morton, Melba Kleitcher, Ruby Nell Braly and Mrs. William T. Shirey. Mrs. Cliff Manning was unable to attend.

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Wesleyan Guild To Give Food Basket

Plans for sending a basket of food to a needy family at Christmas were made by the Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist Church, at its meeting in the home of the president, Ruth Donnell, Monday night. Nineteen members were present.

A story, "The First Candle at Christmas," was told by Edna Mae Hargis; Ina Harris read the story of Christ's birth as told by Matthew and Luke, and Mrs. E. L. Phillips gave the closing prayer. Miss Donnell was presented a gift from the Guild.

Resignation of two officers who are moving from the city was accepted. Ruby Stewart, who has been vice president, will go to a home in California and Miss Hargis, who has served as supply chairman, will move to Oklahoma City.

A Christmas motif was used in decorations of the rooms, and members exchanged gifts from a Christmas tree.

Junior High Dance At Center Cancelled

A dance planned for junior high school students in the Midland Youth Center Friday night has been cancelled. Mrs. Ray Gwyn, director has announced.

Because there will be numerous high school students from nearby cities here for a basketball tournament, it is expected that the Youth Center will be too crowded with the older students for dancing by the younger group.

Tentative plans are under way for a post-holiday dance for junior high students in the cafeteria building of the school, Mrs. Gwyn said.

DO-SI-DO DANCE CLUB WILL MEET WEDNESDAY

The Do-Si-Do Square Dance Club will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the American Legion Hall.

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AAUW GROUP TO MEET

The International Relations Group of the Midland Branch, American Association of University Women, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the home of Mrs. J. B. Felton, 1010 West Illinois Street.

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Club's Holiday Tea Salutes Mrs. Hodge

The first opportunity of many Midland club women to congratulate one of their number, Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, on her assumption of the highest office in the Texas Federation Women's Clubs was at a tea given in her honor Tuesday by the Midland Woman's Club, and scores of them took advantage of it.

Women from neighboring cities and some club notables of the state from farther points were present to add their congratulations and good wishes to the new federation president.

Scene of the party was the home of Mrs. Ida Fay Cowden. Three of Mrs. Hodge's predecessors in the state president's office stood with her in the receiving line. They were Mrs. John J. Perry of Sweetwater, whom Mrs. Hodge succeeded last month, Ethel Foster of Sterling City and Mrs. John M. Perkins of Eastland.

Mrs. Fields Is Caller

A fourth past president, Mrs. J. U. Fields of Haskell, arrived later

in the afternoon. Mrs. Charles M. Goldsmith, president of the hostess club, headed the line to present callers to Mrs. Hodge. Mrs. T. A. Hicks of Wichita Falls, a state board member and Mrs. Cowden also were in the line.

Mrs. Ulmer greeted guests at the door. Mrs. Henry A. Murphy, president of Mrs. Hodge's own club, the Pine Arts, poured tea and Mrs. Joseph Best of Wink, Eighth District Federated Club president, served cakes.

Mrs. W. W. LaForce and Mrs. Jack Wilkinson, members with Mrs. M. C. Ulmer of the Woman's Club hospitality committee which arranged the tea, invited guests to the dining room. Mrs. James O. Simmons, Jr., Mrs. B. Matthews, Mrs. R. Schabarum, Mrs. W. C. Epley, and Mrs. John F. Priddy, Jr., of Odessa, a niece of Mrs. Hodge, assisted in serving tea.

Mrs. Zeb Wilkins presided at the registry. Mrs. L. G. Eyerley, Mrs. Bert Goodman, Mrs. Lindley Laatham, Mrs. Grace Wallace and Mrs. Floyd Coleman were in the hall and sunroom. Members of the house party are Woman's Club officers or members of the state federation board appointed by Mrs. Hodge.

Gifts Presented

A sterling silver tray, a gift from officers of the Woman's Club, was presented to Mrs. Hodge by Mrs. Goldsmith just before the tea, and was displayed on a table which was centered with a bowl of red roses, the federation flower, also presented by the officers.

Red flowers added some of the Christmas color which was the motif of party decorations. The tea table had a long mound of fir twigs down the center, scattered with glittering Christmas balls and stars. Two sparkling white bells, tied with a red satin bow, were set upright in the center and at either end were three red candles.

On the side table was an arrangement of red carnations with red candles in three-branched crystal holders. The same flowers made a fan-shaped arrangement on a console table opposite the entrance in the living room, and were used on a bookcase and a lamp table, their glowing color heightened by Christmas red globes in all the lights.

Holly And Christmas Tree

Holly decorated the mantel in the living room and the sunroom, and sprays were placed behind all the wall lights. The large coffee table in the sunroom held a small Christmas tree, bedecked with lights and surrounded at the base with holly and red ribbon bows.

Mrs. Hodge was wearing for the party the lace and chiffon gown in shades of brown and beige in which she was installed as state president. With it she wore gold sandals, and an orchid was pinned to her shoulder.

Others in the receiving line wore corsages of red roses, and house party members had corsages of holly tied with red ribbons and tiny Christmas bells.

Out-of-city guests, in addition to those in the receiving line and house party, included Mrs. J. M. Montgomery, immediate past president of the Eighth District, and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham of Fort Stockton; Mrs. James A. Allen, president of the Seventh District, and Mrs. J. Martin Owens of Childress; Mrs. W. N. Reed, Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand, Mrs. Fowler McEntire and Mrs. R. T. Foster of Sterling City.

Mrs. J. Gordon Bristow, Mrs. J. E. Hogan and Mrs. Bob Rubank of Big Spring; Mrs. Guy E. Nease and Mrs. Ross Lee of Odessa; Mrs. Clyde Davis of San Angelo; Esther Sorenson of Lubbock; Mrs. R. E. Burt of Minden, La., and Pearl Currie of Paint Rock.

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Dinner For Evening Circle Is One Of Presbyterian Women's Holiday Programs

A Christmas dinner for members of the Evening Circle Tuesday night was one of a series of meetings for the First Presbyterian Women of the Church this week. Some other groups had Christmas parties.

Mrs. J. L. Greene, Mrs. J. Hollis Roberts, Dora Evans, Rosemary Hamit, Mrs. L. Dubolt and Mrs. E. W. Anguish were hostesses for the dinner in the church Tuesday night. The circle had its Bible study program from the Gospel of John.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. Matthew Lynn were guests and members present were Louanna Roach, Mrs. Lafferty, Irma Norris, Mrs. Melite Roemer, Mrs. Mashburn, Lucy Moore, Susan Gould, Mrs. Gladys Moorman, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. J. W. Fine, Mrs. S. P. Park, Lois Newbold, Evelyn Aiken, Gladys Taylor, Gertrude Witt, Vye Knight, Ann Torgeson, Helen Barr, Pauline Schultz, and Mrs. Standefer.

The three circles which met Tuesday morning had Christmas programs. Decorations in the seasonal motif were used in the home of Mrs. Jack M. Hawkins, who was hostess to Circle No. 5. Mrs. C. H. Ervin poured coffee for the members and a guest, Mrs. Paul Lathrop.

All the group sang carols with Mrs. Hawkins at the piano, and Mrs. Ervin told a Christmas story. Others present were Mrs. W. B. Collins, Mrs. Harry Gossett, Mrs. H. D. Hefren, Mrs. W. C. Mitchell, Mrs. R. C. Spivey, Mrs. E. P. Wheelton, Mrs. Hazen Woods and Mrs. Nelson Wallace.

Circle 6 met with Mrs. John J. Redfern, Jr., 1214 Country Club Drive.

Mrs. W. N. Little, chairman, opened the meeting with prayer. She announced church activities scheduled during the remainder of December.

Mrs. Roy Davis told the story of "The Other Wise Man" as a feature of the Christmas program.

It was announced that Circle 6 will serve Presbyterian Men of Midland at their January dinner-meeting. Following the meeting and program, Mrs. Little poured coffee from a table centered with an attractive Christmas decoration.

A guest, Mrs. W. L. Crothers, and a new member, Mrs. M. S. Dickerson, were introduced.

Members present were Mrs. J. R. Creswell, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. H. M. Fritts, Mrs. Tom Prick, Mrs. W. T. Hays, Mrs. L. C. Link, Mrs. Little, Mrs. M. H. McKinney, Mrs. W. M. Osborn, Mrs. Lee Park, Mrs. R. M. Payne, Mrs. H. E. Rankin, Mrs. D. W. St. Clair, Mrs. A. H. Vineyard and Mrs. Bill Collins.

Mrs. R. F. Carroll was in charge of the Christmas program presented for Circle 7, which met in the

Eastern Star Has Christmas Program At Meeting Tuesday

A Christmas program directed by Mrs. Tom Knipp was presented for approximately 50 members of the Order of Eastern Star who met in the Masonic Hall Tuesday night. Members gave a cash contribution to the OES Home, and toys for the Goodfellows.

The charter was draped in memory of Mrs. Louise Wyatt, mother of the Midland Chapter who died recently, and Victor Keller, a past worthy grand patron.

On the program, Edelle Dailey sang a solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Peggy Minear played a piano number, "My Rainbow," and Virginia Breedlove read "How the Great Guest Came."

Carl Hyde acted as Santa Claus for a gift exchange, and gifts from the chapter were presented to Mrs. Fred Wycoff and Floyd Shirley, worthy men and past.

Mrs. Robert Donnell was in charge of serving refreshments. The table was decorated with holly and lighted Christmas candles.

Wesley Class Has Luncheon As Its Christmas Meeting

Members of the First Methodist Wesley Bible Class had their Christmas party Tuesday in the home of Mrs. H. E. Merrill with Mrs. Merrill and her mother, Mrs. J. M. Hughes, as hostesses.

The party was a covered-dish luncheon and a short business session was held. Mrs. W. A. Black led the devotional period, and read the second chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. Mrs. S. H. Gwyn gave the closing prayer.

Secret Pals were revealed and gifts exchanged. Members brought food for baskets for a needy family.

Miss Alta Merrill was a guest of the group and other members attending were Mrs. Florence Marberry, Mrs. Nettie Crawford, Mrs. Velma Stewart, Mrs. F. A. Smith, Mrs. F. L. Wilmoth, Mrs. Minnie Crumley, Mrs. John Fieka, Mrs. T. A. Fannin, Mrs. Ida Neeb, Mrs. Emma Harlow, Mrs. J. M. Reising, Mrs. Will Long, Mrs. Mollie McCormick and Mrs. Mary Lou Snodgrass.

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Promenaders Club Has Practice And Plans For Party

J. E. Galley, Troy Morris and Gilbert Blankenship were the teachers at the Promenaders Square Dance Club practice session Tuesday night in the Midland Officers Club.

Final plans for the Christmas party, to be held next Tuesday, were made. The committee in charge of arrangements will be the hosts and all members are requested to wear square dance costumes. The group will sing carols and exchange toys which will be given to the Goodfellows for distribution to needy children.

Mrs. Marie Nichols is in charge of arrangements and Mrs. A. J. Hollingsworth, Mrs. G. W. Herring, Mrs. Harry Adams and Mrs. W. H. Gilmore.

Circles which met Monday afternoon had Bible lessons based on the Gospel of John with the subject, "The Parting Discourse," the Priestly Prayer, and discussion of the monthly emphasis, the annual "Joy gifts" which are contributed in December for retired ministers.

Mrs. Robert Patterson accepted the chairmanship of the Training Circle for the remainder of the year, after the resignation of Mrs. Dayton Bliven. The circle met Monday in Mrs. Patterson's home, as the serving refreshments to 13 members.

Mrs. Mann Rankin read an inspirational selection from "The Prophet" and also presented the discussion on ministerial relief. Mrs. Roy Howard was leader of the Bible study.

St. Agnes' Guild Has Holiday Party

An account of Christmas festivities in Germany was given from personal knowledge by Mrs. Kurt Lekisch as the program feature of the first Christmas party in St. Agnes' Guild of the Trinity Episcopal Woman's Auxiliary.

The meeting was in the home of Mrs. D. R. Carter, guild chairman. The Rev. R. J. Snell, rector, was a guest and was the devotional speaker. Members presented gifts which will be given to a family they have selected as the most unselfish of the year.

Refreshments in a Christmas motif were served to nine members and the program guests.

Friendly Builders To Exchange Gifts

Gifts for an exchange among members and food for a needy family will be brought to the First Methodist Friendly Builders Class Christmas party Thursday. Mrs. Oia Bales will be hostess to the group at 7 p.m. in her home, 1310 West Wall Street.

Members will draw names at the party for the gift exchange and each is asked to bring food to help fill a basket for a needy family.

Make a casserole dish of macaroni and sliced frankfurters and canned tomato sauce; add cold slaw, bread and butter, and a ready-prepared dessert or fruit for a quick holiday supper menu.

For Sunday night supper hollow out finger rolls and fill with salmon salad; serve with a tossed salad and plenty of sweet mixed pickles.

Altrusa Club Has Informal Holiday Party

Informality marked the annual Christmas party of the Midland Altrusa Club Tuesday night, when Grace Wallace, president, was hostess and members invited guests. Each member brought a toy to be sent to children in the state tuberculosis Sanatorium at Carlsbad.

The toys were heaped at the base of a lighted Christmas tree which stood at one side of the fireplace. On the mantel was a winter scene with Santa Claus in his sleigh riding across the snow. A smaller tree was on the coffee table, holding decorated 1950 calendars which were the party favors.

Estella Brown, vice president of the club, served tea and coffee from the dining table, which had a centerpiece of holly. Candy canes were set on either side of more holly on the buffet.

Esther Sorenson of Lubbock, vice president of the Altrusa Club there, was introduced as a guest of Geraldine Simmons, and spoke informally of her club's activities. Ada Phillips, international relations chairman, reported sending a package of gifts from club members to a Korean woman who is studying at Vanderbilt University on an Altrusa scholarship. Dr. Dorothy Wyvell was winner of a word contest.

Other members and guests present were Mrs. Charles M. Goldsmith, Mrs. M. D. Cox, Mrs. J. W. Carroll, Bertie Boone, Mrs. Floyd Coleman, Edith and Joyce Tullman of Odessa, Linnie Davidson, DeAlva Brewer, Dick Looby, Willie A. Harding, Annie Ford, Lucy Mashburn, Mrs. Berry Cowden of Van Horn, Maurine Mims, Laura Jesse, H. N. Phillips and James O. Simmons, Jr.

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Gift Exchange Is Beta Delta Party Feature

Mrs. W. I. Pratt acted as a representative from Santa Claus and distributed gifts when Beta Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi had a Christmas party Tuesday night in her home.

After the gifts were exchanged, guests were served tea from a silver service. The tea table was covered with a lace cloth and the centerpiece was of pyracantha with candles on either side.

A fire was burning in the fireplace and the mantle was decorated with a snow scene with reindeer and Santa Claus. A snowball candle was on the coffee table and pyracantha was used throughout the house.

Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Halfast, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brodigan, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Canon, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dancy, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. David Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Forgehorn, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Lunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Price, McCamy, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Sevier, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolcott, Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Waldschmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cheatham and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jerome.

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Baptist Church School Teachers Entertained At Holiday Party

Mrs. S. E. Snow, counselor of all beginner departments of the First Baptist Church, entertained beginner teachers and department officers Tuesday in her home, 600 East Broadway, with a Christmas party.

Decorations in the house were of the Christmas motif and the refreshments also were of the same theme. The Christmas story was told and carols were sung. Gifts were exchanged from a decorated tree with Santa Claus presiding. The hostess also was presented with a gift.

Erle Payne Chosen As President For Sigma Chi Alumni

Officers for 1950 were elected at a luncheon meeting of the Sigma Chi Alumni Association Tuesday in the Midland Petroleum Club.

Erle Payne was chosen president and Reagan Legg will be secretary-treasurer. The club meets for luncheon at noon in the club on the second Tuesday of each month.

The 20 members who attended discussed plans for the annual Christmas dance which will be held December 28. At this dance, the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi will be chosen. Bill Chancellor, Jr., and Joe Keyser are in charge of arrangements for the dance.

Bake fish filets with slices of onion and plenty of salt, pepper, and butter or margarine for a good-tasting supper dish. Add creamed potatoes and green peas to complete the main course.

Square Dance Club Entertains Guests

Colorful square dance costumes were worn by members of St. Ann's Social Club and their guests at a dance Monday night in the American Legion Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hogsett were guests from Crane and he called several dances. Mrs. C. A. McCamy and Mrs. L. C. Thompson were in charge of refreshments.

Other guests of the group were J. C. McVey, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Geddes, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chambers, Rosemary Tuttle, Mrs. Lucille Johnson and Mrs. Ruth Hubbard.

Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Halfast, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brodigan, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Canon, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dancy, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. David Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Forgehorn, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kelly.

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Prize Given Member Farthest From Home At Club's Luncheon

Mrs. W. S. Key won the prize for being farthest away from home than any of the other 24 members who attended the Welcome Wagon Newcomers luncheon Tuesday in the Ranch House. Although she has lived in the United States for several years, Mrs. Key's home is in Budapest, Hungary.

Mrs. A. L. Tennyson won the centerpiece and Mrs. W. E. Hollis and Mrs. R. N. Hillin won the Ca-nasta prize for high score. Low score prize went to Mrs. W. D. Gill. The centerpiece was a wreath of holly berries and greenery on snow with a candle in the center.

The group exchanged gifts.

Add finely diced green pepper and canned pimento to creamed potatoes for a Christmas touch; flavor with onion juice.

Dinner Given For Chi Omega Group, Guests

A dinner Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turpin was a Christmas party for members of the Chi Omega Alumnae Association and their husbands.

The centerpiece of the table was a mass of foamy snow glittering with gold and with the Greek letters for Chi Omega in the center in gold. A brass samovar and other brass and wood pieces were used for serving.

On the picture window in her home, Mrs. Turpin had painted a panorama of the story of "The Littlest Angel."

After dinner, the group sang sorority and Christmas songs with Mrs. Turpin playing the guitar.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. William H. Pryor, Dr. and Mrs. Jake Roden, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Muller, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Exchberger, Mr. and Mrs. John Walston, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Huff, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Forward, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Head, Mr. and Mrs. Clem George, Dr. and Mrs. George Ulvestad and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Fasken.

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Bible Class Has New Officers, Teacher

Dr. Henry Schlichting, Jr., is the new president of the Everyman's Bible Class, which meets each Sunday morning in the American Legion Hall. He succeeds Carl Weyat who had held the office three years.

Other new officers are Otis A. Kelly, vice president; Guy W. Breneman, secretary-treasurer; J. R. Damron, sergeant-at-arms, and John Perkins, teacher. Delbert Downing formerly was teacher of the class.



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Washington Crash Report Is Studied

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Officials investigating the crash of a Capital Airliner studied a crew member's report Wednesday that an engine failed just before the plane plunged into the Potomac River Monday night.

The investigation was started by the Civil Aeronautics Board within a few hours of the crash, which killed four persons including the pilot and co-pilot. There were 19 survivors.

The crash-up occurred while the twin-engine DC-3 was trying with the help of radar to feel its way into National Airport through a heavy fog.

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Hearing Held On Dallas Plane Crash



At the opening hearing, held by the Civil Aeronautics Board in Dallas for inquiry into the American Airlines DC-6 crash at Love Field on November 29, were Capt. W. P. McPhail, left, of Fort Worth, regional operations director for the southern region; Samuel E. Gates, center, attorney from New York, and Capt. Tommy Claude, pilot of the plane.

Filibuster Expected When Congressmen Return Next Year

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON —(AP)—When Congress returns in 1950 you can expect a repetition of what happened this year: a filibuster.

The Truman Administration is going to try for an early vote on the bill to set up an FEPC (Fair Employment Practices Commission).

The result? Pretty sure zero.

The FEPC Bill would forbid an employer to discriminate against a job-seeker because of his race, color or religious belief.

It's part of President Truman's civil rights program. Other parts of it call for federal laws to outlaw lynching and the poll tax.

And the result if the Trumanites try to put through those other parts of the program? Pretty sure zero, too.

Truman took a strong stand on the civil rights program in the 1948 elections in which he was elected President and the Democrats won control of Congress.

Control Is Lost

But the Trumanite Democrats lost control of Congress when, soon after Congress opened this year, they tried to clear the way for bringing up a civil rights bill and thus fulfill Truman's campaign pledges.

The Southern Democrats, deeply embittered by the civil rights program, split off from the Truman Democrats and filibustered. They did it so successfully that they prevented any civil rights bill from being considered.

What happened as a result of that filibuster will have an important effect on what happens in 1950.

No Limit On Debate

Before the filibuster started, this was the situation in the Senate: there was no limit on debate—or a filibuster—unless two-thirds of the senators on the floor voted to stop it.

If only 90 or 80 or 70 senators were present on the floor, two-thirds plus one of them could stop the filibuster. But, before the 1949 filibuster was over, this happened:

The Senate, with Republicans joining the Southern Democrats, made this rule for the future:

Now a filibuster can't be stopped unless two-thirds of the total 96 senators vote to stop it, whether or not all 96 are present on the floor. That's tougher to get than just two-thirds of those present.

That's what the Trumanites face in 1950 if they try to bring up the FEPC bill and a filibuster starts.

Uncle Dan To Be Santa Claus for 300,000 Children Of Convicts In Three Countries

OKLAHOMA CITY —(AP)—A 13-year-old boy wrote the Associated Press:

"I have you send me the name and address of the man that sends children presents whose fathers or in prison. Sinsirley."

A convict scribbled on blacklined prison stationery:

"I have been in prison two months, first time for me, and I have been thinking quite a lot about my children, how they would spend Christmas with no father for a Santa Claus. I sure will appreciate anything you send them as I know they will be very well pleased."

Dan Vinson received both letters—part of more than a thousand he is getting each day. And everyone will be answered with handmade gifts.

Vinson started shipping toys Wednesday to 300,000 youngsters, who might otherwise be forgotten because their fathers are in prison, will have a Merry Christmas.

This gigantic undertaking is the climax to an unpretentious project started in 1944.

Vinson will not accept money. Materials for making toys are donated as well as time and labor.

Vinson is 65 and a dead ringer for Santa Claus.

"When somebody wants to aid, the first thing he must learn is there is no publicity and no pay. Right now 4,000 persons in Oklahoma are making all kinds of salvable material into toys."

And they are toys any youngster would be happy to receive.

For the girls, there are dolls and beautiful scarfs made from nylon parachutes. Among the toys for boys are airplanes stamped from aluminum.

Five years ago, Vinson began distributing a few toys to Oklahoma institutions. Last year, 23,800 underprivileged children were made happy with gifts.

This year, Vinson decided something should be done for children likely to miss out on Christmas because their fathers are in prison.

Letters went out to all persons in the United States, Canada and Mexico. They asked prisoners to write how many children they have and their ages.

To make sure each gift has the personal touch, toys are sent directly to the prisoners. They in turn re-address them to their children.

Andrews News

ANDREWS —Mr. and Mrs. Al Hayes spent last weekend in Abilene and Clyde where they visited his relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy McGill were Midland visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lovett moved last week to McCamey where they have been transferred by the National Supply Company. Both have been employed by National in Andrews County the last six years.

Lovett is being replaced by J. E. George of Dorado, Ark.

Alma Cavitt was a Midland shopper Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. King of Hobbs, N. M., were weekend guests of the David Choats.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Eter and Donna Kay, and Fannie Mathews have returned from Eureka Springs, Ark. where they visited Miss Mathews' brother and Mrs. Eter's mother. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mathews.

Mrs. R. A. Walker of Ringling, Okla., has arrived for a visit with a son, Bill Walker, and family.

W. J. Underwood and Jim Underwood attended the recent Masonic Grand Lodge in Waco.

Nelson Dyess, junior at Hardin-Simmons University and son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dyess, is one of 32 students named to the honor society, Alpha Chi.

The Senior Girl Scout Troop is sponsoring a series of folk dance sessions for high school students in the Junior high school gymnasium. The sessions will be held each Thursday night for a period of 12 weeks.

Mrs. W. A. Simpson was rushed to the hospital early Sunday for treatment for burns about the face and neck received when a stove oven exploded.

Postmistress Maggie Burkett has announced a vacancy has been created in the Andrews Post Office and that the Civil Service Commission will give examinations for filling the post. The position is that of substitute clerk.

Four families residing at the Phillips Gasoline Camp were transferred last week. They are Woody Eggleston and Bob Browder to Goldsmith and J. C. Donaldson and W. R. Smith to Odessa.

Frank Matchett, Seagraves banker, was the guest speaker Tuesday at the Lions club luncheon.

Doris Mayme, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Johnson, and Thomas D. Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Hamilton, are listed on the honor roll at McMurry College, Abilene.

Murder Charge Filed In Kilgore Shooting

KILGORE —(AP)—Jesse H. McIvane, 43, of Kilgore is charged with murder in the fatal shooting of Herbert L. Jones, 34, of Kilgore. The charge was filed Tuesday in Kilgore.

Police said Jones was hit by a shotgun blast Monday night as he stepped from the door of a drive-in. They said Jones was not the intended victim.

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Government Partner In Oil Business, Warren Declares

WICHITA, KAN. —(AP)—Two top officers of the Independent Petroleum Association of America called upon Kansas oil men Tuesday night to exert themselves on behalf of the industry.

A market for oil produced in the United States and profit incentives are the two things to keep the industry healthy and vigorous, they said. They pictured the market as one threatened by excess oil imports. Attempts to reduce the "percentage depletion allowance" can hurt the profit incentive, they said.

Speakers at the meeting of approximately 200 independent producers were J. Ed Warren, president of the IPAA, and Harold B. Fell of Ardmore, Okla., IPAA executive vice president.

Warren told the oil men that government is a partner in the oil industry. "It shares in profits, demands and gets them; it takes no risk; its profit is considerable; it manages the business to an extent and demands reports. If the oil man had an individual partner who had such an interest in his business, wouldn't he lose a lot of sleep worrying about how he's getting along?"

Nine thousand IPAA members in 46 states are working for the common cause, he said. "We are primarily interested in a healthy industry. We want fair play, taxes that are not destructive and a chance to progress."

You Can't Win Every Time, Woman Finds

NEW YORK —(AP)—The time-worn observation that "you can't win 'em all" proved correct for a Texas woman entered in a \$50,000 baking contest here Tuesday night.

Mrs. Ruth Annette Subbie, Fort Worth, was nosed out for top prize and eight other money positions in the Pillsbury baking contest.

"After all, I've had my turn," she said.

She told the truth.

You see, Mrs. Subbie correctly named "Miss Hush" on a radio quiz program in 1947.

That won Mrs. Subbie \$22,500.

Read the Classifieds

Crop In West Texas Too Large For Gins

LUBBOCK —(AP)—U. S. Rep. George Mahon says West Texas farmers may lose thousands of dollars because their cotton crop is too large for the gins to handle.

He asked Ralph Trigg, president of the Commodity Credit Corporation, Tuesday to extend the cotton seed support program from December 31 to next March 1.

He estimated his congressional district is harvesting a two-million bale crop.

Statisticians figure that an automobile radio set is used on the average by 13 per cent of the U. S. population 50 minutes a day.

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Tuesday—"My neighbor, Wanda, wants me to help at her party this afternoon. Glad she called early!"

Wednesday—"Set to go to grocery when Edith called, wants me to drive over for some of their apples. The family loves apple pie."

Thursday—"Hashed over school problems with Inez. Interested, because I'm still a substitute teacher!"

Friday—"Ed, my husband, called to tell me he'll catch a later bus from the city. Saves me a wait at the bus stop!"

There's a pleasant bustle of family life in the home of Mrs. Ida Bianchi, on the outskirts of Oklahoma City. And the telephone is right in the middle of everything.

Mrs. Bianchi proved that by keeping track of all calls, in and out, for five days. She's a substitute school teacher, mother of a teen-age daughter, and does a lot of work for charity, so her telephone runs a variety of errands.

Even she was surprised to see how many there were, and how little they cost—only 1 1/4¢ a call!

"The telephone is a BIG help to me," she says. "It's certainly a bargain when you stop to think of the time and steps it saves!"

To Mrs. Bianchi, our thanks for her kind words. We are doing our best to make telephone service a real bargain today—and to keep it growing in value! Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

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A lifetime of separation is ended as Displaced Person Jacob Kabran, 48, left, is greeted by his brothers, Isidore and David, as he arrives in New York aboard the SS General Ballou. Jacob, who had not seen his American brothers in 40 years, survived both World Wars by going underground in Europe. He was brought to New York under auspices of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society.

City Council Awards Sewer Line Contract

The City Council Tuesday night awarded a contract for the installation of a sewer line in the Parkside Addition to the George Tucker Pipe Line Construction Company of Odessa on a low bid of \$2,530.20. The next lowest bid was submitted by the M&N Construction Company of Hobbs, N. M. It was \$2,564.50.

McDonald—

(Continued From Page One) proved by two-thirds of the U. S. cotton farmers voting Thursday, this will be the situation: Farmers who plant within their acreage allotments will be able to sell all the cotton they grow without paying any penalty. They will be eligible for government loans at 90 per cent of parity. They can receive conservation payments from the PMA (\$23,000,000 in Texas this year).

Most Of Midwest Shivers Wednesday

By The Associated Press Most of the Midwest shivered in the coldest weather of the season Wednesday. Temperatures took another dip into sub-zero levels again over many midwest areas. It was on the chilly side throughout most of the country. The only mild weather was reported in the extreme South-east.

Three Scouts Troops Are Entertained At Holiday Parties

Christmas parties of Midland Girl Scout Troops continued Tuesday with gift exchanges and other types of celebrations.

Toys were exchanged by members of Troop 8, meeting in the home of their leader, Mrs. E. W. Anguish. After the party, the toys were put into a basket and will be taken to the negro nursery.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the house and the refreshments carried out the theme. During the short business meeting, plans for the dance to be given by Senior Scouts December 23, were discussed.

Attending were Daphne Tabor, Marjani Forrest, Wilma Like, Pat Emmons, Carolyn Cook, Ann Borling, Sue Corser, Margie Cramer, Jo Ann Nelson, Sue Johnson, Jo Underwood, Adele Davenport, Mary Nellie Wanda Burnside, Gloria Anguish, Shirley Harrison, June Hazel, Joyce Howell, Suzanne Young, and troop leaders, Mrs. Anguish and Mrs. Don Johnson.

Brownie Troop 42 members met at West Elementary School for their Christmas party and played games and sang Christmas carols. Gifts were exchanged and the leaders presented each girl with a small favor.

MAGIC BOOK LIGHT

A new individual reading lamp that clamps on to any book or magazine with ease is lit merely by tilting the lamp forward. Tilt it back and it goes off.

Film Kings, Queens Of Bygone Years Attend Premiere

HOLLYWOOD —(AP)— Filmtown saw a different kind of premiere Tuesday night, attended by two dozen of its most famous oldtime stars.

The movie kings and queens of yesteryear met in the basement of a bank near Sunset and Vine to honor the anniversary of "The Squaw Man," Hollywood's first feature picture. Cecil B. DeMille said he started directing the picture in an orange grove near the bank 3 years ago to the day, despite press releases which said it was 35.

Theda Bara, now a society matron, looked dark-eyed and exotic, if a trifle round. Portly Radio Actor Francis X. Bushman flashed his famous preface. Ramon Navarro, a real estate dealer and character actor, was thin-haired but still courtly with the ladies.

Mae Murray, now dabbling in television, flounced around as though she would break into a "Merry Widow" waltz. Airplane Model Manufacturer Reginald Denny seemed as debonair as ever. Jack Holt, still active in films, was bald but still looked able to save a heroine from the logjam.

Dr. Gerald Wendt Will Address New Knife, Fork Club

Dr. Gerald Wendt, noted scientist and lecturer, will address members of the new Midland Knife and Fork Club at their initial meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. A capacity attendance of more than 300 persons is expected.

"On the Horizon in Science" will be the subject of Dr. Wendt's address. He is said to be the only top-ranking American scientist who devotes his full time to interpreting for the public the news of vital developments in science and what they mean to individuals and to the world.

Dr. Wendt will be introduced by John R. Parker, second vice president of the club. President James C. Watson will preside, and W. Lionel Craver will introduce officers and directors. A brief address will be made by Chamber of Commerce Manager Delbert Downing.

The guest speaker is the author of two best-selling books, "Science for the World of Tomorrow" and "The Atomic Age Opens." A former science editor of Time, Inc., Dr. Wendt writes a constant stream of articles for newspapers and magazines. He assisted in establishing "Science Illustrated" in 1945. He gained considerable fame as director of science and education at the New York World's Fair.

Mrs. Gill Is Perennial Club Party Speaker

"Home, the Most Wonderful Place in the World for Christmas," was the subject for Mrs. A. L. Gill's talk to the Perennial Garden Club at its Christmas party Tuesday night in Mrs. Jack Prothro's home. She spoke of home decorations for the holidays, showing pictures to illustrate.

A table arrangement made by Mrs. Gill centered the dining table. It had tall green spikes topped by silver balls on a sparkling white base. The mantel arrangement included a Madonna figure backed by a silver tray wreathed in ivy, lighted by red tapers. Other decorative pieces were used in the rooms.

Members exchanged gifts and received favors of Santa Claus boots filled with candy. Mrs. J. W. Beane was a guest, and other members present were Mrs. T. A. Fraser, Mrs. J. T. Klingler, Mrs. J. B. Branham, Mrs. E. F. Byrd, Mrs. Bud Wilson, Mrs. W. M. Garney, Mrs. C. W. Murray, Mrs. C. A. McCamy, Mrs. George E. Christy, Mrs. C. D. Johnson, Mrs. J. E. Sanders, Mrs. Lucille Johnson, Mrs. Neta Stovall, Mrs. W. G. Ray, Mrs. Russell Holster, Mrs. J. C. Roberts and Mrs. R. H. Reeves.

West P-TA Adopts Project And Gives Life Membership

Money to furnish a teacher's lounge was appropriated by members of the West Elementary Parent-Teacher Association at a meeting Tuesday night in the school auditorium. This will be one of the association's major projects of the year.

During the business session, Mrs. Bill Collyns, first vice president of the organization, was given a life membership in the P-TA. Mrs. Collyns has been secretary-treasurer and held other offices in the P-TA. Mrs. Tommy Withrow's resignation as secretary was accepted and Robert Cochran's room won the attendance prize. Second prize was given to Ova Webb's room.

A large crowd attended the meeting and saw fourth and fifth graders present "Susanna's Christmas Auction," an operetta directed by Glenda Ruth Brown and written by Paynter and Schaefer. The operetta is the story of a selfish little girl and her family.

Mr. Paymaster KCRS 12:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday WESTERN COTTON OIL CO. FORMULA FEEDS and SEEDS

New Investigating Committee Named

AUSTIN—(AP)—The state has a new investigating committee Wednesday. A five-member panel made up of both House and Senate members was created Tuesday by the State Legislative Council, which had been given this authority. The Senate already has a general investigating committee.

Scurry Will Build Airport At Snyder

SNYDER—(AP)—Scurry County, flowing with oil and crawling with oil men, is going to build itself a first class airport here. Commissioner's court let the contract Tuesday to Ash-Wilson Engineering Service.

Drop In Farmers' Income Predicted

ST. PAUL—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Braman predicts net income of farmers may decline another 15 per cent next year, adding to the economic pincer whose jaws he said currently are gripping agriculture.

Midland Baptists Attend Area Meet

A group of members of Baptist Churches will go to Odessa Thursday evening for a meeting of the Big Spring Baptist Association. It will start at 5:30 p.m., with a board meeting and also a session of the Women's Missionary Union.

Livestock

FORT WORTH—(AP)—Cattle 2,100; calves 1,300; slaughter calves strong some 1.00-1.50 higher; stocker calves steady; cattle steady to strong; good and choice steers and yearlings 24.00-28.00; common to medium steers and yearlings 16.00-23.00; beef cows 14.50-17.50; canners and cutters 10.00-24.50; bulls 13.50-17.50; good and choice fat calves 21.00-25.00; common to medium kinds 16.00-21.00; stocker calves 19.00-24.00; stocker steers and yearlings 17.00-22.00; stocker cows 15.00-18.00.

Food Fish

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with words filled in: SANDY BECKER, RADIO, MIMIC, etc.

Education Chairman Names Committees

AUSTIN—(AP)—A five-member committee to begin search for a state commissioner of education was named Wednesday by R. B. Anderson, chairman of the State Board of Education. Appointed were A. R. Bivins of Amarillo, Cecil Morgan of Fort Worth, Emerson Stone of Jacksonville, Mrs. Joe A. Wessendorf of Richmond, W. W. Jackson of San Antonio.

Large advertisement for Grand Prize Pale Dry Beer. Features a woman in a party hat, a man in a suit, and a large beer can. Text: 'Are you a last minute Shopper? Send a Gift that's really appreciated! New Grand Prize Pale Dry Beer... beautifully Christmas-wrapped and ready for giving! Your neighborhood dealer has this lighter, genuinely DRY beer in 12 or 24-can cartons and 24-bottle cases—ready to deliver at no extra cost. Save time and worry... spread welcome holiday cheer with Grand Prize Pale Dry Beer! a NEW lighter Beer --- genuinely DRY! GULF BREWING COMPANY, HOUSTON, TEXAS'

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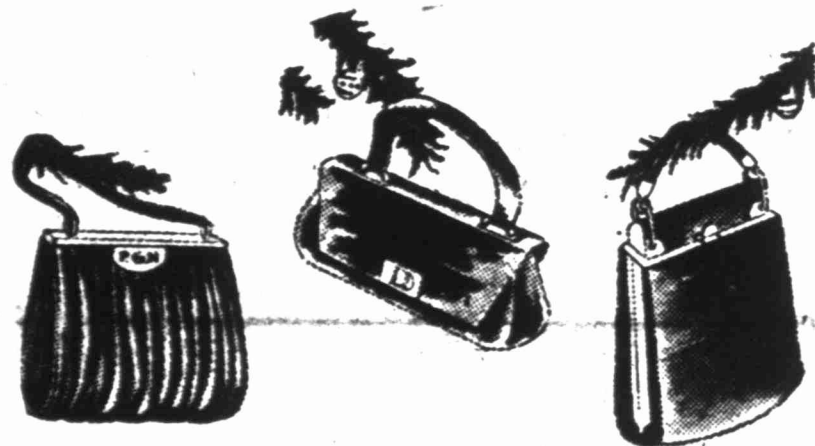


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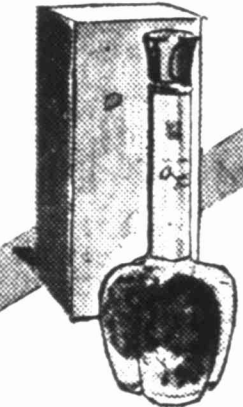


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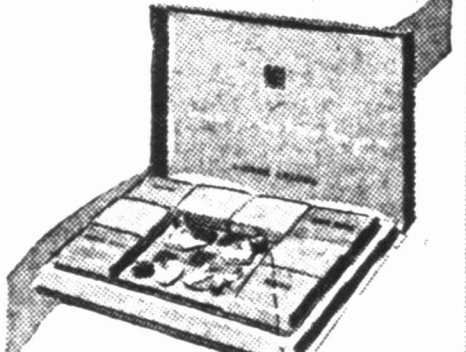
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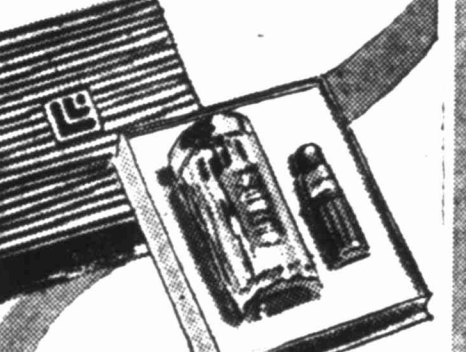
Ting-a-ling . . . Lucien Lelong novel perfume gift. Your choice of six famous Lucien Lelong perfumes in a gold-banded bottle ringed with tingling bells. \$7.50 plus tax.



"For My Guests" . . . Charming gift package of four perfumes and four shades of face powder. Marvelous for the woman who has everything . . . who entertains . . . or for your very own powder room. \$6.50 plus tax.



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Airline Official To Address Rotary Club Thursday Noon

John A. Smith, cargo sales manager of Continental Air Lines, Denver, Colo., will address the Midland Rotary Club at its regular meeting Thursday noon in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. W. Ily Pratt is the program chairman.



John A. Smith

"Midland's importance in the Nation's Commercial Airline Network will be the subject of Smith's address. He will fly here from Denver to speak at the luncheon. The Continental official is a veteran air transportation authority of 15 years service with major companies in Boston, Buffalo, Los Angeles and Denver. He is recognized in aviation circles as one of the nation's outstanding leaders in air cargo development. Before joining Continental in 1944, Smith was affiliated with American Airlines a number of years and with the Flying Tigers Freight Line.

Plot To Overthrow Government Bared By Mexican Official

MEXICO CITY—(AP)—The federal attorney for the Capital District announced Wednesday the government had evidence of a plot "to overthrow the government and impose a Communist regime."

Carlos Franco Sodi said the evidence was discovered when a leftist labor leader was arrested during an investigation of shortages in the funds. He showed reporters the documents—more than 3,000 letters, reports and newspaper clippings—which have been under study for three weeks.

"The documents also show," Franco Sodi said, "that Mexican Communists have been dealing with workers' movements in Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Venezuela and Colombia."

He said that "to unify the workers under the Communist banner, the rising costs of some articles and the degradation of the peso have been used, with the idea of provoking agitation among the masses."

Diego Rivera and other leftists have protested to the government recently about the disappearance of four newspapermen employed by the official Communist newspaper. Police said they arrested the men and then released them, but they have not appeared. There was no indication whether the disappearance was connected with the report of the plot.

Texas Honor Ernest Kurth

LUFKIN—(AP)—Lufkin was taking a holiday Wednesday as thousands of visitors came to honor industrialist Ernest L. Kurth. The 64-year-old Lufkin businessman civic leader and industrialist has been named "Man of the South for 1949" and Texas' Industrialist of the Year.

Federal and state officials are among those from throughout the South who will participate in a testimonial dinner Wednesday night when the awards are to be presented. They include Texas Governor Allan Shivers, U. S. Senator Tom Connally, former Governor William P. Hobby, and former Secretary of Commerce Jesse H. Jones.

Mitchell is speaker. Don Mitchell, New York City, is to be the principal speaker at the banquet which will climax a day-long program.

Mitchell is president of Sylvania Products, Inc. Many of the visitors were getting their first look at the plants which, primarily through Kurth's efforts, boosted the city from a farm and lumber community to the state's fifth largest industrial center.

Among the plants thrown open for inspection was the Southland Paper Mills, the first such plant in the South to produce commercial quantities of newsprint for newspapers.

Have A Laugh

By BOYCE HOUSE One of the greatest of story-tellers was Bob Taylor, the fiddling governor of Tennessee. He used to tell this one:

A man went to the doctor for an examination. The physician said, "All you need is a little toddy as a tonic." But the man objected, "I have a young son and I don't want him to see me drink." The doctor said, "Oh, just put a little water on to boil and explain that it is for shaving."

Several weeks went by and one day the doctor saw the son on the street and asked, "How are things at your house?" The boy replied, "Doctor, I think you're right; his mind; he shaves four and five times a day!"

WASHINGTON COLUMN

Coal Operators Say Welfare Fund Needs Tighter Handling

By PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—In spite of the Kentucky coal mine operators' surrender to John L. Lewis' terms, other major producers say they are in for a long, tough negotiation for a new contract.

Biggest bone of contention is over the pension and welfare fund. The big coal companies are insisting that

one of their rare meetings during the last five months that he, Lewis, never would give up his discretionary power to decide what benefits are paid the miners and their dependents. He has defied the mine operators to try to take this power away from him. Lewis apparently has enjoyed greatly the disbursing of the welfare fund's \$150,000,000. Under the old contract, there was no limit on the amount of money which could be given away.

Lewis has boasted that the fund has been handled more efficiently than other insurance funds, and that its administrative expenses have been low. But in keeping these costs low, the miners' welfare fund has been subject to many abuses. It has been easy for any old-time miner to get affidavits that he worked in the pits 20 or 30 years ago, and therefore is entitled to a pension. Local union officials have been reluctant to turn down any application.

Spending a little more on a field organization, or turning the whole job over to an insurance company which would weed out the chiselers, might have saved the miners' fund many millions of dollars.

Getting John L. Lewis to agree to tighter business administration of the welfare fund is expected to be one of the major stumbling blocks in getting a new contract with the big operators. They have had their lawyers at work, drafting new contract terms which they believe would take the bugs out of the present sloppy administration. But these terms have not been presented to Lewis and will not be made public until he shows some inclination to sit down and discuss them in contract negotiations.

His comments at that time were not merely a statement of what the terms of a new contract should be. They were also a warning to other industries of what trouble they might get into if they signed similar faculty pension and welfare agreements, in their haste to get any kind of a contract that would permit them to get back to work.

Since there is now governmental and general public acceptance of the old-age pension idea, Moody says the coal operators in his association are willing to negotiate on that subject. They are inclined to believe that pensions should be handled on a company-by-company basis, instead of on an industry-wide basis through the union. This is intended to prevent abuses in paying pensions to those not entitled to receive them.

The catch in this proposal may be that if a coal operator goes broke, or goes out of business, there would be nobody to pay the pension. But the way the pension plan has been run in the last year, it has resulted only in spending almost all the money in the retirement fund, putting it out of commission.

To prevent this bankrupting of pension and welfare funds, Moody now proposes that the new contract provide three specific safeguards.

First, that proper standards on payments be fixed. Second, that rules of eligibility for pensions and welfare payments be made public. Third, that the powers of the trustees be carefully limited and that their discretionary authority to decide who gets what be eliminated entirely.

John L. Lewis has told Moody in

Tot Up To Neck In Trouble With Pan

CHICAGO—(AP)—Michael Thomas Sullivan, 3, tried his mother's new two-piece cake pan on his head for size and was up to his neck in trouble.

Michael removed the bottom from the pan and put the rim—which he thought made a fine helmet—over his head. The pan didn't come off as easily as it slipped on.

Michael howled and his mother, Mrs. Jane Sullivan, 26, telephoned a fire rescue squad. Firemen used a hacksaw to cut the rim off the boy's neck.

HORSLEY FOUND INSANE HAMILTON, TEXAS—(AP)—J. M. Horsley, 62, will not be tried on a murder charge in the poison death of his wife last November 14. He was found insane Tuesday. A district jury decided Horsley was insane now and when the killing occurred. Horsley was accused of putting poison in his wife's coffee.



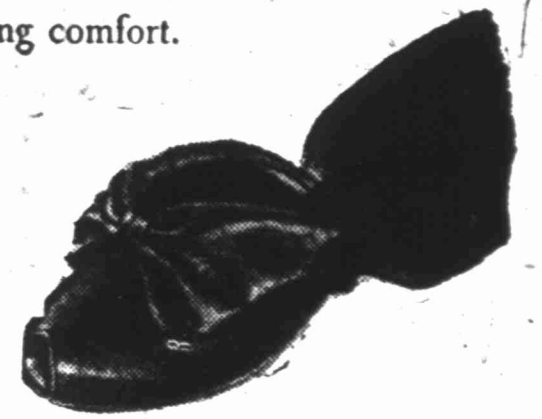
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ALTUS, OKLA.—(AP)—J. N. Brooks of Childress, Texas, was named vice president of the newly organized Texas and Oklahoma Council for the upper Red River watershed at a meeting here Tuesday.

Beam transmission is a directional system for the sending of short wave signals that results in higher efficiency.

Three More Hoskins Trial Jurors Needed

AMARILLO—(AP)—Three more jurors were needed Wednesday for the murder trial of Dwight Hoskins, 24-year-old former Amarillo High School football star.

He is charged in the October 6 robbery-slaying of Charles Lee Freeman. Also charged in the shooting is Donald Gene Young, 21, an Amarillo seaman.

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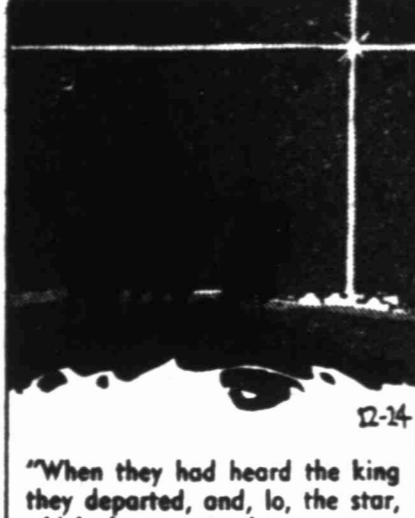
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"There came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him." (Matthew 2:1, 2.)



When King Herod heard this he was greatly troubled. So he had the wise men brought before him and questioned them.



"When they had heard the king they departed, and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them till it stood over where the young child was." (Matthew 2:9.)



When they saw the child with Mary they fell down and worshiped him, and presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11.)

Even St. Nick Can't Bring Joy To Boyle

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK—(P)—There isn't a darn thing Santa Claus can throw my way this Christmas.

For all I care the old boy can get stuck in a chimney in Des Moines. I'm not bothering to hang up my sock.

The one thing I'd like even Santa Claus can't give. I want him to make time stand still and keep a girl I know from growing older—and from going away.

The girl is half past two, her name is Nina, and everything about her is wholly wonderful.

I can brag about her with a clear conscience because she isn't mine, except to borrow on an hour's lend-lease arrangement with her parents two or three times a week. That is my privilege as godfather.

When first I saw her she was just a moist, bald-headed ball of protoplasm that smelled of milk and made small noises like a puppy. Now she is a flaxen-haired, sturdy-legged child with a mind and vocabulary of her own.

Hal Groves Younger
All this year Nina has grown older I have been growing younger. And it has been a happy-happy year—too good to go on, I guess.

The other weekend her father and I dined together, a young newspaper couple, got an assignment to go to Italy. They will be gone for three years.

I took her on a farewell visit to the Central Park Zoo. She said goodbye to the monkeys, wanted to climb in and pet the tigers, jeered at the "lazy seal" that wouldn't go into the water. But most of all she loved the pigeons because they came and pecked peanuts from her hand.

Take Cab Home
Then we bought a balloon and hauled a cab home. On the way she turned to me with a luminous smile and said:

"Hal, I sleepy."
And she stretched out comfortably on the seat, put her feet in my lap and dozed off. All the rest of the way I kept thinking:

"Lord, Lord, can't you let it stay this way for a long time?"
Three days after Christmas she'll be gone, leaving me a godfather in absentia. When I see her again she'll be almost six and greet me with a polite "Buon Giorno" instead of "Hi, Hal!"

How can I believe in Santa Claus this year?

Because dark red looks just like the blackest black to the camera tube, that color often is used as a substitute in television.

Maj. Albert Feldman To Be Stationed In San Antonio



MITCHEL AIR FORCE BASE, N. Y.—Major Albert Feldman, whose wife is the former Mary Kendrick of Midland, Texas, has been appointed air provost marshal of the San Antonio area, the most densely populated military area in the United States.

The major has been air provost marshal at Mitchel Air Force Base on Long Island, the last two-and-one-half years, and was responsible for the establishment of one of the finest and most efficient air police systems in the U. S. Air Force.

Served In Germany
Before coming to Mitchel AFB, Major Feldman was stationed in Berlin with the occupation forces, where he was arbiter in many of the Russian incidents in Kreuzberg, Neukolln and Tempelhof. A number of the policies which he effected in the German capital were adopted with advantage at Mitchel.

Major Feldman entered the Field Artillery at Fort Eustis, Va., in February, 1942. He served in Europe three years during and immediately after the war, from 1944 until 1947.

Major and Mrs. Feldman will visit Mrs. Feldman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Kendrick, 106 South Pecos Street, Midland, later this month, before the air provost marshal reports to San Antonio January 4.

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Tribute To A Great Newspaperman



A portrait of the late Ernie Pyle, famous Scripps-Howard newspaper correspondent, is hung at the Press Box, a New York restaurant. His is the first of a series of paintings of famous newspapermen to be displayed in the restaurant's Hall of Fame. On hand at the unveiling were: William Donovan, wartime head of the Office of Strategic Services; John Shelton, artist who painted the portrait, and Henry Castello, co-owner and manager of the restaurant.

Choir And Glee Club To Sing In High School Christmas Pageant

The Girls' Glee Club and the A Cappella Choir, both directed by C. Michener, will, with students from the Speech Department under the direction of Verna Harris, present Midland High School's annual Christmas pageant Thursday night.

Entitled "The Promised One," the pageant is the story of the birth of Christ, and will be given twice Thursday night. The first performance will be at 7 p. m. and the second at 8:45 p. m., both in the Junior High School Auditorium.

Choir Members
Members of the A Cappella Choir are Wilma Like, Jean Blackwell, Doris Thompson, Wayne Richardson, Jim Locke, Nada Bramlett, Billie Love, Peggy Greathouse, Bill Burnside, DeZil Ann Kemp, Sue Corser, Arnold Drake, Wanda Burnside.

La Wanda Huckaby, Sammy Koen, Richard Robinson, Mildred Rasco, Shirley Harrison, David Weaver, June Hazlip, Virginia Breedlove, Dan Story, Royjelene Bunt, Betty Wilson, Marian Richardson, Bert Studier, Buddy Stovall, Louis Griffith, George James, Myra Lumpkin.

Annell Kinard, Bobby Evans, Marilyn Wheelless, Eddie Darnell, Max Schaefer, Shirley Pulliam, Mary Schneider, Don Leaton, Corky Moss, Pauline Rasco, Dolores Forman, Wayne Bailey, Mary Nell, Sue King, Gloria Anquish, Helen Cartwright and Ann Boring.

Girls' Glee Club members are Diane Anderson, Gail Baker, June Biggs, Camilla Birkhead, Pat Boles, Rosemary Brazzil, Diana Daugherty, Jo Dean Downing, Jo Ann Drake.

Doctors Offices At Hospital To Close Saturday Afternoons

Effective this week, doctors' offices at the Western Clinic-Hospital will close at noon each Saturday. Dr. Homer B. Johnson, president of the board of directors, announced Wednesday.

The hospital will be open and emergencies will be handled as usual, but all doctors will be out of their offices.

Previously, doctors had one afternoon per week off but under the new schedule all doctors will be off Saturday afternoon.

Television receivers with metal cabinets have appeared on the market.

Letters To Santa Claus—

Dear Santa Claus:
"Will you please bring me a doll and some dishes, doll buggy and lots of other things."
"I hope all of the other little girls and boys get lots of toys, too."
"Dear Santa, I love you. I have a big brother and sister. Please don't forget them."
Love,
Rosemary Curry
P. S. I am five years old.

old. Please bring her a 'squeaky' doll."
Love you,
Fredia Jean Allen

Dear Santa Claus:
"Please try to come before I go to sleep. I want two guns and holsters. And please bring a lot of caps. Please don't forget my brother. He wants one gun and one holster. And bring him a lot of caps, too."
Herbert and Jim

Dear Santa Claus:
"I have been a pretty good boy this past year."
"I would like for you to bring me a play car to ride in, an airplane and some cowboy boots."
"Also fill my stocking with nuts, candy and fruit."
"Remember the other boys and girls."
Love,
Jimmy Moore

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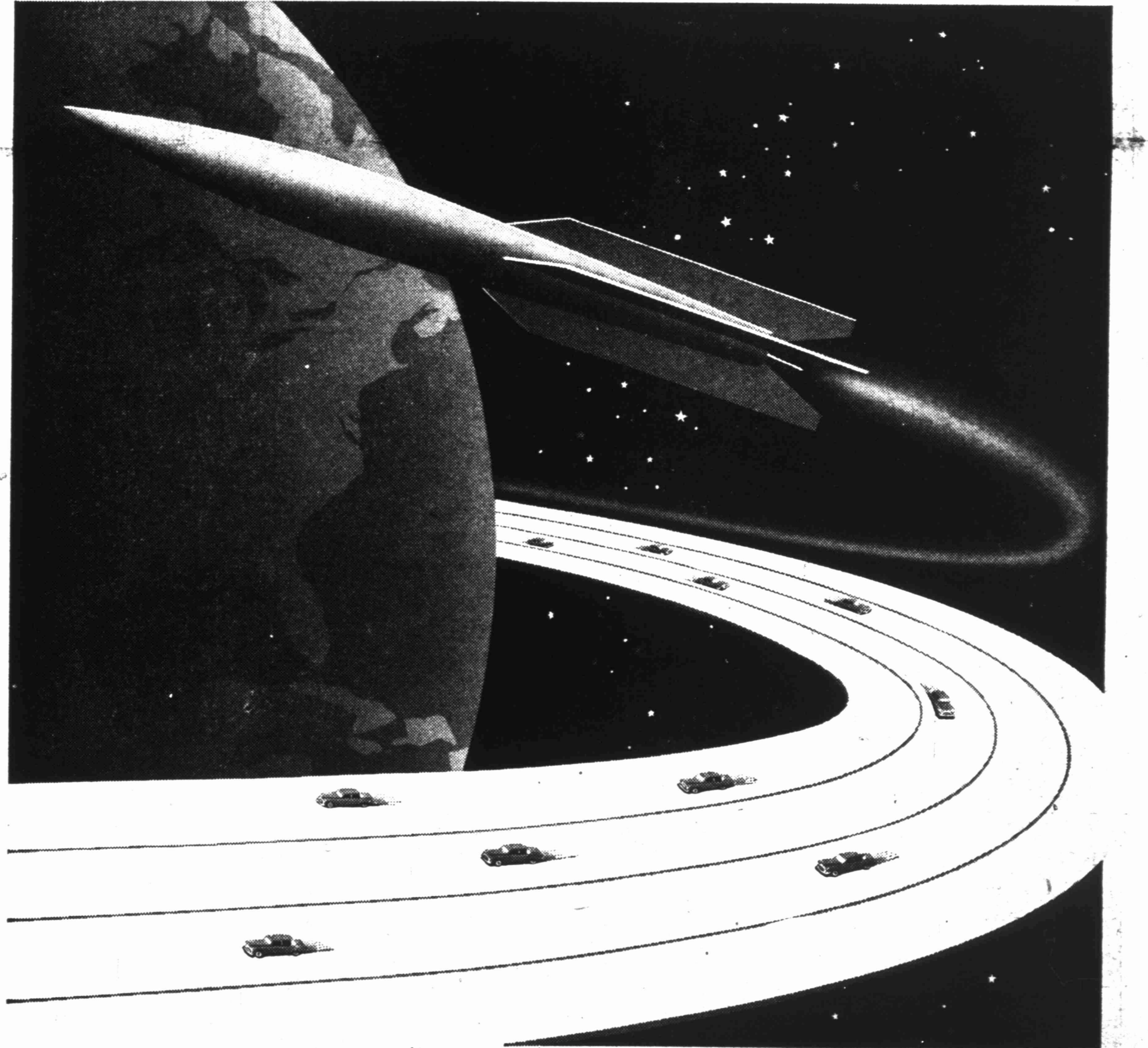
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DADDY RINGTAIL • By Wesley Davis

Daddy Ringtail And The Cowbird

A cowbird isn't a cow that can fly. Oh no! A cowbird is only a bird, a black bird, not very small and not very large, but it is larger than it is small. The cowbird's name is cowbird because it is a very good friend of the cows. The cows are always happy to have a cowbird around.

Now up in the top of the very

tall tree, just outside the window of the monkey house, was a bird nest. But this bird nest didn't belong to the cowbird. The cowbird was much too busy, keeping the cows happy ever to build a nest. This nest belongs to a little green bird who was a friend of Sammy Ringtail, the monkey boy.

"Sammy!" said the little green bird one morning. "I'm going out in the forest now for my break-

fast. Please watch my nest while I am gone—and see that nothing happens to the eggs that are in it." Sammy said he would watch the nest and the eggs. He could see them from his window. But right after the little green bird flew away for her breakfast, Sammy

was going to call Daddy Ringtail to do something about it. But quick as a wink, the cowbird hopped in the nest and out again. It flew away through the air.

Soon after, the little green bird came home, and Sammy told her what had happened. She scratched her head with her foot as she listened, and then she began to smile.

The cowbird was really her friend, and the cowbird had left a present in the nest. The present was an egg, because the cowbird was much too busy with the cows to build a nest for herself, and she had no place to keep the egg. But the little green bird was glad to have it, and she said she would take good care of it because it was a present. People should always take extra special good care of a present, I guess, don't you? Happy day!

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WHAT AM I MAKING? WELL, UM... HOW ABOUT YOU?

I ASKED YOU FIRST!

TWO MORE LEGS, AND WE'D HAVE A MIGHTY FANCY MILKING STOOL!

PRISCILLA'S POP

—By AL VEEMER

SEE? EACH NIGHT YOU TAKE OUT A KNOT, AND WHEN ALL THE KNOTS ARE GONE, YOU'LL KNOW IT'S CHRISTMAS!

BOY! THAT'S A GOOD IDEA, POP!

IS THAT WHAT YOU DID WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE??

NO... I HAD A DIFFERENT SYSTEM, PRISCILLA...

WHEN I FOUND MYSELF HELPING WITH THE DUSTING, I KNEW THE BIG DAY WAS CLOSE AT HAND!

HOMER HOOPEE

—By RAND TAYLOR

SO THAT'S WHY HOMER'S BEEN SO GENIAL!

AND I WAS AFRAID THIS OGAR HE GAVE ME WAS LOADED!

YAS, HE PROMISED TO BE GOOD IF I WOULD DO HIS CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR HIM. I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND.

HEAVENS NO! ANYTHING TO KEEP HIM IN A GOOD HUMOR.

SAD, HERE'S WHERE I PUT HIS GOODBYE TO THE ACID TEST!

DICKIE DARE

—By FRAN MATERA

NOW WE'VE NOTHING TO EAT!

CHEER UP, OL' SON, TAKE A PEEK FORWARD!

GOSH, THE SWEETEST I'LL TROPICAL ISLAND! I'D ALMOST FORGOTTEN—WE'VE SAILED ACROSS TH' GULF STREAM!

YES, KID, THESE CORAL BAHAMA ISLANDS ARE IN PARADISE—GLAD I PACKED MY GOGGLES AND FISH SPEAR—WATCH!

SEE? SEAFOOD'S TOPS WITH ME!

BUGS BUNNY

—By LEON BERTHOUD

YOU ARE THE FENCING SPECIALIST?

THAT'S WHAT TH' SIGN SAYS, POC, C'MON IN!

EN GARDE, THURST! PARRY!

WHAT?...LAY OFF! YA'LL HURT SOMEBODY!

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OUT OUR WAY —By J. R. WILLIAMS OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE

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Why th' trip near killed him! I can't bear to think of it yet! What kind of nut philosophy has them chinamen gott?

They believe in being reasonable! He won't concede it wasn't a good time because it nearly killed him—he figgers he just wasn't in shape for it, is all!

WHAT'S IN THE OLD STEWPOT NOW, MAJOR? THAT LOOKS LIKE A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS STOCKING FOR DINOSAURS!

EGAD BUSTER! YOU ARE GAZING AT A SURE-FIRE YULETIDE SMASH IDEA—A JUMBO SIZE STOCKING FOR JUNIOR TO HANG ON THE MANTEL!—BUT LISTEN, AFTER CHRISTMAS IT BECOMES A WARM MUFFLER, WITH A SNAP FASTENER TO KEEP IT SNUGLY IN PLACE!—THAT'S HOW A NATION-WIDE FAD IS BORN!

AND YOU'LL SELL SIX MILLION OF 'EM, EH?

THE SURVIVOR

VIC FLINT —By MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE

HOWDAY LIKE THAT, POOCH?

HA, HA! THAT'LL TEACH HIM TO GET IN MY WAY!

THAT'S NO WAY TO TREAT A DOG.

NO? WELL, WHO'S ASKIN' YA?

YIP!

VIC FLINT

WASH TUBS —By LESLIE TURNER

JUST WAIT! POP SEES YOU ON CHRISTMAS MORNING, LITTLE FELLA! BUT HE GOTTA HIDE YOU 'TILL THEN.

HMM... WONDER WOT KILDA STORE THIS IS GONNA BE?

WATCH FOR OUR BIG OPENING SOON

CAN'T SEE NOTHIN' BUT—

HEY, KID! GET AWAY FROM THERE! BEAT IT!

WELL, YOU DONT WAFTA GET ON A HIGH HORSE! I WASNT HURTIN' ANY-THING!

LISTEN, YOU LITTLE PUNK! WHEN I SAY BEAT IT, YOU MOVE! NOW SCRAM OR I'LL BAT YOUR EARS DOWN!

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OPEN UP, SHERIFF, OR WE'LL BUST THIS JAIL WIDE OPEN!

WE'RE GOIN TO HANG THAT INJUN!

I'LL SHOOT TH' FIRST ONE O' YOU THAT COMES IN THAT DOOR!

THEM WANT TO KILL CHIEF! YOU IN BIG DANGER TO DRESS LIKE INDIAN, RED RYDER!

I'LL TAKE TH' CHANCE! GET GOIN', THUNDER!

RED RYDER

ALLEY OOP —By V. T. HAMLIN

THE EGYPT OF CLEOPATRA'S TIME WAS NOTHING TO WHAT IT ONCE HAD BEEN.

TAKE THE ERECTION OF THE SPHINX—BUILT BY A CIVILIZATION DEAD THOUSANDS OF YEARS BEFORE THE DAWN OF YOURS.

I SAW THE BARONS OF EARLY ENGLAND PUT THE HEAT ON OLD KING JOHN.

SERVED AS AN OFFICER IN THE FORCES OF NAPOLEON.

AND PUT IN A FEW HECTIC WEEKS WITH PIRATES OFF OUR EASTERN SHORES.

ALLEY OOP

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES —By EDGAR MARTIN

I'M TERRIBLY PROUD OF PUG AND HER CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, AREN'T YOU, BOO? BUT THERE IS THE QUESTION OF GIFTS!

GIFTS?

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Children Learn Music Easily

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE
AP Education Writer

It's easy to teach a child how to understand music, says Kay Kyser. The popular "Professor of the College of Musical Knowledge" maintains that right from the cradle practically every child is musical and it is fairly simple to channel his musical talents into constructive lines as he progresses through the years.

In a recent statement, Kyser observed: "You've seen a youngster shaking his rattles, haven't you? He likes the noise it makes and he learns the fundamentals of rhythm at the same time. Later, when that misguided uncle gives him a set of drums for his third

Christmas, the child will give you practically endless demonstrations of just how much he knows about rhythm."

The ability to distinguish between harmony and discord comes fairly early, too, he says. When a baby is learning to sit up, prop him near a piano and watch him swing at the keyboard. At first he'll bang away at a fistful of notes every time, but eventually he will make the discovery that he gets a more pleasant tone if he strikes just one key. Later he'll find out that it is even more pleasant when he hits certain combinations of notes.

Nursery Rhymes

Nursery rhymes are another important step in the development of musical memory, says Kyser. A child is more likely to be interested in the musical adventures of "Three Blind Mice" than in a Mozart sonata, and it is a good idea to let him progress by easy stages. "When you are buying toy instruments be sure that they are true to pitch," the "professor" advises. "Otherwise they may set the child back in developing an 'ear' for pitch. With a little guidance you can help the child develop a pleasant tone in singing those nursery rhymes and other simple jingles and sing them with some regard for pitch."

Once he is steady on his feet, rhythm begins to mean something more than beating a drum or kicking against the foot of his crib. Give him music that has a strong, definite rhythm (marches are excellent), and his natural impulse is to dance.

Make Part Of Life

Of course, one of the best ways to teach anything is to make it a part of daily life. For that reason, a parent who is anxious to teach his child music would do well with a phonograph and a good record library. Simple, rather short selections are best for primary instruction. Show the child pictures of the various musical instruments, then point out how they are used in records being played for him.

Arousing junior's interest in the works of great masters is a job that can be done in easy stages, Kyser says. Saint Saens, for example, wrote "The Carnival of the Animals," which should delight any child. Tchaikowsky's "Nutcracker Suite" and Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" are among other compositions which have an immediate appeal to children and serve as a fine introduction to the more ponderous works by the same composers, he says.

There are some excellent records designed especially to help children start early in their recognition of the classics. For instance, there is one illustrated album narrating simple stories against classical music backgrounds. Here the story of Billy Bee is told to the tune of Rimsky-Korsakov's "Flight of the Bumblebee"; the story of the ugly duckling to Saint-Saens' "The Swan."

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Mrs. Whitney, her husband N. J. Whitney, and their daughter Joyce decided to move to Palmerston North New Zealand. They left London by plane and took a cutting of their pet cactus with them. But they had to say goodbye to their cactus in Sydney. Customs men destroyed the cutting as a noxious plant.

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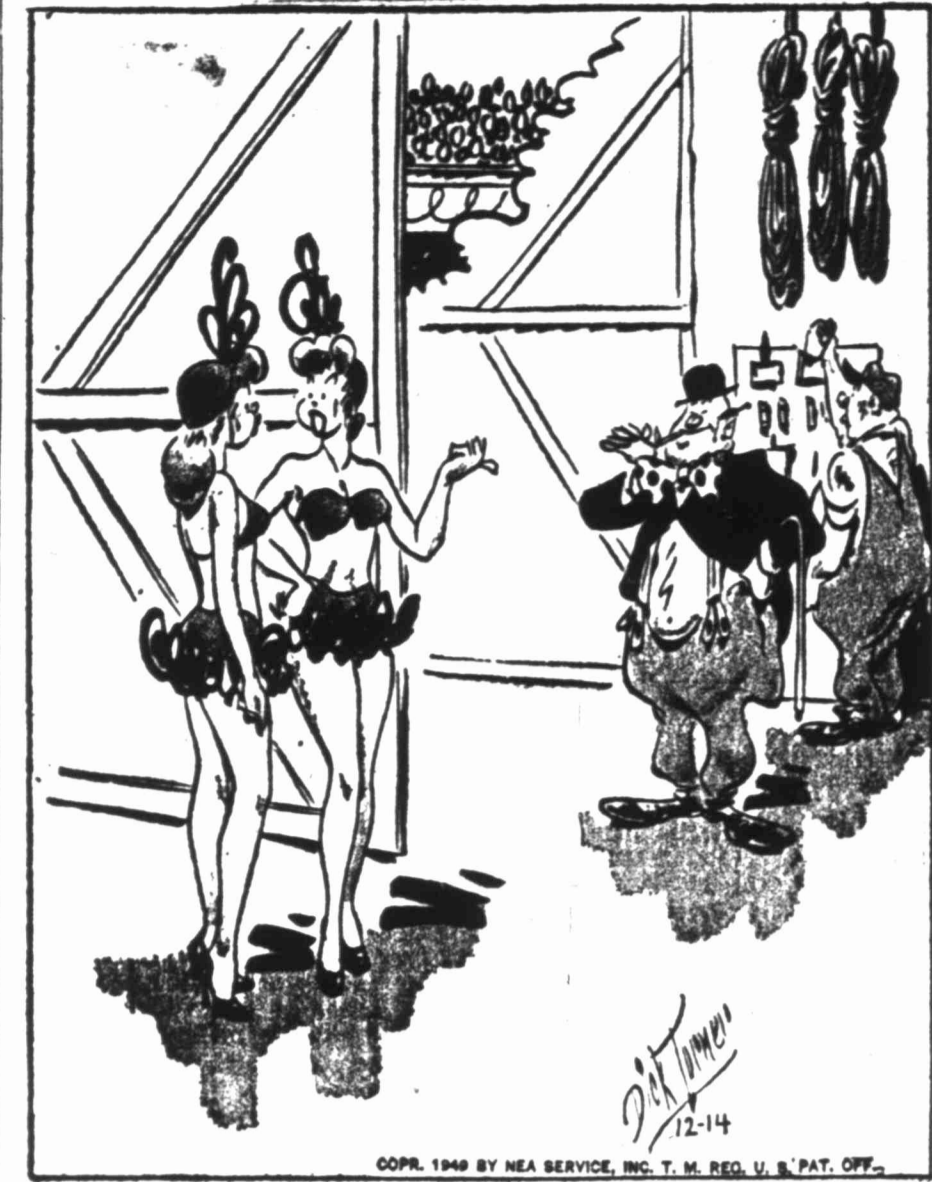
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Good Samaritan Gets A Ticket

ENGLEWOOD, COLO.—(P)—Patrolman Martin Knisley saw a motorist pass a red light and gave chase in his police car. Both cars swung out to pass a truck. Knisley lost control and his car swerved into a ditch.

As the officer, cut and bruised, climbed out, the car he'd been chasing drove up. The driver had seen the mishap in his rear vision mirror and turned back to give help.

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WASHINGTON — (AP) — Federal game officials are using aerial photographs as evidence against commercial fishermen operating illegally in certain waters.

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Albert M. Day, director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, says the plane has replaced the dog sled in Alaskan patrols to the extent that only 13 miles were covered by sled last year, against 134,329 by plane, 300 by helicopter and about 100,000 by other means.

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New York Wells Running Dry; City Faces Drought Until '52

NEW YORK — (NEA) — In many a New York restaurant, you had to ask for the glass of water that usually comes to your table with the menu.

Flushing trucks no longer washed the litter from the streets at night. In hotels and offices, signs went up to warn against faucets left running. In the city's catacombs, engineers made ready to pump salt water from the harbor into the high pressure fire lines.

The wells that supply the world's biggest city with 1,200,000,000 gallons of water a day were running dry, and its eight million people were facing a drought they found hard to believe.

Outlook Serious
This was how serious the picture looked to an engineer of the city's Department of Water Supply:

"If it didn't rain for 95 days New York City would be out of water, without enough to drink, a doomed community unable to function."

"We don't expect any such evil fate, but there are other dangers and inconveniences that still may be ahead. Any person who wastes water under these conditions is a bad citizen."

May Lower Pressure
Unless New Yorkers turned off the water and listened, more in-

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As waters recede in Kensico reservoir, one of the big man-made lakes supplying New York City, the shoreline spreads out. Supply is down to 37 per cent of normal.

convenience than restaurant meals without water or unwashed streets were in store. Water pressure might be lowered; city cliff dwellers, in thousands of apartments above the fourth floor level, would find their taps and showers reduced to a trickle.

In the big reservoirs that supply New York, along the Croton and Catskill watersheds, the reason for a dry city was plain: the shorelines of the man-made lakes were getting bigger every day; the water reserves they enclosed, unaided by a dry summer, were down to 37 per cent of normal.

And winter brings heavy rains and deep snows on the watersheds, the crisis may be postponed. Otherwise, the water experts warned New Yorkers, there is no way to relieve the emergency before 1952; the engineers have no magic that will turn on a new water supply before then.

Tunnels Dug
Tunnels are being dug to tap the watershed on the western slope of the Catskills, but the work already is at full speed. And when the east branch of the Delaware River is piped into New York's mains, there should be plenty of water for a long time to come. But that is about three years away.

Not even the rivers and harbors that ring the great metropolis offer any hope. Evaporation of sea water is too costly; what could be pumped out of the upper Hudson, where the water runs fresher, and put through filter beds and chlorination equipment would be only a drop in the city's bucket.

Until the rains came again, about all New York could do was fix its leaking faucets.

Ambushed



(NEA Telephone)
Frank J. Christenson, 44, former assistant Cook County state's attorney, was shot down and killed from ambush as he stepped from his car near his home in Cicero, Ill. Christenson had retired from politics and was devoting his time to real estate interests. As prosecutor he had led the fight against the Capone syndicate mob which had headquarters in Cicero.

Even Lawyers Are Jailed Without Trial By Jury

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A lot of lawyers recently have been sentenced to jail without a jury trial. Federal judges decided they were guilty of contempt of court and gave them from one to six months in the cooler.

The cases bring out a point which most laymen don't realize: That although the Constitution in two places says that a defendant in a criminal case shall have a right to a trial by jury, there are still a lot of ways he can be imprisoned without getting a chance to tell his story to a jury.

The big contempt cases now pending are those resulting from the Harry Bridges trial in San Francisco and the trial of the 11 Communists in New York. The judges convicted seven defense attorneys of improper conduct in court—harassing, delaying, acting to embarrass the judge and impede the trial. The lawyer in the Bridges case, Vincent Hallinan, was sentenced to six months, to be served when the trial is completed. Six attorneys involved in the New York case, one of them a defendant who was acting as his own lawyer, were sentenced to from one to six months. Their appeal is pending.

When a federal judge decides a person is guilty of contempt of court, he can fine or imprison him without indictment or even a hearing. There is no limit to the length of the sentence or the amount of the fine as long as the punishment is not unreasonable, cruel or unusual. The law varies among the state courts, but most of them follow the federal practice to a large extent.

Old As History
The power of a court to punish for contempt is as old as the history of law. You couldn't get orderly administration of justice if attorneys and others in the court could persist in disturbing and delaying the proceedings and making the judge look like a fool. And if the judge had to start complicated legal processes, including a jury trial, each time he found someone guilty of contempt, it would be possible to delay the completion of a trial indefinitely. Also there is no need for a jury to determine the facts, since the judge witnessed the offense.

There are, in fact, a lot of ways a person can be legally imprisoned without a jury trial. In military courts, for instance. And in prosecutions for petty offenses which were deemed petty at the time the Constitution was adopted.

The question of how far a judge should go in convicting someone for contempt is a live issue. Legal scholars are debating it. The Supreme Court has given split decisions several times when the matter was brought before it. A chief complaint is about the vagueness of the legal definition of contempt. It is felt that the limits of contempt should be closely and clearly defined, since it is an exception to the great principle that trial by jury is essential to due process of law.

A famous case, Fisher versus Pace, was decided by the Supreme Court early this year. Five of the justices upheld a Texas judge who convicted a lawyer for contemptuous conduct during a trial. Four justices dissented, criticizing the judge for acting in a fit of temper. Justices Douglas and Black, in dissenting, said the power to punish for contempt in open court "must be narrowly confined, lest it become an instrument of tyranny."

Carrots and parsley are members of the same plant family.

Scout Winter Camp Nearing Capacity

Almost one-half of the 100 Boy Scouts of the Buffalo Trail Council who will take part in the annual Winter Camp in the Davis Mountains already have been turned in applications, P. V. Thorson, Scout executive, said Tuesday.

Thorson pointed out that units planning to attend the camp can save one dollar per scout by registering before December 15. The charge will be eight dollars per Scout if submitted after that date.

The camp, to be held at the Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch, near Balmorhea, will open with the evening meal December 27 and end with breakfast January 1.

Troop 85, sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church, was one of the first to be entered, Thorson said. Troops from Big Spring, Pecos and Odessa have also notified council headquarters that they will send Scouts.

Jimmy Hale of Big Spring, Scout field executive, will be camp director. Field executive S. G. Painter of Odessa will be program director and Joe Niedermayer of Pecos, will be commissary director.

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NO SUNDAYS OFF
NEW DELHI — (AP) — A Christian member of the Indian constituent assembly characterized as "the tyranny of the majority" a proposal to hold the session on a Sunday. Mrs. Annie Mascarene of Travancore said Sunday were meant for going to church. Assembly President Rajendra Prasad fixed the time of the session to suit the convenience of church-goers.

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Mail Christmas Cards, Says PM

Start mailing your Christmas cards, Postmaster N. G. Oates told Midland residents Wednesday.

Greetings for out-of-state should be in the collection boxes December 15, he said. Cards for Texas delivery should be mailed at least the Monday before Christmas.

Extensive preparations have been made to handle the expected record flood of Yuletide mail. But the Postmaster warned procrastinators that extended bad weather could snarl deliveries and leave a mountain of undelivered Christmas cheer on Christmas Eve.

"It's better for your Christmas cards to arrive a few days early," he counseled, "than for it to limp in the day after Christmas."

Two-Cent Rate
The postmaster warned that Christmas cards mailed with one and a half cent stamps are being returned for "Insufficient Postage." The rate for unsealed third-class mail is now two cents.

Cards sent third class will not be forwarded or returned, without payment of additional postage. The postmaster stated that large numbers of 1949 Christmas cards will end up in the Dead Letter Office due to incomplete or incorrect addresses.

If you're not sure of the address, a three-cent stamp entitles your Christmas greeting to first-class postal service. The card will be forwarded from one address to another, of if the envelope bears your return address, the card will be returned to you if the addresses can't be located, without additional charge for postage.

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