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Vast Permian Basin Empire Scores Again

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Oil Editor

The Permian Basin Empire, which has been the pacesetter for the oil industry of the United States for a number of years, continued to hold its position at the head of the pack during 1949.

More records were set and the foundation was laid for a continuation of an exploration and development program during 1950 which probably will rack up more "firsts" for this territory.

At the end of 1949, the Permian Basin Empire, which covers West Texas and Southeast New Mexico, was credited with having 22.4 per cent of the known reserves of oil and gas in the entire United States.

New reserves discovered in this region during 1949 accounted for more than 30 per cent of new discoveries of the nation.

In presenting the phenomenal Scurry County reef development to the oil industry, the Permian Basin Empire produced the largest and most outstanding discovery since the East Texas field was found in the early 1930's.

Scurry Set Many Records
Scurry County in itself set many records—and it, along with adjoining areas, may set several others before the full story is told of the activity it has set off.

The story of Scurry County is told in detail in other reports in this issue of The Reporter-Telegram.

Forecasts of industry economists indicate that 1950 will see considerably more drilling in the West Texas-Southeast New Mexico region than was recorded last year.

Millions Of Feet Of Hole
During 1949 a total of 3,261 petroleum explorations were drilled in West Texas. Those projects accounted for the digging of 16,397,889 feet of hole.

End result of that enormous amount of footage was the completion of 66 oil and gas producing areas.

How Vast, Really, Is This Permian Basin Oil Empire?

The Permian Basin of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico is a geological province extending from the east line of Mitchell County on the east, to the west line of Texas at El Paso and north into New Mexico along the west line of Otero County.

It reaches from the north lines of Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd and Cottle Counties in Texas, to the Rio Grande River.

The east line of the Permian Basin is roughly along the east line of Cottle, King, Stonewall, Scurry, Mitchell, Coke, Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Edwards and Val Verde Counties.

The Permian Basin includes all the territory in West Texas south and west of these lines, and Lea, Eddy, Chaves, Roosevelt and Otero Counties in New Mexico.

On January 1, 1950, the Permian Basin had 356 oil fields or oil pools. The West Texas region had 244 of those producing areas and the Southeast New Mexico district had 114.

The Midland district of the Railroad Commission of Texas was credited with 296 of the West Texas fields, and the San Angelo district had 66 oil and gas producing areas.

House Holds All-Night Meet

Midland In The Golden Fifties



Sex Crime, Rural Phone Bills Passed

AUSTIN — (AP) — A haggard Texas House of Representatives, groggy from sleep, quit work Saturday afternoon after a rugged 23-hour, six-minute session. More than 22 hours of the session were devoted to a bill authorizing rural telephone co-operatives. Representatives from the country areas were victorious, ramrodding the measure to final passage, 101-6, after the sergeant-at-arms and Texas Highway Patrolmen rounded up enough members for the House to do business.

Then the House whirled five stringent sex crime laws to final passage and took care of some minor business before calling it quits until 10 a. m. Monday.

Short Of Record
The marathon session was two hours, 17 minutes short of the record for a continuous House session set in 1943. It began at 2 p. m. Friday. The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole at 5 p. m. to hear witnesses for and against the rural telephone bill. Only 76 of the 150 members were needed for this purpose. When the hearing ended in 8-12 committee approval of the measure, the House then needed a quorum of 100 members before it could consider passage of the bill.

Backers of the bill voted at 11:15 p. m. to lock themselves in until a quorum was secured.

Search Continues
The search continued throughout the night. Opponents of the bill tried desperately to prevent a quorum being reached.

A dawn count found 80 members. (Continued On Page Eight)

Jack Wilkinson Is Candidate For City Council Place 4

Jack Wilkinson, a Midland resident since 1922 and who owns extensive properties here, Saturday filed as a candidate for Place 4 on the City Council in the April 4 city election.

Wilkinson, who resides at 1311 West Missouri Street, owns and manages the six-story Permian Building, and is co-owner, with a brother and a sister, of the six-story Wilkinson-Poster Building and the two-story Wilkinson Building. He formerly was engaged in the ranching business here. He is married and has two children.

Long active in civic affairs, Wilkinson is a vice president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce and is chairman of the City and County Affairs Committee. He also is a member of the Chamber's Highway Committee, and is active in church affairs.

Other Candidates
Place 4 on the City Council now is held by Robert I. Dickey, who is not seeking reelection. Albert W. Rutter, Jr., geologist, last week filed as a candidate for the council post.

J. W. McMillen Friday announced as a candidate for Place 5 on the council. Stanley M. Erskine, Place 5 councilman, is not seeking reelection. The two-year terms of Dickey and Erskine expire this year.

Deadline for candidate filing in the city election is March 4. City Secretary J. C. Fudman said.

Holder members of the council are Mayor William B. Neely and Councilmen H. E. Chiles, Jr., W. F. Heil, and Frank Shriver.

Influenza Wave Hits Big Spring Hard Blow

BIG SPRING — (AP) — A wave of influenza continued unabated here with a total of 1,006 new cases reported during the last week.

The report from the City-County Health Unit, does not include cases unattended by doctors.

Druggists here say the epidemic is more widespread than in 1918 but the cases are not as severe.

There were 713 absences reported from Big Spring schools Friday, or about 21 per cent of the enrollment.

Extra Copies Of Oil Edition Available

Extra copies of Sunday's Golden Fifties Oil Progress Edition are available, as long as they last, at The Reporter-Telegram, 211 North Main Street, and at newsstands in Midland and other area cities.

The regular price of five cents per copy will prevail. A charge of 25 cents will be made for mailing copies of the 142-page progress edition. The charge is necessary to cover postage and cost of mailing.

Orders are being accepted at the newspaper's office, which will be open until 11 a. m. Sunday.

Oil In The Golden Fifties

(An Editorial)

Oil long has meant progress in the Permian Basin Empire, and the economy of this great territory in the Golden Fifties is geared to the continued development and expansion of the Petroleum Industry.

The Permian Basin Empire has more than 22 per cent of the nation's total oil reserves, and now accounts for approximately 17 per cent of the nation's total output of crude oil. Almost one out of every eight barrels of oil produced in the United States comes from West Texas, according to figures released by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association. Approximately 29 per cent of all wells scheduled to be drilled in Texas this year will be in West Texas, along with 20 per cent of the state's wildcat wells.

Yes, the Petroleum Industry is THE industry of West Texas and the Permian Basin Empire. Thousands of men and women are employed within the industry and practically every resident of the area is in the oil business in one way or another. State, county and city governments, schools, churches, hospitals, organizations and business in general depend largely on the oil industry for support, financial and otherwise.

The same thing holds true on a national basis, the oil business being one of the youngest but one of the most important industries in the nation today. And aside from its peacetime importance, petroleum, despite A-bomb and H-bomb developments, remains the cornerstone of the nation's security.

Yet, despite the importance of the Petroleum Industry on local, state and national levels, there are those individuals and groups who apparently would destroy this business, particularly the independent segment, which means so much to the welfare of our section, state and nation.

The proposed elimination or reduction of the depletion allowance clause of the Revenue Act, and continued high foreign imports of crude oil are the major "death warrants" facing the oil business today. There is no doubt but that elimination of the depletion clause would cripple the nation's producing business. A continuation of high imports eventually will be just as deadly.

It is something which demands the serious consideration of each and every resident of the Permian Basin Empire.

The very existence of the Oil Industry is at stake in the depletion allowance and imports issues.

Passage of the proposed depletion allowance change and adoption of an increased imports policy would demoralize progress in the Permian Basin Empire. Such must not be allowed to happen.

But despite the threats, the Petroleum Industry continues to develop and expand in our section of the United States, as revealed in this issue of The Reporter-Telegram. Never have conditions in general been better in the Permian Basin Empire—thanks largely to the progressive Oil Industry.

Petroleum, indeed, Promotes Progress—in West Texas and in the nation.

It is to the Petroleum Industry that this Golden Fifties Petroleum Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram is dedicated.

Paris Man Named Pecos District Highway Engineer

Leslie D. Cabanis, assistant district engineer for the State Highway Department at Paris, will succeed Tom J. Kelly as district engineer at Pecos, effective April 1. Fred Wemple of Midland, chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, announced Saturday.

Kelly, who has been stationed at Pecos the last five years, is being transferred to San Angelo, where he will succeed A. F. (Cap) Mour-sund as district engineer. Mour-sund will retire from service April 1. Kelly has been with the Highway Department 29 years.

Cabanis, 47 years of age, was born at Paris and received his education there and at Texas A&M College. He has served as resident engineer, superintendent of maintenance, and assistant district engineer the last 20 years. During World War II he served as a captain in the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Wemple Saturday telegraphed congratulations to Cabanis on his promotion and extended a welcome to the new engineer and his wife to the commissioner's home district.

The Pecos District includes 12 West Texas counties — Midland, Martin, Ward, Loving, Winkler, Ector, Upton, Crane, Pecos, Terrell, Reeves and Andrews.

Texas Democrats Reaffirm 1948 Rule For Party Loyalty

MCCALLEN — (AP) — The Texas State Democratic Executive Committee voted by resolution Saturday to insist on absolute party loyalty pledges from all precinct and county chairmen.

Another resolution called for the holding of a "Fair Deal Facts Conference" at which Administration leaders would defend its program.

The two resolutions were the only matters to raise any heat at Saturday's quarterly session of party leaders. The Fair Deal proposition was offered by Committee Member Marion Storm of Austin. Stuart Long of Austin offered the loyalty resolution.

There was no roll call vote on either resolution. But the party loyalty pledge got a unanimous endorsement by voice vote and a standing vote gave the Fair Deal proposition a comfortable majority.

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Program Charted To Boost Earnings Of Low-Income Groups

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A Senate-House Economic Subcommittee Saturday charted a broad program designed to boost the earning power of America's low-income families.

The group said the program would help safeguard the nation against "the fomentation of political movements which seek to destroy our way of life."

Four of the five members of the subcommittee signed a report covering its study of the problems of low-income families — a group which the majority said includes 16,000,000 families and individuals earning less than \$2,000 a year.

Here are some of the subcommittee's recommendations:

Consideration by the states of establishing a minimum wage in industries not covered by the federal law.

Federal aid to states for education through the high school level. Establishment of a national scholarship fund for the higher education of students of demonstrated ability who have limited money.

Among recommendations dealing with children of low-income families:

Increased aid to dependent children under the social security program, expansion and improvement of health services and medical care, and expansion of the school lunch program.

Soft Coal Contract Talks Slated Sunday

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Soft coal contract talks Saturday night headed for their first Sunday session as government mediators pressed hard for a sudden agreement before the mine whistles blow again.

The officials drew some slight encouragement from Saturday's long meetings—"They've talked a lot of dollars and cents all day."

But Sunday's session, beginning at 11 a. m., offered the last chance to get a quick compromise ahead of court opening Monday when the United Mine Workers Union goes to trial on contempt charges because 372,000 miners refused to obey a federal judge's order to dig coal.

And the mediators—David L. Cole, chairman of President Truman's inquiry board, and Cyrus Chang, federal mediation chief—reportedly told the union and operator negotiators Saturday that the public interest requires they make every effort to reach agreement before the trial.

Underlining this was the rapidly mounting coal shortage crisis. Closing industries lifted joblessness in other industries to 180,000. A coal industry official said another week of the strike would put the country in a state of "chaos."

The White House gave no indication of a new presidential move. As the negotiations recessed, Cole told reporters:

"We're hopeful in general . . . a little bit encouraged . . . only a little bit though."

Labor Decides To Carry On, Despite Slender Majority

LONDON — (AP) — Prime Minister Attlee elected Saturday to try governing Britain on his Labor Party's razor-thin majority.

After an emergency cabinet meeting of an hour and a quarter, he announced "We are carrying on" and sent word of his decision to King George VI.

The shy, unassuming Labor Party leader will be attempting to run a nation of some 50,000,000 with what may be the smallest government majority in the House of Commons for a century.

Excluding the non-partisan speaker of the House and four rebels to be reported later, Labor holds 315 seats in the 625-seat Commons, the Conservatives 294, the Liberals 8, Independents one and Irish Nationalists, two.

This gives Attlee just two votes over a bare majority of 313 and a margin of only 21 over his most dangerous opposition, Winston Churchill's Conservatives.

How long Attlee might last with (Continued On Page Eight)

Barnes Baby Dies; Funeral Set Sunday

James Bryan Barnes, young son of Mr. and Mrs. James MacC Barnes, 1003 West Washington Street, died at 11:30 a. m. Saturday.

The Barnes have been residents of Midland two years. The baby was born May 16, 1947, at Lubbock.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Newvie W. Ellis Chapel at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, with the Rev. Gilbert Becker, pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church, officiating.

Interment will be in an Abilene cemetery. Survivors include the parents; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Reed of Sweetwater, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. McLamore of Abilene.

Depot At Blackwell Destroyed By Fire

SWEETWATER — (AP) — The Santa Fe Railway depot at Blackwell, about 20 miles south of here, burned early Saturday.

The fire, believed caused by defective electric wiring, destroyed some mail and damaged one box car.

★ LATE NEWS FLASHES ★

LONDON — (AP) — Soviet Russia has separated its armed forces and created a Ministry of the Navy, the Moscow radio said Saturday night. The report, as monitored in London, said I. S. Yumashev had been named minister.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A "No witch-hunt, no whitewash" investigation of alleged Communist infiltration into the State Department was promised Saturday night by Senator Tydings (D-Md), named chairman of a five-man Senate subcommittee to conduct the probe.

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. — (AP) — A sharp earthquake jarred the Santa Barbara area late Saturday. First reports indicated that the tremor caused no severe damage.

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN — (AP) — King Gustav V has awarded the Prince Carl Medal to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt "in tribute to her humanitarian activities," an official announcement said Saturday night.

CONVICTED OF SPYING
BERN, SWITZERLAND — (AP) — A Swiss military court Saturday convicted Willy Gerber, 47, a Swiss Army mechanic, of being a paid spy for six nations, including the United States, and sentenced him to 20 years imprisonment.

Final Details Are Mapped For Annual Midland Stock Show

Committees charged with arranging details for the Midland Livestock Show will go into high gear this week as final preparations shape up for the annual event.

The show will be held March 6 and 7, with a sale scheduled the final day.

The Midland Livestock Show is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce in close cooperation with agricultural agencies and farm youth organizations.

The show is held annually to recognize efforts of the youth of this area in the feeding, fitting and showing of fine livestock. Entries will be accepted from seven counties, including Midland, Ector, Andrews, Garza, Glasscock, Martin and Upton.

Finances Meeting

Plans for financing and other phases of the show will be made by the 4-H and FFA Club and Retailers Committees of the Chamber of Commerce at 3 p. m. Monday. The meeting is to be held on the mezzanine floor of Hotel Scarborough.

R. L. Miller, director in charge of the Agricultural Division of the Chamber of Commerce, will preside at the session.

Judges for the show will be County Agent Frank Newsum of Alpine, fat steers, H. M. Carter, San Angelo, fat lambs, and H. D. Harrower, Texas Technological College, Lubbock, fat barrows.

Judging of the county show will get underway at 9 a. m. March 6, to be followed by judging of the district show at 1 p. m.

The auction sale will be held at 1 p. m. March 7.

The show is to be held at the Midland Fair Grounds.

Area Scouts Exceed Quota For Jamboree

Last minute appeals from Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, headquarters resulted in Jamboree reservations exceeding quotas by 10 Scouts, according to P. V. Thorsen, Scout executive.

With three full troops assured, Thorsen announced he will continue to accept reservations until Monday noon, in an effort to form a fourth troop in the council area.

Another troop is not completed, extra Scouts in this council will be joined with Scouts from another council area to form the fourth troop.

Midland leads in reservations for the National Jamboree with 30 Scouts, and one negro Scout, Roosevelt Campbell, of Troop 104. He will join a negro troop to be made up from the area.

Other Midland Scouts who submitted last minute reservations are: George Friday, Tommy Brown, Farar Hodges, Donald Webb and Ronald Gene Allison, all of Explorer Post 151; and Bus Bray, Troop 85.

The Second National Scout Jamboree is to be held June 30 through July 8 at Valley Forge National Park, Pa. More than 40,000 Scouts from all 48 states and several foreign countries are expected to attend, according to Thorsen.

Painting Exhibit Scheduled In Rankin

RANKIN — The Rankin Study Club will observe "Texas Day" which is observed annually by State Federated Study Clubs, at its meeting Thursday in the Rankin Park Building.

An exhibit of paintings by Texas artists will be displayed with Mrs. Jim Lane and Mrs. Ted Hogan in charge. The paintings are being loaned by the Texas Fine Arts Association and the public is invited to attend the showing at 4 p. m.

Building Permits Continue Upward To \$1,989,930 Total

Despite good building weather, building permits in Midland dropped to \$48,536 for the week ended Saturday, making the total for the year \$1,989,930.

The largest permit of the week was issued to A. T. Wheeler, for construction of the new Greyhound Bus Station at 211 West Indiana Street. The permit was for \$25,000. The station will be 80 by 45 feet, and is to be of brick and tile construction. F. W. Stonehocker Construction Company Street builder.

Other permits of the week include: Cecil Schuelke, \$7,500, build frame residence, 32 by 36 feet, at 1403 West Kentucky Street; O. R. Kirkpatrick, \$2,500, move frame residence, 30 by 22 feet, 1404 South Baird Street; J. S. Kirkpatrick, \$2,500, move frame residence, 20 by 24 feet, to 1208 West Washington Street; J. S. Kirkpatrick, \$2,500, move frame residence, 30 by 40 feet, to 1202 West Washington Street; C. W. Chancellor, Jr., \$1,500, add to frame residence, 10 by 22 feet, 2304 West College Street; Gene Sheburne, \$500, add to sheet metal warehouse building, 14 by 40 feet, 313 South Baird Street; R. A. Parrott, \$500, repair and remodel inside of building at 211 West Wall Street; H. E. R. 3225, add to frame residence, 8 by 12 feet, 212 South Fort Worth Street; and Manuel Maldonado, \$200, add to frame residence, 12 by 24 feet, 806 North Dallas Street.

Defense Secretary Sets May 20 For Armed Forces Day

AUSTIN — Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson Saturday accepted the honorary national chairmanship of National Defense Week, May 13 to 20, sponsored by the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, according to information received by the Texas Military District headquarters.

In accepting the chairmanship, Johnson, a long-time member of the United States Association of the United States, pointed out that National Defense Week, which was celebrated in February in former years, has been delayed until May 13 because of the postponement of the first annual Armed Forces Day, which is being sponsored by the Department of Defense to focus public attention on national defense. Armed Forces Day, which has been set as the third Saturday in May and this year falls on May 20, is the unification of the former Army, Navy and Air Force days which was celebrated independently on separate dates in past years.

"National Defense Week," Johnson said, in announcing his acceptance of the post, "will stress the theme that 'eternal vigilance is the price of liberty'."

TEC Authorized To Issue Minor's Age Certificates

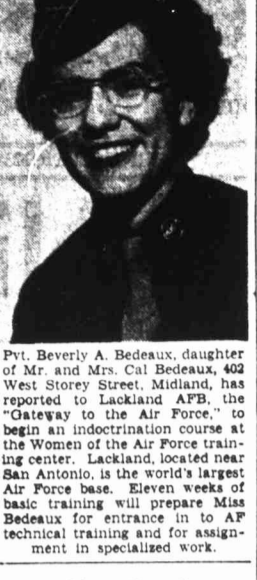
The Texas Employment Commission and the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions of the U. S. Department of Labor have entered into an agreement which authorizes TEC offices to issue federal certificates of age to employers to those engaged in interstate commerce and to agriculture during hours when school is in session.

Any employers employing minors under 20 years of age may apply for Federal Certificates of Age at the nearest local office of the Texas Employment Commission. By doing this, the statement said, employers can assure themselves against unintentional violation of laws governing the employment of minors.

This certificate of age, the statement pointed out, is designed to protect both the employer and the minor against unintentional violation of the Federal Child Labor Laws concerned with the employment of minors. The law covering employment of minors is applicable only in those instances where goods are manufactured, processed or delivered for interstate commerce, to those engaged in interstate commerce and to agriculture during hours when school is in session.

Some undeveloped coal beds in the Durango, Colo., area are estimated to be 28 inches thick.

Midland Airwoman



Pvt. Beverly A. Budeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Budeau, 402 West Storey Street, Midland, has reported to Lackland AFB, the "Gateway to the Air Force," to begin an indoctrination course at the Women of the Air Force training center, Lackland, located near San Antonio, is the world's largest Air Force base. Eleven weeks of basic training will prepare Miss Budeau for entrance into AF technical training and for assignment in specialized work.

Lions Club 'Battle Of Bands' Dance Is Scheduled Friday

West Texas' largest ballroom and square dance will be held Friday night in the VFW Hall on West Highway 80.

It will be a battle of bands, with three popular orchestras—Jimmie Furman and His Orchestra, E. D. Dickson and His Lone Star Ramblers, and Jerry Roberts and His Tune Toppers—competing on a hot musical front.

It will be a benefit affair with all proceeds going to the "On to Chicago" fund of the Midland Lions Club International Convention Band.

Four hours of continuous entertainment is promised, with the first band scheduled to sound off at 9 p. m. It will be the big entertainment event of the year, and every resident of the Permian Basin Empire is invited to attend.

The Lions Club Band will be the official orchestra of Herb Petry, Texas Lion, who is scheduled to become president of Lions International at its annual convention in Chicago in July. The proceeds from the Friday night dance will help defray the expenses of the Midland group to the Chicago convention.

The Midland musicians attended the Lions International convention in New York in 1948, their band being acclaimed the "hit of the convention." They recently were invited to "repeat" at the Chicago gathering.

Kiwanis To Present Indoor Circus At High School Gym

The first indoor circus ever to be shown in Midland will be presented March 10 under the sponsorship of the Kiwanis Club, Albert Kelley, president, said Saturday.

West Brothers circus, featuring 29 outstanding acts, will present two performances in the high school gymnasium. A matinee will be offered at 2 p. m. and an evening show at 8 p. m. Tickets will be sold by Kiwanis club members. Children's tickets will be 60 cents, and adult tickets, \$1.20.

One of the top attractions of the show will be the finest trained baby elephant in the circus business, according to Kelley. Pony acts, dog acts and aerial acts also are top features.

No seats will be reserved for the show.

Flu Shows Gain In Midland; Health Tips Listed By Doctor

Influenza—as it is in other West Texas cities—is on the rise in Midland, according to figures from the Midland City-County Health Unit. Dr. F. E. Sadler, director, reported a 158 case of influenza in Midland for the week ended Saturday.

Other communicable diseases reported included: eight chicken pox, one measles, eight mumps and two pertussis.

Dr. Sadler issued recommendations to Midlanders regarding influenza. He recommended general health practices, including plenty of sleep, avoiding crowds, and a prompt report to a physician at the first sign of a cold or influenza as preventive measures to be taken.

Avoid Crowds

He also recommended staying out of crowds indoors, to avoid the highly contagious disease which is causing so much trouble in the area.

In cases of influenza, Dr. Sadler recommended going to bed and remaining there until fever is gone completely. He said a recurrence is most likely to take place if sufferers do not stay in bed until the fever is gone completely.

Dr. Sadler and A. E. Case, sanitarian of the Midland Unit, returned Friday from Galveston, where they attended a meeting of the Texas Public Health Employes.

School Room Scene Set For Banquet

MCCAMEY — From the big red apple on the teacher's desk to the tall dance caps placed in each chair, the Little Red Country School House idea was carried out in the theme for the annual banquet for McCamey High School seniors in the First Baptist Church parlor Saturday.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church sponsored the banquet.

The blackboard at the end of the room featured caricatures of the class sponsors and the school superintendent. A typical school room was portrayed with the teacher's desk full with large globe, rulers and books. On the tables a community with its school children, the old swimming hole, and other phases of community life was portrayed.

Dismissing the dignity of even the headmaster, R. E. Ruble and Dean W. I. Lee were required to put on dance caps. The school nurse, Mrs. Lee Shipman, WMU president, gave a reading. The senior president, Roy Kedziora gave "Education," and Pat Peardon, Ellen Johnson, Bobby Stapp and Roy Kedziora gave "Rhythmic and minor." W. J. Smith, president of Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, was the principal speaker. He said that only through Christian education and sending back the graduates to their homes for domestic work will peaceful friendly relations be possible in the world.

The register of enrollment for the "first day of school" included Mrs. E. R. Sharp, Mrs. Lee, Superintendent, Mrs. E. H. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Ply, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, Mrs. Ruble, Vena Gay Thompson, Edith Slides, Beverly Harris, Barbara Bridges, George Brooks, Kay Brown, Billy Curry, Morris Curry, Dick Furr, Frank Stokes and Bill Baker.

School Announced In Andrews OES

ANDREWS — Announcement of a school of instruction for Eastern Star members in this section was made by Cora Heath, district deputy grand matron of Section 8, District 2, in a meeting of the Andrews Chapter recently.

The school will be held in Big Spring in March for OES members of Midland, Odessa, Goldsmith, Andrews, Seminole, Lamesa, Seagraves, Stanton, Combs, Big Spring and Garden City.

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BLOOMS TURN REAL NEW YORK

NEW YORK —(AP)—Capitalizing on the trick of bringing branches of willow into the house to force pussy willows to sprout early, New York department stores have been selling sprays of dogwood with artificial blossoms attached. The branches are placed in a vase of water and soon the real dogwood blooms vie with the waxed blossoms.

IN HOLLYWOOD

Survey Points Up Threat Of TV To Movie Attendance

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD — Film industry leaders have scheduled a secret war council meeting for mid-March to discuss the growing television threat. The meeting was called following a private Paramount survey of New York City which revealed that TV set ownership cuts family theater attendance by 20 to 30 per cent. An earlier survey, taken in Washington, showed video families' attendance was down as much as 74 per cent. Hollywood, at last, has been startled out of its complacent attitude toward the new medium.

Deanna Durbin and her four-year-old Jessica will make the trip to Europe this Spring minus secretary and nurse. . . Spencer Tracy is raving about Katharine Hepburn's fortune in playing Shastrup. He says: "What other movie actress would have the nerve to do it?"

Gussie Moran will be technical advisor on film "Mother of a Champion," story of an international tennis champion and her conflict with her mother. . . Hume Cronyn, billed only as director of the Broadway-bound "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep," also is co-producing with Nancy Stern and George Nichols. . . It cost Fredric March \$50,000 in legal fees to win that magazine retraction to its charge that he and his wife are Communists. . . Louis Armstrong will do another jazz concert at Carnegie Hall this year. His last was boffissimo.

Bad Start

Joey Adams, the night club comic, will star in "All the Dead Are Strangers" for producer Ron Ormandy. Joey still blushes when he remembers his first movie, "Ring-side." It cost only \$30,000 and he says:

"It was so bad it's the only new picture ever shown on television. It was shot in seven days with retakes. I posed longer for my graduation pictures. Later I had to make a personal appearance tour to apologize for it."

Adams is the fellow who couldn't decide what to send Rita and Aly's baby so, he says, "I just sent the cash."

Latest quote from Rossellini in Modern Screen magazine, on Bergman feels about their situation. He quotes her as saying: "Look, I've fallen in love with a man who is not my husband. As an artist, I have a certain responsibility toward the public and will be criticized. All right, if that's the case, I no longer want to be an artist. I want to be happy with the man I love." . . . Jess Barker and Susan Hayward, who insist they should know, say divorce rumors are not true.

Yvette Darr, the dancer who does a strip tease act with a parrot, Larry Pottier, has hired an agent to land her a film role. The agent also has 10 per cent of the parrot.

For some sadder movie maybe: When Columbia started preparatory work on "The Fuller Brush Girl," the Fuller people asked their field girls: "7000 strong," to write in humorous incidents connected with their work. Some 14,000 anecdotes were sent in. Most unusual concerned a "Fullerette" in Wisconsin who was selling such tremendous quantities of hand cream that company heads couldn't believe their eyes when the orders came in. A checkup revealed: Dairy farmers in the area were ordering the jars in astronomical numbers and applying the contents to the udders of their valuable cows during cold weather—to keep the udders from chapping.

Big Lake Show Stock Brings High Prices

BIG LAKE—Reagan County FFA and 4-H Club boys took home an average of \$1.20 a pound for 49 lambs here Friday at the close of the annual junior livestock show.

Frank Lyons, 17-year-old FFA member, showed the grand champion, a Rambouillet-Suffolk cross-bred. It brought the top price of the day, \$3.10 a pound. The reserve champion, a Rambouillet, was held by 13-year-old Leslie McMullan. It will be shown in the San Angelo Fat Stock Show, March 2-5.

A total of 4,900 pounds of mutton was placed on the selling block in the afternoon sale. Average weight of the lambs was 100 pounds.

Big Steers Bring Record Prices

WICHITA FALLS —(AP)— Grand champion and reserve grand champion steers of the 1950 4-H and FFA calf show here sold for record prices Friday.

Marvin Tyson of Bellevue sold his 1,080-pound champion steer to City National Bank for \$2.10 a pound. The reserve champion shown by 10-year-old Jimmy Couch of Seymour, sold to First National Bank at \$1.06 a pound.

Monahans' Million Dollar School Open To Visitors Sunday

MONAHANS — The new million dollar Monahans High School will be open for inspection tours from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. Sunday and all interested persons have been invited to see the new plant. Teachers and students will conduct the tours.

The new plant offers the most modern in everything, including designing and equipment.

David S. Castle, Jr., of Abilene was the architect. Rose Construction Company, also of Abilene, was the general contractor.

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Whipkey Rites Set For Colorado City

COLORADO CITY — Mrs. Fred W. Whipkey, widow of the late West Texas newspaperman and columnist who died in 1942, died Friday afternoon in a Wichita Falls hospital.

Services are to be held here, but arrangements are not complete. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Don Henderson, and two grandchildren.

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Will Teach For Sunday School Enlargement



The First Baptist Church of Midland will be one of 20 Baptist Churches in District Eight which will be conducting a Sunday School Enlargement campaign this week. Faculty members for the school include, left to right, top row, Mrs. Noel Cason of Midland, Eileen Ellis of Galveston, Gayle Keeter of Dallas; bottom row, Mrs. Truman Maxey of Oklahoma City, Mrs. W. J. Lites of Albuquerque, N. M., and Mrs. Walter Crowder of Oklahoma City, Okla. Mrs. W. H. Porter, not pictured, is also included in the faculty. Herbert Findley is the director of the school.

Thousand Expected To Attend 'Kick-Off' Rally In Midland

A thousand persons are expected to attend the "kick-off" rally of the District Eight Sunday School Enlargement Campaign in the First Baptist Church of Midland, at 3 p.m. Sunday, Ennis Hill of Goldsmith, Sunday School superintendent of the Big Spring Association, said.

The campaign will begin in 20 churches in the district Monday night and close Friday. The "kick-off" meeting is designed to give



Herbert Findley

inspiration and information to the Sunday School workers of the district.

Program personalities include Andrew Allen, secretary of the Sunday School department of Texas; Herbert Findley, state Sunday School field worker; Billy Rudd, district director of music; Ennis Hill and Melva Cook, elementary workers of the state Sunday School department.

The four associations included in the district are GAY, Big Spring, in which Midland is included, La-mesa and Mitchell-Scurry. The total church membership for the entire district is 29,624.

Beth Local Churches Participating

The Calvary Baptist Church has a class scheduled for all of the Sunday School. The Rev. Clifford Harris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Denver City, will teach "The Church Using Its Sunday School." Class will begin at 7:30 and run through 9 p.m. each day.

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Walter Crowder of Oklahoma City, business manager; Eileen Ellis of Galveston, primary; Gayle Keeter of Dallas, junior; Mrs. W. J. Lites of Albuquerque, intermediate-senior; and Mrs. H. Truman Maxey of Oklahoma City, young people.

House Resolution Honors Air-Touring Students Of MHS

The visit of a group of Midland High School students to Austin Thursday brought complete harmony, for the moment at least, to the House of Representatives, the members of which recognized the visitors with standing applause and unanimous adoption of a resolution in their honor.

The resolution, HSR No. 35, was sponsored by J. T. Rutherford, representative of the 26th District, which includes Midland. Rutherford and Senator Hill D. Hudson of Pecos were the official hosts to 13 MHS students who flew to Austin in a Pioneer Air Lines plane as a part of Pioneer's Air Education Plan for students.

Rutherford's resolution follows: "WHEREAS, on Thursday, Feb. 23, 1950, a group of civic-minded students of Midland High School will visit the Capitol in order to become better acquainted with the operation of the government of their state, and

"WHEREAS, their visit is the first Texas School delegation to fly to the Capital City for the express purpose of seeing their legislative bodies in action, visit with their governor and see points of interest in the Capitol, and

"WHEREAS, this unusual trip and mode of transportation is being accomplished through the efforts of Midland High School, Midland Chamber of Commerce, Pioneer Air Lines and the Austin Chamber of Commerce, and

"WHEREAS, we in the House of Representatives of the State of Texas realize that the safeguarding of democracy lies in the hands of the young people and desire to encourage this outstanding West Texas delegation in every way that we can to take an interest in and participation in their government, now therefore be it

"RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the State of Texas recognize and commend these West Texas youth and express their appreciation by extending to them the privilege of the floor, and be it further

"RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to all groups and individuals herein named."

ISRAEL LACKS NIGHT CLUBS

TEL AVIV—(AP)—If you're looking for a night club, "austere" Israel isn't the place to find it. The best that can be done along that line is to find a restaurant or cafe where there's a lone piano player, or sometimes a small orchestra for dancing.

Royal Air Force Forms Rescue Team

SINGAPORE—(AP)—The Royal Air Force has formed a rescue team which will strike through jungle to rescue crews and passengers of aircraft which crash during anti-terrorist operations.

Members of the first team of 25 men are of RAF ground crews. The task calls for a high degree of physical fitness, determination to overcome obstacles, disregard for discomfort and ability to read maps.

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Wanted Books For Library Memorials Suggested On List

Books of all types are included in the list of those that the Midland County Library would like to have. The list includes books which have been requested by patrons as well as the ones for which the library staff has felt a need.

The Memorial Shelf of the library offers persons outside the library an opportunity to help it grow. Books given to this section of the library also serve as memorial gifts and are inscribed with the name of the donor and the person to be memorialized.

The Woman's Wednesday Club, which gave the first memorial donations in 1935, each year designates February as Memorial Book Month and during this time emphasizes memorial contributions.

Political science and history books which the library needs include Southern Legacy (Carter), Decision in Germany (Clay), The American Mind: An Interpretation of American Thought and Character Since

the 1890's (Commager), Southern Politics (Key), This I Do Believe (Lithenthal), How to Wage Peace (Rosenhaupt), The Western World and Japan (Sanson) and The Lincoln Encyclopedia (Shaw).

Travel Books

A group of description and travel books, with emphasis on the West, are Behold Williamsburg (Chamberlain), Doorway in Antiqua (Idell), The Cascades (Peattie), Cosmopolitan World Atlas (Rand McNally), The World of Peru (Toor), Domestic Manners of the Americans (Trollope), The Texas Border and Some Borderlines (Casey), Best Novels and Stories of Eugene Manlove Rhodes (Dearing), The Heraldry of the Range (Haley), U. S. West, the Saga of Wells Fargo (Beebe) and Short Grass Country (Campbell).

For sport and animal lovers, the library suggests The Practical Book of American Guns (Craige), Modern Dog Encyclopedia (Davis), The

Complete Cocker Spaniel (Denlinger), Champion of Champions (Reynolds), Hatcher's Notebook (Hatcher), Baseball's Greatest Teams (Meany) and The Horse of the Americas (Denhardt).

In a more specialized field, the library's list of desired books on science includes Mechanization Takes Command (Gideon), The Insect World of J. Henri Fabre (Teale) and The Shell Collector's Handbook (Verrill).

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C-N Sterling Area To Get 8,500-Foot 'Burger' Test

G. W. Strube of Houston has staked an Ellenburger prospect in Central-North Sterling County, two miles east and south of the well known oil field.

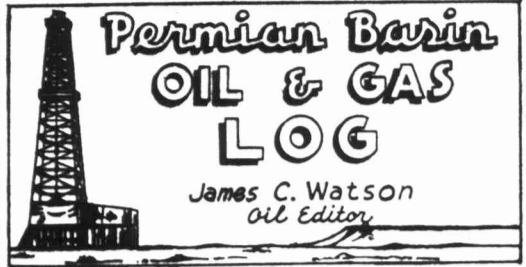
The Strube venture will be the No. 1 W. A. Davis estate, and others, 800 feet from north and east lines of section 52, block 2, H&TC survey, and 11 miles north of Sterling City.

Ground elevation of the projected 8,500-foot test is 2,619 feet.

The only well in the Iolanthe pool was completed by Plymouth Oil Company in 1945 for a daily potential of eight barrels of oil, plus 88 per cent water.

Productive formation was the Strawn at 8,300-8,330 feet. Ellenburger was topped at 8,364 feet, on ground elevation of 2,600 feet.

Drilling of the No. 1 Davis estate will start immediately.



Permian Basin OIL & GAS LOG
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Oil Editor

Fourth Well Finished In Cogdell Reef Pay

Chapman & McFarlin have completed a quarter-mile east extension to the Cogdell-Canyon oil field in Central-South Kent County.

Flowing naturally on a daily rate potential, the No. 2 Cogdell produced for 2,200.32 barrels of 41.9-gravity oil, and no water.

The well actually flowed two hours, through a three-fourths-inch choke.

Gas-oil ratio was 566-1. Pay was topped at 6,505 feet, and total depth is 6,787 feet. A seven-inch oil string was set at 6,500 feet. Production is from open hole.

The No. 2 Cogdell is the fourth well to be completed in this new field. Chapman & McFarlin, discovery operators, have three producers, while the Texas Oil Company No. 3 Fuller is the fourth.

Location Staked

One location south of the No. 2 Cogdell and one location east of the No. 4 Fuller. Texaco has staked the No. 4 Fuller.

Location will be 467 feet from north and 2,008.30 feet from east lines of section 705, block 97, H&TC survey.

Proposed depth for the possible field addition is 7,000 feet. Elevation is 2,334 feet.

The Cogdell pool is 14 miles southwest of Clairmont, and 17 miles northeast of Snyder.

Shallow Discovery In Gaines To Complete

Humble Oil & Refining Company is preparing to complete a small pumping discovery from the San Angelo lime of the middle Permian in its No. 1 E. B. Bailey, and others, in Central-West Gaines County.

This exploration, located 23 miles west of Seminole, four miles east of Hobbs, N. M., and just inside the Texas line, swabbed 15 barrels of fluid hourly for eight hours.

That fluid was 80 per cent oil and 20 per cent water, which had a salty taste and a sulphur odor.

The production is coming from perforated section in the San Angelo at 5,845-55 feet, which had treated with 1,000 gallons of acid.

Swab After Treatment

After injecting the acid the well swabbed to pits for four hours the well was swabbed to tanks. The eight-hour test with the 15-barrel per hour recovery resulted. Swabbing is continuing with the fluid standing 1,800 feet below the surface.

A pump is to be installed and the well will be completed.

This new pay discovery is five-eighths of a mile southwest of a small, pumping discovery completed several months ago at Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation No. 1 Nichols.

Humble No. 1 Bailey is located 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east line of the northwest quarter of section 6, block A-10, pi survey.

It drilled to total depth of 6,660 feet in the Clear Fork. Casing was cemented on bottom, and it was perforated at 6,390-6,450 feet, and swabbed dry. The venturists plugged back to 6,320 feet and the pipe was perforated at 5,835-90 feet.

That zone, which was in the lower San Angelo, swabbed dry.

Those perforations were squeezed off with cement and the project is now plugged back to 5,855 feet.

SW Midland Opener To Tap Only 'Burger'

General American Oil Company, and associates, No. 1 Mrs. H. C. Peck, Southwest Midland County wildcat discovery is to be completed from the Ellenburger—and the two higher flowing pay sections are to be left cased off.

This venture is to perforate 7-inch casing, which is cemented at 13,337 feet, and test and completed.

The pipe will be perforated at 13,126-290 feet. This zone at 13,126-205 feet flowed oil at the rate of 26 barrels per hour during a drillstem test.

After setting the casing at 13,337 feet this prospector deepened to 13,399 feet. The lower section developed a large quantity of slightly oil and gas out salt water.

The hole is now plugged back to 13,337 feet. Top of the Ellenburger is at 13,097 feet. Elevation is 2,202 feet.

Location is at the center of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 21, block 41, TP survey, T-4-S. It is 30 miles southwest of the city of Midland, and five miles north and west of the Pegasus field.

This new field opener flowed oil from the Pennsylvanian and from the Devonian, and also logged interesting indications of possible production of oil or gas. The Wolfcamp, lower Permian and also in the Fusselman zone of the Silurian.

Top Of Pennsylvania Dry In Central Borden

On its first test in a Pennsylvania lime, Bay Petroleum Corporation No. 1-A-X L. A. Pearce, Central Borden County wildcat, recovered 43 feet of drilling mud, with no production of oil or gas. The tool was open 45 minutes.

Top of the lime was picked at 8,270 feet; elevation is 2,995 feet.

Operators were reported drilling ahead below 8,294 feet.

Location of the Bay venture is 770 feet from south and 990 feet from west lines of section 35, block 31, T-8-N, T&P survey, and one mile west of Gail.

It has shown no possibilities of production in any section thus far drilled.

East Midland Project Has Devonian Shows

Some possibilities of production from the Devonian have been developed in the Tex-Harvey field of East Midland County, 13 miles southeast of Midland.

The shows from the Devonian are in Tex-Harvey Oil Company No. 1 L. B. Floyd, the discovery for commercial production from the Spraberry zone of the Clear Fork of the Permian, to open the field more than a year ago.

It was drilled to a bottom of 12,063 feet in the Ellenburger, prior to being finished as a producer from the Spraberry sand.

The Ellenburger was topped at 11,940 feet. The lower zone of that formation showed water. A string of 9 1/2-inch casing was cemented at 12,063 feet.

Plugged Back

The venturist was then plugged back to 8,770 feet and the pipe was perforated at 7,865-75 feet and at 6,045-55 feet. Those two zones were treated with 1,000 gallons of acid, and the well was completed from that section for an initial production of 135 barrels of 40.2-gravity oil, plus 17 barrels of water, per day pumping.

The well has been producing from that pay for about a year, and was continuing to produce steadily until recently when operator decided to drill out the cement and re-test the Ellenburger and test the Devonian.

The plug was drilled out to 11,875 feet, and the casing was perforated at 11,950-68 feet. That interval was tested and it made water.

Operator then plugged back to 11,340 feet, to allow a test in the Devonian.

Perforations Treated

The casing was perforated at 11,222-300 feet. That zone was treated with 2,000 gallons and with 8,000 gallons of acid, and after a little swabbing following the last injection the well kicked off and started flowing.

On last report the prospector has flowed for several hours at the rate of between two and one-half barrels and three barrels of oil per hour—plus some acid water.

Operator was continuing to flow to clean out and test. An accurate idea of the petroleum yielding ability of this well from the Devonian should be available early in the week.

Should it fail to develop commercial production in that zone it is understood that the owner will again plug back and re-complete from the Spraberry section.

Location is 2,000 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 16, block 37, TP survey, T-3-S.

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Scurry Oil Pools Get Eight New Producers

Latest completion reports filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas list eight new oil producers in Scurry County oil pools.

Of the new wells, three are in the North Snyder pool, two in the Diamond-Canyon, two in the Sharon Ridge-Canyon, and one in the Diamond M. Clear Fork.

Lone Star Producing Company No. 1 Lyle Deffebach, in the North Snyder, is completed for a rated daily potential of 1,219 barrels of 43.7 gravity oil, and no water. The flow, after being treated with 1,000 gallons of acid, dropped through a 22 5/8-inch choke.

Gas-oil ratio was 879-1. Pay

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Officers Of Midland Oil Scout Group



Officers of the Midland Oil Scout Association, from left to right: G. B. Hallman with Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation, president; G. C. Barton of San Angelo, with American Republics Corporation, first vice president; J. D. McCormick with Gulf Oil Corporation, second vice president; Cliff Wilderspin with Honolulu Oil Corporation, secretary-treasurer; and D. G. Roberts with Gulf Oil Corporation, editor and past president.

Flush Production In Scurry Is Slashed Heavily By RRC

AUSTIN, (AP)—Flush production in Scurry County was cut in half Friday, as the Railroad Commission announced that Texas oil wells will be permitted to produce 194,122 barrels of oil a day during March. The total for the state is 92,181 barrels less than the February allowable.

Under the new yardstick put in effect for the month of March, Scurry County wells now making 220 barrels of oil a day from the Canyon reef will be cut to 111 barrels a day, producing 17 days.

The commission used a new system of prorating granting well allowables on a basis of acreage and depth. The new yardstick runs from 18 barrels a day for wells from 0 to 1,000 feet in depth on 10-acre spacing, to 300 barrels per well per day for wells 13,500 to 14,000 feet deep on 40-acre units.

The production slash resulted from a continuing decline in market demand, the basis on which the commission determines how much oil may be produced each month.

17-Day Schedule

The order puts all fields, including the East Texas field, on 17 producing days in March. This is a two-day increase in the number of producing days statewide and a four-day boost for East Texas. That section produced last week that the area's economy has been seriously injured by curtailed production.

East Texas will pick up 36,498 barrels daily on its allowable. Districts 2 and 3—the Gulf Coast and West Texas areas, respectively—will be reduced sharply.

District 3 will have a calendar day allowable of 330,139 barrels, down 52,238 barrels from the current figure. District 2 will have a daily permissive flow of 344,669, a drop of 60,899 barrels per day.

The East Texas allowable will be 251,394 barrels daily.

Ernest O. Thompson, senior commissioner member, was in Washington but released an explanation of why the new yardstick for individual well allowables was adopted.

It was used temporarily in 1947. Allowables are based on well depths, acreage, and market demand. The maximum rate a well can produce without waste or damage will be the ceiling on its allowable.

Thompson said the commission followed the Texas market well law setting a production "floor" below which a well can not be cut. He said the commission also "followed the natural laws in never exceeding the maximum efficient rate of any field," and then "divided fairly and ratably among the fields that can produce more, their fair share of the proratable balance."

"New wells are being drilled so fast in Texas and the market demand for oil is shrinking so fast that the time may soon come when every well in Texas will be of necessity limited to the marginal allowable production set out in the statute, because there will be no market for additional oil," Thompson prophesied.

He believed the greatest peril to the oil industry today from a market demand standpoint was "this tremendous amount of gasoline on hand—129,382,000 barrels as of the week ending February 11 compared with the former all-time high of 128,087,000 for the week ending March 26, 1949."

Experience and testimony indicate gasoline stocks may reach 144,000,000 barrels when the anticipated need for the heavy consuming season will be only 120,000,000 barrels, he said.

C-W Miland Tester Cuts Lower Permian

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 2 Roy Parks, Central-West Midland County wildcat, was last reported cutting below 8,772 feet in lime and shale.

It is possible for the venturist, which is going to the Ellenburger, to top the Pennsylvania, the latter part of next week. The Wolfcamp, Ellenburger pool, four miles to the north, topped the Pennsylvanian at 9,800 feet.

Location of the No. 2 Roy Parks is 660 feet from north and 1,990 feet from west lines of section 10, M. Daugherty survey, and 11 1/4 miles southwest of the city of Midland.

NW Outpost Staked To Diamond M Pool

On the northwest side of the Diamond M-Canyon pool and one location north of production, Cities Service Oil Company has staked its No. 2 Patterson, to be a possible addition to this Scurry County field.

Drillite is to be 330 feet from east and 1,650 feet from south lines of section 215, block 97, H&TC survey. This places it 11 miles southwest of Snyder.

Slated depth is 6,800 feet. Drilling is to begin immediately.

Amerasia Petroleum Corporation No. 3 G. D. Boyles staked for the same pool, will be drilled 810 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 201, block 97, H&TC survey. It will be five miles northeast of Knapp. Planned depth is 7,000 feet.

Location In Kelley

In the Kelley-Canyon pool, Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1 Lester Moore has been spotted. It is 1,332 feet from north and 252.7 feet from east lines of section 206, block 97, H&TC survey.

Drillite is approximately two and three-fourths miles west of Snyder. Planned depth is 7,000 feet.

In the North Snyder field, Magnolia has scheduled the No. 1 Lily Vanwinkle to be drilled 47 feet from east and 1,745 feet from north lines of section 338, block 97, H&TC survey.

This places the drillite four and one-fourth miles northwest of Snyder, and drilling is to begin in the near future.

Lea Wildcat Gets Oil In San Andres; To Test Drinkard

HOBBS, N. M.—Union Oil Company of California No. 1 C. H. Kyle, scheduled 7,500-foot wildcat in East-Central Lea County, eight miles south and two miles east of Hobbs, and less than a mile west of the Gaines County, a xmas line was drilling ahead below 8,893 feet in lime and shale, and was going on down to test the Drinkard zone of the lower Permian.

It called the top of the Gloria at 8,570 feet, on an elevation of 2,063 feet. According to some correlations that makes it 35 feet high on the top of the Gloria to the same marker in Union's No. 1 Chamberlain, a dry hole in the Devonian, slightly less than a mile to the east in the southwest corner of Gaines County, Texas.

Has San Andres Shows

This venture developed interesting shows of production in the San Andres-Permian lime in a drillstem test at 4,345-4,492 feet.

The tool was open three hours. Gas showed at the surface in 18 minutes. The volume of gas was not gauged or estimated.

Recovery was 400 feet of heavily oil and gas cut drilling mud and 900 feet of clean oil. The drill pipe unloaded all of the oil while it was being pulled.

Another drillstem test was taken at 4,486-4,610 feet. The tool was open two hours. Recovery was 1,500 feet of gas cut drilling mud and 25 minutes after the tester was opened.

It flowed for three hours and tanks 142 barrels of 48.1 gravity oil. A gas volume of 1,154,000 cubic feet per day was developed during that test. No water was encountered.

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The initial producer in the Denton field was from the Devonian. The second producer completed in that area was from the Mississippian.

It is located at the center of the northeast quarter of section 14-15E-37E.

The venturist topped the Devonian at 11,507 feet. It drilled to 11,923 feet and took a drillstem test at 11,509-523 feet. It flowed oil at the surface in three hours and 25 minutes after the tester was opened.

It flowed for three hours and 25 minutes after the tester was opened.

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Operator was to cement casing at the top of the Devonian and complete the new oil well from the open hole.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1-Y State, eight miles south of the Honolulu No. 1 State, and about 20 miles south and east of Roswell, is to be plugged and abandoned on a total depth of 7,430 feet in granite.

This venture, located 1,980 feet from south and east lines of section 33-11A-27E, found water in the Ellenburger, which was above the granite. It did not log any signs of possible production in formation which was drilled through.

Shell Oil Company No. 1 Carter, six miles northeast of Hobbs in East-Central Lea County and 1,980 feet from south and east lines of section 23-19S-38E, was drilling below 13,308 feet in dolomite.

Eriel Deepened

The Texas Company No. 1 Eriel, one and one-half miles north of the Knowles-Devonian field in Central-East Lea County, was deepening below 12,822 feet in lime. Location is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 27-16S-38E.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Federal-Hobbs, wildcat in Central-Northwest Eddy County, about 20 miles southwest of Artesia, which is projected to 11,000 feet, had reached 8,510 feet in lime and chert and was continuing to drill deeper.

It is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 24-20S-24E.

Venezuelan Film To Be Shown To Midland Geologists Tuesday

At the Tuesday session of the Midland Geological Society, Noel W. Engel of Midland, with the Superior Oil Company, will show motion pictures of drilling activities in Venezuelan oil fields.

The pictures were taken by Engel in December of 1948, when he was serving as assistant chief geologist of Superior Oil Venezuela, in charge of exploratory work.

The fields shown are on the east and west shores of Lake Maracaibo. Included on the roll will be scenes of Caracas ball fights.

The Tuesday luncheon meeting will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel. L. E. (Ed) Patterson, society president, will preside. Paul H. Kolm is the program committee chairman.

Slumberger Makes Davis New Manager Of Hobbs District

Slumberger Well Surveying Corporation reports the transfer of R. C. Davis from Cody, Wyo., to Hobbs, N. M., where he will manage the Hobbs district office.

Davis replaces G. J. Decker, who is being moved to Edmonton, Canada, on special assignment.

Headquarters of the Permian Basin Division of Slumberger is in the McGuffie Building, Midland. A. Morazzani is the division manager.

A tunnel under Mt. Blanc is being built that will shorten the Rome-Paris route by 107 miles.

March Allowables by Districts

District	10 ac.	20 ac.	40 ac.
0-1,000	18	28	57
1,000-1,500	27	37	74
1,500-2,000	36	46	91
2,000-3,000	45	55	75
3,000-4,000	54	64	84
4,000-5,000	63	73	93
5,000-6,000	72	82	102
6,000-7,000	81	91	111
7,000-8,000	91	101	121
8,000-9,000	103	113	133
9,000-9,500	112	122	142
9,500-9,500	127	137	157
9,500-10,000	151	162	182
10,000-10,500	190	200	220
10,500-11,000	220	230	250
11,000-11,500	260	270	290
11,500-12,000	290	300	320
12,000-12,500	280	290	310
12,500-13,000	280	290	310
13,000-13,500	300	310	320
13,500-14,000	300	310	320

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Autopsy Reveals Death Of Lavern Roach Accidental

NEW YORK — (AP) — Five doctors okayed boxer Lavern Roach for his fatal fight of last Wednesday night and an autopsy showed death was "accidental."

These facts were revealed at Friday's open hearing conducted by the State Athletic Commission, with Chairman Eddie Egan presiding. Egan said a report will be made "sometime next week."

Another probe was launched behind closed doors at the district attorney's office and will be continued Monday. Twenty witnesses appeared for the investigation, including many who had attended the state commission's hearing.

Dr. Thomas A. Gonzales, the city's chief medical examiner, who performed the autopsy on the 34-year-old Plainview, Texas, middleweight, said he died from a "subdural hemorrhage and ruptured pulmonary vein" in the brain. The death was listed as "accidental during a professional boxing bout."

Roach, an ex-marine, died at 11:50 a.m. Thursday in St. Clare's hospital where he had been rushed Wednesday night after being knocked out in the 10th round by George Small of Brooklyn at St. Nicholas Arena.

Frank Fullam, who refereed the bout, testified how Small, trailing on points, shook up Roach with a right in the eighth round. In the final round, another right felled Roach for seven and seconds later he went down again from a similar punch.

"As soon as he fell I called it over," Fullam reported. The veteran referee explained that he examined Roach closely before the ninth and tenth rounds but found "nothing unusual" about his appearance.

"I talked to him right after the fight. I said 'how do you feel?' and he said, 'I'm all right; I'm all right.' Much of the testimony dealt with a sore nose Roach had complained of last Sunday.

According to Dr. Alexander Schiff, a physician on the commission staff, "nothing happened to Roach's nose during the fight that might have caused his death." This statement was backed by Jimmy Abood, manager and close friend of Roach.

Abood related how he had a gym sparring partner, Coco Kid, jab Roach's nose last Monday to see if it brought pain, and that it did not. The victorious but distressed Small said, "when the 10th round started he (Roach) was coming right back at me. I hit him with a good left hook that shook him up, but he kept coming right back, even after the knockdown and the count of seven."

Funeral services were held Saturday at Knapp's Colonial Funeral Home, East Orange, N. J. The body will be sent to Plainview, Texas, for interment.

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Price Takes Lead In Scoring Race

Roy Price of Watkins Mobil jumped into the lead in the individual scoring race in the VFW-sponsored City Cage League Friday night. He meshed 24 points in a game against the VFW and edged by Leland Huffman of Rotary Engineers to take the lead.

Price won the trophy for high scorer in the league last season and has let it be known he is shooting for it again.

Huffman dropped to second place after leading the league all season. He is only one point behind, however. The winner probably will not be decided until the final night of the regular season, which will be March 5. Both Rotary Engineers and Watkins Mobil have two games left on the schedule.

Rotary Clinches First
Rotary has clinched first place, holding a record of eight wins and no defeats in league play. Ted Thompson's quintet has assured itself a playoff berth by winning six out of eight so far. The other two playoff places will be decided next week. A double-header is slated in the Junior High Gymnasium Monday night with Mid-West Lumber meeting Watkins Mobil and the VFW playing Ted Thompson.

Team	W.	L.
Rotary	8	0
T. Thompson	6	2
Jay-Cees	4	4
Mobil	3	5
Mid-West	3	5
VFW	0	8

Purple Golf Team Makes Clean Sweep

The most decisive golf victory ever scored by the Midland Bulldogs—a clean sweep—was scored against a team of Lubbock High linksmen in Lubbock Saturday.

The Bulldogs posted a win of 24 to 0 in points, taking every one of 29 strokes in team play. The eight MHS golfers participating scored the maximum points possible, three each, and left the Westerners with a big goose egg.

Graham Mackey and Johnny Ward posted 79's in firing the day's best medal scores. Roane Puet shot an 81 and Bill Franklin had an 83.

The complete results with Midland players listed first: Mackey beat Stewart 4 and 2; Ward beat Wilson 4 and 2; Puet beat Currie 7 and 6; Franklin beat Jackson 3 and 2; Teddy Kerr beat Dietring 2 and 1; Marcelle Moreno beat Beach 6 and 5; Buzzy Bray beat Whitley 8 and 7; and Doyle Patton, Jr., beat Portwood 7 and 6.

Square Fish Found In Gulf Of Elath
HAIFA, ISRAEL — (AP) — Wanna do some square fishing? The funny ones come that way in the Gulf of Elath at Israel's southern-most tip—really square.

A department of fisheries mission off Elath found many exotic-looking, inedible tropical fish, including one that is perfectly square.

High Scorer



Jay Cox, a junior letterman on the Hardin-Simmons basketball team, is rated plenty valuable by the Cowboys. He recently scored 20 points against New Mexico A.&M.

Golden Boy Signs With Detroit Lions

DALLAS — (AP) — Doak Walker, the Golden Boy of Southwest football, turned pro Saturday. Estimates of the bonus and salary he received for signing a three-year contract with the Detroit Lions ranged from \$38,000 to \$60,000.

"I'm very happy to be with Detroit," Walker said.

"Bo McMillin is a fine coach and a fine man." Walker refused to say how much money he would receive.

"I got a bonus of a couple of extra cleats and shoelaces," he quipped.

It was estimated in Detroit that the Lions will pay him \$38,000 for the three years, plus bonus. But a reliable source here said it was more than that, probably around \$60,000.

McMillin said Walker, three-time All-America back for Southern Methodist University, would be even greater in pro football.

Walker became a legendary figure in three and one-half years of football at Southern Methodist. He gained 2,067 yards in 35 games, including the 1948 and 1949 Cotton Bowl games, completed 138 of 239 passes for 1,786 yards and caught 29 passes for 478 yards. He scored 303 points and averaged 39.6 yards per punt.

But probably his greatest asset was his leadership and ability to think quickly on the gridiron.

Now 23, Walker weighs 173 pounds and is five feet, 11 inches tall. He is fully recovered from a leg injury and illness that kept him out of play part of the 1949 season.

Walker and Miss Norma Peterson of Dallas, his college sweetheart, will be married March 17.

Walker said he hoped his former high school pal and college opponent, Bobby Layne would be with the Lions.

Layne, former University of Texas passing star, played with the New York Bulldogs of the National Pro League last year. Detroit has been seeking his services.

Walker said he has no plans for the off-season. He will play with the college all-stars in the annual August game against the champions of the National Pro League.

Officers Leave For Police School Sunday
Officer Jim Wilkerson and Sgt. Dick Hemingway of the Midland Police Department Sunday departed for Dallas, where they will enroll in a special police school to be conducted by the Dallas Police Department.

The school, covering all phases of police work, will run six weeks.

Royal Governor Wins At Hialeah; Coaltown Is Fifth

MIAMI, FLA. — (AP) — Royal Governor won the \$50,000 added Widener Handicap at Hialeah Park Saturday by a head. The favorite Coaltown was fifth in a field of six.

Addison Stable's Arise was second and Brookmeade Stable's Going Away was third, six lengths behind Arise.

Mrs. E. duPont Weir's six-year-old, carrying 118 pounds, beat Arise in a magnificent stretch duel. The time was 2:06 flat for the 1 1/4 mile and a quarter classic over the slow and muddy track.

Coaltown was the 3 to 5 favorite at the start. Royal Governor, second in the McClennan, rewarded \$2 backers with \$7.50, \$3.40 and \$2.90 across the board. Arise paid \$4 and \$2.90 at and Going Away returned \$3.90.

Royal Governor earned \$43,000 to add to his previous winnings of \$184,850.

TWO MORE YEARS FOR IKE
SEATTLE — (AP) — Lightweight champion Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., said Saturday he would fight two more years and then hang up the leather mittens for keeps.



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Middlecoff Holds Lead At Houston

HOUSTON — (AP) — National Open Champion Cary Middlecoff beat off a threat from Leland Gibson, Kansas City, Saturday to maintain his lead in the \$10,000 Houston Open.

Middlecoff took two strokes from Gibson on the seventeenth and eighteenth greens while turning in a three - under - par 69 that gave him a 54-hole 206.

A bad second wood shot on the seventeenth and a missed putt on the final green dropped Gibson to a 69 and sent him into a tie with Rod Munday, York, Pa., at 209.

It was a busy par-busting day on the 6,725-yard, par-72 Brae Burn Country Club course. Twelve players took three or more strokes off par—only 10 had managed to do so during the first two rounds.

Jim Ferrier, San Francisco, set a competitive course record Saturday of 65 that zoomed him into seventh place after a disappointing 74 and 73 rounds.

Ahead Of Ferrier
Finishing ahead of Ferrier were Clayton Headfarmer, Charlotte, N. C., 210, and Pete Cooper, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., and Chandler Harper, Portsmouth, Va., at 211.

Ferrier took the front nine in 34 and came home in a record 31, Par 18-36.

Jimmy Demaret and Jackie Burke, Jr., the home town idols, forgot about their 148 half way mark totals and had good sub-par rounds. A 67 put Demaret, playing out of Ojai, Calif., in eighth place at 213.

Burke, registering from White Plains, N. Y., had a 68 for a ninth place tie.

Burke's record 32, on the front nine, was offset with an even par 36 on the final nine.

Smiths Graduating In Large Numbers

BETHLEHEM, PA. — (AP) — The Smiths had their day at Lehigh University's mid-year commencement exercises. Six Smiths received diplomas from Lehigh President Martin D. Whitaker. All told, 180 seniors graduated.

And there's still plenty of Smith's in Lehigh's classes today—25 in fact.

State Basketball Tourney Slate Is Taking Shape Fast

By The Associated Press
Corpus Christi whipped Temple 37-24 Saturday to advance to the Class AA high school state basketball tournament at Austin next week.

Five other teams have already clinched spots in the tournament while two more remain to be decided.

Regional tournaments Saturday determined the eight teams that will vie for the state Class A title and the eight that will seek the Class B crown. These tournaments will be held at the same time as the Class AA in Austin, next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Lockhart is the only Class A team that had clinched a spot in the state tournament.

Texasiana, Highland Park (Dallas), Sweetwater, Austin (El Paso), and Texas City have won places in the Class AA Tournament.

Marlene Loses In Two Ball Tourney

ORLANDO — (AP) — Louise Suggs and Toney Penna eliminated Mrs. Babe Zaharias and George Bolesta 2 and 1 in the International Mixed Two Ball golf tournament Friday.

But the spotlight was centered on the darkhorse team of Marge Burns and Charles Farlow.

The Greensboro, N. C. team, playing beautifully under pressure, beat Marlene Bauer of Midland, Texas, and home pro Denny Champagne one-up to gain the semi-final round opposite Patty Berg of Chicago and Earl Stewart of Dallas.

Berg and Stewart ousted Kathy McKinnon of Lake Worth, Fla., and George Kinsman of Three Lakes, Wis., one-up.

Another surprise entry, Mrs. Eddie Bush of Hammond, Ind., and Clarence Doser of Scarsdale, N. Y., gained the round of four opposite Miss Suggs of Lithia Springs, Ga., and Penna, Cincinnati, pro, by beating Betty McKinnon of Mount Pleasant, Texas, and Walter Burkemo of West Palm Beach 3 and 2.

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Maxine Oliver Has Top Lamb At Annual Pecos Stock Show

By KENNETH BOND
PECO8—Maxine Oliver, 13-year daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Oliver of Toyahvale, Saturday took honors in the second 4-H Club lamb show staged here by the Pecos Chamber of Commerce. The reserve champion, the only southdown lamb in the exhibit, was shown by Joe Caldwell of Toyah.

Maxine's Crossbred and the southdown brought \$100 each at the afternoon auction sale.

A total of 37 lambs were entered in the show—37 Finewool, 23 Crossbred and the Southdown.

Forty-eight of the lambs sold at an average of \$57.50.

Maxine Oliver had the top lamb in a Finewool class, followed by Harry Williams of Balmorhea and Dick Elberhede of Pecos. In the Crossbred class, Miss Oliver had the top lamb, which was the grand champion. Second place in Crossbred was won by Aaron George of Balmorhea, with Ronnie Rowe of Balmorhea getting third.

Jake Holmes, county agent at Pecos, judged the show. Buck Jackson of Pecos was the auctioneer. Thirty-five businessmen bid on the sheep entering from Pecos and Loving Counties.

Winners Listed
 County Agent Jimmy Taylor was charge of the show.

Fourth through tenth places in Finewool class were Maxine Oliver, Mary Dale Miller, Peos; Jimmy Moore, Balmorhea; Charles Welch, Balmorhea; Mary Dale Miller; Dick Elberhede, Pecos; and Tony Rowe, Balmorhea.

Fourth through tenth in Crossbred class were Patsy Rogers, Mentone; Maxine Oliver; Bobby Capps, Mentone; Bill Water, Peos; Mary Ann Collins, Toyah; Peos Cook, Balmorhea; and C. L. Mendenhall, Peos.

Youths exhibiting lambs and their sponsors were guests at a Saturday luncheon. Sponsors for the show were: Bill Collins of Toyah, Max Oliver of Toyahvale, Bob Capps and E. Hall of Mentone.

House—

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 present, nine excused but subject to call when needed. The House still was nine short. At 7:15 a.m. the House voted 62-13 to remain locked up until noon next Wednesday if necessary to secure and maintain a working membership.

A registration of the members disclosed 100 members on hand at 10:44 a.m., and the House went quickly to work. Twenty-one amendments, mostly non-controversial, were adopted and the bill was passed and sent to the Senate at 11:43 a.m.

A \$1,350,000 appropriation bill for the M. D. Anderson Cancer Research Hospital at Houston was approved on second reading, 77-9, but could not pick up the required majority for final passage.

Rapid-Fire Order
 There was no debate and no dissent as the five bills cracking down on sex offenders were approved in rapid-fire order. The Senate has passed companion bills, and one of the two sets is almost certain to reach Gov. Allan Shivers' desk for signature before the session ends.

Particularly heavy penalties are placed on sex offenses involving children under 14 years of age. The bills are aimed primarily at discouraging molestation, strict penalties already being on the books in rape and attempted rape cases.

Whether the rural telephone cop bill can squeeze through the Senate before the session ends is uncertain.

The bill would allow formation of rural telephone cooperatives which could receive federal aid under a bill passed by Congress.

The Senate passed 10 bills Saturday, sending several local measures to the governor for signature and three to the House.

Among measures forwarded to the governor was one creating a county court-at-law for Lubbock County.

Sewer Connection Survey Completed

The City of Midland now is completing a survey to determine those buildings and buildings within the city limits which do not have sewer connections. City Manager W. H. Oswald said Saturday.

The conclusion so far, he stated, is that about one out of every six building units either do not have sewer connections or are not being urged for sewer service.

The survey is in connection with an order issued recently calling for strict enforcement of an ordinance which requires connection to sanitary sewer lines in all sections where sewer lines exist and where buildings are not now connected.

The purpose of the order is to correct or prevent unsanitary conditions and to eliminate a possible source of disease. Bad situations now exist in certain sections of the city, Oswald said.

The city manager, in pointing out that it is the obligation of citizens to eliminate all unsanitary conditions where and whenever possible, said the ordinance will be enforced to the letter.

Work now is under way in extending sewer lines in the south part of the city, Oswald said.

Completion Of Little House Due By Girl Scout Birthday

Girl Scouts of Midland will see their own building, the Little House on West Washington Street, completed by the time they join in celebrating the National Girl Scout birthday on March 12, the building committee of the Midland Girl Scout Association announced Saturday.

Although the building will be ready for occupancy then, it will be furnished sketchedly and work barely will be started on the park and playground surrounding it. Contributions to the building fund already have reached the mark, Mrs. R. M. Payne, building chairman, said, but the committee estimates that another thousand dollars will be needed to complete the furnishings and the outdoor facilities.

The Girl Scouts will do their part toward furnishing the building when they conduct a cookie sale March 11-12. They will sell cookies made from a copyrighted Girl Scout recipe by a nationally known baking company, taking orders on March 11 and delivering the boxes of cookies the following week.

Many Counties Set Poll Tax Records In 'Off' Campaign Year

By The Associated Press
 Texans paid their poll taxes in unusual numbers to qualify themselves to vote this year.

In at least four counties, records were set. In several others the figures do not represent records but do exceed poll taxes levied in 1948—a presidential election year.

The biggest jump in poll taxes turned up in an Associated Press survey of more populous counties was at Corpus Christi.

Nueces (Corpus Christi) County poll taxes paid number 1,362,471, a new record. The previous record, 32,327, was set in 1948, the last presidential election year.

Howard County also set a new record, with 6,873 poll taxes paid compared with 6,795 in 1948. Big Spring is the county seat of Howard County.

The other new records were posted in Lubbock County, of which Lubbock is county seat, and in Orange County, of which Orange is county seat.

Lubbock county's poll taxes rose to 19,472 compared with 19,061 in 1948. Orange County's poll taxes rose to 10,105 from 9,993.

Midland, Harris Gain
 Among other counties reporting, were:

Taylor (Abilene), 1948 poll taxes and exemptions totaled 12,512, 1950 poll taxes 10,447, exemptions 2,200; Potter (Amarillo), 17,960 poll taxes in 1948, 13,850 in 1950.

Travis (Austin) 35,373 poll taxes in 1948, 32,114 in 1950; Tarrant (Fort Worth) 72,823 poll taxes in 1948, 53,154 in 1950.

Harris (Houston) 188,000 poll taxes in 1948, 135,000 in 1950; Midland (Midland) 5,800 poll taxes and exemptions in 1948, 6,432 poll taxes and exemptions in 1950.

Hale (Plainview) 3,792 poll taxes and exemptions in 1948, 5,556 poll taxes and exemptions in 1950; Tom Green (San Angelo) 7,710 poll taxes in 1948, 10,881 in 1950.

Bexar (San Antonio) 86,672 poll taxes and exemptions in 1948, 83,211 poll taxes and exemptions in 1950; Wichita (Wichita Falls) 19,192 poll taxes in 1948, 15,618 in 1950.

Labor—

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 so slim a majority depends in a large part on tactics.

Some Changes Expected
 Both the Labor and Conservative leaders sought retreat in the country Saturday to organize their thoughts.

Some changes are expected. A week into the cabinet was expected to be more leftist than ever. Attlee may have to trim his sails now.

Before Winston Churchill, 75-year-old warhorse of the Conservatives, was the question:

Should the Conservatives try to bring down the new Labor government quickly or let it live long enough to bring in the annual budget and other necessary finance bills in April?

It will not be long before the country gets a look at the rival strategies.

The new Parliament meets Wednesday.

CITY COUNCIL MEET SET TUESDAY NIGHT
 The City Council will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the council chamber on the second floor of the City Hall, City Manager W. H. Oswald announced Saturday.

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John Holloway's Calves Sweep Honors At Martin County Junior Livestock Show

By DALMON MONTAIE
Reporter-Telegram Staff Writer
STANTON—Johnny Holloway, 19-year-old Stanton 4-H Club member, walked away with top honors in the annual Martin County Junior Livestock Show here Saturday.

Holloway, a veteran exhibitor in livestock shows in the area, showed the grand champion calf, the reserve champion calf, and the top place winners in both the dry lot calf and milk fed calf divisions. His first place dry lot winner, a 905-pound Hereford, was selected the grand champion. His milk fed first place winner, a 925-pounder, captured the reserve award.

John Paul Cave of Ackerly held the grand champion of the 46 barrows in the show. His 272-pounder took the heavy weight honors and was named the top pick of the show. Billy Ratliff, Stanton High School junior, showed the reserve champion barrow, winner of the light weight division. The grand champion sold for 41 cents a pound. The reserve champ brought 40 3/4 cents.

Don Hull exhibited the only lamb in the show.

Capon Winners
 Bobby Carlile of Stanton, showed the top Capon pick in a field of 46. Dale and Leon Hogg exhibited the reserve champion Capon. Carlile's champion was entered in the heavyweight class. The Hogg entry was the light weight winner.

Vast Permian Empire—

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 tion of 2,785 oil producers, 34 gas producers and 446 dry holes. Included in the 3,261 wells drilled in West Texas last year were 343 wildcats. Aggregate footage of those prospectors was 1,944,956 feet.

A total of 70 new discoveries resulted from the drilling of those 343 West Texas wildcats. Of these successful explorations, 63 were finished as discoveries of new fields or new pays, and six were completed as the openers of gas producing areas.

Millions Lost In Dry Holes
 The other 274 wildcats were dry holes—and represented the loss of several million dollars for the individuals and concerns which drilled them.

The forecast for 1950 reveals that 4,070 new wells are planned for drilling in West Texas in 1950. Slated to that depth are those explorations aggregating 21,150,000 feet. That would be an increase of 809 wells and 4,752,000 feet of hole over the 1949 figures on that item.

A total of 561 of the 4,070 wells planned for West Texas in 1950 are due to be wildcats. That is 221 more wildcats than were completed in the region last year.

Increases Due In 1950
 The other 3,508 projected explorations for West Texas for the current year are scheduled to be developed as field wells—an increase of 588 over the number of field wells completed in the district in 1950.

During 1949 a total of 481 wells were drilled in Southeast New Mexico. Total footage of those projects was 2,368,556 feet.

Wildcat completions in New Mexico last year numbered 66—of which 14 were finished as new oil discoveries and 52 as dry holes.

The list of development of field wells drilled in New Mexico during 1949 totaled 420—of which 320 were finished as oil producers, 48 as gas producers, and 52 as failures.

The forecast for 1950 lists 581 new wells on the program for that state. A total of 2,900,000 feet of hole is proposed for these ventures.

More Wildcats Planned
 The 1949 total of 481 wells drilled in the state and 462 field, or development wells.

For the entire United States, a total of 37,414 wells of all varieties are planned. Total footage forecast for these developments is more than 138,478,000 feet.

There are slated to be 7,296 wildcats and 30,118 field wells drilled.

Will Lead In Activity
 A comparison of the forecasts for West Texas and New Mexico with the same survey for the entire United States reveals that the Permian Basin again is due to be the most active region in the nation. No other state, except Texas as a whole, is scheduled for the drilling program which is assigned to the Permian Basin.

Those figures indicate that the Permian Basin can reasonably expect better business in 1950 than it enjoyed in 1949.

Many New Discoveries
 A total of 84 new discoveries was credited to the Permian Basin during 1949.

These openers of new fields, or new pays, added an estimated 909,150,000 barrels of oil to the proven reserves of the area and pushed the total reserves of the region, at the end of the year, to 5,804,000,000 barrels.

New reserves discovered in the entire United States in 1949 aggregated 2,853,304,000 barrels. That gave the nation a total of 25,909,000,000 barrels of proven oil reserves at the end of 1950.

The United States listed a net increase in reserves at the start of

Carl Bolton Freed In Reuther Case

DETROIT—The acquittal of Carl Bolton left unanswered Saturday the perplexing question: Who shot Walter Reuther?

A recorder's court jury of eight women and four men decided late Friday that Bolton, 41-year-old convicted burglar and onetime minor union official, was not the gunman.

The trial was marked one of Michigan's biggest manhunts in history. Police still are investigating the case.

Bolton was the only man against whom a formal charge ever was filed in the April 20, 1948 shooting. He was accused of assault with intent to kill Reuther, president of the CIO United Auto Workers.

Two Airmen Killed In Jet Bomber Crash

DAYTON, OHIO—The explosion of a four-engine jet bomber Friday cost the lives of two airmen—one of them a British war hero.

They were identified by Wright-Patterson Air Force Base officials as:

Wing Commander Derek S. Pain, 31, a Royal Air Force exchange officer.

Maj. Darel R. Snyder, 31, of Washington Court House, Ohio.

A third man, Capt. John L. Armstrong, of Fairborn, Ohio, escaped death, with a low-level parachute jump four miles northwest of the Wright-Patterson field, where the bomber was based.

Cotton

NEW YORK—Cotton futures were firm Saturday although towards the close profit taking pared extreme advances with final prices 40 cents a bale higher to 15 cents lower.

March 32-43, May 32-76-78 and July 32-32-35.

The U. S. Soil Conservation Service says that if a two-inch rain were dumped on a field at once it would raise seven inches of soil three feet into the air.

IRVING BACHELLER, FAMOUS NOVELIST, DIES

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—(P)—Irving Bachelier, one of America's most popular novelists at the turn of the century and after, died Friday night at the age of 90.

Bachelier's best-known work probably was "Eben Holden," which appeared in 1900 and was a sensational best-seller.

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Pioneer Rankin Resident Dies; Services Sunday

RANKIN—Mrs. Cuzzie Hattie Lee McDonald, 78, a resident of Rankin for 38 years, died early Saturday at her home here. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Rankin Methodist Church, with the Rev. Don Cochran, pastor, officiating.

Mrs. McDonald is survived by two daughters, Mattie McDonald of Rankin and Mrs. Thelma Mason of Evans, Texas; two sons, A. J. McDonald of Quanado, Texas, and W. C. McDonald of Rankin; and two sisters, Mrs. L. A. Calhoun of Mount Olive, Miss., and Mrs. S. L. Thompson of Boguetchto, Miss. A half sister, Mrs. Kit Finch of Mississippi, also survives.

Palbearers will be: S. H. Boyd, T. L. Stevenson, Stanley Eddings, W. E. Yates, C. J. Taylor and Bob White.

Interment will be in a Rankin cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Newie W. Ellis Chapel, Midland.

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Automobile Hits Train Here; No Injuries

Midland police Friday investigated a car-train accident at the Marlenfield Street grade crossing of the Texas & Pacific tracks here.

Poster King was driving the automobile when it collided with a flat car which was being backed onto a siding. No injuries were reported. The car was damaged.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde R. Cannon on the birth Saturday of a son, Virgil Allan, weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hagler on the birth Friday of a son, Randy Alan, weighing six pounds, six ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Brewer on the birth Friday of a daughter, Belva Rae, weighing four pounds, two ounces.

Graduates of the "University of Petroleum"

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Livestock Roundup

FORT WORTH—Livestock compared to week ago: Beef steers and yearlings steady to weak; other slaughter cattle and calves steady; stockers strong to 1.00 higher, slaughter lambs and yearling weathers strong, ewes 1.00 higher, feeder lambs 1.00 higher, butcher hogs steady to 25 lower, sows and feeder pigs steady.

Slaughter steers and yearlings 18-26, beef cows 16-19, slaughter calves 16-26.50, stocker yearling steers 18-26, stocker calves 18-26, stocker cows 16-21, wooled slaughter lambs 23-25, shorn lambs 21-24, yearling weathers 20-22, wooled feeder lambs 24-25.50, best butcher hogs 17; sows 13-14, feeder pigs 11-14.

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Traveling Teen-Ager

By JUNE HAZLEP
 "This morning, Dr. very sleepy group of MBS teen-agers climbed aboard a Pioneer Air Lines liner and settled down for a quick "jaunt" over to the Capital City . . . Austin.
 "We didn't know it then, but we were about to become "famous."
 Wanda Burnside, Gerald Adams, Don Drummond, Richard Hull, Alan Olson, Pat Emmons, Marion Harrison, Dejahne Tabor, Jean Ferguson, Carolyn Curd, trip sponsor Blaise Magee and your reporter were in the group who stepped off the plane in Austin and into the glare of press flashbulbs. The flashbulbs belonged to the Austin American Statesman's Neal Douglas who was assigned to the group for pictures.
 "Oooh, everything but the key to the city" remarked the teen-agers, who still didn't know what all the excitement was about. Also on hand were E. C. Morrison, Austin Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Goldberg, business manager of the Statesman, Starr Keifer, Austin C. C. and M. K. Smith, a representative of Pioneer Air Lines, our host.

Reporters were right there and interviewing many of the students. At the time, we didn't know why we were the center of attention and it wasn't until we arrived at the State Capitol that we discovered we were "famous first!" We were the first high school students to fly to the capital for the purpose of watching the lawmakers at work! Everyone was very happy and very pleasantly surprised at the announcement. We just weren't aware that we were doing anything out of the ordinary!
 Immediately upon landing we proved that we liked air travel by finding something very interesting . . . a helicopter. W. E. Schlesinger, of Houston, offered to demonstrate and take two members of the group up as passengers. Gerald Adams was one of the lucky ones and your reporter was the other. We must admit, a helicopter is a great deal different from a DC-3. We found it rather unusual to find ourselves suddenly flying backwards!
 Following our "reception" we piled into our chartered bus and set off to see Austin in full swing. On arriving at the Capitol we were met by Senator Hill D. Hudson and Rep. J. T. Rutherford, who took us through the legislative halls. In both the House and the Senate, resolutions were passed recognizing the group.
Visit Governor
 Right behind the Legislature visit came a visit with Allan Shivers and acting Lt. Gov. Grady Hazelwood.
 Lunch was next and by this time everyone was very much ready for the delicious meal served in the Texas University of a Room. The meal was arranged by the Austin Chamber of Commerce.
 Next on the agenda was a visit to the Texas University Tower and other points of interest on the campus. The University was waiting for us and furnished sodas to the group. Between the drug store and the University Co-op, which we visited next, everyone managed to accumulate a great deal of souvenirs. Pat Emmons purchased a large T. U. Bull, made of orange and white felt, which immediately became the mascot of the group.
 A visit to the Governor's Mansion was next on the list, so we all piled back into our chartered bus and much interest to all, particularly to the Texas history students who were intrigued by the Sam Houston room. At this point in history, we are studying Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin.
Memorial Museum
 A quick trip to the Memorial Museum and on to Barton Springs Park found us back from where we started . . . the airport.
 Boarding the Pioneer liner, The Plainsman, we bid a "fond farewell" to the Capital City of Texas and started home. During the trip home we had a lay-over in San Angelo. Having been in San Angelo earlier in the day, everyone knew just what he wanted to do . . . visit the control room. By the time the plane for Midland landed we had decided we had learned so much that we just might as well fly ourselves home. (This suggestion quickly was decided against!!!) Several of the students learned all about "plotting a course" while others learned how the radio and weather departments work. Several members of the group were Girl and Boy Scout Air Scouts with some training in the fundamentals of flight training.
 Thursday night, just 14 hours after take-off, a tired but happy group of "first airplane students" climbed off the plane here and began to tell about their trip.

Leopard Escapes In Oklahoma City
 OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. — A wild leopard hurtled from its 18-foot pit at the Oklahoma City Zoo Saturday and scattered hundreds of Saturday afternoon visitors.
 The police riot squad rushed to the zoo to evacuate the visitors and attempted to track down the big cat. The leopard and its mate were brought here last week from India.
 Zoo Director Julian Frasier ordered police to "shoot to kill" two hours after the animal jumped from his pit cage. He had hoped at first to capture the leopard alive.

Senate Panel Would Junk Rent Controls
 WASHINGTON (AP)—A proposal for junking federal rent controls—now covering 11,000,000 housing units throughout the nation—was made to the Senate Saturday by a powerful Appropriations Committee.
 The committee voted to allow the Office of Housing Expediter, which supervises rent controls, only \$2-800,000 for its functions from now to June 30, and to allow those funds used to win up the affairs and pay off its 4,325 employees.
 The average salary for public school teachers in the United States was estimated by the National Education Association at \$9,384.

Flying Saucers Are Reported At Pampa
 BORGER (AP)—A Borger housewife and her two children reported seeing four flying saucers Saturday high in the sky eight miles from Pampa.
 While three held to a straight course one made a turnabout and then zigzagged high over their car. Mrs. L. G. Sanders said.
 Her son, Forrest, 12, an aviation enthusiast, estimated the objects were 10,000 to 15,000 feet high. Linda Carol Sanders, nine, said she saw them but had no comment. They said the objects were silver-gray.
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Traveling Teen-Ager

By JUNE HAZLIP

Thursday morning, a very sleepy group of MEES teeners climbed aboard a Pioneer Air Lines liner and headed down for a quick "jaunt" over the Capital City . . . Austin.

"Good, everything but the key to the city" remarked the teeners, who still didn't know what all the excitement was about. Also on hand were E. G. Morrison, Austin Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Goldberg, business manager of the Statesman;

Reporters were right there and interviewing many of the students. At the time, we didn't know who we were the center of attention and it wasn't until we arrived at the State Capitol that we discovered we were a "famous first!"

Following our "reception" we piled into our chartered bus and set off to see Austin in full stride. On arriving at the capitol we were met by Senator Hill D. Hudson and Rep. J. T. Rutherford who took us through the legislative halls.

Right behind the Legislature visit came a visit with Gov. Allan Shivers and acting Lt. Gov. Grady Hazelwood.

Lunch was next and by this time everyone was very much ready for the delicious meal served in the Texas University Tea Room.

Next on the agenda was a visit to the Texas University Tower and other points of interest on the campus. The University Drug was waiting for us and furnished sodas to the group.

A visit to the Governor's mansion was next on the list, so we all piled back into our chartered bus and started off. The mansion was of much interest to all, particularly to the Texas history students who were intrigued by the Sam Houston room.

A quick trip to the Memorial Museum and on to Barton Springs Park found us back home where we started the airplane.

Boarding the Pioneer liner, The Plainsman, we bid a "fond farewell" to the Capital City of Texas and started home. During the trip home we had a lay-over in San Angelo. Having been in San Angelo earlier in the day, everyone knew just what he wanted to do . . . visit the control room.

By the time the plane for Midland landed we had decided we just might as well fly ourselves home. (This suggestion quickly was decided against!) Several of the students learned all about "piling on the radio" while others learned how the radio and weather departments work.

Thursday night, at 14 hours after take-off, a tired but happy group of "first airborne students" climbed off the plane here and began to tell about their trip.

"Oh, ah! I'll have a look in The Reporter - Telegram Classified Ads for a repairman—something's gone wrong with my television!"

Zoo Director Julian Fraser ordered police to "shoot to kill" two hours after the animal jumped from his pit cage. He had hoped at first to capture the leopard alive.

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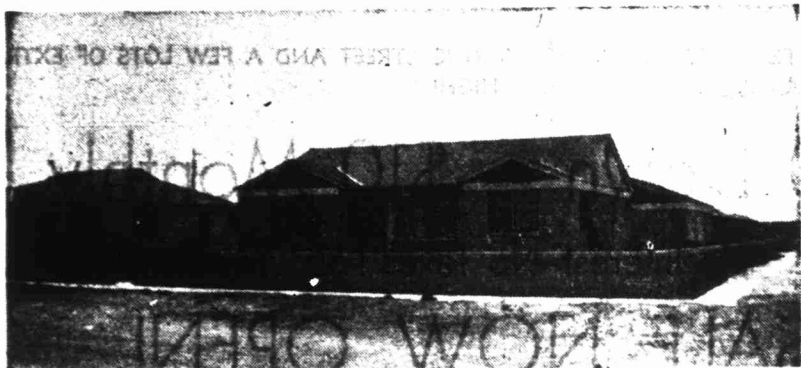
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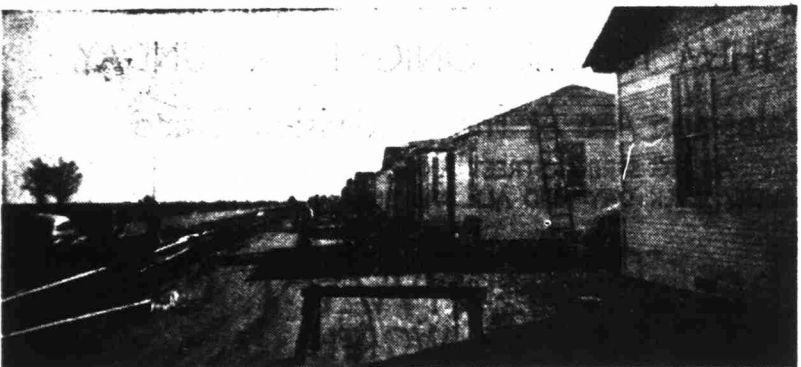
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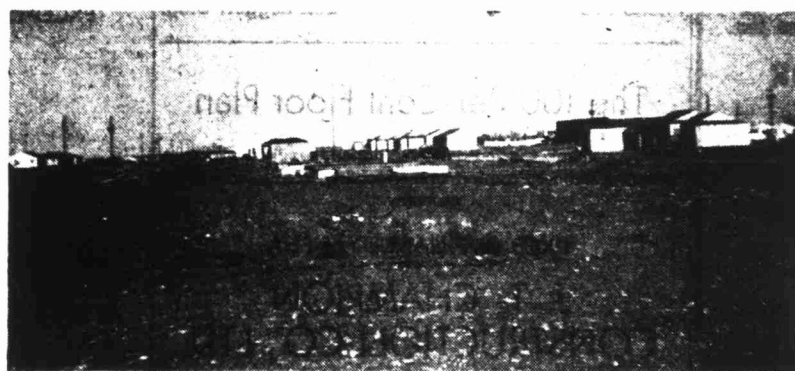
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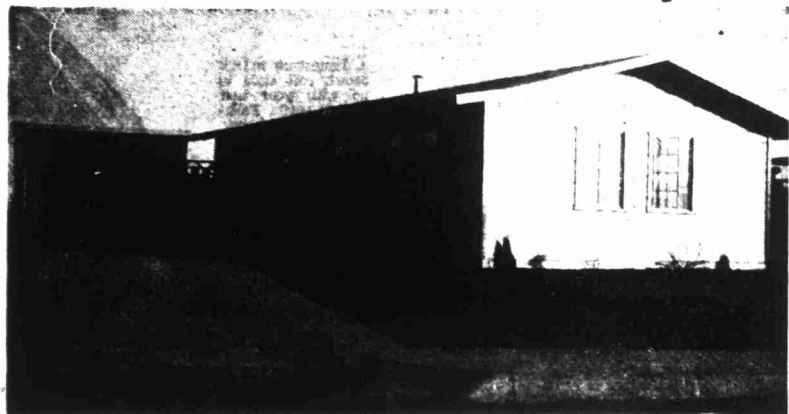
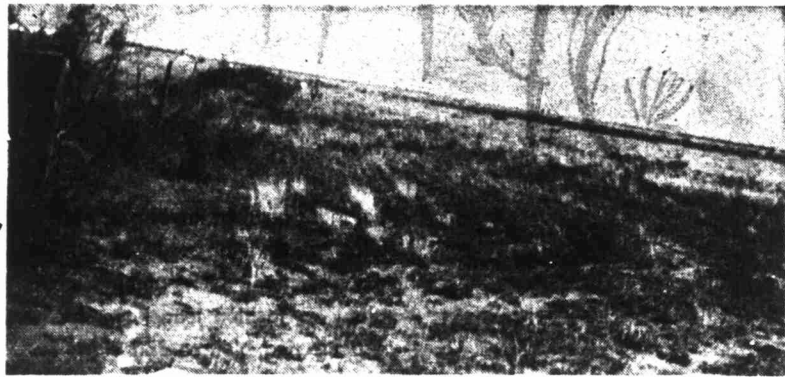
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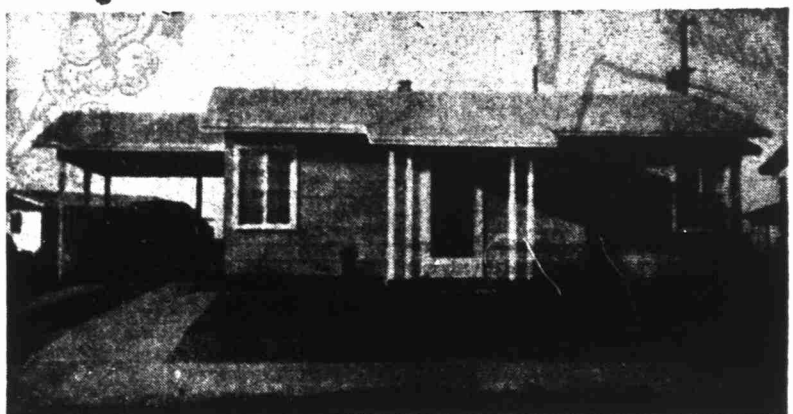
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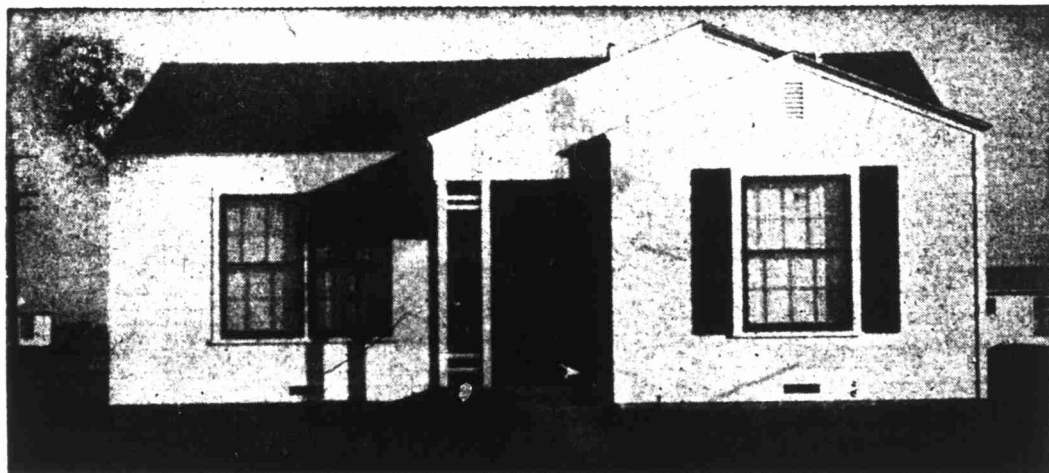
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Neta Stovall, president of the Business and Professional Women's Club, at left, and Thelma Gardner, chairman of the club's project to present a free exhibit of original Guy Rowe portraits this week, are pictured studying a pamphlet concerning the paintings. On the cover of the pamphlet is a reproduction of one painting, Rowe's interpretation of Abraham, which is among the 16 character studies of Old Testament personalities to be exhibited.

B&PW Club Bringing Art Exhibit As Gift

A gift to the residents of the Midland area, in appreciation for their support of various club projects in past years, will be made by the Business and Professional Women's Club when it brings here a collection of Guy Rowe's original paintings for showing without admission charge Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Fort Worth Girl Is Jack Blake's Bride

Carol Jo Wheeler of Fort Worth and Jack Evans Blake of Midland were united in marriage in the Magnolia Avenue Christian Church of Fort Worth, Saturday evening. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Wheeler of that city. Blake is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Blake of Lubbock, and is employed by the Amerada Petroleum Corporation in Midland.

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Background Workers For 'Fashion Is Magic'



Sets for the "Fashion Is Magic" show to be presented by the Women's Auxiliary of the Midland Memorial Hospital Thursday and Friday, feature magicians' hats with rabbits and sideshow posters. Shown putting finishing touches to some of the backgrounds are, left above, Mrs. William Cobb, and seated on the floor, Mrs. W. A. Lumpkin; right above, Mrs. W. I. Waters and seated, Mrs. John Stulley.

Ladies Golf Association Plays Bridge

Mrs. Frank Ashby and Mrs. Richard Hughton were hostesses to the Ladies Golf Association luncheon in the Midland Country Club Friday.

Members present included Mrs. Robert Payne, Mrs. Mike Brumby, Mrs. F. L. McFarland, Mrs. L. E. Patterson, Mrs. J. L. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Travis, Mrs. N. B. Garner, Mrs. Vanni Ligon, Mrs. Tex Carleton, Mrs. Edwin Stephens, Mrs. Courtney Thompson, Mrs. Bert Goodman, Mrs. Bob Franklin, Mrs. Herschel Ezell, Mrs. D. R. Dickson, Mrs. Charles Ervin.

Day Of Prayer Stresses Unity To Gain Peace

A sense of unity with women all over the world was given the Midland group which attended the annual World Day of Prayer service sponsored by the Midland Council of Church Women in the First Presbyterian Church Friday afternoon.

Club Will Hear Romantic Music

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Election of officers is the chief business scheduled for the Lion Tamers Club at its meeting for a luncheon Wednesday.

ALUMNAE LUNCHEON SET

Delta Gamma Alumnae will have a luncheon meeting Wednesday in observance of Founders Day.

Experience From Other Cities Brought To Style Show Staging

Experience in staging fashion shows, which has been her business, is being contributed by Mrs. Milton J. Loring, newcomer to Midland, to "Fashion Is Magic," the benefit show to be presented Thursday and Friday by the Women's Auxiliary of the Midland Memorial Hospital.

Final Plans Of Show Are Made By Auxiliary

Final plans for "Fashion Is Magic," the staged production they will sponsor Thursday and Friday, were made by members of the Midland Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary who met Friday morning in the KGRS studio.

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Her Majesty Of Catoico With Court



Toya Chapple, center front row, was crowned 1950 Catoico Queen of Midland High School Friday night. Pictured are the queen, her attendants and the escorts. Seated, left to right, are Janis Slough, Peggy Charlton, JoAnn Ragan, Miss Chapple, Katherine Lewis, Margi Carter and Betty Wilson. Standing left to right are John Ed Greene, Jim O'Neal, Obie Lee Stalcup, John Steinberger, Preston Conner, Jimmy Locke and Robert Burks.

'Court Of Melody' Presents Toya Chapple As MHS Queen

Wearing the train and crown that her mother, Mrs. James H. Chapple wore as Queen of Mardi Gras of Panama City in 1929, Toya Chapple was presented as 1950 Catoico Queen of Midland High School in the new auditorium Friday night.

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A group of famed artists acclaim Mimi Benzell, center, as "the most beautiful woman in opera today." Awarding Miss Benzell the citation in New York are, left to right: Bradshaw Crandell, Wheeler Williams, Arthur William Brown and Russell Patterson.

Fort Will Conduct P-TA Sponsored Parents' Seminar

Adding to the year's program of parent education in the West Elementary Parent-Teacher Association Study Groups, the organization will sponsor this week an educational seminar for parents, conducted by Horace B. Fort, consultant in youth education with the Yale Institute of Alcohol Studies in the Southwest, Fort Worth.

Fort is returning to Midland by invitation of West Elementary P-TA officers after he was guest speaker at one of the association's Fall programs. He will speak at each seminar session, then answer questions in a discussion period. The sessions are scheduled Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. Mrs. J. B. Elder, study chairman in West Elementary P-TA, will be in charge. Meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church parlor.

Although the seminar will consider the question of preventive education in regard to alcoholism, the subject of one of the sessions, Fort emphasizes that its field is much broader one and that alcoholism will be considered as a phase of personality adjustment. Subject of the series will be "Your Boy and Girl." Subjects listed:

One session will have as its topic, "Physical, Emotional and Spiritual Development of the Child," and the final lecture will deal with factors developing a wholesome relationship between the child and his home and school.

Outlining the place of his lecture on "The Disease, Alcoholism," in the seminar, Fort wrote to Mrs. Elder, "We know the child who develops a well adjusted personality and becomes emotionally mature will never have a need for a sedative or an artificial substance. Our boys and girls need to have available factual information concerning social additions so they will have opportunity to make intelligent decisions. The answer to most of our problems is knowledge."

Guests Will Speak In Baptist Churches

Both the First Baptist Church and the Calvary Baptist Church will have guest speakers for evening worship services Sunday. Dr. Andrews Q. Allen, secretary for the Sunday School Department of Texas, will speak in the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Clifford Harris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Denver City, will be in the Calvary Church.

Both will be in Midland for the "kick-off" rally of the District Eight Sunday School Enlargement Campaign in the First Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Sunday. Mr. Harris will teach the study book for the Calvary Church during the week.

Bare-Top Beauty



New strapless spring dress worn by the model above accents her pretty shoulders. To keep skin soft, she smooths on emollient body lotion (top right) with applicator made by wrapping bristles of long-handled bath brush with gauze. Heavy foundation cream which is matched to her skin tones camouflages mole on shoulder (lower right).

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

Are your shoulders ready for unveiling by bare-topped Spring dresses?

If not, brush up on tricks which beautify your back to meet the public gaze.

Indispensable aid to satin-smooth skin is a firm-bristled, long-handled bath brush. Such a brush helps you cleanse, cream and even make-up the hard-to-reach areas between the shoulder blades.

For your daily scrub-up, load the bristles with a rich soapy lather and work brush vigorously over the skin. This friction cleansing makes skin more receptive to the creaming that follows. After your bath, pat skin dry and get your brush

McClurgs Are Hosts For Lucky Thirteens

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClurg were hosts to members of the Lucky Thirteen Club Thursday night in their home. Spring flowers were used throughout the hour. Games of 42 were played by members and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. John King, Brenda McClurg and Kay Cole were guests. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Houston Sikes of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Conner, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Daugherty, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hudman and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hays.

ready for its next assignment" by tying up bristles in a strip of gauze. To cream your back, first spread a rich emollient body lotion over the tops of shoulder blades with the palms of your hands. Then using your gauze-wrapped brush, stroke lotion down the back, covering the entire area from nape of neck to waistline. This same body lotion should also be used on arms to keep skin soft and pliant.

The thin film of lotion left on skin's surface can serve as foundation for a light dusting of powder if make-up is needed on neck and shoulders to avoid a demarcating line between shoulders and facial make-up. You can improvise a long-handled powder puff by sliding the bath brush off its handle and taping a velour puff in its place.

small TALK

By SUE COLEMAN

Is there a "be kind to pedestrians" campaign going on now, or have I reached the Dear Old Lady stage so that motorists can count helping me across the street as a good deed for today? Don't bother to answer that question, but twice lately drivers have paused politely and motioned me on my way when I stopped, as usual, to keep from being run down at an intersection, and it's pretty disconcerting, in a way.

One of the handsomest early-Spring outfits seen lately: Bernice Sherwood's dress of a blue print on brown, worn with a brown roller-brim straw hat, the crown covered solidly with flat little blue flowers under a piece of brown veiling. With blue eyes and brown hair, that's a most attractive ensemble.

Probably you've wondered just how you'd feel if you had a chance at one of those fabulous radio giveaway prizes and somehow missed it. Mary Jane Schabaram can tell you, with smiles instead of tears although she could be excused for breaking right down and crying. She was called to identify a tune the other night, but wasn't home. And the prize was a trip to Rome! She just says that she might not have known the tune anyway, and shrugs it off.

The J. Alfred Toms are getting settled in their beautiful new ranch-style house on West Texas Street . . . in fact they moved in before all the furniture did. . . The Brandon Reas are among the numerous Midlanders waiting for a new house to be finished. . .

Has anybody else noticed it being especially quiet the last week, after the rush of big club parties like the Garden Club coffee, the Golf Association office and the Women's Club program? Not to mention a Civic Music concert and a Community Theater play, all within a week. Probably the calm interlude is just a breathing spell.

One of those tricky lapel pins which is really a vase to hold tiny flowers decorated Estelia Brown's suit recently, and looked like something pretty instead of just something different. Sprays of acacia blossoms were held in the minute green glass urn.

Nothing is prettier than flowers on Spring hats, and there are lots of them this year. Hal Proctor wore one to a club meeting lately that had a bunch of flowers in varied shades of lavender fastened low on the brim, just behind her left ear. Her suit blouse that day was a color she often wears and which is most becoming, a very deep purple to blend with the flower tones.

It was a pleasure when the Eighth District Federated Clubs' program committee met here not long ago to renew acquaintance with Mrs. F. L. Gehr of Wink, the district secretary, who accompanied Elizabeth Best, the district president, as she often does on trips concerning club business.

Mrs. Best told the club women who elected her president at the district convention here last Spring that she had accepted the nomination to that office only after she found that Mrs. Gehr would agree to be nominee for secretary. She calls Mrs. Gehr her "right-hand-man" and says it would be impossible to meet her responsibilities without the aid of the efficient secretary.

A native of England, Mrs. Gehr is reticent by West Texas standards, but is quietly gracious and friendly and she has that most flattering of all forms of friendliness—ability to remember people and their names.

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District Seven To Get New Patrolmen

PECOS—Eight new Texas Highway Patrolmen are expected to be sent to District 7 in the near future, according to Capt. G. L. Morahan. Four of the new patrolmen will be stationed in Pecos, two in El Paso, and one each in Alpine and Fort Stockton. The staff at the Pecos office has been reduced to four by the transfer of O. N. Humphrey, Jr., to Houston. Officers on duty at Pecos include Captain Morahan, a sergeant and two patrolmen.

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Look Out, Boys, The Women May Lead In Next Count

WASHINGTON, D. C.—For the first time in the nation's history, women are outnumbering men, according to estimates made by the United States Bureau of the Census. The 1950 Census of Population to be conducted in April may reveal a feminine majority of roughly one million among the more than 150 million people who will be counted.

In addition, says the Bureau, women are living longer, and holding more and better jobs than ever before. Specific information on these and other trends will be collected by 145,000 census takers who will visit America's approximately 46 million homes and 1.3 million farms. Women will be asked what kinds of jobs they hold, whether they are married, what kind of business they live in, and other questions about their social and economic status.

In many ways the big 1950 inventory will be a women's census. Well over half the people answering census questions will be women. And likely as not women will be asking a majority of the questions, too—as census takers.

Comfortable Margin
Until 1930 the men maintained a comfortable margin of from 102 to 106 for every 100 women in the country. The 1940 Census revealed an almost even-seven ratio with the men retaining a slight edge of seven-tenths of one per cent. However, halfway between the 1940 and 1950 censuses the balance shifted. Allowing for armed forces overseas, the sex ratio—sociological term for number of males per 100 females—became 99.6.

What caused the change? How far will it go? What effect will it have upon the social and economic life of the country? Marriage-inclined women, in particular, will be asking these questions.

According to population specialists there are two main reasons for the decline in the relative number of American males. Immigration, which was predominantly masculine, has been restricted in recent years. In 1910, after a decade of the heaviest immigration in the nation's history, the sex ratio stood at the Census record high of 106.7.

The second reason is the relatively high death rate for males. In 1940

it exceeded the female death rate in every age group from the cradle on. The difference in death rates is particularly striking in infancy and in groups above 50 years of age. The National Office of Vital Statistics, United States Public Health Service, reports that in 1940, 1,065 boys were born for every 1,000 girls; however, in that year 63,557 infant boys died as compared to 47,437 infant girls.

Loss Ground
After the age of 50 the males lose ground to the females even more rapidly. In 1940 the death rate per 1,000 was 12.5 for men between the ages of 45 and 54; for women it was 8.6. Between the ages of 55 and 64 the death rate for men was 26.0, for women, 17.9; between 65 and 74, 54.5 men per 1,000 died, 42.0 women. After the age of 75 the death rate was 135.6 for men and 120.5 for women. Deaths from all causes, according to 1940 reports, totaled 12.0 per 1,000 population for males of all ages, 9.5 for females of all ages. Of 73.6 (per 1,000 population) accidental deaths, traffic and otherwise, the majority occurred to men and boys. An excess of approximately 1,473,000 male deaths over female deaths occurred between 1940 and 1948. This figure does not include the 343,000 war deaths.

A decline in the proportion of males is likely to continue, according to the Census Bureau; but it will be a gradual one and need not alarm anyone. Since the decline would be limited mainly to older groups it would not seriously affect women's marriage prospects.

In spite of the fact that there were only seven-tenths of one per cent more men than women in the country (1940 figure) there were actually 3.8 million more single males than females 15 years and over. The excess of single males was largely in the "marrying" age group, 15 to 34.

So women need not be concerned about their marriage chances—at least not on the basis of the declining proportion of men in the country.

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Ten top beauties of North Texas State College at Denton were named last week by Bandleader Carmen Cavallaro during his show on the NTSC Campus. Cavallaro picked the 10 winners from 115 pictures submitted. The college's 10 "most beautiful" girls and 20 runners-up selected by the bandleader will be featured in the mid-century edition of the Yucca, North Texas yearbook. Pictured, left to right, top row: Jan Mathews, sophomore education major, San Augustine; Sharon Kay Jones, sophomore home economics major, Sherman; Marjorie Jane Hill, junior art education major, San Marcos; Cornelia Boyd, junior business major, Sweetwater; middle row: Pat Pearce, junior education major, Abilene; Enid Helen Little, freshman art major, Midland; Lou Ann Simpson, sophomore education major, Dallas; Yvonne Standifer, junior art major, Dallas; lower row: Carolyn Broussard, sophomore education major, Greggton; and Nita Long, freshman business major, Denton.

New Radio Station For THP Contracted

PECOB — Faulkner and Strong contractors of Pecos have been awarded the contract to build a new radio station building for the Texas Highway Patrol. It was announced this week. Johnny Andrews, Fort Worth, has been contracted to build the radio tower. Ground work on the site was begun early last week by employees of Reeves County. Location of the building and tower is two miles from Pecos on the Grandfalls highway. Tentative plans call for completion of the tower within 60 days. Faulkner and Strong will begin erection of the building next week and expect completion by May 1. Technicians with the Department of Public Safety will install the necessary radio equipment. The chief operator for the station is expected to arrive March 1, with other staff members coming later. Completion for the station will include one chief operator, two dispatchers and one technician.

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Canada Called Last Great Frontier Of Industry On North American Continent

The Canadian prairies now are being called the "latest, greatest, and perhaps the last, oil frontier of North America," according to a report by Fortune in an article about Canada's oil boom.

This boom began in February, 1947, when the Imperial Leduc No. 1 well blew in south of Edmonton. Already Alberta's proved oil reserves has passed the 1,000,000,000 barrels—and many believe the province has five times that much.

The discoveries already made, Fortune observes, give a tremendous boost to the belief of oil men that the entire "sedimentary basin" of Canada is a vast, scarcely scratched, extremely "hot" territory for finding oil. The hunting ground extends from the far north 2,000 miles to the U. S. boundary. It stretches eastward from the Rocky Mountains to the Pre-Cambrian Shield, a huge area of immensely hard rock that

lies like a lid under the chin of Hudson Bay. It takes in 891,000 square miles in the Northwest Territories, the Yukon, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

There are 100-odd seismic and gravity teams now operating on the prairies; more than 50 wildcat drilling rigs are at work. The sedimentary basin in Saskatchewan and Manitoba is being examined by geophysical teams.

Independent U. S. oil men are stirring uneasily at the prospect of a sizeable import of Canadian oil. The U. S. military men, on the other hand, are pleased. To them, oil in Canada is oil in North America. It is oil that, in time of war, need not be ferried to the United States by water from distant lands. It is strategic oil, vital for defense of the hemisphere.

Granting that the western provinces can some day produce the 300,000 barrels of oil a day that equals Canada's daily consumption, transportation costs will prevent Alberta oil from supplying such large users as Montreal. What if Alberta's oil reserves turn out to amount to 5,000,000,000 barrels, as many believe? In this case, Canada will have quantities of oil for sale. Where is this oil to go?

If there were no international boundary, it would logically flow to cities like Minneapolis, in the so-called oil-drought areas of the United States. Most oil men suggest that Canadian oil be shipped into the Western United States as a swap for U. S. oil shipped into Eastern Canada. But this idea has already met with opposition from many independent U. S. oil men, who suggest, instead, that a prohibitive import duty be slapped on all foreign oil.

If Canada should be shut off of U. S. markets by tariff barriers, Fortune points out, she could fight back by importing all her oil (for her eastern cities) from South America and the Near East and none from the United States. But such a step by the United States would risk Canada's friendship, and further, might throttle the full development of the Canadian oil reserves, and this would be a move against U. S. national security. The United States needs Canada's oil reserves, just as it needs and wants Canada's traditional good will.

Edmonton Boom Center
Until the present boom began, there was only one major oil-and-gas field in Canada—the Turner Valley field southwest of Calgary (and about 120 miles north of the Montana border). Turner Valley's heyday began with the drilling of a well in 1936; the field reached its peak in 1942 and now is producing less and less.

The geographic center of Canada's new oil discoveries is the capital city of Edmonton, about 350 miles north of the U. S. border. The Leduc and Redwater fields near Edmonton account for 870 of the 1,100 wells in the province.

The Canadian oil play is overwhelmingly the work of the U. S. industry. Every major oil company in the United States and every important independent is in the Canadian deal. Imperial Oil, which holds 70 per cent of the proved reserves, is a subsidiary of Standard of New Jersey.

Years of costly exploration by Canadian and U. S. companies preceded Imperial's strike at Leduc. Fortune adds, Imperial alone had drilled 114 dry holes in 10 years at a cost of more than \$20,000,000.

During 1949, the oil companies spent an estimated \$100,000,000 on exploration in Western Canada, while oil produced was worth only \$56,000,000. (Wells have been prorated so that production will not exceed prairie refining capacity. They will remain prorated until early 1951, when a pipeline is completed from Edmonton to the Great Lakes).

The oil companies are willing to spend big money on exploration in view of the Canadian prospects, but they will be glad when the pipeline goes into operation.

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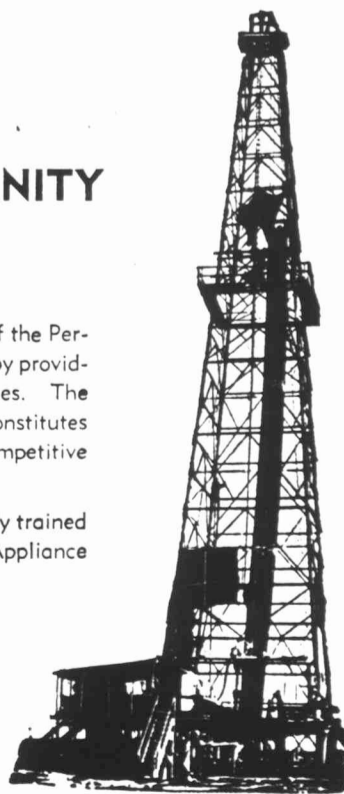
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Faye Fagg Chosen To Enter Contest In Hair Styling

Faye Fagg, winner in the Midland Unit of the Texas Association of Beauty Culturists, will represent the unit in the hair styling contest at the annual state meeting in Dallas Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. A large group of Midland members will attend all or part of the sessions.

Mrs. Fagg will have Kate Raney as her model in the contest. Others from Midland who expect to attend the association meeting include Wilma Weaver, Grace Labell, Ernie Turner, Kitti Devanport, Margaret Boyd, Moselle Spartzman, Gladys Terry, Dannie Anderson, Vesta Little, Estelle Traylor, Clara Jesse, Ercell Foster, Maudelle Roberts, Mildred Myers, Dora Evans, Viola Maxwell and Oleta Wilson.

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WASHINGTON—Texas congressmen have taken steps designed to relieve the veterans hospital shortage in their state.
Rep. Ken Regan of Midland introduced a bill to establish a 500-bed neuropsychiatric hospital in the El Paso area at Ysleta, on land already owned by the Veterans Administration.
Meanwhile, a top Defense Department official said a study now is under way to determine whether the William Beaumont Army General Hospital at El Paso will be able to care for veterans after June 30. The department recently announced the number of available beds at the El Paso hospital will be reduced from 750 to 500 on that date, necessitating elimination of

drastic reduction in the 150 beds now allocated to the VA.
The measure backed by Regan would limit cost of a hospital to \$7,500,000—or \$15,000 per bed.
Texas Senators Connally and Lyndon B. Johnson and Representatives Lyle, Bentsen and Worley, all Democrats, also have been in contact with defense and VA officials urging that something be done to provide adequate hospital facilities for ex-service men in their state.
Lyle has introduced a bill authorizing the VA to take over and operate all the surplus beds it needs at the Corpus Christi hospital after the Navy effects its announced reduction.
Although a VA spokesman said the agency has been told it must have all veterans out of William Beaumont by June 30, prospects that some beds still will be available for them was held out by Dr. Richard L. Melling, director of the Office of Medical Services in the Defense Department.
"We don't yet know what the requirements of the armed services will be next fiscal year at William Beaumont hospital," Dr. Melling said when questioned by a reporter. No facilities now.

Painless Painting Aids Cleanup



The spring clean-up job is made simpler by these aids to painting. One housewife (lower left) uses a stain-and-scuff-resistant finish which looks and washes like baked enamel. A second paints a damp paint brush (upper left) into a new plastic bag which will keep the brush fresh and pliant. The third gives a nursery (right) a coat of odorless paint.

By GAILE DUGAS
NEA Staff Writer
NEW YORK—A plastic bag which keeps a paint brush soft and pliant almost indefinitely, a new odorless paint, and a finish which looks and washes like baked enamel are all here in time to make Spring painting good, clean, light work.
Being a good painter has often been a messy chore because of the business of brush-cleaning. That's all over now, thanks to a bag made from a recently developed, air-resistant plastic which keeps bristles soft and straight. When painting is finished, simply swish the brush across the top of the paint can, wiping off excess paint. Then place the wet brush in the bag, pat the bag to eliminate excess air, gather it at the top and twist it four times. Fold the twisted top back against the

brush handle and fasten it there with string or rubber band. Take the brush out the next day, or a year later, and it's ready for use.
An odorless paint is a product that people have wanted for many years. Practically no one enjoys sleeping in a freshly-painted and highly odorous bedroom, eating with a paint smell in the stew, or trying to read with tears in their eyes. That's all over now. An odorless paint has been developed, a one coat, flat oil paint for use on walls, ceilings and woodwork. Odorless does not mean that the usual smell has been covered up by perfume, but that actually there's no odor present.
The finish which looks and acts like baked enamel has numerous advantages. It dries in three to four hours, doesn't need an undercoat, is washable, goes on smoothly, resists scuffing, fingerprints, crayon marks and grease. Ink and fruit juices

won't harm it and neither will mercurchrome. This makes it a natural for nurseries, kitchens and bathrooms. It's ideal for radiators and metal cabinets, for indoor and outdoor furniture. One coat does the job. It comes in colors, of course, and a white which stays white.
Spring brings bugs and bugs are pests. So Spring painting might include the new DDT paint which, it is claimed, kills all insects. The powder lasts as long as the paint does, or about four years. It can be used inside or outside, is fast-drying, requires one coat only. That one coat can be used to cover red brick, or to brighten dingy, dirty surfaces.

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Woman Speaker To Address Knife And Fork Club March 16

The speaker at the next meeting of the Midland Knife and Fork Club, March 16, will be Mrs. David S. Simms, outstanding speaker and leader of American thought, James C. Watson, club president, announced Saturday.
The dinner-meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the Midland High School Cafeteria.
Mrs. Simms returned in 1945 from several months' study and travel in South America and previously spent much of her time in England and on the continent of Europe.
Subject Listed
In speaking on "South of the Equator," Mrs. Simms throws the wealth of her experience behind this topic and presents many facts about it which long have been known, but seldom have been expressed by any other outstanding American who has pondered upon them. For eight years Mrs. Simms was the national chairman of the International Relations Committee of Business and Professional Women.
Mrs. Simms will be the first woman speaker to address the Knife and Fork Club here.
Reservations for the meeting will be available soon, officials said.

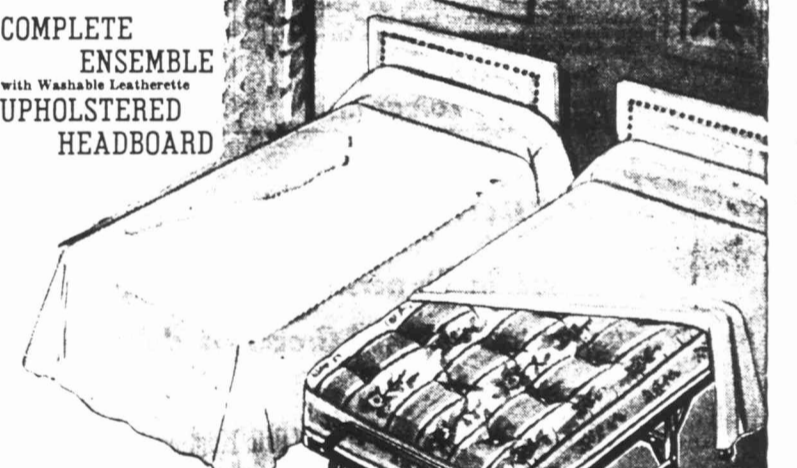
Horticulturalists have developed a full line of midge fruit trees that grow to only a few feet tall.
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Nationally-Known Speaker To Address Midland Lions Club

The Midland Lions Club Wednesday noon will present one of the nation's foremost authorities on subversive and other movements of political action, at its regular weekly meeting in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer.
The speaker is George Washington Robinson of Chicago, Ill., executive secretary of the National Laymen's Council of the Church League of America.
The "Trend to the Left in Education" or "How Far Has Communism Crept into Education" will be the subject of his address.

Census Enumerators Earn \$8 To \$9 Day
Persons employed as enumerators for the 17th Decennial Census in Midland will earn about \$8 or \$9 per day, it is announced by George T. Kesler, district supervisor. The enumerator's pay scale is based on the payment of piece prices, so much per name, per farm, or per dwelling unit enumerated in the census.
Applications for enumerator jobs now are being received by the district supervisor's office in Odessa. Approximately 100 positions are to be filled. Most of the enumerators will be employed for a period of from two to four weeks. They will be expected to complete their work within a limited period of time without regard to the customary number of hours worked each day or week. Evening work will be necessary in order to reach occupants of dwellings who are away during daytime calls, but no overtime will be paid.
Enumerators will have a high school education or equivalent experience, be in good health and of good character, and preferably between the ages of 25 to 45 years.
MRS. MARY J. NELSON RETURNS HOME BY PLANE
Mrs. Mary J. Nelson, 72, left Friday by airplane for her home in Bartlesville, Okla., after a months' visit with her son, Oddey Nelson, and family, 1106 West Kentucky Street. It was Mrs. Nelson's first plane trip.

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ALLISONS ATTEND AT MEET IN GALVESTON
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Midland, Ontario, City With A Past, Has Unconventional Ideas For Future Growth

By FRED HELLSON
Midland, Ontario, Free Press Herald
(Sixth of a Series)

MIDLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA—More than most places in North America, Midland, Ontario, is a town with a past. It's a pretty fair sort of place to be in at present, too, and it is developing unconventional ideas as to its future.

Were it not for what happened on May 15, 1649, at Midland, Ontario, there would be no July Fourth to observe today in the United States of America—and no Dominion Day, July 1, in Canada. For with the flames of a fort at the outskirts of Midland, the empire of France in North America went up in smoke. Prospects for such an empire had looked very good up to that point.

That stronghold, which flamed 300 years ago at the present site of Midland, was Fort Ste. Marie. Deep in the country of the Huron Indians, it was France's farthest-flung outpost. It was both a Jesuit mission center and the symbol of the French bid for colonial possession with rich fur trading profits.

Historians may never agree whether it was the fur trade or power politics which led Champlain first to join the Hurons in waging war against the Iroquois.

Dilatory War Parties
But history does record that Champlain came by canoe to the Midland area to cement his friendship with his seemingly powerful Huron allies and to aid in organizing their dilatory war parties. From there his henchmen—notably the scoundrel Etienne Brule, first of the coureurs de bois—ranged far and wide claiming territory in the name of France. Even to the Mississippi Valley and Louisiana was extended the fleur-de-lis and New England was encircled by the colonial aspirations of Louis the King.

And history does record, fragmentarily, the vengeance of the Iroquois. Year by year their war parties became stronger and bolder until finally in 1648 and 1649 they struck right into the center of the Huron country. Shiftless, improvident, the Hurons would not stay united to meet the menace. And they were devoured piecemeal.

Town after town of the Huron longhouses fell to surprise attacks of Six Nation warriors. They burned, pillaged, tortured, slew, often ate their victims. The Hurons rapidly were being exterminated. France's Jesuits elected to move with the fleeing remnants of the Hurons. On May 15, 1649, they set the torch to their great fort. In that move the original bid of the French for empire in America was broken. Defeat by Britain's colonial forces, ultimate sale of Louisiana to the American states, but followed the pattern traced by the smoke which blew over Midland, Ontario.

Four of the French Jesuits, who met martyrdom in the Huron country, now are commemorated by the Martyrs' Shrine, a twin-towered church atop a hill overlooking the site of old Fort Ste. Marie. To this Shrine many thousands of pilgrims come annually—some from points much farther away than

Midland, Texas. Tercentenary of the martyrdoms was marked last Summer with a series of celebrations, highlighted by great pageants. It was presented on five successive nights in a natural open-air amphitheater with stages at four levels stretching up the Shrine hill. Well over 40,000 persons viewed the spectacle. Many of them stayed to inspect the old fort, now being rebuilt, and to visit several sites of archaeological exploration.

These "digs," by leading Canadian archaeologists, have the twin purpose of searching out additional historical data on the Huron Indian era and of providing a clearer picture of what caliber of being the Huron really was.

X-ray and bone specialists bear out the historians. Though the Indian lived in greater numbers in Huronia than does the white man today, this was NOT the noble redskin of the Fenimore Cooper mythology.

But enough of the past. Midland, Ontario, today is an attractive and friendly town of 7,100 people. It is on the south shore of Georgian Bay, roughly 90 miles north of Toronto.

It is one of those places where, through nine months of the year, one automatically speaks to every person one meets on the street—in direct antithesis of the town's British traditions and in sharp contrast to larger Ontario centers. Friendly? Yes, and genuinely! During the three months of the Summer, however, the townsfolk are badly outnumbered by the visitors. Vacationists come from all parts of eastern Canada and from most states of the union, including Texas. They come attracted by an unexpected holiday climate and by the greatest natural Summer playground in the world.

Gateway To Islands
Cradled in its horseshoe of hills, Midland, Ontario, sits astride 45 miles of Summer cottage beaches and at the gateway to the 30,000 islands.

(Thirty thousand? No, actually over 100,000, if you would care to count them!) Southernmost edge of this island chain extends right into Midland harbor. From there the chain is flung northwards along the eastern shore of Georgian Bay. It shelters the "inside passage" for the boats of Summer vacationists today just as it sheltered the canoe flotillas of Champlain and his Hurons more than 300 years ago. It is a vista of breath-taking loveliness.

"Tourist industry" is a major factor in the economic well-being of Midland, Ontario. The town is not heavily industrialized.

Midland has its harbor with its great grain elevators, through which pour annually up to half of Canada's prairie grain crop. Grain boats bring it from lakehead to Midland. At Midland the golden tide is transferred to rail for short, speedy shipment to main Canadian centers or to seaboard for export.

In addition, Midland has a large and excellent flour mill, small textile plants, and a number of small manufacturing and machine shops. Notable in its industrial structure is the Canadian plant of Bausch & Lomb Optical Company.

Famous shipyard
But Midland's largest single industry is its famous shipyard. Here was built the largest bulk freighter of the Canadian Great Lakes fleet. An even larger vessel, now on the ways, was launched last Fall. During the war, this yard—and smaller yards in the Midland area—built escort vessels for the allied navies. Of the future, who knows?

One thing only seems to loom with certainty. Many of Midland's leading citizens have expressed—for the record—an extraordinary sentiment. They don't want their town to grow too big—or too fast. And they have started to plan to prevent it.

"They don't want slums to spawn in the wake of misdirected commercial development. They don't want streets to clog with traffic they were never intended to carry. They don't want housing to mushroom beyond the ability of municipal services to care for it. They want to preserve the charm of the town's residential areas and to cure the few remaining ulcers of its hidden spots."

To these ends, these men are moving in the face of progress, some say. Why they are even planning to peg the maximum population of the town at little more than a thousand over its present level. They would force any future overflow to seek a new townsite, well back of an encircling "green belt" park area—or across the bay.

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The tract on which condemnation proceedings have been brought is the only one remaining for right-of-way, Keith said. Other land has been donated by property owners.

The proposed road is a loop north of Midland Airport. It will extend from State Highway 158 (Andrews road) to SH 349 (Lamesa road), and will be approximately five miles in length.

Keith said it is hoped details will be complete in time for the April letting by the State Highway Commission.

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WORKSHOPS SLATED AT TSCW THIS SUMMER

DENTON—Ten Summer workshops and conferences, many designed to meet the problems of teachers who study while their pupils vacation, will be held at the Texas State College for Women during the 1950 Summer session.

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Bulls is a former Monahans resident. He presently is residing in Guyman, Oklahoma.

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EL PASO—More than 3,000 American ex-prisoners of war from throughout the nation are expected to gather here for their annual convention, April 4-9.

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Written By The Journalism Class Of Midland High School



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Seniors Get Patch Tests

No baths for 48 hours. This news brought various reactions to MHS seniors. Some were visibly disturbed by this unheeded announcement, but more than a few were rather elated over such a good excuse to avoid this ritual. One senior boy was heard to say "I never take a bath until Saturday night any way, so it won't bother me."

'Los Habladores' Club Plays Mexican Game

Agatha Tabor and Maria Mejia were the unhappy owners of empty mouths Thursday in Los Habladores, group I. Agatha and Maria were two unlucky contestants who ran out of the money in a game of Loteria, a Mexican game.

Court Of Melody' Coronation Theme Queen Toya And Court Honored At Annual Event

By BET STUDDERT AND MAGGIE MURPHEY
"I crown you, Toya, queen of the 1950 Catoico." With these words, His Royal Majesty, King Obie Lee, made Toya Chapple queen of the "Court of Melody" Friday night, February 24, in the high school auditorium. This is the first time so large a production has been seen on the new high school. The modern auditorium set off to the best advantage this glamorous annual event.

After the heralds, Larry Mayfield and Charles Worthen, had announced the coronation, they drew aside the velvet curtains to show the stage decorated with two huge violins and hair clouds floating over the throne.

As the coronation began, the adies of the court and their escorts came down the aisles. The heralds announced: "Lady Betty Jean of the House of Wilson representing the Song of Paradise, escorted by Lord Jimmy of the House of Locke."

"Lady Peggy of the House of Sharon representing the Song of Ecstasy, escorted by Lord Robert of the House of Burks."

"Lady Janis of the House of Slough representing the Song of Beauty, escorted by Lord John Ed of the House of Greens."

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The entire choir, including Collier, was dressed in native costumes of countries from which songs were presented. Selections included folk music of Mexico, France, China, Japan, Hawaii, Latvia, Russia, and Sweden. Songs from light operas, grand operas and negro spirituals also were included.

Featured soloists were Hoyt Mulkey, tenor; Royce Dovel, baritone; Bill Sweeney, bass; Velma Umphrey, mezzo soprano; Wilma Wright, alto, and Peter Chen, a native of Shanghai, baritone.

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Painful Fall Is Warning To Runners

Rosemary Shott proved in a painful way, Wednesday, the danger of running to the cafeteria.

As this junior girl hurried out of the East back door of the old wing of the building, she tripped and fell, hitting her hip on a step. As she was unable to move, a doctor was immediately called and coats were offered to protect her from the cold ground.

After the doctor arrived, he and several MHS boys carried Rosemary to his office where she was X-rayed, and her parents were contacted.

She was last reported to be feeling better and will probably be back to school soon.

Let this be a warning to you, too. If you will walk to the cafeteria, you will have a better chance of getting there.

MHS Band, A Cappella Choir To Give Joint Program In Auditorium

The MHS band and a cappella choir will present a joint concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 7. The concert will be held in the auditorium and proceeds will help pay for the MHS inter-club help program.



Janis Slough has time for her hobby, "just plain loafing." The National Honor Society, Altura Club, and being an attendant to the Catoico Queen keep Janis very busy.

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There is only one door wide enough to get the piano out of the room. To reach this door with the piano one would have to go across thrones, violins, pink clouds, curtains, sets, musical notes, and all the various other things that made up the coronation.

The result was a large majority of the male members of the cappella choir picking the piano up and moving it back behind the curtains at rehearsal Tuesday night.

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Ten days ago, Josephine Weaver, MHS history teacher, received a letter from Pioneer Airlines asking if history students would be interested in making a plane trip to Austin to see the Legislature in session.

The MHS girls' volleyball team doesn't have another game scheduled until March 3, when they play Lamesa here. The girls are coached this year by Ella Mae Blair and have won the large majority of their games this year.

Methodist Minister Stresses Loyalty In Assembly Talk

The Reverend Howard H. Hollowell, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Midland, spoke to the student body of MHS in the assembly in the new auditorium Wednesday.

In And Around MHS

By DAN DICKINSON
Sports Editor, The Bulldog
Track workouts have been going on daily since Monday, February 20. They are being held at Memorial Stadium, and the MHS girls' volleyball team doesn't have another game scheduled until March 3, when they play Lamesa here.

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The rain got in our eyes last week when we said Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Mackey, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood O'Neal, and Coach and Mrs. Jones furnished the food at the Letterman's hayride Saturday, February 11. The boys all chipped in and bought the food themselves and the parents only helped serve the holidays and trimmings.

Cheerleader Tryouts To Be March 22

Cheerleader tryouts for 1959-60 will be held March 22 in the MHS gymnasium, according to Toya Chapple, head cheerleader for next year.

Cafeteria Menu

Monday—Fruits, pork and beans, pickled beets, lettuce salad, hot rolls, honey and butter, and milk.
Tuesday—Barbecued beef, buttered potatoes, combination salad, hot rolls, butter, apples, and milk.
Wednesday—Chili, Pinto Beans, spinach, cold slaw, cornbread, vanilla pudding, and milk.
Thursday—Meat balls and spaghetti, steamed cabbage, sliced tomatoes, hot rolls, and milk.
Friday—Salmon, corn, potatoes, green beans, sliced tomatoes, hot rolls, peaches, and milk.

Los Habladores Club

Los Habladores boasts the support of 21 girls and 2 boys. Officers of the club are: Peggy Read, president; Betty Pitzer, vice president; Anna Bess Doyle, secretary; Ruth Nell Kuykendall, reporter; Sharon Shanks, treasurer; Donald Drummond, sergeant-at-arms; and Mary Jo Heff, program chairman.

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Seniors Get Patch Tests

No baths for 48 hours. This news brought various reactions to MHS seniors. Some were visibly disturbed by this unheeded announcement, but more than a few were rather elated over such a good excuse to avoid this ritual.

Newlyweds At Home



Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Campbell are at home in Stanton after a trip to Corpus Christi and other Texas Gulf Coast points following their marriage in Midland February 11. Mrs. Campbell is the former Edith Davie of Midland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Davie of Midland. The wedding and a reception followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hyde, friends in Stanton are planning a reception to honor Mr. and Mrs. Campbell this week.

Finance Committee For Club Building Discusses Projects

Suggestions and reports from the various clubs interested in Women's Club Building for Midland were discussed in the Building Finance Committee meeting Thursday morning, and the group in turn sent its suggestions to the Building Planning Committee.

Announcement was made by Mrs. Otis Baggett, chairman of project screening, that some dates have been set for benefits for the club building fund. They include April 11, when the Modern Study Club will sponsor a bonnet brunch in the American Legion Hall from 10 a.m. until 12 noon, and March 17, when the Business and Professional Women's Club will entertain with a St. Patrick's Day canasta party. The latter club also will sponsor a series of monthly square dances.

Others present were Mrs. Lumar Lunt, Fannie Beas Taylor, Mrs. John Stulliey, Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, Mrs. Foy Proctor, Mrs. Harlan Howell, Mrs. Lloyd Miller, Mrs. C. M. Goldsmith, Mrs. L. C. Link, Mrs. E. W. Statton, Mrs. Coe Mills, Mrs. Garney and Mrs. O. J. Hubbard.

Club Aid—

(Continued From Page One) Woman's Chamber of Commerce on establishment of the West Dallas Health Center.

Smaller cities with interesting reports include Merkel, where the fortnightly Study Club led in establishing a Community Center; Sterling City, where the Norataca Club had a health project which included aid to a hospital; a city cleanup as a police control measure and an X-ray program for tuberculosis detection; and Oelste, where the Thursday Study Club carried out a city beautification and health program which involved improvements in the city government.

Child Health Work
The health project of the Atheneum Club in Sweetwater was centered on aid to handicapped children, especially those suffering from cerebral palsy. A schoolroom for these children, with a special teacher who also taught in their homes some who could not attend school, was provided. The club sponsored organization of a County Society for Crippled Children and started a fund to bring a physiotherapist to Sweetwater next year to treat crippled children.

These Texas reports follow the national pattern Mrs. Hodge said. Reports to the General Federation show that youth projects lead in number, with conservation and beautification second, followed by health, education, government and community centers as the favorite projects.

The contest is in three divisions, according to club membership. Group A includes clubs with less than 50 members, Group B, 50 to 150 members, and Group C, over 150 members.

OUT OF HOSPITAL

Mrs. H. M. McReynolds, Jr., was discharged Saturday from Western Clinic-Hospital where she underwent minor surgery.

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Community Theater Tryouts To Select Men's Cast Slated

Men only are wanted for tryouts this week for the next Midland Community Theater production, "Command Decision." The cast of this currently popular play calls for 18 men, no women.

Scheduled for showing on April 13-15, "Command Decision" will be the second play of 1950 for the Community Theater, the 27th of its history. It is a drama set during World War II and has been popular as a Broadway play, on the road and in a movie version. Tryouts are slated Monday and Tuesday nights in the City-County Auditorium, Art Cole, director, announced.

Written by William Winter Haines, the play was one of the earliest of the past-war dramas reflecting revived stage interest in the war. Its all-male cast is a departure for the Community Theater. This play was one of the favorites named in ballots cast by audiences at the final 1949 Community Theater play. Twenty possible plays were listed on the ballot, from which five were chosen to make up the 1950 program, with the addition of the annual minstrel-revue.

Patrons Considered
Mrs. E. G. Stephenson, Mrs. P. A. Simpson and a clothing leader, Mrs. Lewis Scharbrough, was appointed. Others attending the meeting and covered dish luncheon were Mrs. L. F. Keisling, Mrs. L. W. Morgan, Mrs. Percy Morrison, Mrs. L. H. Shurtle, Mrs. J. B. Millsap, Mrs. T. H. Smith, Mrs. A. L. Grant, Mrs. H. C. Valentine, Mrs. C. L. Summerwell, Mrs. C. L. Pool, Mrs. E. G. Stephenson, Mrs. P. L. Lowder, Mrs. E. A. McDougal, Mrs. J. F. Stephenson, Mrs. H. C. Taylor, Mrs. D. H. Driver, and Mrs. Hugh Sawyer.

Demonstration Club Has All Day Meet

ANDREWS—The Fullerton Home Demonstration Club members were guests in the home of Mrs. Buck Epler for an all-day meeting Friday.

County Agent Hattie Owens supervised the club in the art of Dressing China and she also gave demonstration of different types of wood used in furniture.

Mrs. J. E. Hill, Jr. was elected secretary to succeed Mrs. W. A. Simpson and a clothing leader, Mrs. Lewis Scharbrough, was appointed. Others attending the meeting and covered dish luncheon were Mrs. L. F. Keisling, Mrs. L. W. Morgan, Mrs. Percy Morrison, Mrs. L. H. Shurtle, Mrs. J. B. Millsap, Mrs. T. H. Smith, Mrs. A. L. Grant, Mrs. H. C. Valentine, Mrs. C. L. Summerwell, Mrs. C. L. Pool, Mrs. E. G. Stephenson, Mrs. P. L. Lowder, Mrs. E. A. McDougal, Mrs. J. F. Stephenson, Mrs. H. C. Taylor, Mrs. D. H. Driver, and Mrs. Hugh Sawyer.

Mildred Cox Union Has Dinner Party

The Mildred Cox Training Union of the First Baptist Church was entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fuller Friday night with a dinner.

After the dinner, games of dominoes were played by the group. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox, Mrs. John Davidson, Alta Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Pylant, Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Walker, Jim Parks and Maxine Tidwell.

MRS. LOVEJOY HOSTESS TO PARENT STUDENTS

The Pre-School Study Group of the West Elementary Parent-Teacher Association met in the home of Mrs. H. C. Lovejoy Thursday. Mrs. James H. Jones led the discussion on "Security in Our Children." The next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. March 9 in the home of Mrs. F. E. Curtis, 2111 West College Street.

Toya Chapple

(Continued From Page One) ssembled guests were entertained with a musical program. The A Cappella Choir sang "The Song of Songs" and "With a Song in My Heart" during the program. Boogie and Woogie court jesters, were presented in yellow and red costumes. They were Russel Long and Fella Patterson.

Novelty Tap Given

Harmony highlights, "A Pretty Girl is Like a Melody," was presented by Sammy Koen, David Angush, Max Schafer and Bill Burnside with Betty O'Neal as Pretty Girl. She was dressed in pink with a picture hat and parasol. Mary Ann Searles played an accordion solo. Wilma Like sang "Sweet Song of Long Ago."

A novelty tap dance was presented by Emily Hamilton, Joan Turner, Gwen Roberts, Shirley Pulliam, Joyce Jones, Lynn Griffith and Carolyn Cook. They were dressed in short royal blue satin dresses with silver musical notes on the skirt and bodice. Rosalynn Leggett and Diana Daugherty were accompanists for the program.

Ushers included Kylee Kindley, Jo Dean Downing, Mary Jo Heji, Ann Walters, Fat Emons, Gloria Angush, Joyce Howell and Betty Leitch. The script was written by Denzil Kemp.

Directors Listed
Inez Parker and her art classes, Jack Mashburn and the L. I. classes and pupils from the speech classes worked on the set. In charge of the lights were Lewis Brooks, Harold Allen, Tommy Vannaman, Lynn Nicholson, Joe Turner and Aubrey Esley.

Verna Harris, speech teacher, and R. C. Michener, choir director, were directors for the coronation. After the coronation the queen and her attendants and their parents were hosts at a dance in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel. All Midland High School students were invited.

Coming Events

MONDAY
Rebekah Lodge will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Odd Fellows Hall.

Children's Theater, Group I, will meet at 4 p.m. in the City-County Auditorium.

Ceramics Group of the Midland Palette Club Art Center and the American Association of University Women will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Palette Club Studio.

First Christian Woman's Council will meet at 3 p.m. in the church.

Asbury Methodist Women's Society will meet for business at 3 p.m. in the church.

Women's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church will meet at 1 p.m. in the church.

Silver Spur Dance Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the Midland Officers Club.

St. Ann's Social Group will meet at 8 p.m. in the American Legion Hall.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha will meet at 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. Wade Smith.

Executive Board of the First Methodist Woman's Society will meet at 2:30 p.m. and the entire society will meet for business at 3:15 p.m. At 7:45 p.m., the Kate Oates Circle will meet with Mrs. Paul Houtman, 102 West Cowden Street, and the Irene Mix Circle with Mrs. Ronald Frantz, North Big Spring Street.

First Baptist Woman's Missionary Union Week of Prayer service will begin at 10 a.m., and OA and RA will meet at 4 p.m., the all-girl choir at 5:15 p.m.

First Presbyterian Women will have a general meeting and election of officers at 3 p.m. in the church.

First Presbyterian square dancing will be at 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Trinity Episcopal Woman's Auxiliary will meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Parish House, with the executive committee meeting at 2:30 p.m. St. Agnes' Guild will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House.

DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL
Mrs. Fritz Kinikin has been discharged from the Western Clinic where she underwent surgery.

VISITS SISTER
Sarah Fessenden of San Angelo is visiting for a few days with her sister, Harriet Fessenden.

Piano Ensemble To Give Next Program For CMA Members

The Four Piano Ensemble, next group of musicians to appear on a Midland Civic Music Association program, will present a concert in the high school auditorium the night of March 9. This will be the second concert of the current season, following a program by the National Male Quartet earlier this month.

Members of the piano ensemble are Stephen Kovacs, Audrey Kooper, Hans Heidemann and Sylvia Dickler. Kovacs not only plays one of the good pianos which accompany the ensemble on its concert tours, but acts as music arranger for the group.

He is a graduate of the Royal Academy of Music in Hungary and has made arrangements for many of the famous duo-piano teams of today as well as for the quartet ensembles. Use of four pianos permits a diversity of works not usually found on keyboard programs, as Kovacs transcribes compositions which ordinarily are attempted only by orchestral groups.

Heidemann has studied abroad also, under Moritz Rosenthal, but his basic musical education was at the Julliard School of Music. Miss Dickler and Miss Dickler are both American-educated and both have studied at the Julliard School as well as with other teachers.

Compositions of the musical masters, from Bach to Wagner, make up most of the ensemble's program, with a variety of type ranging from Handel's "Concerto Grosso No. 12" to Von Weber's "Invitation to the Waltz."

Two of the Civic Music Association concerts are scheduled in March—the second by the Dallas Symphony Orchestra on the afternoon of March 19.

Altrusa Club Will Meet On Thursday

A change in the meeting schedule for the Midland Altrusa Club is announced for March by Grace Wallace, president. The club will meet for luncheon in the Private Dining Room of Hotel Scharbauer at 12 noon Thursday.

Usual meetings days for the club have been on second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, but a permanent change is being considered in order to include luncheon meetings in the schedule, Mrs. Wallace said.

BROWNE TROOP MEETS

Members of Brownie Troop 37 met Thursday in the South Elementary School and sewed on doll quilts, the last of their cotton project. Four visitors, 17 members and the leaders were present.

University Exes To Have Annual Dinner

The annual Texas University Ex-Student banquet will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

All ex-students of the Permian Basin Empire are urged to attend. Bob Payne, president, said. Reservations should be made by 5 p.m. Tuesday by calling Payne, Wayne Ashmore or Mrs. M. B. Arick.

A member of the faculty from the university will be the principal speaker. Officers will be elected for the next year.

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Mayor Will Speak For Meeting Of High School P-TA

W. B. Neely, mayor of Midland, will be the speaker for the Midland High School Parent-Teacher Association meeting Tuesday. The P-TA will have its first meeting in the new school auditorium, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

An executive board meeting is scheduled at 3 p.m. in the principal's office.

The program theme will be "Teamwork for Citizenship," and representatives of the Girl Scout and Boy Scout organizations will be guests. Mrs. George Gibson, hospitality chairman, will be in charge of serving refreshments in the school cafeteria.

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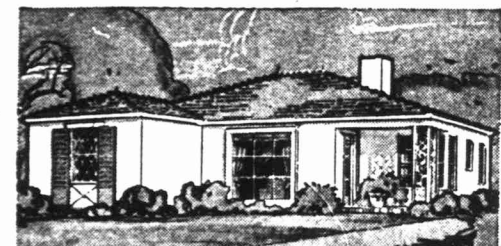
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Dining Nook Looks And Utility Affect Entire Family

NEW YORK — The dining nook, postwar builders gift to the harried housewife, fast is becoming the most important room in many homes. But some housewives, accustomed to pre-war houses with large dining rooms, may not get full value from the dinette because they overlook its importance in overall home decor or fail to utilize all its space.

The efficient dining nook performs many functions and many families see more of it than almost any other room. As a result, its appearance and efficiency have a definite effect on family life. Housewives whose dinettes aren't making maximum contributions to family comfort and morale may get some ideas for improving them from these "16 Council of America suggestions:

- (1) The dining nook should be cheerful and bright. Pastel wall colors, half curtains and wainscots of reflective materials such as clay tile will increase light, create a gay atmosphere, and make the nook seem larger.
- (2) Built-in wall seats will save space, increase seating capacity, and simplify cleaning.
- (3) A built-in china cabinet with pull-out serving boards to speed service will save more space and add a modern look.
- (4) Good ventilation is a must, especially if the dinette is part of the kitchen. A ventilating fan over the table will remove food odors and stale air.
- (5) A tile topped service bar between kitchen and dinette, with storage cabinets in the kitchen side, will divorce cooking area from dining area and add storage space.
- (6) The dinette floor should be moistureproof, acid resistant, and rugged enough to withstand constant chair scraping.
- (7) Washable curtains and easily cleaned wall covering that can be wiped free of crayon marks and jelly smears, the kitchen dinette makes a good rainy day playroom observable by the housewife at her stove.
- (8) Space under dinette windows is a good place for a built-in buffet.

Bauxite Mine For Malaya Is Planned

SINGAPORE —(AP)—The Aluminum Laboratories, Ltd., has applied to the Johore State Government for 2,500 acres of land for mining bauxite. If approved, it will be the first mine opened since the war.

Before the war Japanese companies mined bauxite in Malaya and exported the ore to Japan. Malaya exported 13,088 tons bauxite in 1937, 55,751 tons in 1938, 84,337 tons in 1939 and 55,380 tons in 1940. Up to the end of October 1941, when production ceased, Malaya had exported 50,825 tons during the year.

During the Japanese occupation production was stepped up and between May 1942 and December, 1944, 150,000 tons were exported to Japan.

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Rooms Should Be Planned To Fit Needs Of Family

By HENRY J. WINGATE
Nationally-Known Architect and Engineer

Room size, important to the family's comfort, efficiency and happiness, often is slighted when planning the house. In today's small homes, rooms can be cell-like unless opened

Throwing Away Dentures Isn't Subversive Move

WASHINGTON —(AP)—"I'm not guilty of subversive activities," Rep. Cotton (R-NH) is telling his constituents. "I'm just trying to get rid of my old dentures."

Cotton sends a weekly report to the voters in his district. This week it was a wistful report indeed.

"Old age," he observed, "creeps on space and once more I am spending time in the dentist's chair. The partial plates I have been wearing no longer suffice."

"Monday I returned from the dentist, despondent, and threw them into the wastebasket."

"Tuesday I was called from the floor of the House and found two members of the capital police waiting for me. One of them with great ceremony handed me the old dentures."

Cotton said that the more he thought about it, the more the incident worried him.

"Can it be," he wondered, "that I too am under the cloud of suspicion that hangs over Washington, so that even my wastebasket is being watched?"

But that was nothing compared to the really big problem:

"How," he asked his constituents, "am I going to get rid of these dentures? Must I steal down to the Potomac River some dark night and throw them in?"

"Perhaps if I do I shall be seized by the minions of the law and accused of destroying 'pumpkin papers' or other dangerous activity."

"If you read that your representative is guilty of subversive activity," he concluded, "don't believe it."

Horton Grocery Store Under New Owners

Announcement has been made of the change in ownership of the Horton Grocery and Market, 506 East Florida Street.

L. C. Blancett and Mrs. Nellie Hughes have purchased the store from Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Horton who operated the firm two years.

The new name of the store is the Cloverdale Grocery and Market. Its new owners will continue to stock the same line of staple and fancy groceries, fresh and cured meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, drugs and sundries.

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Old Maryland Mill Still Is Operating

MILLINGTON, MD. —(AP)—Time hasn't been able to do much more than gnaw up a set of grinding stones at the old Millington Mill. Serenely, under its seventh owner, the mill pursues the placid business started 186 years ago when Thomas Gilpin built it with bricks imported from England.

The structure has three stories, with beams roughly hewn from tree trunks and its roof of wooden pegs. One of the thick timber beams in the center of the first floor ceiling shows a long gash down the side, a memento of the war of 1812. The mill started 186 years ago when Thomas Gilpin built it with bricks imported from England.

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Ex-GI Robert O'Dell is the current owner of the venerable mill. O'Dell and his brother Donn now grind out flour and corn meal for the farmers and villagers of Maryland's seclude and withdrawn Eastern Shore in much the same fashion as the generation of millers before them.

Davis dam on the Colorado River is expected to back up water to the foot of Hoover dam.

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Today's Homes Are Superior To Those Of 30 Years Ago

Today's houses are better than those of 30 years ago. It is concluded by the Construction Research Bureau, national clearing house for building information, following a survey among leading housing authorities. The survey was made to find the answer to the complaint that houses of today are "not as good as they used to be."

"Building techniques are more scientific than they were 30 years ago," commented Harold R. Sleeper, nationally known architect. "We have double floors, engineered roof strusses easily put into place; better nailing techniques. Building frameworks are sturdily anchored with heavy bolts imbedded in the foundations. More accurate pre-cutting of lumber to size makes for easier erection and reduces waste."

"Architects have learned to design houses so that the rate of shrinkage and settling will be even all around," Sleeper pointed out. "Outside walls shrink the same as inside walls and partitions, floors and beams shrink the same as their supporting girders and sills. This scientifically eliminates cracks in walls and ceilings."

Better Equipment
Thirty years ago, excess house space and bulk were reduced and the beginning of equipment for greater comfort and convenience became evident.

Compared to today's homes, the houses of 30 years ago would seem to be mere shells.

"The American family's home today offers equipment and structural features unequalled anywhere in the world." These include compact, automatic automatic refrigeration and automatic gas and electric kitchen ranges. Automatic dishwashers and laundry machines lighten household chores. Ventilating fans, air-conditioning, overall insulation, better protected electric circuits against overloading and possible fire make today's home superior.

Rule On Airplane Damage Is Affirmed

ROME —(AP)—The legal committee of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has reaffirmed the basic principle that compensation is due any person on the earth's surface who suffers damages as a result of objects falling from airplanes.

The ICAO group is composed of representatives from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, France, Italy, Mexico, Norway, The Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Czechoslovakia, Britain and the United States.

Modernizing Home Need Not Require Major Alterations

Modernizing the home need not mean major structural alterations. The spaciousness of an interior is affected as much by color as by actual architectural design.

Since floor, walls and ceiling serve as a background, color choice begins with them. Color selection depends on family tastes, the room's function and the amount of natural light it receives.

For a restful and informal room, neutral or receding colors like pastel blue, green, beige and gray produce the desired effect. For a dramatic background, strong colors with tones of red, yellow and bright blue are recommended by interior designers.

Modern Planning
With modern open planning of rooms, color may be used effectively to mark room divisions or to accent furniture groupings. Variety and interest may be created by making one wall in a room contrast sharply with the others. The two wall colors must of course harmonize closely.

In modernizing the older home the interior should be cleared of all clutter such as dark heavy stair balusters, dirt-catching moulding, and ugly fireplace mantels. Lightness and grace are modern earmarks. Lighten up a dark, uninteresting room with woodwork, bookshelves and tables in natural or blond finish. Paint the exposed bricks of the fireplace the same color as the adjoining wall. Hide old-style radiators with modern covers or by painting them to match the woodwork.

Trains on the Alaska Railroad, operated by the U. S. government, often run when temperatures are 60 degrees below zero.

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Elk Bull Carries Light On Antler

LOGAN, UTAH —(AP)—A rancher in Wyoming's Star valley hung a lighted lantern in his stock yard in the belief it would keep elk away from his haystack. E. Van Almen said he looked out late at night to see if the light was still burning. It was moving around the stock yard.

"I discovered," he said, "that an elk bull had the lighted lantern hanging from one of his antlers and was showing the elk cows where the best hay was."

Mount Etna in Sicily has had one of the longest eras of activity among the world's known volcanoes.

Ruins of Eridu in Iraq are believed to be those of the world's oldest city.

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Trial Of Civil Case Is Scheduled Monday

Trial of a civil case, Clarence Norworthy, Jr. vs. J. M. Hewgley, Jr., et al. will open the fourth week of the February term of 70th District Court here Monday.

The action is for specific performance of contract.

A jury will be selected from the following panel:

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HALF-CENTURY HIGHLIGHTS



On a Sunday afternoon at the beginning of the twentieth century, scenes like this on Riverside Drive in New York were commonplace. This century rolled in on the very crest of a bicycle craze that started in the late 'eighties. The sport declined slightly in the early 1900's, but has had periodic "revivals" every few years up to the present day. The 1900 "boneshaker," or "scorcher," evolved from the funny old "ordinary" with its high front wheel. It came in an infinite variety of designs. Tandems were popular as well as three-seaters, and some multiple-seat models running to outrageous lengths. Fifty years ago there were 6,000,000 bicycles in America; today there are some 15,000,000—a tribute to the fascination bicycling has for all ages.

TEXANS IN WASHINGTON—

Quiet-Spoken Texan One Of Key Figures In Coal Crisis; Sits With Lewis

By TEX EASLEY

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A quiet-spoken little Texan has been one of the key figures in the coal crisis, although his name seldom gets in the papers.

A Native of Gonzales and a former Texas state senator, Welly Hopkins is chief counsel for the United Mine Workers and sits at John L. Lewis' side in talks with mine owners and government mediators.

Now in his forties, Hopkins came to Washington in 1936 as an attorney with the Justice Department. His performance in handling the government's case in the Harlan County, Ky., coal field troubles a year later led the UMW to hire him as the union's top lawyer.

He lives in a colonial home in nearby Alexandria, Va., not far from the 150-year-old, two-story white frame house owned by his boss.

One of the students in an American University sculpturing class here is Mrs. W. A. Nuckles, 73 years young, whose home is a 4,000-acre

ranch 14 miles out of Lampasas.

She is spending the Winter here with her daughter, Mrs. Mary A. N. Longfield. They live at the home of Dr. Walter M. W. Splawn, former president of the University of Texas, now a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Each morning the lively Mrs. Nuckles catches a taxicab and hurries to school. For hours she works with chisels and stone. Currently she is creating a two-foot high piece showing urchin youngsters playing sandlot ball. She has just finished a "mother and child" scene.

"I can hardly wait until I get there each day," she said. "I enjoy being with all those young people. It makes you forget about getting old."

Mrs. Longfield is private secretary to Dr. Splawn, who has lost his sight. She works at his office in the ICC building, then at home reads him documents, newspapers and other material in which he is interested.

Dr. Splawn has a prodigious memory and frequently astonishes by recalling facts and figures pertinent to cases under discussion.

On a wall in the Speaker's Lobby just off the House Chamber is a five by eight foot map of the United States on which the U. S. Weather Bureau chalks up the daily temperatures, wind velocity and precipitation in all areas.

Texas congressmen, like all the other legislators, glance at it each day to learn exactly how the weather is as of 7 a. m. in their hometowns.

An unusual thing about this Winter's weather is that, with very few exceptions, the Washington temperature has been milder than in most parts of Texas. So, there haven't been so many of those "look what it's like down in my state" comments. In fact, it was balmy here the day a television news program showed Speaker Sam Rayburn's Bonham home sheathed in ice.

The government's suit against Texas and Louisiana for control of the oil-rich coastal tidelands is scheduled before the Supreme Court March 13. Here recently checking up on the situation was Robert Lee Bobbitt, San Antonio and Laredo attorney. He represented the Texas State Bar's Tidelands Committee during conferences on the subject last year.

Dallas banker Robert L. Thornton is one of seven men named by President Truman to serve on the Post Office Advisory Board with the Postmaster General and Deputy Postmaster General.

Just created, as recommended in the Hoover Commission's report, the advisors meet on call of the Postmaster General. Their job is to offer suggestions as to how the department can improve the service and cut expenses. The board members serve without pay except for necessary expenses in connection with their meetings.

Amiable, pistol-packing Frank Probet of Amarillo was the first real flesh-and-blood Texas Ranger most of the local police reporters ever saw.

When the tall, quiet-mannered Texan appeared at U. S. Commissioner Cyril L. Lawrence's headquarters in the District of Columbia's Municipal Building, the newsmen gathered round.

They wondered why he didn't have oil cowboy boots, but he assured them that practically all other rangers did wear such foot gear.

Permian Basin AIME Section Is Active Oil Industry Professional Organization

One of the most active professional organizations of the petroleum industry in the West Texas-Southeast New Mexico territory is the Permian Basin section of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, which was organized in November 1945.

Its territorial limits extend south to the northern boundaries of Val Verde, Edwards, Kerr, and Kendall Counties and on the north to the southern boundaries of Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley and Collingsworth Counties.

The American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers is second in age of the four so-called "founder engineering societies" having been organized in 1871. Its official abbreviation is A.I.M.E.

To Promote Production Its object is the promotion of the arts and sciences connected with the economic production of useful minerals and metals and the welfare of those employed in these industries. Its membership is in excess of 15,800, plus 4,200 student associates.

The institute is made up of three branches, mining, metals, and petroleum. The Permian Basin section is associated with the latter branch which makes up about 30 per cent of the total membership.

As the name A.I.M.E. implies members of the national organization must be engineers and in the case of the Petroleum Branch, must be petroleum engineers or in the practice of petroleum production. To be eligible a person must have had six years experience in the profession with the last three years being occupied in positions of responsibility in connection with his work, and be at least 27 years of age.

Has Wide Interest Any person who is a member of the national association or has the qualifications for membership is automatically eligible for membership in the Permian Basin section, if he lives in its territorial limits. In addition, anyone who is interested in petroleum production may be a member of the Permian Basin section.

As a petroleum engineer is primarily interested in well completion, most of the programs of the Permian Basin section are concerned with this subject. They usually consist of a technical paper delivered by its author of someone qualified to lead a discussion on the topic. Meetings are held monthly, except during three Summer months.

Has Several Purposes The full purpose of the section is to promote the development of the Permian Basin section covers several points. They enable members to have an opportunity to establish their standings in the profession by presenting technical papers. The meetings also enable members to extend their acquaintanceship and to keep in touch with

all phases of the industry. In addition, these meetings stimulate the development of professional attributes, of creative capacities and an awareness of how these capacities can be increased for the best interests of the individual and of society.

Since the Permian Basin section was organized in 1944, it has had a continued growth and development. Representative of the type men who have directed this development are the section chairman, such as Burton Atkinson, Humble Oil & Refining Company, and Tom C. Prick, The Atlantic Refining Company, who are the two immediate past chairmen.

In 1946, a sub-section of the Permian Basin section was formed at Lubbock. Its functions are primarily the same as the Permian Basin group, having been formed for the convenience of a sufficiently large membership in that area.

Officers Listed A new slate of officers has recently been installed in the Permian Basin section, including W. N. (Bill) Little of Midland, The Water Associated Oil Company, chairman; C. M. LaLonde of Odessa, Phillips Petroleum Company, vice chairman; and Joe Chastain, Midland, Bethlehem Supply Company, secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors of the section are: Tom C. Prick, Midland, Atlantic; Jack Moore, Midland, Dowell, Inc.; and D. V. Kitzler, Midland, The Ohio Oil Company.

Two important committees which are responsible for the continuation of a successful organization are the membership and program committees. Members of the membership committee are Joe Chastain, chairman; Bruce Ramage, Odessa, Bethlehem Steel; R. S. Onstehout, Odessa, Dowell, Inc.; and C. H. Priddy, Humble.

Members of the program committee include: C. M. LaLonde, chairman; C. L. Rabe, Odessa, Shell Oil Company; and Ray Howard, Odessa, Atlantic.

The next meeting of the Permian Basin section to be held Monday, February 27, at the Scharbauer Hotel, will feature a paper on "Performance of Limestone Reservoirs." This is a good example of the type of subjects which the Permian Basin section of the A.I.M.E. has made available to its membership in the past six years to help them do the best job possible in producing America's petroleum.

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Mrs. Paxton Howard, president of the Midland Service League, hands E. R. Andres, Midland Memorial Hospital administrator, a check for the incubator...

The Geologist In The Oil Industry

By HAROLD L. WILLIAMS, Secretary, West Texas Geological Society. A total of 6,145 geologists was affiliated with the American Association of Petroleum Geologists in March, 1948...

covered in 1948 were located by geologists or by their aid. This should clearly indicate the usefulness of the geologist to the oil industry...

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SECTION EIGHT

Permian Basin Chapter, API, Is World's Largest

By TOM W. FLEWHARTY, Secretary, Permian Basin Chapter, American Petroleum Institute. Since its reactivation after the war, the Permian Basin Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute has become the largest local chapter...

a common endeavor to become acquainted and carry on discussions. The meetings also afford a chance of better understanding between the operating personnel and the technical groups...

The Permian Basin Chapter has entered into this work wholeheartedly and now is sponsoring an oil treating school in the Permian Basin. This school is operated by The University of Texas, Division of Extension...

Midlander Heads National IPAA Membership Drive

Vice presidents and directors of the Independent Petroleum Association of America this week are putting the wheels under a national membership campaign aimed at doubling the numerical strength of the association.

West Texas Faces Future With Confidence, Security

By TOM CONNALLY, U. S. Senator. (Written especially for the Oil Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram). It is a pleasure for me to send greetings to The Reporter-Telegram and to all the people of West Texas...



respect to depletion allowances. The question will be carefully considered by the Senate Finance Committee...

have provided against the future by encouraging the exploration for and location of new oil reserves. On this score, Texas and the United States — and particularly West Texas — can look to the future with confidence and security.

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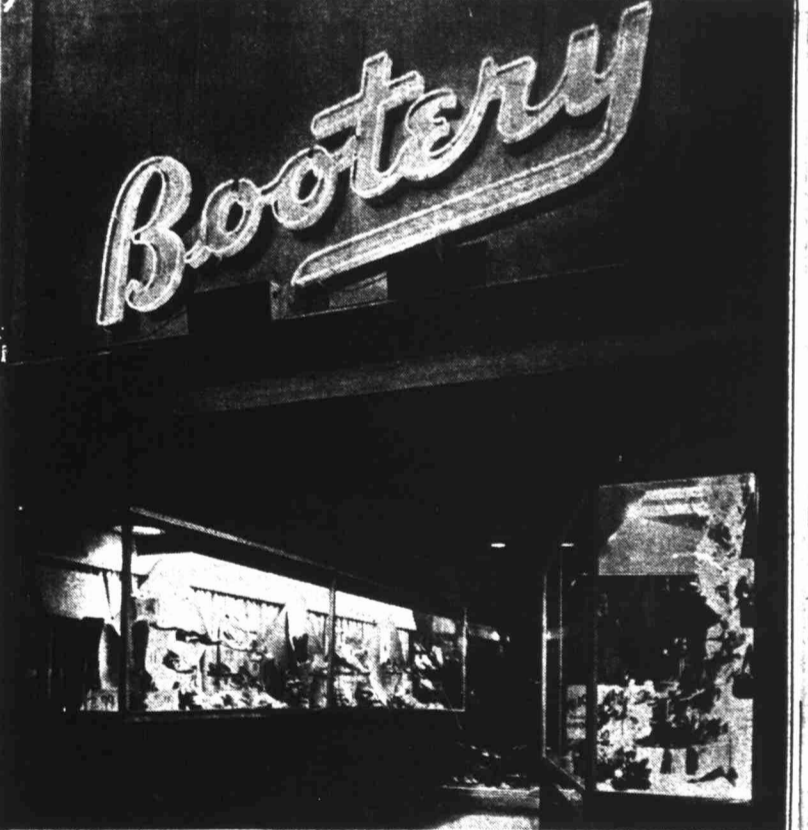
clubhouse, sponsors monthly Scotch fourfours on the club golf course followed by informal suppers, and hosts occasional parties such as the recent "get-acquainted" coffee to honor women who are new members of the club.

Growth Of School For Youngsters Is Cited

A private school which started five years ago with one pupil and now has an enrollment of 20 children, is the Day School for Little Children, formerly known as the Play School. It is conducted by Mrs. Vivian Armontrout.

Education Arrives For Trust Islands. PEARL HARBOR —(AP)— Education has arrived in the U. S. trust islands of the Pacific — and everyone wants to go to school.

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Scholarships to aid students in continuing their studies, and equipment to better prepare them to take their places in the world, will in the future, as in the past, be projects of the Midland branch of the American Association of University Women.

Young Business Women Form Beta Sigma Phi Membership

Young business women, who make up so large a segment of the population in Midland, form the membership of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. It has three Midland chapters in addition to the "little sister" group, the Nu Phi Mu Sorority, made up of the very youngest business women.

The numerous oil company offices and clerical sections of other firms connected with the oil industry account for the large numbers of "white-collar girls" in Midland, a group proportionately much greater than is found in most cities this size.

Beta Sigma Phi is a national organization formed with the purpose of offering to the employed girl the advantages, social and cultural, which a college girl finds

in a sorority, but in a plan worked out especially to fit the leisure hours of the employed girl.

Projects listed Midland chapters each have their local welfare or charitable project, and in addition each contributes to a state project in tuberculosis control. Beta Sigma Phi Chapters of Texas purchased last year a bus equipped with an X-ray unit to be used in a state-wide program of case-finding for tuberculosis, and recently contributed a check for \$3,000 to the Texas Tuberculosis Association.

Contributions of the Midland Chapters to these gifts came from funds raised in the Fall. Shows which have been staged annually for several years. All three

Beta Sigma Phi Presidents



Presidents of the three Beta Sigma Phi Chapters of Midland and of their "little sister" sorority, Nu Phi Mu, are, left to right in the top row, Mrs. Lloyd Zellner, Xi Theta Chapter, and Mrs. A. R. Ayles, Beta Delta Chapter; in the lower pictures, Helen White, Nu Phi Mu, and Myra McReynolds, Iota Beta Chapter.

chapters join in presenting the style revue, cooperating with Midland merchants and using Beta Sigma Phi members as models.

Each of the chapters is following a study course outlined by the national sorority, and each has a number of social events in addition to the Valentine dance in which all Midland members join.

The organization started in 1937 with organization of the Beta Delta Chapter with ten charter members and Norene Kirby, now residing in New Mexico, as the first president.

By 1943 a number of the members had completed the national study course and were ready to form an exemplar chapter for advanced study.

Exemplar Chapter Xi Theta is the exemplar chapter, which each year receives as members those who have completed required work in the other chapters.

A third chapter, Iota Beta, was formed in May of 1948. Mrs. Lloyd Zellner is president of Xi Theta Chapter now; Mrs. A. R. Ayles of Beta Delta Chapter and Myra McReynolds of Iota Beta Chapter.

Beta Sigma Phi groups sponsored the organization late in 1948 of the Texas Alpha Theta Chapter of Nu Phi Mu. Mrs. Bryan Deason and LaFare Harrison of the Iota Beta Chapter serve as sponsors for this sorority, which is developing its own traditions of annual entertainments, its own study and projects. Helen White is the president this year.

PEO Is Woman's Club Chapter Located Here

The P. E. O. is a woman's secret organization, resembling a sorority, which was organized in 1869 by seven women students at a teacher's college in Mount Pleasant, Ia.

These seven girls set up the organization, named it and adopted a constitution and by-laws. Although they separated after graduation and some never saw each other again, they decided to spread the P. E. O., and began new organizations.

The sisterhood now has grown until it has some 120,000 members and chapters in every state in the union, Canada and Hawaii. Iowa has the largest number of chapters of any state and the organization is centered in the North, East and Middle West.

Many in Texas It was slow in moving southward, but now is becoming active in this part of the nation, and the BS Chapter, organized in Midland in May of 1948, was the seventy-first chapter in Texas. Several have been chartered since then.

When the BS Chapter was organized, it was found that six members are second generation P. E. O.'s. They are Mrs. Paul Kolm, Mrs. George Turner, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mrs. Herbert Hemphill, Mrs. Tom L. Ingram and Mrs. L. E. Patterson, Jr.

This year's officers are Mrs. John Casselman, president; Mrs. Joe Norman, vice president; Mrs. Tom Flewharty, recording secretary; Mrs. Hemphill, corresponding secretary; Mrs. P. C. Cummings, treasurer; Mrs. Vernon Yearby, chaplain; and Mrs. G. S. Mershon, guard.

Midland County Library Educational, Cultural Asset To Citizen-Users

Expansion of services to maintain its place as a cultural and educational asset measuring up to the Midland of today and of the future, is planned for the Midland County Library.

Addition of another organization to its group of backers was announced recently when the Midland Altus Club voted to adopt library aid as its main long-range project.

The Altus Club will join members of the Woman's Wednesday Club, which has sponsored the library through its 47-year history, in the Midland Library Association, which dates back to the beginnings of the library movement here, in informal meetings of public-spirited women of the 1860's.

Foremost in the plans of the Altus Club is organization of a Friends of the Midland County Library association. Such an organization now assists public libraries in most states of the United States; many groups have been formed in Texas cities — places larger and smaller than Midland.

Until recent years, when Friends of the library groups sprang up, support of citizens in the community, young and old, from every field of interest and endeavor." Specific services which the Friends of the Midland County Library might supply, she lists as follows:

1. Consideration of the two main problems of Midland's library—lack of space and an inadequate budget.

2. Extension of open hours to include some evenings, the library's hours are now 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., each week-day.

3. More picture books and easy reading materials. These easy books are needed in large numbers for practice reading, particularly for children from non-reading homes.

4. Printed book lists for distribution.

5. Special publicity.

6. Increase the library's holdings in certain fields where material is lacking—petroleum engineering and law, for example.

7. Encourage the preservation of items of local history and make them available for reference.

8. Provide extensive periodicals which the library cannot afford.

9. Promote book talks, radio programs, forum discussions of current topics, "Great Books" programs, book fairs and other such events.

10. Stress the giving of books as memorials.

General objectives of the organization fall in six divisions:

1. Keeping the public informed of the resources, services and possibilities of public libraries and possibilities.

2. Encouraging use and extension of the library.

3. Focusing public attention on library needs.

4. Strengthening book holdings of the library by stimulating gifts of books, special collections, endowments and bequests, thus spreading the conviction that public libraries are important civic institutions and logical recipients of educational investments.

5. Providing a group means of communication between the community and its library through which constructive suggestions may be directed.

6. Stimulating an awareness of the library's strategic position as an agency of adult education.

Cultural Progress Need for a library was recognized early in Midland's history by residents who believed that it was required if the city was to progress culturally.

Pioneer women's clubs, of which the Woman's Wednesday Club is the only one still in existence, sponsored the first library, raised money to buy two lots and erect a small building, supplied volunteer librarians for a number of years and collected books from their own homes and from others who would contribute them.

For a time the library was conducted on a subscription basis, with a fee charged for issuing a library card. Later it was made a county library and moved to its present quarters in the courthouse.

The Midland Library Association still owns the lots, now a business location.

Use of the library now is open to anyone in Midland County, without cost. Visitors may read the newspapers, magazines or books during the regular library hours, 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., each week-day.

or library card will be issued, for checking the books or periodicals from the shelves, immediately upon application.

Telephone Service The holder of a library card may borrow as many books and magazines as often as he wishes. The Midland County Library also gives its patrons reservation service by telephone.

Two rooms in the courthouse are allotted to the library, one including the librarian's small office and a reading alcove, and the other used as the Children's Library. Shelves have been built into all available space, and are crowded with the more than 20,000 volumes owned by the library.

More space is needed to arrange the books for greater convenience of readers and to accommodate new books without having to place other volumes in less accessible storage, as well as to provide work-room for classifying, marking and mending books and caring for clerical work of the library.

Major Goal A building adequate for library service which is needed in a city the size of Midland is one of the goals of the Midland Library Association, although there are no immediate plans for construction.

The building could meet needs for better arrangement of books, more reading space, more office space, meetings of children for story hours, meetings of adults for book reviews and similar programs.

During the Middle Ages it was believed that mistletoe could protect people from witches.

This Is Midland; The Watchword, Progress

By BILL COLLYNS, Editor, The Reporter-Telegram

Progress has been the watchword of Midland, Texas, the headquarters center of the vast Permian Basin Empire of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico, since its establishment in 1884 as a cattle shipping point on the Texas and Pacific Railway, which then was building through West Texas.

Named for its halfway location between Fort Worth and El Paso, the little city first was named Midway and then Midland—a name which has become famous throughout the width and breadth of the land.

Midland, in its early days, was settled by vigorous and far-sighted pioneers who laid the foundation and set a progressive pace for an enterprising Midland which burst through the first half of the twentieth century and which looks with confidence to even greater growth and development in the Golden Fifties.

Eyes On Future Progress, although steady, was at a slower pace in the early days than it is today. But even in those early times, citizens ever had their eyes on the future—planning continuously the development of today's headquarters city and taking full advantage of each and every opportunity for the building of a bigger and better Midland.

The long-range vision and determination of those pioneer residents must be credited to a large extent with the remarkable growth and development of the Midland of the 1930's.

It was in the early 1920's that Midland's progress gained real momentum. The growth continued with an ever-accelerating speed. It never slowed.

Oil is the major factor in this rapid growth. It first was discovered in commercial quantities in this immediate sector in 1921, and the discovery of new fields has continued through the years and still is continuing today.

Formerly known as a ranch center, the Midland of 1950 is known as a ranch and oil center. Ranchers now are oil men and oil men are ranchers—all traveling the highway of continued progress and prosperity.

Although the development of Midland was rapid prior to and during World War II, the tremendous growth along all lines has come since the war years. Things popped wide open and they still are popping.

Whereas Midland's population increased from less than 5,000 to 9,352 between 1930 and 1940, the city now claims between 27,000 and 30,000 residents, with new citizens arriving daily.

Homes, Buildings Home and business buildings to care for the ever-increasing population have been provided as promptly

as possible. Building permits jumped from \$131,055 in 1935 to \$7,272,990 in 1948 and \$3,252,406 in 1949. Permit totals the first two months of 1950 are in excess of \$1,900,000.

Midland leads other West Texas cities in the amount of office space—having 378,670 square feet of space provided in numerous office buildings ranging from two to 12 stories in height. Offices of the more than 200 oil concerns headquarters here occupy most of the space.

Increase in utility connections also are indicative of the city's growth. In 1931, Midland had 1,033 gas meter connections, as compared to 4,781 at the present time. During the same period, the number of telephones in service increased from 1,331 to 8,668. Electric meter connections skyrocketed from 1,114 in 1934 to 6,926 in 1950.

Midland's bank deposits in 1950 total \$36,239,378.12. The total in 1932 was \$1,273,832.01.

Postal receipts have jumped from \$26,147.02 in 1931 to \$254,965.58 in 1949.

Growth in other things has been just as remarkable.

Public Schools The public school enrollment, for instance, has increased from 1,386 in 1931 to 4,250 in 1950. The increased enrollment has necessitated the erection of several new buildings and two more will be constructed in 1950. Midland's public school system boasts the finest and most modern buildings and facilities.

Churches have experienced the same growth, and most denominations have erected or are building or planning new church plants. No finer church buildings are found anywhere.

The erection of new business buildings and the enlarging and modernizing of others also are indicative of the city's development.

But it is the fine and well-kept residential sections of the city which continue to attract the attention of visitors here. Midland long has been known as a city of fine homes, and the new development has strengthened that claim. Vacant lots in older residential sections are being filled in and new additions are springing up in all directions. The permanency of the city is reflected in the type and quality of the many new homes erected and being erected here.

A 500-block paving program will be completed in 1950, making Midland the best paved city in West Texas.

A new and complete system of street lighting was installed in 1949.

The City of Midland recently completed a huge water improvement and expansion program, assuring an adequate supply of water in future years. Construction of a new sewage disposal plant and work on a drainage program are included in the city's plans for the Golden Fifties.

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Permission from the State Chapter, or the Supreme Chapter in states where there is no state chapter, must be received before a new chapter may be organized. It is not necessary, however, for an applicant who previously has belonged to the P. E. O. chapter to be in the group that wishes to organize.

Demitted Members Members who move to a town but have belonged to a P. E. O. chapter elsewhere are known as demitted members. When the Midland chapter was chartered, it had 14 members, eight of whom were demitted. The maximum number of members each chapter may have is decided on by the chapter and is not limited by the Supreme Chapter. However, the Supreme group allows one chapter for each 5,000 inhabitants of a city.

After a chapter has reached its maximum membership, it may not initiate additional members, but any demitted members who move into the city are eligible to affiliate with it.

All local chapters are answerable to the state or supreme chapter and operate under very strict rules. They keep extremely accurate books which are audited periodically.

Membership in the P. E. O. is by vote of the members. Names are presented and the chapter votes on them by secret ballot. Those who are accepted are initiated as a special ceremony.

The Supreme Chapter does not have any control over the type of program which the local chapters have, except for the fact that the exemplification of the ritual must be held twice a year and the constitution and by-laws must be read once a year. All other program topics may be chosen by the chapter.

The principal project of the International P. E. O. is Coty College in Nevada, Mo. This is a girl's school owned, operated and endowed by the P. E. O. An expansion program is underway at the school and several new buildings already have been completed.

During the World War II, the group engaged in war work and still is active in supporting exchange scholarships for students from European countries.

Welfare Work The BS chapter members have assisted with welfare work such as the chest X-ray drive and the cancer drive. They also are active in other civic and welfare work.

Contrary to public opinion, the P. E. O. is not primarily a social organization, but is active in educational and welfare work. The members do, of course, have parties and entertain their husbands and guests, but these are not the primary functions of the group.

Cave May Give Traces Of Prehistoric Man

TUEBINGEN, GERMANY—A large cave which may reveal traces of human beings who lived 500,000 to 800,000 years ago has been discovered near here. Experts found the bones of giant bears and other beasts which may have been the remains of early man.

Tuebingen lies 110 miles south of Heidelberg, where the remains of the "Heidelberg man," who lived about 600,000 years ago were found.

Baldur was the ancient Scandinavian light god.

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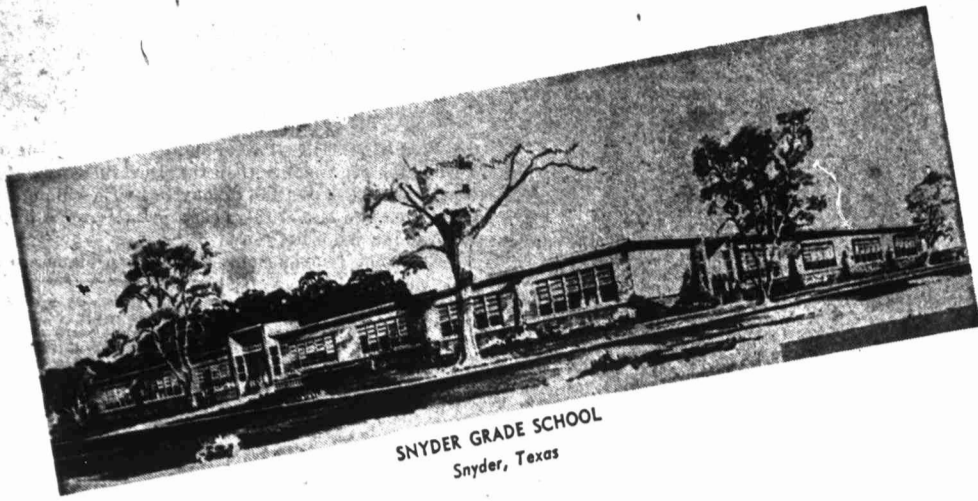
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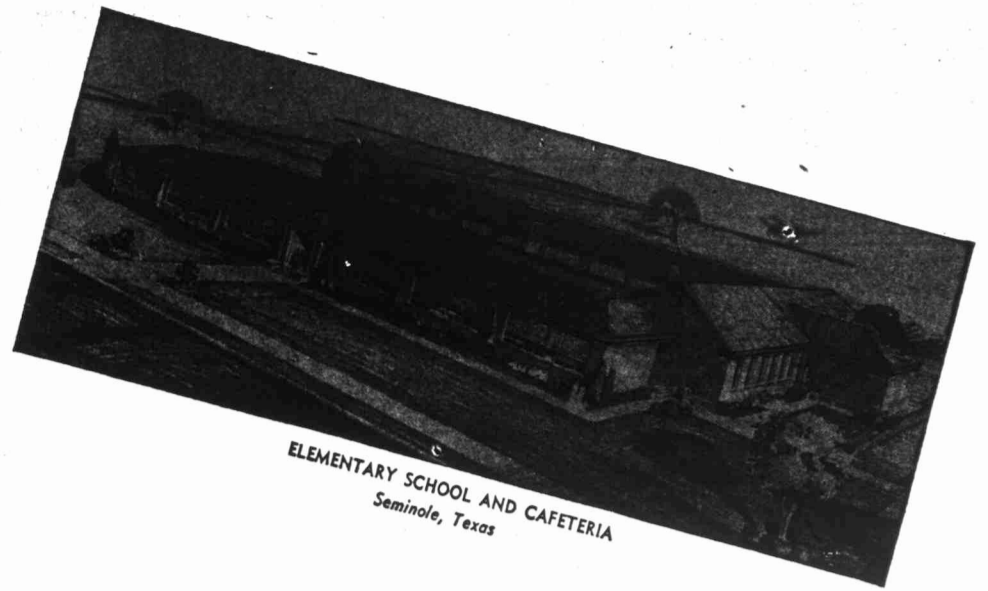
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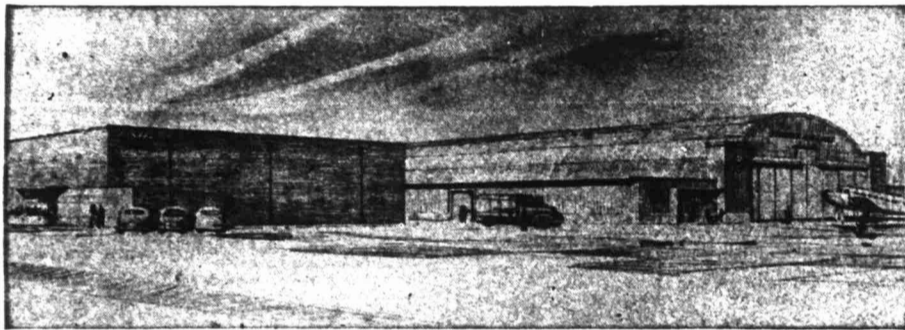
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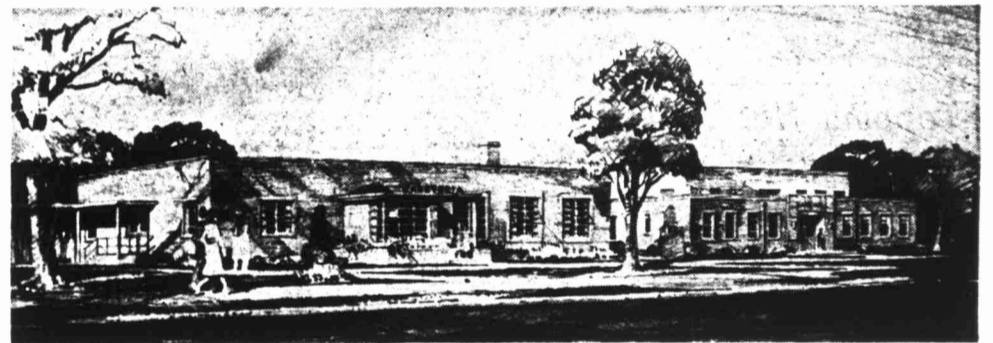
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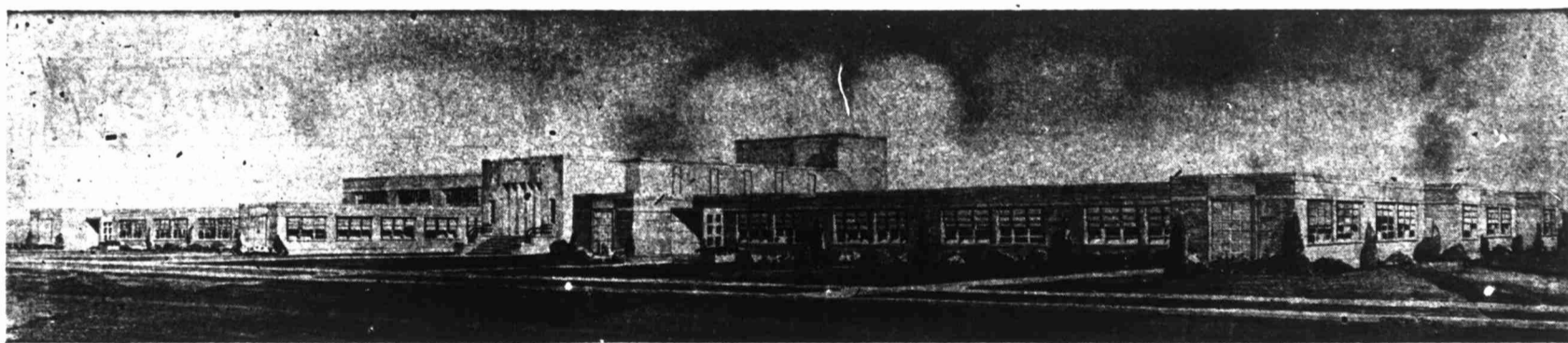
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O Lord, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause.—Lamentations 3:59.

Expensive 'Wildcats'

Last year, the American Petroleum Institute announces, the oil industry drilled about 7,250 wildcats—the greatest number in any one year since the discovery of oil in 1859.

Wildcats are tests which oil men drill in exploring new or unproved territories. Through them new pools are discovered and new fields brought into production.

A wildcat, however, is not a safe, sure and conservative piece of business. It involves great financial risks since four out of five of them turn out to be dry holes.

Last year's wildcats cost the oil industry more than \$350,000,000 in drilling expense.

Since only one out of five was a producer, the average cost of finding a worthwhile well was about \$250,000. And that doesn't include the huge sums paid to landowners for leases, the cost of geological and geophysical exploration, and other costs.

In a free enterprise economy, men will take these risks for the possible rewards for success—thus bringing progress and a better life for millions of people.

Wire-Tapping Has Its Use

The cracking of the case of Dr. Karl Fuchs, British scientist accused of handing atomic secrets to Russia, is certainly an argument for use of wire-tapping in espionage matters, if nowhere else.

The FBI says that's how they caught up with Fuchs' activities. The wire-tapping technique is dangerous to liberty and privacy if abused, but the fundamental security of the nation justifies its use in tracking down spies.

France Falters

Cabinet crises, punctuated by the usual parliamentary vote test, are more common in France today than revolutions used to be in Latin America.

Things have gotten so bad that Premier Bidault keeps his government together with string, bailing wire and threats that another cabinet collapse means an end to western solidarity.

If this goes on much longer, it looks like a new general election will be the only sensible solution. The present instability in French government is a travesty on the democratic process.

Canine Breed

Canine Breed crossword puzzle with clues and a picture of a dog

Answer to Previous Puzzle

Answer to Previous Puzzle crossword puzzle with clues

Why Not Right Away?



DREW PEARSON ON THE WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Copyright, 1950, By The Bell Syndicate, Inc. Drew Pearson says: Wire tapping includes sacrosanct senators under Truman administration; Senator McCarthy's subversive list is off-base; Why Congressman Crawford went to jail.

WASHINGTON—It looks like the Truman administration's secret intelligence is now even tapping senators' telephones. Wire-tapping has increased under Truman even more than during the war, most of it being done by the Army or Navy.

On the floor of the Senate, however, before McCarthy's speech about the State Department, shared Senator Scott Lucas, the Administration's spokesman, came up and asked McCarthy about his "secret report" and "400 names."

Twenty years ago, when the present secretary of state was a young lawyer in Washington, one of his friends in the State Department, Pentias Gilbert, got into a minor row partly because he had gone up to the Senate to call on Senator Robert La Follette of Wisconsin.

La Follette was a Progressive; and the thought of a State Department official talking to a Progressive made the white-spotted reactionaries of that day cringe in horror. Because of this and other prejudices, Gilbert had some promotion troubles, and his friend Dean Acheson served as his attorney.

The senator from Wisconsin has been a healthy watchdog for some government activities, but the alleged Communists which he claims are sheltered in the State Department just aren't. McCarthy picked his names from an old subversive list examined by the 80th Congress three years ago, and most of the men on his list were either ousted or, after thorough examination, found to be OK.

Disappearing Act



A fireman is blotted out, all but his helmet and boots, by the smoke of a burning two-story building in Kansas City, Kan. Arrow points to that of the invisible fireman.

Uncle Sam Taps Security Funds

NEW YORK — Uncle Sam is making the financing of his treasury deficit easier by dipping into the social security funds you pay. The federal reserve board serves this without comment.

Those who oppose the habit call it "robbing Peter to pay Paul" with all the self-delusion such a policy involves. They also call it double taxation. First the treasury taps your pay check to provide for old age and unemployment insurance. It gives government securities to the trust funds for this cash.

Those who champion the present policy of handling the reserve funds make the following arguments: 1. These reserve funds are not to blame for the national debt, nor for the deficit, nor for any future taxation to redeem them, or any other government security. Debt, deficits and higher taxes can stem only from congressional sanction of government spending.

McKenney on Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY America's Card Authority

In most card games there is little you can do unless you get the cards. Every once in a while someone says to me, "Give me some pointers on gin rummy. The fellow I play with is the luckiest card-holder in the world."

Bridge hand diagram showing cards in each hand and a dealer position.

clubs, which left him with the three of spades, the three of hearts and the nine of diamonds. One by one, dummy's diamonds had been discarded which left three spades and a heart in dummy.

Personally, I would have discarded the eight and then the ten of spades earlier, putting the declarer on the guess as to whether I had the king of spades.

So they say

Experience in modern world affairs has shown that a strong, virtuous industry is indispensable to national survival, and national survival is item number one in the book of security.

The Chinese Communists face a major economic crisis in Shantung Province, which has a population of 20,000,000. Economic conditions there are the worst in history.

End of a Chapter

By Edwin Rutt

ALICE PINE got out of her car. It was dark. Muriel had closed up the house on the Point when she left for the coast and there was no one there now.

The singing of the wind which had distracted her thoughts on the long drive from the city, was silent here. There were no disturbing songs unless the gentle soothing of the Sound down by the beach could be called a song.

She would tell Brent how she had understood him of course, and she would explain to Brent that he was not the failure Muriel had tried to make him seem. She would tell him that the Hallecks were not going down-grade.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

Passing Hot Potato Buck Burns Taxpayer—As Usual

By PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Potato politics now being played in Washington are rougher than the proverbial peanut politics. It will have cost the taxpayers half a billion dollars by the time the last of this year's potato crop is disposed of.

state congressmen say Department of Agriculture is to blame. Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan now has proposed to dump an estimated 28,000,000 bushels to save from \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 in transportation charges which he says the Gore-Anderson farm bill does not authorize him to spend.

And for this economy the secretary is being charged with playing politics—wanting to make the present farm bill look bad so as to advance the cause of his own farm plan. To get at the bottom of this whole disgraceful chapter of bad government and bad legislation, it is only necessary to go back and look at the record. It begins with the so-called Steagall amendment to the 1942 farm bill.

For the 1942-45 potato crop, this 90 per cent price support cost the government \$40,000,000. If the thing had stopped there, it might not have been so bad. But President Truman did not declare the emergency over until the end of 1946.

The cost was \$91,000,000 for 1946, \$54,000,000 for 1947, \$224,000,000 for 1948. For the 1949 crop the cost now is estimated between \$80,000,000 and \$100,000,000. So the total may be \$509,000,000, all of which was foreseen and forewarned against.

On Nov. 29, 1946, Secretary of Agriculture Clinton B. Anderson wrote the Congressional Committee on Agriculture, telling them this potato problem was coming up, and that the whole question of price supports needed prompt consideration. On Jan. 22, 1947, Anderson conferred with the committee. He made a long statement on the problem, but was careful not to tell Congress what it should do.

Secretary Anderson was elected to the Senate from New Mexico that Fall. Charles W. Brannan became secretary of agriculture. Neumann was elected to the House in 1948. Secretary Brannan cut potato acreage goals by 17 1/2 per cent and cut potato price supports to 60 per cent of parity.

Questions and Answers

Q—For whom is the Gideon International named? A—This laymen's group, founded by three traveling men in Janesville, Wisconsin, is named for the Gideon whose story is recounted in Judges, who overcame the Midianites with a company of but 300 men.

Q—Where is the oldest continuously inhabited community in this country? A—Arabi, Arizona, in the Hopi Indian Reservation, is believed to be the oldest continuously inhabited community in this country, having been occupied since some time before A. D. 1050.

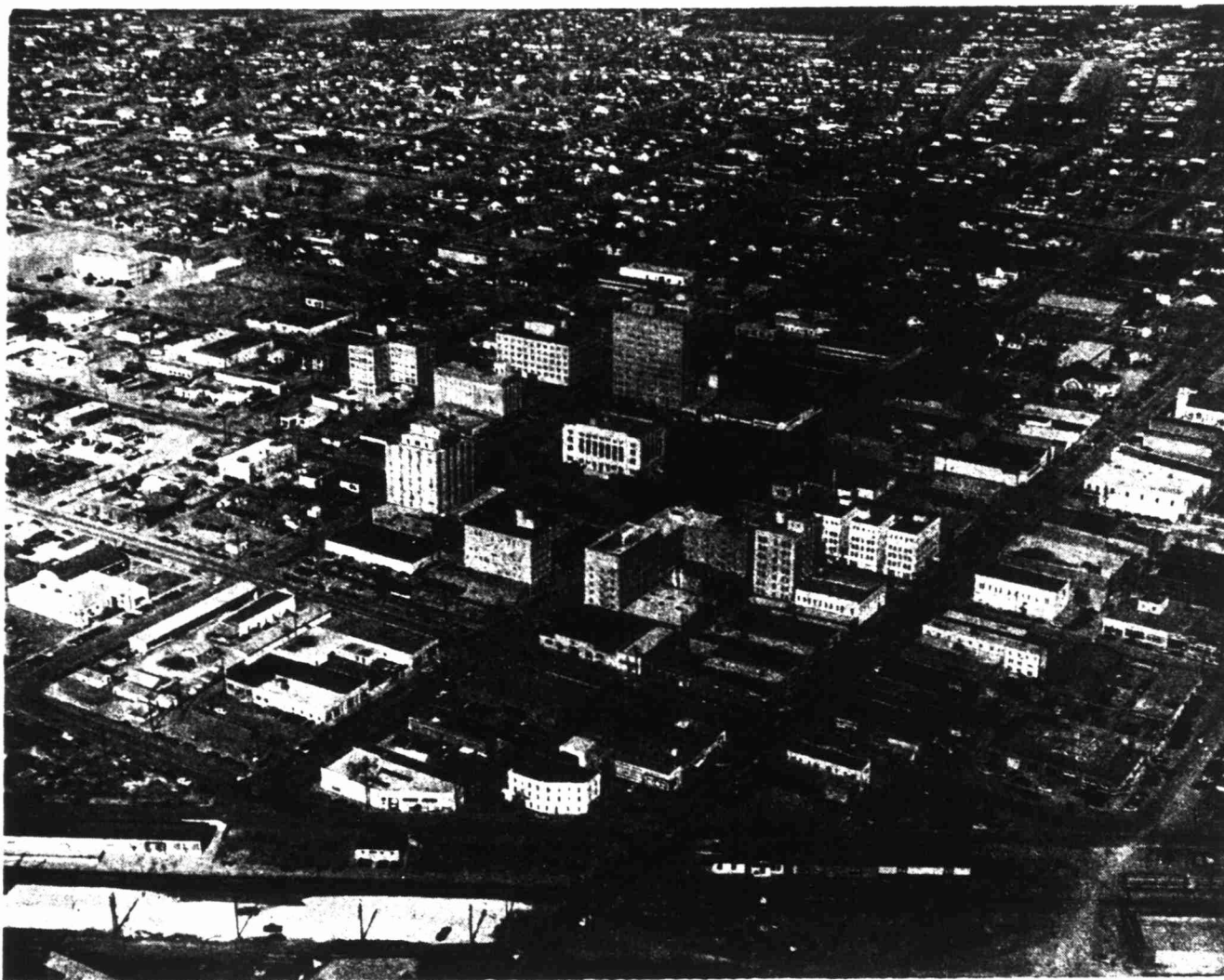
Q—How many amendments to the Constitution have been repealed? A—The 18th Amendment (prohibition) is the only one. Q—What three demands must a word meet to be in good usage? A—Present use, reputable use, and national use.

Q—What were the opening and closing dates of the Berlin airlift? A—The Anglo-American airlift across the Soviet land blockade of Western Berlin, started June 26, 1948, and ended with the arrival at Tempelhof Airfield of a C-54 carrying two and a half tons of coal on Sept. 30, 1949.

Purchased iron and steel scrap consumption in the U. S. totaled 21,250,000 gross tons in 1949, 27 per cent less than in 1948. pulled into the driveway next to hers. The waves had probably drowned out the purring of the motor. "Alice!"

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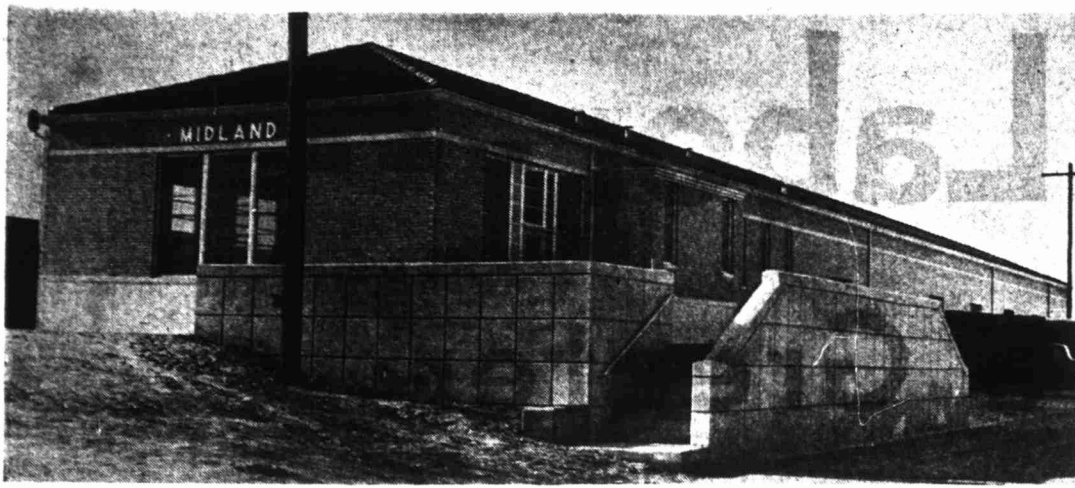
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Midland's New Texas & Pacific Railway Station



Formal dedication of Midland's new, attractive and spacious Texas & Pacific Railway station was a long-awaited and most important event of the Golden Fifties in Midland. The completely modern structure was completed late last year and the dedication ceremony

and open house was held in January, 1950. President W. G. Vollmer and other T&P officials attended the event. The brick and stone structure is 241 feet long and 32 feet wide. Equipment and facilities are of the latest and most modern design. The station is the finest in the Permian Basin Empire.

Oil Industry And Allied Industries Furnish Jobs

The total number of jobs furnished directly by the petroleum industry and its allied industries in the United States comprises a substantial part of the total jobs in the nation.

In the oil industry alone there are 1,880,000 employees. For every one of these there are additional jobs for 4.2 workers in other industries allied with oil.

A survey by the American Petroleum Institute shows that a total of 9,795,000 workers in the United States are employed by industries that are directly related to the petroleum industry. These workers and their families account for 34,282,000 men, women and children that are directly dependent upon these industries and these comprise 23.3 per cent of the total population of the United States.

Employment figures of the petroleum industry combined with the number of employed in directly related industries comprise over 17 per cent of all persons gainfully employed in the United States. Not considered in this total are additional thousands of workers, such as diesel engine and locomotive operators, officers and crews on oil-burning ships, workers in chemical and plastics plants and many other jobs related in one way or another to the use of petroleum and its products.

The combined annual payrolls of those who work in petroleum and related industries aggregate \$27,471,586,000 or 20.3 per cent of the total annual payrolls of all workers in the United States. Total employer payments in all wages and salaries in the United States aggregate about \$135,000,000,000 a year. Workers engaged in petroleum production and refining, which includes many highly-skilled technicians, are among the highest paid in the nation, with average annual wages and salaries of \$3,700.

The average annual pay of 1,880,000 oil industry workers, including filling station attendants, is \$3,077. By comparison, the average annual pay of all gainfully employed persons in the United States, including agricultural workers, is about \$2,368. The combined average annual wage of the 9,795,000 workers in petroleum and its related industries is \$2,804.

Vast Buying Power
The buying power of the vast army of men and women who work in the industries that are directly

Seismic Method Had Wartime Inception

By JACK B. BENEFIELD
Reporter-Telegram Oil Writer

As it is with many great inventions, the seismic method, by which it is estimated more than 85 per cent of the recently discovered oil fields of West Texas were located, had its

inception during a war. Artillery officers in World War I used seismograph instruments to locate enemy gun positions. By mathematical triangulation, shock waves from two or more enemy artillery pieces were recorded and the sensitive instruments gave the data — through the elapsed time intervals — by which the enemy cannons were "knocked out."

To do this accurately, the velocity and shape of the geologic strata below the surface had to be taken into account. After the war, some former engineers decided to reverse the procedure, they would place the instruments at a known distance from the point of wave initiation and map the variations in the geologic strata, many of which were suitable for oil accumulation.

Practically all the major oil companies in the Permian Basin have seismograph crews working in the area. Most recent reports estimate the number of crews now in West Texas at 100. So by popular demand of the many men engaged in geophysical work in West Texas and New Mexico, the Permian Basin Geophysical Society was organized. Its purpose is to advance the science of geophysics and to promote fellowship and cooperation among geophysicists and geologists.

identified with petroleum may be appreciated readily by the more than \$27,000,000,000 payroll received by this group. Their spendable income rebounds to the benefit of practically everyone living in the United States today.

These 34,000,000 people pay directly more than \$3,300,000,000 in federal, state and local taxes, in addition to the corporate taxes paid by their employers. They spend annually 10.4 billion dollars for food; \$3,000,000,000 for housing; \$3,000,000,000 for clothing; \$1,200,000,000 for fuel and lighting; \$6,500,000,000 for other necessities, insurance and savings. They own 7,300,000 automobiles; drive over 75,000,000,000 miles a year; heat their homes with 889,000 oil burners; use 1,400,000 telephones in their homes.

The importance of petroleum to the economy of the nation cannot begin to be measured by statistics alone. Today, the petroleum and its more than 1,200 useful products reach into practically every phase of life on land, on the seas and in the air. The fact that over 23 per cent of the population of the United States is directly dependent upon petroleum for a living is highly significant of the direct influence of this vital natural resource upon every man, woman and child living in the United States today.

(Although the society is less than (Continued on Page 13)

Information Program In Fourth Year

The oil industry's information program has entered its fourth year and will be carried on in 1950 with renewed activity, according to G. L. Tate, member of the national Information Committee and vice president of the Magnolia Petroleum Company.

Tate heads the Gulf-Southwest district committee and is chairman of the OIIC's field activities committee. "Efforts to develop a better public understanding of the oil industry's contributions to our social and economic life received a vote of confidence at the annual meeting of the American Petroleum Institute last November, when it was decided to continue the program and expand the means by which the industry can tell its story," Tate said. "Indications are that informational work done by the district, state and local committees in the past three years has made a great many people better informed about the

industry. Oil Progress Week, in particular, was a successful event, and it will be repeated in October of this year."

Competition Stressed
Basic objectives of the 1950 effort, Tate said, will be to make it clear to people that their personal interest is best served by maintaining a competitive and privately managed oil industry. It is possible, he said, to show that more benefits reach more people because the many companies in the industry are competitive, providing consumers new and continuously improved products. Careful management of oil reserves and continuing an ample supply of

liquid fuels for the foreseeable future, Tate asserted.

"The functions of the OIIC during the forthcoming year will be, briefly, as follows," Tate continued: "First, to try to encourage and assist oil companies large and small to direct their own individual efforts toward the common goal of a better-informed public. Second, to provide the district and local committees with useful material and advise with them as to how their efforts can best be applied, in accordance with local conditions."

Placed on the importance of the people within the industry, the royalty owners, and all others associated with oil. An effort will also be made to provide basic information about the petroleum industry to public groups, and to make available needed material for use in the school systems."

Activity in the 1950 program will begin following the year's first meeting of the national committee in New Orleans Jan. 16, 17 and 18. Tate stated. Other Southwest members of the national panel are Charles E. Simons of Dallas, of the Texas Mid-Continental Oil & Gas Association, and Jack Clarke, Lion Oil Co., El Dorado, Ark. The Gulf-Southwest district of which Tate is chairman, includes New Mexico, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

Midlanders Aid 'Golder' Fifties For Warm Springs

GONZALES — As a result of contributions by seven Midland residents, the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation for Crippled Children will enter the Golden Fifties with more and better facilities.

Midland Hall, a \$50,000 addition to the Gonzales seven-building plant, is now under construction. The money was donated by Mrs. Ruth Scharbauer, Clarence Scharbauer, Jr., O. C. Harper, Ralph Lowe, R. B. Cowden, John Y. Francis and J. P. Gibbons. The building will be used as a reception, recreation and entertainment center.

Midland Geologist Is Vice Prexy Of AAPG For 1950

A Midland geologist has been named vice president of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists for 1950.

John Emery Adams, research geologist for Standard Oil Company of Texas, will hold the second highest office in the international geologists association. C. L. Moody of Shreveport, La., has been named president for 1950.

Adams will assume his new office at the annual meeting of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists at the regular meeting in Chicago in April.

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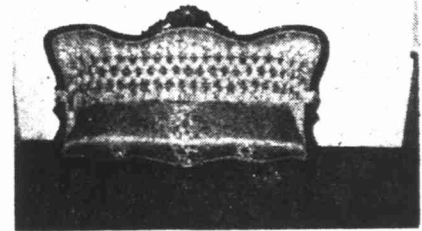
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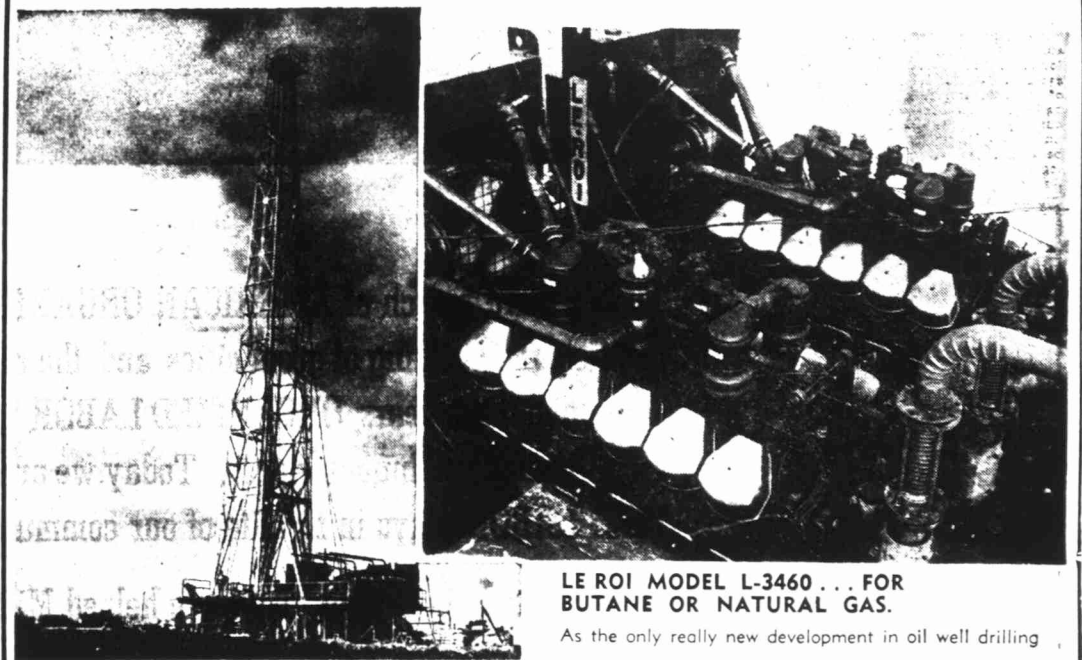
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The Geologists In The Oil Industry—

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tained within the formation will collect in the arches of the fold and will be separated by gravity into three zones with gas at the top and water at the bottom.

During the next 20 years, wildcat drilling will continue to be largely non-geological. But with prolific fields being found west and south of Pennsylvania through Indiana, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, oil operators become increasingly aware of the importance of the Anticline Theory and consequently began to apply it more and more in their search for oil.

This led to the establishment of Geological Departments by the oil companies and to the employment of increasingly larger numbers of geologists for the primary purpose of locating favorable fields (anticlines) where oil might be accumulated.

Until 1913 or 1917, most geologists in the oil industry were field or surface geologists. They went into the country, and by using rocks exposed on the surface, along roads, streams, and on hill sides, mapped structures or folds in the rocks which indicated conditions favorable for the accumulation of oil.

This type of geology led to the discovery of a great number of fields, particularly in North Central Texas, the eastern half of Oklahoma, and the eastern third of Kansas.

Structural Maps
By 1917, field geologists had covered most of the country where rocks were exposed at the surface sufficiently to permit making usable structural maps, and pioneering geologists started using other branches of geology and geological techniques in their search for oil.

One of the first, if not the first, of these geological techniques to be adopted was the examination of well cuttings by use of a microscope. Well cuttings are fragments of rocks penetrated by drilling and brought to the surface by various means while the well is being drilled.

As early as 1884, a few geologists were beginning to study well samples or cuttings and to publish their results. By 1901 the United States Geological Survey had made standard a method of plotting the results of well sample examination on strips of paper on a scale of 1 inch to 100 feet.

By microscopic examination of well samples was established part of the geological work of most oil companies. Well sample examination of the geological work of rock penetrated in drilling. In turn this allows him to correlate or match up formations between adjacent wells and adjacent oil fields.

After such correlations are made, geologists then are able to locate possible oil-bearing structures that are not revealed at the surface. Furthermore, well sample examination reveals the kind of rock drilled, i.e., whether it is shale, sandstone, limestone, dolomite or other rock, and whether the rock is stained by oil or gas. Likewise, such examination reveals the pore spaces in the rock in which oil could be contained, and the type and amount of pore spaces.

Special Laboratories
The amount of staining, the type and amount of pore spaces and the thickness of the oil stained rock are important in determining the possibility of making a producing well. Today all of the major oil companies examine well-cuttings as a matter of routine and small companies and independents hire consulting geologists or independent well-sample examination laboratories to do this work for them.

One such laboratory is located in Midland.

Microfossils
Although microfossils (the study of minute shells or fossils found in rocks) had been used as early as 1900 to determine the age of rocks penetrated by drilling, and had been used sporadically throughout the following years, it was not until 1919 that microfossils became a regular part of the geological work of some companies in California. In Texas, the Humble

Oil & Refining Company and the Rio Bravo Oil Company began using micropaleontology as a regular part of their geological work in 1920. Gradually other companies started using this valuable geological tool and its use spread throughout Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and other oil producing areas.

Today micropaleontology and the paleontologist are valuable—at times almost indispensable—aids in determining the age of rocks penetrated by drilling. Likewise they are very useful in helping to unravel the complex history of the rock formations which must be done in order to find possible oil-bearing structures hidden far beneath the earth's surface.

At the present time most of the major oil companies either have a well organized paleontological department or employ geologists who are capable of doing the necessary paleontological work and who devote part or all of their time to this work. Minor companies and independents have their work done by consulting paleontologists, or, if they are located in the West Texas-New Mexico area, by the United States' only independent commercial Paleontological Laboratory. This Laboratory is located in Midland.

Geophysics

Another valuable tool used by geologists is geophysics. First used on the Gulf Coast in 1922 where it proved useful in discovering salt dome structures which frequently produce much oil, its use gradually spread throughout the rest of the country. Although the routine of gathering geophysical data is independent of geologists, it still is the work of geologists or those with much geological training to interpret and evaluate the data obtained by these methods.

One of the latest techniques to be used by geologists is the study of insoluble residues. Insoluble residues are those materials deposited in limestones and dolomites that are not digested and destroyed when immersed in acid, generally hydrochloric acid. The kinds of insoluble residues—mostly chert, with lesser amounts of sand and shale—change from one limestone formation to another. This makes it possible to identify the age of the various limestones encountered in drilling and to correlate them from one field to another.

Although this technique first was used in 1883 by scientific research workers, it was not until 1931 that it was used in commercial geology. Since that time the use of insoluble residues has spread throughout the oil industry in those areas where it is necessary to drill thick beds of limestone and dolomite. Several major oil companies maintain insoluble residue departments or have geologists who specialize in their use. The United States' only independent Insoluble Residue Laboratory is located in Midland. Therefore, except in the Permian Basin, small companies and independents have to get their insoluble residue work done by State Geological Surveys or go without the benefit of this useful tool.

Electrical Log Surveys

Various electrical log surveys of wells are used extensively by geologists. These surveys are made after the well is drilled, or may be made from time to time while drilling progresses. The geologist uses them to help make correlations, to determine the presence of oil in the rocks, and to pick porous zones in the formations. Electrical logs have been used in the Permian Basin since 1934.

Radioactive logs, which measure the radioactive properties of the beds penetrated by the bore hole even through casing, have been used extensively in the last few years.

The geologist evaluates and integrates data obtained from well-sample examination, paleontology, insoluble residues and from electrical logs of the wells. With these data he draws structure-maps. These are maps which reveal folds

in the rocks that might contain oil. They are similar to maps drawn by surface geologists except they indicate where the rocks are folded far below the surface.

Cross-Sections

Likewise by use of this data the geologist constructs cross-sections which are diagrammatic explanations of the relationships of the rocks from one place to another, and indicate the changes in kinds of rocks which formations undergo from one field to another. As some oil fields are located in stratigraphic traps, i.e., when rocks grade from one type of rock into another, as shale into sandstone, geologists continually are looking for such changes. Cross-sections help them determine where such stratigraphic traps might occur. Likewise, geologists use the same data to draw thickness maps (isopach maps). These maps show the thickness of a formation or group of formations. It is known that frequently formations are thinner over structures which may contain oil. Therefore geologists are interested in knowing where such conditions occur.

Well Sitter
The work of the geologist is not finished when he has located a possible oil structure. While the well is being drilled it is his duty to "sit on the well." A geologist "sitting on a well" is on 24-hour duty. His meals are irregular and he must examine the well cuttings at frequent intervals.

This examination tells him what formations are being drilled and whether they are porous. He must be on the watch for oil and gas stains so the well will not be drilled through a possible pay zone. He must decide what formations are to be tested for oil and gas. It is his duty to pick casing points, i.e., places where pipe is cemented in the hole. Likewise, he must decide which formations are to be "cored" so that large pieces of the formation drilled will be available for more detailed studies than well-cuttings will permit.

Valuation Work
Another important function of the geologist in the oil industry is in valuation work of producing fields. The geologist makes a complete survey of the field. He learns the thickness of the producing formations, the character of the rock and its porosity and permeability. He learns the areal extent of the producing structures, and the history of production by each well or group of representative wells. With this data he is able to predict the ultimate amount of oil which may be recovered.

Such evaluations are used by banks in loaning money for the development of fields, and help establish the value of the leases and royalty when such property is being traded or sold. Numbers of independent geologists devote most or all of their time to this type of work.

Jack Ellington Is Police Chief

A big man for a big job in the Golden Pines is Police Chief Jack Ellington.



Jack Ellington

Ellington joined the Midland Police Department in 1942. He was made chief, Jan. 1, 1943.

Monahans, With Diversified Industrial Interests, Has Stake In Basin's Future

By BILL LEE, Manager, Monahans Chamber of Commerce

MONAHANS — Monahans has a stake in the future. Its nine thousand some-odd residents (why claim 10,000 when there aren't?) work at oil production, carbon black manufacturing, wholesaling, electrical power generation, U. S. Air Force plane storage and maintenance, retailing, manufacture of sodium sulphate, natural gas production and processing, farming and ranching.

The city prouly makes the claim that its economy is geared to more diversified economic interests than any other Permian Basin town.

Part substantiation of the claim lies in the fact that "not once since its inception has Monahans' population dipped below a previous year's count."

"Nor," continues a chamber of commerce brochure, "has its growth been phenomenal, although it has been steady. This indicates stability. For an oil town this is unusual and, most of all, assuring. Present-day Monahans is here to stay a long, long time."

Whatever may be said about ranching, and the Pyote U. S. Air Force Base.

The recent construction of a giant super-market grocery store, the impending arrival of another as yet not represented in the city, and the very recent completion of the new Monahans High School building costing almost one million dollars gives added force to the claim of stability.

Count also Monahans' strategic location on U. S. Highway 80, the Texas and Pacific Railroad, and State Highway 82, and the claim becomes reinforced. Monahans is a natural distributing center for this part of the Permian Basin, including West Texas and New Mexico.

Water? Mayor Walter Harwell estimates the city's present supply from underground wells is enough to provide for the needs of a city almost three times the size of Monahans. In fact, this is the compelling reason for the existence of the Texas Electric generating plant near Monahans. Ward County had the water for its needs, nearby cities didn't.

In short, Monahans wouldn't swap stability for size. Consider figures and values as you may, it is indeed true that "present-day Monahans is here to stay a long, long time."

With the luck of the Irishman for whom the city is named (Pat Monahan who dug a water well for the T&P in the 1880's), the blessings of nature, and the deeds and industry of its citizens, Monahans will keep "a stake in the future."

chamber of commerce claims, the figures are available for confirmation of the above statements.

Diversified Economy
No one in the city would deny that Monahans has felt the effect of declining retail sales which has characterized the entire nation's economy recently. Nor will any rational person deny the effect of the removal of drilling rigs and crews to fabulous Scurry County. A sober analysis, however, will lead to the conclusion that Monahans probably has felt that effect less than any other oil community in the Permian Basin—for the very simple reason that its economy is diversified.

Such industrial names as Gulf Oil Corporation, Texas Electric Service Company (its Permian Basin generating station is just west of the city limits), Monahans Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Ozark Mottling Company, El Paso Natural Gas, Cabot Carbon Company, Wickert Refining Company — all with steady payroll plants—lend credence to Monahans' economic stability claim. This is not to count farming (at Grandfalls and Barstow).

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Germans Withdraw Church Membership

HANOVER — (AP) — The number of Germans withdrawing from church membership has increased nearly 500 per cent since 1947 in the state of Lower Saxony, a state official disclosed. In 1948, he said, 13,453 withdrew from the church, compared with 6,037 withdrawals in 1947 and 2,496 in 1946.

The official said most of the withdrawals were due to "material" reasons — indicating reluctance or inability to pay the church taxes required of church members. In Germany, if a person declares himself a member of any church, his church taxes are collected by state tax collectors along with his governmental taxes. Lower Saxony is mostly Protestant.

ECA GIVES BIG PRESS

LE HAVRE — (AP) — A mechanical steel press, claimed to be the largest in the world, has arrived here in 28 sections as part of ECA aid to France. A special 48-wheel trailer will carry the frame, weighing 165 tons, to Douai, where the press is to be installed in a steel works for casting molds for the French state railroads.

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fronting the industry." He said only directors were called upon to participate in the drive last year, but added that "every member" will have an opportunity to participate this year. Theme of the 1950 membership drive will be "every member get a member," he said.

Guiding the Permian Basin phase of the membership effort will be Paul L. Davis of Midland, I.P.A.A. vice president for this area. He will be assisted by B. H. Vickrey, Wichita Falls, the association's field representative for the Permian Basin, North Texas, West Texas and New Mexico.

"Problems of the petroleum industry of the nation are staggering problems in the Permian Basin area," Wood said. "The independent oil producing industry is challenged by the national administration's attitude on the oil industry depletion allowance, by ever-increasing oil imports, and other problems of vast importance."

"Only through a united effort can the domestic oil industry hope to maintain an economic climate favorable to continued development so essential to the national economy and the national security. This unity of effort can be achieved through I.P.A.A."

THE DOMESTIC OIL INDUSTRY IS BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE, with EXCESSIVE OIL IMPORTS on the one side and threatened REDUCTION OF DEPLETION ALLOWANCE for tax purposes on the other.

OIL IMPORTS

Voluntary efforts to prevent excessive imports have failed. Importing companies are continuing to import into this country excessive quantities in disregard of the welfare of the industry and the national interest.

As imports push the thousands of domestic producers out of the market, competition is lessened. History proves that a strong, competitive industry at home, not imports, is the best assurance of low prices to the consumer. The monopoly now being promoted would mean higher price, uncertain supply and in the end Government control.

In the United States, conservation laws in oil producing states prevent wasteful and excessive production. Some comparable control over imports is vital to the industry and fair to all. The domestic oil producer, limited by conservation laws of his State and by higher wages and higher discovery and development costs, cannot "fight it out" with the importers.

Congressional action offers the only solution. An equitable law must be enacted, one that does not bar all imports, but that will prevent excessive imports and encourage the domestic industry to remain vigorous and capable of meeting the Nation's oil needs at all times.

Any shortage of oil would be artificially created by discouraging the ingenuity and progress of tens of thousands of individuals and companies. The surest way to "run out of oil" is to weaken and injure the domestic industry.

Reduction of Depletion Allowance, further to tax the domestic oil industry, is now requested by the President and the Secretary of the Treasury in the face of the following testimony:

(Quoted from the statements to the House Ways and Means Committee by Senator Lyndon B. Johnson and Ernest O. Thompson.)

The late JAMES D. FORRESTAL said two years ago: "The maximum military requirements of petroleum in the event of a war emergency are now estimated nearly double the requirements of World War II. In other words, instead of 1,375,000 barrels a day it would be about 2,750,000, which would be roughly 70 percent of our daily production before we entered World War II."

HAROLD ICKES also said: "In the event of another war, we cannot rely on imports, with the possible exception of Mexico. In other words, you will not be able to bring it in by tanker. The airplanes will be so efficient that they will blow every tanker off the surface of the ocean. You cannot depend on that."

SENATOR LYNDON JOHNSON now sums this up: "Events since that time—changing the concept and conduct of military defense—have further increased our minimum petroleum requirements. Oil is as important to our security as any weapon in our arsenal or any resource—including uranium."

"For the oil industry, the 27½ per cent depletion allowance is the cornerstone upon which exploration is built. Exploration is closely bound to our national security. Through exploration only will more oil be found—and without more oil we, as a nation, will be woefully shorthanded if we are called upon to defend our country."

"Exploration is primarily the function of the small operators, the small independents of the oil industry. These are the men who do not gain national attention as members of the spectacular rich, because exploration has made more paupers than millionaires. For these men, whose hazards are great and whose rewards are uncertain, the depletion allowance is necessary to make a gamble into a business."

"For Congress to tinker and tamper with the depletion allowance, thus curtailing exploration for and production of oil, is just as unthinkable as for Congress to tinker and tamper with our aircraft production, our submarine development, or any of our vital defense programs."

"Remember: As you cut down on the depletion allowance you cut down the flow of oil; as you cut down the flow of oil, you cut down our national security."

ERNEST O. THOMPSON, Citizen-Soldier, said: "Oil is ammunition. In defense, oil is prime mover. The proposed saving here put forward by the Treasury Department of \$200,000,000 by the government, by cutting depletion al-

lowance from 27½ per cent down to 15 per cent, would, in my opinion, be poor economy. Why tamper with a system which has twice in a generation brought forth a drilling which is the only way to find oil and has made oil available in such quantities that we have been able to win two wars? Men venture in risky drilling for the reward which follows success. Remove the rewards and our domestic supply in oil shrivels and we will become dependent upon foreign oil. Foreign oil, of course, could be denied us.

"We know that certain people are concentrating on submarines and we would be denied foreign oil. Especially is this true of the great Persian Gulf area, the Middle East, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Behrein Islands where they have discovered more than 47 billion barrels of oil with just a few wells having been drilled. Their production in that area has already gone up to 1,400,000 barrels a day.

"These great Middle East fields lie under the shadow of the Russian Bear right at the border. I have heard it testified in the Committees of Congress by high military officers that the Persian Gulf oil fields could not be counted upon by us if war should come. Therefore, I urge the members of this committee not to change the 27½ per cent depletion, nor to reduce it in any way. The system is working, it is producing the oil. It means national security. It is my considered opinion that we cannot afford as a nation to tamper with a system of incentive, namely, the 27½ per cent depletion allowance on our oil and gas production that is getting the job done."

"We do not yet have enough ready reserve oil producing capacity for our national security, not half enough. Revenue, however badly needed, cannot be considered when our national security is at stake. Our very freedom is involved. Come war, there will be no time to drill oil wells. To be useful for defense the oil wells must have already been drilled. Reserves lying undrilled are of no value and there would be no time to drill them, there would be no steel available for the drilling. The oil wells must have already been drilled, equipped and ready to produce, hooked up and connected to the pipelines and to the refineries of ample capacity, ready to make the products required in sufficient quantities and of proper quality.

"Since the close of World War II the oil industry has gone faithfully forward with new drilling, new pipeline construction, new refineries to the amount of more than \$7 billion, perhaps even more; I know that is a conservative figure. They have done that in order to keep up with the ever-expanding American economy and to help get ready for the national defense in time of possible emergency. I feel that we should not now imperil the progress in this field and become dependent on foreign oil."

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Scurry Development Will Benefit All Sectors Of Permian Basin By Stimulating Search For More Reefs

EDITOR'S NOTE—Oil activity in Scurry County, on the east side of the Permian Basin of West Texas, during 1949, was the outstanding development of the petroleum industry of the entire United States.
Many reports and stories on various angles of that development have been written.
One of the most comprehensive and accurate reports was written by R. P. Brooks, Jr., oil editor of *The Daily Times Herald* of Dallas.
Because of the completeness and thoroughness of Brooks' article, it is being reproduced herewith. It was written about 30 days ago, and some of the figures are slightly out of date.
The story covers completely the subject of Scurry County oil and its significance.

By R. P. BROOKS, JR.,
Oil Editor, *Daily Times Herald*,
Dallas

Pennsylvanian reef activity which made Scurry County the scene of outstanding oil development of the entire United States during 1949, has set off a reef trap search that should bring about a widespread and record-breaking exploration program in the Permian Basin in 1950.

Spurred by the thick pay section and flush wells found in Scurry County, big and small independents and major companies are working overtime to buy up the remaining open acreage in the reef trends and in areas with likely reef possibilities.

The advancement of the reef fields to the forefront is having a wholesome influence on the whole West Texas oil industry. Recent discoveries, especially Scurry, have occurred at depths that permit independents to participate and in areas that have not been blocked solid by companies.

Before Scurry County, the West Texas district was trending toward drilling depths that involved costs beyond reach of the small operator. It is generally agreed that the problem of finding reef traps is much more difficult than that of finding structural traps, but not nearly as bad as trying to pin down a stratigraphic trap. The problems in the reef search will vary widely from area to area, but the amount of money and manpower being thrown into the search for reef fields is expected to bring results that will be felt for many years.

Pennsylvanian Pay
Scurry and other developments on the east side of the Permian Basin in 1949 sent the Pennsylvanian pay to the front in discoveries for the first time in the history of the district.
Twenty-eight of the 71 new producing areas opened during 1949 in West Texas, a total which passed the previous high of 64 in 1948, were

from the Pennsylvanian.
There also appears to be little question that the reef discoveries in Scurry and in other east side counties, represent the biggest addition to Texas' reserves since East Texas was discovered 19 years ago. Even using conservative recovery figures, it is not difficult to arrive at an oil reserve of almost 1,000,000,000 barrels in Scurry.
Prime reason for the rush to Scurry is the thick prolific pay section found at the relatively shallow depth of 7,700-7,800 feet. While in some producers only a few feet of the reef is cut, in the majority of producers from 100 to more than 700 feet of pay section is drilled. For the area as a whole, about 50 per cent of the section is oil productive. **Fields Will Cannet**
There is little doubt in the minds of most geologists that the North Snyder, Kelly and Diamond M fields will connect to give a field some 20 miles long and up to five miles wide.
It is possible that some dry holes may be drilled within the area, at spots where the reef buildup is insufficient or the pay too thin, but at this time it appears that around 50,000 acres could be classed as proven or semi-proven.
Because the gas produced by Sharon Ridge reef wells contains appreciable amounts of hydrogen sulfide, and the other reef wells yield sweet gas, many geologists expect this reservoir will prove to be separate from the other three fields.

Currently the biggest question mark in the reef play is whether or not Amerada Petroleum Corporation's Von Roeder No. 1 discovery in Borden County, four miles southwest of Sharon Ridge, and the Chapman & McFarlin's Cogdell No. 1 producer in Kent County, eight miles northeast of North Snyder, will be extensions to the Scurry reef fields or openers of new pools.
A big problem is how to interpret what is happening to the reef trend and the difference in the water level between the Von Roeder No. 1 and the Sharon Ridge producers.
There are numerous speculations and theories about how the Scurry trend might end and another east-west trend will be found somewhere in the vicinity of the Borden-Howard County line. It does appear definite, however, that the Scurry, Kent, and Borden areas are part of a big regional feature.

May Build Up Again
Northernmost wells in North Snyder, which is the most northern of the Scurry fields, indicate its productive limits may not extend much farther to the northeast. But reef characteristics being what they are, the reef mass could again build up and be oil productive further to the northeast. Only actual drilling will prove how much of the eight-mile area is oil productive.
Also still to be figured out is how Standard of Texas' Dunn No. 1, reef producer in Mitchell County,

just a few miles south of reef production at Sharon Ridge, fits into the picture. It is several hundred feet below the regular water level, and, unfortunately for the peace of mind of the geologists, it is producing from a reef pay undoubtedly older than the Scurry development.
Total completions to date in the Scurry reef play stand at 324, of which 288 have been productive. Canyon producers total 284, and the other four are from the Strawn, Canyon and Strawn.

The wells are divided as 184 Canyon and three Strawn producers in the North Snyder field, 46 Canyon and one Strawn producers at Kelley, 52 Canyon wells at Diamond M, and 22 Canyon wells at Sharon Ridge.
The latest count on development shows 19 wildcat drilling and 161 field wells active. Carried as locations are seven more wildcats and 99 field wells. There have been 32 wildcat failures to date and four producers completed from the Ellenburger.
In connection with reserves, the recent introduction of "micrologging" has greatly expedited the estimation of the amount of permeable pay out in Scurry reef wells.
In so doing, financing of operations of some of the field's many independent operators likewise has been streamlined. Some banks are reported making loans on the basis of net pay shown by the log.

Add And Multiply
The banks' petroleum experts merely add up the total footage of reef pay classified on the log as "good" and then multiply this total by whatever acre-foot recovery figure their evaluation engineers have set as a safe basis for loans. Other factors, of course, are taken into consideration, but considerable weight is given the log.

The idea of finding oil in reefs is not new; in fact, it is surprising how many reef fields have been producing in various parts of the country for a long time. But in 1949 the news was right, the discoveries sensational, and both companies and individuals were ready to back plays. Therefore, the idea of "reef oil" swept through the industry like wildfire. The results scored in 1949 will also make reefs a favorite wildcat activity in 1950 and probably for several years to come if this year's discoveries turn up any more fields like those in Scurry.

Erwin Is Successor To Late Si Stinson
C. H. (Judge) Erwin of Midland is serving as chief scout for the West Texas-New Mexico division of Humble Oil & Refining Company. Erwin succeeded the late S. S. (Si) Stinson, who died January 9.

The U. S. Bureau of Mines has been studying the effect of washing coal since 1910.

Midland Has Many Churches

Midland's churches are expected to continue expansion during the Golden Fifties to meet increasing enrollments.
Several building projects have been completed in recent years in order to meet the constant growth of Midland and its church membership gains.

Here is a list of churches in the Midland vicinity: First Baptist Church, North Main and Illinois Streets; First Methodist Church, 300 North Main; First Christian Church, 215 North Lorraine; St. Ann's Catholic Church, 2000 West Texas; St. George's Catholic Church, East Texas Street; Calvary Baptist, 1001 South Main Street; Trinity Episcopal Church, 1412 West Illinois; North Side Church of Christ, North A and Tennessee Streets; Asbury Methodist Church, 106 West Dakota; First Presbyterian Church, 804 West Texas; Grace Lutheran Church, Wall and J Streets.

Church of the Nazarene, Indiana and Big Spring Streets; Pentecostal Holiness, 800 South Colorado Street; Seventh Day Adventist, West Pennsylvania and Lorraine; Assembly of God, 510 South Baird Street; First Free Will Baptist Church, 1000 South Mineola Street; Trinity Baptist Church, Fort Worth and Tennessee Streets; Church of Christ, 110 South Colorado; North Midland Baptist Mission, 1800 North Big Spring Street.

More Listed
Piousquare Gospel Church, West Indiana and South B Streets; Jehovah's Witness, 303 East Washington Street; Greenwood Baptist Church, Route One, Midland; Bible Baptist Church, J. Marion Hill, pastor; Holiness Mission, East Pennsylvania and Terrell Streets; Church of Christ, 903 South Terrell; Valley View Baptist Church, Lenard Leftwich, pastor; Terminal Baptist, Midland Air Terminal; South Side Church of Christ, 710 South Baird; Cotton Flat Baptist Church, Rankin Highway.

Christian Science Society, 407 North C Street; Church of God, 200 South Dallas; Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church, John G. Kuthe, S. T. M., pastor; and the Mexican Baptist Mission, Washington and Midland Streets.

New Bus Station In Golden 50's

Midland will have a new, modern bus station during the Golden Fifties.
Construction on a new \$45,000 Union Bus Terminal already has begun and is expected to be completed in 90 days. According to A. T. Wheeler, who will own and operate the station, the new brick and tile structure will be one of the most modern stations between Fort Worth and El Paso. The station will be located directly opposite the new T&P station at Colorado and Indiana Streets.

The station will serve Greyhound, Baymont, TN&O and the Midland-Odessa bus lines. It will contain a restaurant which will be open 24 hours a day. The station will also have a parking lot for taxicabs.

Mount Etna in Sicily is 10,741 feet high.

Jim Watson Keeps World Advised Of PBE News

By BILL COLLYNS
This little yarn concerns the man who keeps the world adequately and accurately informed of oil activities in the vast Permian Basin Empire of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico.

He is James C. (Jim) Watson, oil editor of *The Reporter-Telegram*, whose by-line appears daily in this newspaper and in 25 other publications for which he corresponds.
The Reporter-Telegram oil editor handles more West Texas - New Mexico oil copy and perhaps is more



familiar with current oil operations, leasing, drilling and producing, than any other person in this widespread territory. He also heads the Permian Basin Oil News Service of Midland, which furnishes oil news to numerous out-of-Midland publications.
His duties and responsibilities have increased in direct proportion to the rapid increase in oil field activities in the Permian Basin Empire, and he is at his desk from early until late each day. But he likes his work and perhaps dreams about reef, Spraberry, Devonian and Ellenburger production when he does drop off to sleep at night.
Interested In Work
Let any other reporter in the office mention oil or oil men and Jim

as president of the Midland Knife and Fork Club.
Authentic Information
Jim Watson speaks the language of the oil man and knows and understands the things about which he writes. And so do his many readers here and throughout the territory. His information, too, is authentic, and readers know they can rely on his reports.
His reporting is carried on in strict cooperation with the oil companies and independent operators of the Permian Basin Empire, all of whom are cooperative in releasing information. No effort is made to publish information prematurely, and there are no conflicts with the oil company scouting services. Seldom are unofficial reports or rumors published. Most information is obtained directly from the oil companies and operators.
Native Texan
Watson is a native Texan and is thoroughly familiar with West Texas. He was for a number of

years executive vice president and general manager of the West-Central Texas Oil and Gas Association with headquarters in Abilene, and long has been connected in one way or another with the oil industry. He also has held executive or public relations positions with the Texas Good Roads Association, West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and the Graham, Abilene, Stamford and Lubbock Chambers of Commerce.
But Jim Watson came to Midland to settle down in oil-reporting. From Midland he reports to the world the happenings of the oil industry in *The Permian Basin Empire*.

Tech Petroleum Engineers Plan To Drill Oil Well

LURBOCK—Here's a story with a man-bites-dog angle.
Out at Texas Technological College they're getting ready to drill an oil well, and the Tech department of petroleum engineering hopes it will be bone-dry.

Prof. W. L. Ducker, head of the department, says work on the predetermined dry hole should begin within the next 60 days, maybe sooner, if casing is acquired before then. The drilling will be carried on by a contractor who has donated the operation on behalf of the petroleum industry.
A jack-knife derrick with a regular rotary drilling unit will be used for the drilling and moved off the location when the depth has reached about 2,000 feet. When drilled and cased, the well will be placed over the hole to run tubing and pumping rods into the "well."

"There will be no attempt to find oil—so we won't even drill the plug," Professor Ducker said. "The bottom of the pipe will be closed off from any formation to protect

water sands and other strata from adulteration by water from other levels."
Under TRC Rules
The entire project will be carried on in strict accordance with the Texas Railroad Commission rules in setting the pipe and cementing, he added.
After the drilling is finished and the derrick has been erected, the hole will be used to set up pumping problems, run bottom-hole pressure and temperature measurements, bottom-hole sampling and duplicate similar oil field techniques.

"But what will you do if the well does turn into a gusher, or at least a producer?" he was asked.
"If we thought there was any possibility that we might strike oil at that depth, we wouldn't go that far," he answered.

The wished-for dry hole, Tech No. 1, will be drilled on the Tech campus north of the present Petroleum Engineering building.

52-Passenger Planes For American Air Lines For 1951

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Transcontinental flying time will be reduced again next year when eleven new 52-passenger airplanes ordered by American Airlines go into service.
President C. R. Smith, who announced that orders for the planes and spare parts had been placed with Douglas Aircraft Company, said the DC-6B's will be the fastest transport commercial services. The orders totaled \$13,000,000.

The new planes will have 1,900 more horsepower than the DC-6s now in use, and will be five feet longer than the older model. The extra power accounts for the higher speed and an increase in payload of 4,500 pounds.
With a range of 3,500 miles non-stop, the DC-6B's will have greater dependability of operation by giving pilots a wider selection of alternative weather routings.
Seating capacity of the new planes will be identical with the DC-6s now in use by American Airlines. They carry 52 passengers and an observation lounge with six seats. The extra 61 inches in length will be utilized for cargo space.
Delivery of the new planes will start next February and be completed by mid-Summer, 1951. With their addition to the American fleet the company will have 60 of the DC-6 series aircraft.

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This Is The Enemy, Mr. Jones

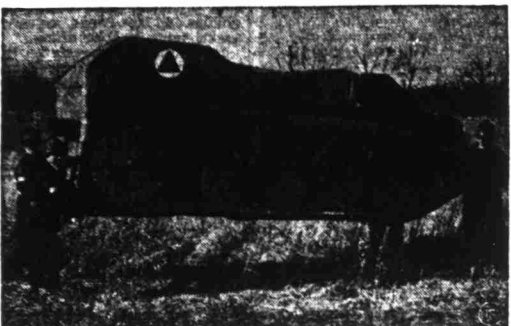


The enemy in silhouette

The U. S. Army, now engaged in or planning war games in Alaska, in the Caribbean and off the Philippine Islands, carries along its own specially-trained enemy to make its maneuvers more realistic. Labeled the "Aggressor Army," this small, but highly-trained and well-equipped outfit has been in existence about three years. "Aggressor" troops have their own distinctive uniforms, notably the crested helmet, their own arms and equipment, much of it of foreign make, and their own tactical doctrine. Much of their equipment consists of pneumatic props, such as the tank at lower right, which is marked with the "Aggressor" triangle symbol. The Army's private enemy was trained largely at Fort Riley, Kan., but has been "action" in war games around the globe.



Using pneumatic props, "Aggressor Army" travels light.



"Aggressor" Infantrymen fire on a U. S. Army position.

Midland Service League Will Be Year-Old In '50

The Midland Service League will be one year old in March and its members can look back over a year of achievements while looking forward to increased activities and accomplishments in the years to come.

Mrs. Paxton Howard is the League's president, and was a leader in its organization early in 1949. Discussions of the organization began on January 13, but it was March before the official organization took place.

The projects which the League has initiated during the last year are the hospital cart of books and magazines, a children's radio program, the sponsoring of a Community Theater play, assisting the Midland County Library with its Terminal Branch, working with Latin American children at Juarez Hall, the donation of an incubator to the Midland Memorial Hospital, establishing a Memorial Fund and a great many spot jobs such as the Community Chest.

The group's first project was the hospital cart with books and magazines on it that members take to the Western Clinic-Hospital on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Mrs. W. A. Hoyer is chairman of this project and members who work with her are Mrs. Fred Chambers, Mrs. Lamar Echberger, Mrs. Murray Paken, Mrs. W. P. Castelman, Mrs. John DeFord, Mrs. George Corey, Mrs. Wright Cowden, Mrs. T. P. Tarwater, Mrs. W. R. Donnell, Mrs. W. W. Walmsey, Mrs. Robert Zonnee and Mrs. Frank Essex.

The children's radio programs have been under the direction of Mrs. Ben F. Black. Planned for elementary school age children, they were broadcast over station KCRB on Wednesday mornings. Two 13-week series of Gloria Chandler recordings were used. The programs were broadcast in Midland schools and teachers were given instruction manuals so they could prepare the children for the stories. Reports were received that the schools in Terminal, Odessa and surrounding towns also picked up the broadcasts.

The Service League has, since its organization, been active in Community Theater work and in January of this year sponsored the Children's Theater play, "Rip Van Winkle." Members also work with the Saturday morning meeting of the children's group.

Mrs. E. H. Dunn was chairman of the group working with the play, and its members were Mrs. James T. Smith, Mrs. Frank Thompson, Mrs. Harvey Herd, Mrs. John Walston, Mrs. C. E. Marsh, Mrs. Walter Deucease and Mrs. J. L. Sleeper, Jr.

Committee members also have worked with the smaller Latin American children and gave Christmas Party for about 50 of them.

The League recently has established a Memorial Fund for gifts to the Midland Memorial Hospital. This fund will serve as an agency for any donor and the names of those memorialized will be put on a permanent record.

As a beginning of the fund, the League gave an incubator to the hospital. Spot jobs with which members have assisted include the emergency polio campaign, the Community Chest and the March of Dimes. They plan to assist with the work of the mobile tuberculosis unit which will be brought here later in the Spring, and they also will aid in the distribution of cancer information during the Cancer Education Campaign in March.

Officers besides Mrs. Howard are Mrs. Tom Sealy, vice president and public relations chairman; Mrs. J. M. Hewley, Jr., recording secretary; Mrs. Hoyer, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Jack Wilkinson, treasurer; and Mrs. Hardie, parliamentarian.

Officers-elect, who will be installed in March, are Mrs. Sealy, president; Mrs. Herd, vice president; Mrs. Leland Thompson, recording secretary; Mrs. Hardie, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Wilkinson, treasurer.

Other work chairmen are Mrs. Black, arts and interests; Mrs. Durham, ways and means; Mrs. John Fitzgerald, education and provisionals; Mrs. Leland Thompson, placement; and Mrs. Yarbrough, projects.

Other members are Mrs. Watson LaForce, Mrs. J. W. Starr and Mrs. W. P. Becker.

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Hine School Enrolls Many From Industry

Many from the oil industry are enrolled as students in the Hine Business College of Midland, along with others in accounting and secretarial positions here.

Here are some of the Hine's students and the companies they represent:

Ann Hines, secretary, Charles Klapproth; Dortha Ann Reising, geological secretary, The Texas Company; Ruth Glass, receptionist-secretary, The Texas Company; Edna Lomas, secretary, The Texas Company; Frances Luchini, secretary for George Abell, independent oil operator; Lucille Smith, secretary, Sinclair-Prairie Oil Company; Mary Nell Moran, secretary, Oil Well Supply Company.

Louise Potts, secretary, Oil Well Supply; Sylvia Holman, bookkeeper, The Reporter-Telegram; Irene Humphrey, The Reporter-Telegram; Lea Baranish, CITC edit Corporation; Daniel Peterson, Shell Oil Company; Jan Fuller, Shell Oil Company; James Moore, secretary, Ohio Oil Company; Howard Mickey, bookkeeper, Midland Finance Company; Betty Stultz, secretary, James N. Allison; Irene Stultz, Oil Well Supply; Freddie Mae Stultz, The Reporter-Telegram.

Weldon Garden, accountant for C. A. Stroud; Tarche Penning, secretary, Bankline Oil Company; Marie Brandeou, secretary, Humble Oil and Refining Company; H. K. Thomas, Continental Oil Company; Lonene Miller, secretary, Midland National Bank; Bobby Glendenin, secretary, Kroenlein Geological Service; Gladys Webb, secretary, Midland National Bank; Doris Bailey, secretary, Lion Oil Company; Willis Brunson, clerk, Sun Oil Company.

Others listed: Joan Gamble, secretary, Sun Oil Company; Mary Jones, secretary, Kerr-McGee Oil Industries; Violet Davis, secretary, Warren Oil Company; Lila Stewart, receptionist, Seaboard Oil Company; Bobby DeLap, drafting, American Trading Company; C. H. Rickard, drafting, Boyce Construction Company; Peggy Woody, drafting, Tidewater Oil Company; Wanda Ellison, Shell Oil Company; Joe Black, Sheppard Roofing Company; Johnnie Armstrong, Stewart Photo Prints; Jo Wreyford, American Auto Association; Jo Bennett, Union Oil Company; Loyd McSpadden, Midrow Aerial Surveys; Marie McSpadden, Sinclair-Prairie Oil Company; Eileen Morrow, Atlantic Oil Company; Charles Chambers, Stanolind Oil Company; Jo Wallis, Benton Howell; Madeline Dickson, Sinclair-Prairie Oil Company.

Wayne Nutt, Ohio Oil Company; Alton Hill, Atlantic Pipe Line Company; Robert Blalock, Rotary Engineers; Nicholas Dragisic, office manager for York and Harper; Sylvan Horne, assistant cashier, Midland National Bank.

'Export' Forecasters Missed Prediction That America Finished As Oil Producer

Probably no group of experts has missed its guess more consistently than that band of forecasters who have predicted America's finish as an oil producing nation.

How badly the "experts" have fared in their predictions over a 90-year period has been reported in a recent article, "Count on Oil for the Years Ahead," which was published in an issue of "Our Sun," a Sun Oil Company publication.

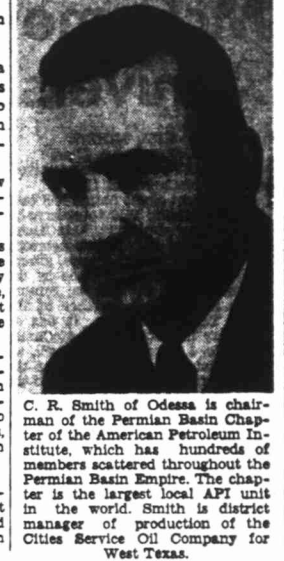
The story of American oil is replete with mortified prognosticators and humbled visionaries who thought they could foresee the day when this country's oil resources would become exhausted and disappear," the article states.

Against this "fresh evidence of the vitality of the American oil resource," Our Sun lists the testimony of some of the "Cassandras" who croaked diabolical warnings that the end of oil supplies was imminent.

Curiously, time and again appears the phrase "exhaustion of oil resources in 14 years."

David White, chief geologist of the U. S. Geological Survey, made that prediction in 1920. Harold L. Tokes said the same thing during World War I.

API Chairman



C. R. Smith of Odessa is chairman of the American Petroleum Institute, which has hundreds of members scattered throughout the Permian Basin Empire. The chapter in the world, Smith is district manager of production of the Cities Service Oil Company for West Texas.



Here's what this Chevron sign means to you

When you see a Chevron Gas Station sign you know the dealer is an independent business man in your community. You see, lots of folks appreciate the friendly, personal brand of service they get at these independent stations but don't know that they are "home-owned." The Chevron dealer is, in fact, your friend and neighbor and since he is anxious to earn your patronage "for keeps" he will take better care of your car.

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One of the most productive oil areas of the nation is in West Texas. The Standard Oil Company of Texas takes pride in the part it has played in recent years in the development of the Scurry County Field.

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Midland Alpha Tsi Chapter Is Part Of International Group

Organized in February of 1948 the Midland Alpha Tsi Chapter of Epsilon Alpha Sorority has as its purpose the bringing together of young women of the community for educational and social activities.

Anne Tolbert is president of the group, which meets the second and fourth Monday nights of each month. Mrs. E. V. Gumm is the sponsor.

The sorority is an international group and has as its main project an Articular Foundation. Each year, chapters all over the world raise funds for this project through various means.

At Headquarters The foundation headquarters are at Loveland, Colo., where the sorority's home office is located. From the foundation, mobile units travel all over the United States testing the ears of children in rural schools and those who are lacking means for proper care.

If hearing defects are found and the child is unable to afford the needed medical treatment or hearing aid, the foundation supplies it.

Among the ways in which the Midland Chapter raises money for the foundation is its annual bake sale. The group also has an annual Founder Day Festival and a Christmas dance.

Other members are Mrs. John Nicholson, Mrs. Charles Aiken, Mrs. H. G. Brewer, Mrs. Frank Kehlenback, Joyce Crawford, Mrs. David Holster, Mrs. John Moffet, Mrs. Chester Skrabacz, Doris Stapleton, Mrs. Robert Wheeler, Mrs. Wade Smith, Jima Lou Gumm, Martha Elder, Sylvia Cearley, Mrs. Charles DeBarrie, Mrs. Thomas Brown, Mrs. D. B. Ogden, Patty Beal, Peggy Hysler, Mrs. J. J. DeBarrie, Esie McCrea, Bobbie Watson, Mrs. Dayton Bliven and Myrtle Brown.

Fowl Trick Fools Thieves

LONDON—(AP)—British poultry is going to wear tattoo marks just as in the United States and Canada.

The National Farmers Union is working on the marking plan to enable poultry keepers to identify their birds and foil foul play by chicken thieves.

New RRC Staff Members Named

Two new men have recently joined the District Eight, Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

James Lee of Ackerly, a recent graduate of Abilene Christian College, is the new director of personnel, in charge of tenders. D. R. Wadlington of Monahans, recently assumed duties as petroleum engineer. He is a recent graduate of the University of Texas.

While Looking To Future—

McCamey To Observe Silver Anniversary In Golden 50's

By BILL MOORE, Editor, McCamey News. McCAMEY—It's Silver Anniversary for McCamey in 1950. While most of the nation will take time out during 1950 to observe a half century of progress...

program. These community projects reflect the progress which the city as a unit of government has made...

Camey High School. The Park Building houses the Upton County Library. What is commanding these improvements?

But what probably will be done is of not so much importance as what has been done in the immediate past.

Many of the merchants have made improvements to their business buildings during the last year...

Oil Progress. In addition to this new source of revenue, the search for, and the discovery of oil seems to be ever evident in the area.

More important, however, for the majority of the McCamey citizenry is the 114 block city paving program...

Bank, Park Building. The greatest improvement made during the year was in the Security State Bank, when the interior was renovated.

and modern treatment for our elementary charges. Texas have never run from responsibility when it is fairly and squarely presented.

These improvements would consist of a new water well, a new overhead storage tank, a new sewage disposal plant and a new garbage disposal ground.

Also expected to be approved by early March is a new Fire Department and jail building.

There are indications that Texans are becoming aware, more and more, of the money costs of a responsive government.

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Man Settles For Model Mule Train

NORT HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. — A. J. McKnight, 90, who handles horses and mules for movie studios, has always wanted to drive a 20-mule team.

With clay and wood he settled down to making a scale model of a fully equipped team in action.

Interest Of Home Demonstration Clubs Of County Spreads Into Homes Of Community

Interests spreading from their own persons to their homes and their communities are shown in the 1950 program outlined for Midland County Home Demonstration Club members.

The other 1950 officers are Mrs. L. H. Moncrief, vice chairman; Mrs. J. C. Stevens, secretary; and Mrs. A. L. Repecks, treasurer.



Mrs. B. L. Mason is serving her second term as council chairman.

Westside—Mrs. O. R. Phillips, president; Mrs. J. C. Rudman, vice president; Mrs. Guy Creighton, secretary-treasurer.

Makers, Junior High, Greenwood and Terminal. Both the women's and girls' clubs are a part of the Texas State Extension Service program...

Greenwood—Mrs. Verne Dawkins, president; Mrs. N. E. Benton, vice president; Mrs. Neal Staton, secretary-treasurer.

FREE SIAMESE ASSETS. SINGAPORE — (P) — Siamese commercial assets held by the custodian of enemy property under the trading with the enemy legislation have been freed.

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Governor Says— Texas Is Ready To Meet Varied Problems In 50's

By ALLAN SHIVERS, Governor, State Of Texas. Written especially for the Oil Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram.



We are opening the decade by facing up to one of these problems—the provision of adequate care

Texas faces the Golden Fifties with confidence and a zestful outlook, ready to meet the challenge of social and financial problems that might daunt a less courageous people.

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West Texas Has Tremendous Stake In Outcome Of Urgent Depletion Allowance Battle

By Charles E. Simons, vice president and general manager, Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association

(Written especially for the Petroleum Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram)

If West Texas oil men can survive the tax collectors and razzle-dazzle journalism of the slick magazines and eastern columnists, they will continue to develop this part of the state in spite of the financially hazardous odds which give them four dry holes for every five wildcat wells attempted.

Without regard to the economic

facts of life necessary for the discovery and development of oil and gas reservoirs, the Treasury Department recently asked Congress to cut back the 27 1/2 per cent depletion allowance which has been used for a quarter of a century by operators to partially offset their dry hole losses in order to stay in the oil business. The whole West Texas oil development has grown up under this concept for preventing the operator from being taxed on return of his capital.

That is a foundation block in the whole structure of the country.

Recently a series of oil and gas association spokesmen, Railroad Commissioner Ernest O. Thompson, accountants, independent and larger company operators have sought to show the House Ways and Means Committee that the kind of incentive so essential to the development of such areas as West Texas would be killed by the Treasury Department proposals.

The place West Texas has in this fight shows up strongly when it is realized that about 30 per cent of the state's oil production comes from this section. Tampering with the tax laws in such a way as to curb exploration and development of West Texas oil reservoirs will be reflected in decreased drilling programs.

West Texas' part of the whole state's interest in this development is indicated by the fact that oil and gas operators have planned to drill about 29 per cent of all the wells to be drilled in 1950 in West Texas.

Even more significant, as far as costs to these operators go, it has been calculated by the trade publications that more than one third of all the footage in Texas will be drilled in West Texas.

The important pioneering effort is done in the wildcatting ventures. Recent estimates show that 27 1/2 per cent of all wildcats to be put down in Texas will be in the western section of the state. The incentive to do this financially hazardous exploration is provided, in part, by allowing the operator to deduct the discovery value of the oil he finds from his gross income. The 27 1/2 per cent of the value of the oil produced is estimated as being an approximation of that value.

Some operators hold, however, that with today's high costs of drilling, even that isn't enough. Last year West Texas had about 12 per cent of all the wildcats drilled in the state. About 18 per

cent of these 340 wildcat wells made oil producers.

In 1948 West Texas had about one-fourth of all the completions (both wildcat and development wells added together) and about a third of all the new Texas oil producing wells.

The West Texas area looms very large in the national drilling picture, too. According to trade publication estimates, more than 10 per cent of all the wells to be drilled in the United States this year will be drilled in West Texas and about 15 per cent of the total footage, indicating both deeper and costlier exploration and development for this section.

Last year, it is estimated, West Texas had about half of all the wells in the state which were put down deeper than 10,000 feet.

Also under fire in the Congressional hearings have been the rights of oil and gas operators to charge off the intangible drilling and development costs in the year in which they were incurred. These costs amount to only about half the total cost of a drilling operation. This feature of the current tax laws gives the operator an incentive to drill additional development wells.

The extent to which West Texas' prosperity is involved in this feature of the laws is indicated by the fact that about 91 per cent of all the development wells planned for the state this year have been programmed for West Texas.

This development program in West Texas has resulted in increased production to the extent that the area now accounts for about 30 per cent of the state's total crude output. This volume of production has been the source for much of the area's annual income. But the marketing of this oil, not only the West Texas operators but the landowners royalty owners and business communities benefit. As the volume of oil is increased, so does the State's tax

Fantastic Growth—Odessa Is Oil Field Supply Capital Of Permian Basin

By JOE H. HODGES, Assistant Manager, Odessa Chamber of Commerce

ODESSA—Writing for a special edition of West Texas Today back in June of 1940, Ray Camp, at that time managing editor of the Odessa News-Times, had this to say about his home city of Odessa—

"Odessa is a new, old town that has become a city! Here are the pioneers who staked down the plains and weighted them down with fine Herefords until the oil man could get here and dig a hole to bring out the liquid gold! Here cattleman has become oil man—and oil man has stayed to become a cattle enthusiast."

"Not so many years ago you guided your travel through this section by a windmill, but today you lay your sights on an oil derrick! In nights of long ago you kept your eye on the stars to lay a course, listening the while to coyote choruses. Driving nights these days, your highway is alight from flares that burn in every direction."

Today—February of 1950—with the exception of the flares lighting the highways, everything that Camp wrote about ten years ago is still true only on a greatly enlarged scale.

The federal population census of 1940 listed Odessa as a town of 9,462, an increase of some 300 per cent over the 1930 figure. That was considered phenomenal at the time, but if that growth was phenomenal, the activity of the past 10 years has been fantastic since the population is now estimated at 50,000.

Amazing Development And of course, the key to this amazing development is tied up in one "little" three-lettered word—OIL!

But oil didn't enter Odessa's history picture for a great many years, 1926 to be exact, and a lot of history was written between the city's first beginning in 1881 and the discovery date of black gold.

There are several stories as to how Odessa got its name, but the most widely accepted is that it was named by a band of Russian railroad workers who helped build the Texas and Pacific bed across these prairies in 1881. The story is that the country reminded the foreign workers of their homeland around Odessa, Russia, and suggested that name for the little railroad settlement. The idea seemed agreeable, so the little water-stop midway between Fort Worth and El Paso had a new title—Odessa!

Some of the more romantically inclined oil-timers will still contend, however, that Odessa got its name from a beautiful maiden of the early days whose father carried a great deal of influence among the ranchers of that time.

At any rate, by 1884 Odessa was still just a few boxcars alongside the tracks—the only man-made structures between Midland and the Pecos River. By 1889 the population had "soared" to 10 families and the town boasted three businesses. In 1926, prior to the discovery of oil, Odessa had a population of 110, two general stores, two hotels, and a bank.

Population Gains Even following the discovery of oil, development was comparatively slow for several years when compared to the events of the past four years. In 1930, the population was less than 4,000. By 1940 it was

9,462; by 1946 it had risen to an estimated 25,000 and then the fantastic growth really began.

Look at these figures: 1947—36,701; 1948—47,338; 1950—50,000—and growth still is continuing steadily although the pace has slackened somewhat with itineracy decreasing and permanency taking over.

During this year Odessa has retained its title as oil field supply capital of Texas and one of the nation's fastest growing cities, and there seems to be little reason to doubt that the picture will change greatly.

In fact, building so far this year is ahead of the same period last year with January being the biggest month in the city's history.

Oil and its uncounted sideline activities continue to operate at such a rate that month-to-month statistics are hard to operate at such a rate that month-to-month statistics are hard to tabulate accurately.

Ector County has over 3,500 producing wells and is no lower than second among "producing counties" in the state, but it's the supply business which has lifted Odessa out of the class of a commonplace oil production point to real stockpile for virtually every major manufacturing concern.

The number of supply and service houses now stands at approximately 200 with total sales annually in the neighborhood of \$91,000,000. Add to that figure the cost of pipe going out from Odessa to the scattered fields of the Permian Basin, and the total runs up to almost \$240,000,000.

Oil is found in virtually every part of Ector County except the area immediately adjacent to Midland County on the east. Another industry of vital concern to Odessa and Ector County because of its strategic "hub" position in the Permian Basin is that affiliated with the production of natural gasoline.

New refineries constantly are being built, and at the present time Odessa finds itself in the heart of an area containing more than 20 of these plants capable of producing upwards of 2,000,000 gallons of natural gasoline daily. Five of these plants, including one of the largest in all of West Texas, now under construction, are located in Ector County itself.

But there's more to Odessa's history than just the amazing oil saga.

Odessa Has— Odessa likes to boast about its school system—one of the finest in the nation; its athletic plant—without peer among Texas high schools; its churches—some 40 denominational buildings, many of them entirely new and modern; a daily newspaper; three radio stations; fine public utilities and some of the most outstanding and modernistic public buildings in the entire state, including over \$7,000,000 in new school buildings, a new \$850,000 county hospital and plans for a new million-dollar civic hotel.

Yes, Odessa and Odessans are proud of the place they occupy as the "Hub of the Permian Basin," but they are even prouder of the permanent and stable city which they have built and are building as each day passes.

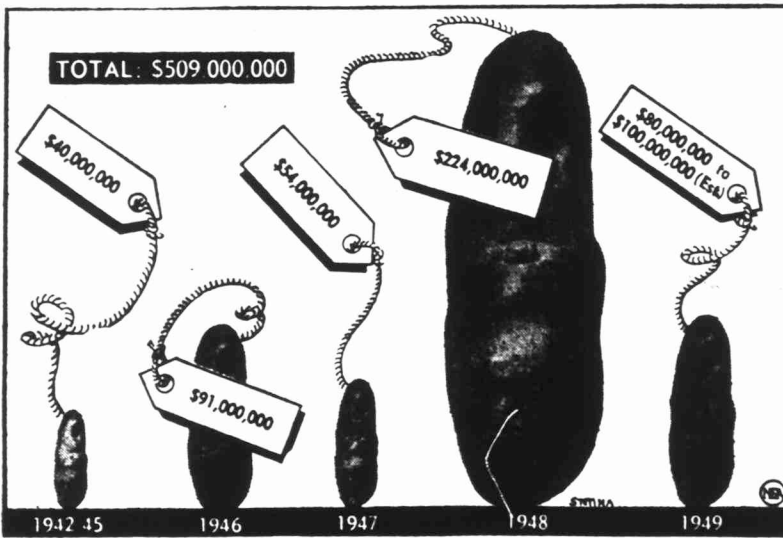
The Institute of Scrap Iron and Steel says demand for scrap went down in 1949 for the first time since 1946.

Puts Them All Together

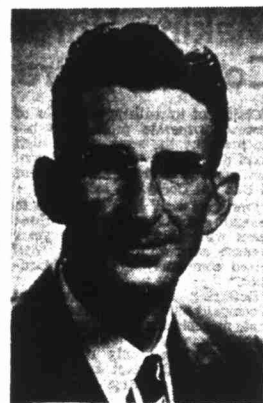


The Italian weekly magazine "Incom" featured on its front cover this "exclusive" scene showing Ingrid Bergman, a baby, Roberto Rossellini, the nurse and the doctor who attended the birth of Ingrid's baby son at the Villa Margherita clinic in Rome. On an inside page, the magazine explained that since it was "truly impossible" to take such a picture of Ingrid, Rossellini and son, they had pasted this one together from separate photos of all the principals and a room identical in all details to the one which Miss Bergman occupies.

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Higher Tax Advocates Making Unreal Claims, Company Prexy States

Claims of unrealistic estimates of postwar corporate profits are being made by the advocates of high taxes and higher wages, J. Howard Pew, director and former president of Sun Oil Company, believes. Pew says that it is deceptive to compare profits of the last three years with those of former years because severe inflation has "distorted completely the dollar yardstick." Referring to the problems that accompany inflation, Pew says that, in replacing plant and equipment, industry is allowed depreciation based only on original cost despite the fact that today's cost is two or three times the original cost. This problem is serious, he said, because unless industry can earn from its own operations enough means to "reproduce itself" when plant and equipment are worn out, the American industrial machine will gradually "shrivel up and die." He adds: "For an appreciation of the misery and suffering that would follow such a disaster, look at Great Britain today." Urges Truth Charging that stories of "legendary corporate profits" are poisoning the minds of the people, Pew urged that the American public be given "the unvarnished" truth that these so-called profits simply do not exist. He added that "some who prefer to live in a fool's paradise may find this task unpleasant." He contends that over the years consumers have obtained petroleum products at lower prices than any other major product. Even today, he added, despite the inflation of the last decade, the Wholesale Price Index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics lists petroleum and products at 110, compared to 153 for all commodities. "In the face of that record," he said, "only the ignorant or those who deliberately deal in untruths dare accuse the oil industry of extortionist price practices." The success of the oil industry over the years has been due to the indispensable contributions

Oil Industry Information Group Plans 1950 Program

DALLAS—The oil industry's information program is entering its fourth year, and will be carried on in 1950 with renewed activity, according to G. L. Tate, member of the national Oil Industry Information Committee, chairman of the Gulf-Southwest district committee and chairman of the OIIC's field activities committee. Tate is vice president of the Magnolia Petroleum Company. Basic objectives of the 1950 effort, Tate said, will be to make it clear to persons that their personal interest is best served by maintaining a competitive and privately managed oil industry. It is possible, he said, to show that more benefits reach more people because the many companies in the industry are competitive, providing consumers new and continuously improved products. Careful management of oil reserves and continuing research assure the nation an ample supply of liquid fuels for the foreseeable future, Tate asserted. "The functions of the OIIC during the forthcoming year will be, briefly, as follows," Tate continued: "First, to try to encourage and assist oil companies large and small to direct their own individual efforts toward the common goal of a better-informed public. Second, to provide the district and local committees with useful material and advise with them as to how their efforts best can be applied, in accordance with local conditions. To Continue Advertising "A national advertising program will be continued, stressing the central theme of oil's progress, to encourage and assist oil companies in their separate advertising efforts. Emphasis will be placed on the importance of the people within the industry, the employees, dealers, stockholders, royalty owners, and all others associated with oil. An effort also will be made to provide basic information about the petroleum industry to public groups, and to make available needed material for use in the school systems." In West Texas the Oil Industry Information Committee is headed by John W. House, Humble Oil & Refining Company, Midland. Other southwest members of the national panel of the OIIC are Charles E. Simons of Dallas, Texas; Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association; W. N. Finnegan, Jr., Humble Oil & Refining Company, Houston; and Jack Clarke, Lion Oil Company, El Dorado, Ark. The Gulf-Southwest District, of which Tate is chairman, includes New Mexico, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. "Efforts to develop a better public understanding of the oil industry's contributions to our social and economic life received a vote of confidence at the annual meeting of the American Petroleum Institute last November, when it was decided to continue the program and expand the means by which the industry can tell its story," Tate said. "Initiations are that informational work done by the district, state and local committees in the past three years has made a great many people better informed about the industry. Oil Progress Week, in particular, has been a successful event, and it will be repeated in October of this year."



G. L. Tate

Rankin In Position To Grow In Golden Fifties

RANKIN — This Upton County seat came to life in 1947 and stands today with a population more than double the 1940 figure. In 1940 the city had only 672 persons. Today the estimated population is 1,600. And the city expects to keep on growing. Building activities in the town are evidence of the faith in its future. Several new business establishments, completed recently, plus further development of nearby oil fields have stimulated a growth that places Rankin in a position to serve a large area during the Golden Fifties. Located on the Santa Fe Railroad, and Highway 67, Rankin is in the largest sheep raising area in the world. Each year a fat stock show for Upton County's youth is held. The 1950 show, held on February 11, was attended by one of the largest crowds in history. Today, the town spreads over more territory than ever before with several new additions having been added to the original townsite. The chief attraction in this Upton County capital is the new community center, completed in 1948 at a cost of \$125,000. Much of Rankin's development can be attributed to the Benedict field discovery in 1947. Since the field's development Rankin has recorded scores of new homes and apartment buildings. Born since the turn of the century, Rankin has been the county seat for Upton County since 1890 when offices were moved here from Upland. The city's original townsite was donated by the late F. E. Rankin to the Orient Land Company just prior to the time the railroad first came here. J. P. Rankin, son of the land donor, reigns as mayor of the city today. Church and school attendance has been constantly on the increase here since 1947. Postal receipts have shown a marked increase during recent years. The Lions Club of Rankin and the Business and Professional Women's Club were organized in

1948. Both have been very active in civic affairs. Rankin has an airport located at the eastern edge of town. Its graded runways are kept in good condition and are of sufficient length for the landing and take-off of all private planes. Many oil and livestock men own their own planes and use the Rankin field. Rankin's future, like many other West Texas cities, appears to be linked solidly with oil development in the Permian Basin.

Historic Landing Operation To Be Re-Instated In '50

AUSTIN — "Anvil," the Seventh Army's historic landing operation in Southern France, will be re-enacted at Port Belvoir, Va., this Spring in connection with "Logex '50," Col. Oscar B. Abbott, Chief of the Texas Military District, announced here recently. From a logistical viewpoint, "Anvil" is considered the most nearly perfect operation conducted by American forces during World War II. The exercise at Port Belvoir will be held from May 22 to 26, with many Texas Organized Reservists assigned to ORC Logistical Divisions attending. The reservists will receive familiarization with planning and conducting logistical operations in an active theater and furnish them with information covering the organization and operation of logistical commands. Participating personnel will be ordered to report to various schools throughout the Eastern United States. After orientation at the schools, the participants will go to Port Belvoir with the school groups for the exercise. "All applications of Texas Organized Reserve Corps officers must be in Texas Military District headquarters not later than March 3," Colonel Abbott concluded.

A New Producer-- Every 23 Minutes

The oil industry is replacing exhausted wells at such a swift pace that a new producer is brought in every 23 minutes, according to a study made by the American Petroleum Institute. Pacing a tremendous assignment of replenishing the exhausted wells, the industry is running pretty close to 2 to 1 in its discoveries. The search for oil is incessant, going on night and day, month after month, year in and year out. As a result, the nation's oil men have discovered more than 60,000,000 barrels of oil since 1939, the year of the industry's birth at Titusville, Pa. The pattern established so far and the increased geological knowledge of the present leave no doubt that much more oil is yet to be found. Testifying to the adequacy of the current discovery rate is the fact that domestic consumption requirements are being met handily and surpluses are being added almost constantly to the total of proved reserves. Despite the record-breaking demand of recent years, proved reserves are now at an all-time peak. With consumption averaging 2,900 gallons a second (252,000,000 gallons a day), the oil men are drilling wells at the rate of one every 13 minutes, and are finding new producers on the average of one every 23 minutes. Older wells, on the same basis, are passing out of existence at the rate of one every 41 minutes. Over the past 12 years, according to the API study, the industry drilled 200,992 producing wells in this country. During the same period 115,442 wells reached their economical production limits, and 118,008 wells ceased their natural flow and were placed on pumps. This means that every time 100 new oil wells are brought into production, 57 others are abandoned and 58 more become pumps. Not only has there been a steady increase in the number of producing wells brought in over the past 12 years, but also there has been an increase in the quantity of oil produced per well. Today, there are more than 435,000 producing wells in the United States, compared with 349,450 at the beginning of 1937, an increase of 24 per cent. Daily average production per well in 1948 was 12.8 barrels, compared with 9.8 barrels 12 years earlier, an increase of 30 per cent. This is a result of increased knowledge and improved engineering practices in relation to demand requirements. Reserves Increased Proved reserves of oil—that remaining underground and available for production at any time—currently aggregate almost 27,000,000,000 barrels (including 3,500,000,000 barrels of natural gas liquids). During the past 12 years these proved reserves have been increased 73 per cent, despite the skyrocketing demand of the war and post-war days. Oil discoveries during this period aggregated 28,800,000,000 barrels, while production at the same time totaled 18,400,000,000 barrels. This gave the proved reserves a net increase of more than 10,000,000,000 barrels. By no means are all well producers, however. While the oil men drilled more than 200,000 producing wells over the past 12 years, they also drilled 88,967 dry holes which were a complete financial loss. Records show that oil men average 44 dry holes for every 100 oil wells brought into production. In "wildcat" operations where exploratory wells are drilled in unproven territory, 405 dry holes are drilled for every 100 producing wells brought in. This means, on the average, that the chances of finding oil in unproven territory are one in five. Some "wildcat" wells have cost as much as a million dollars each. The average cost of drilling exploratory wells is \$50,000. Thus a wildcat operator may have to invest as much as \$250,000 to bring in one producing well. Exceptional costs like these are mute testimony to the reasons why the petroleum industry must invest huge sums to assure the American public an unflinching supply.

Held By Czechs



Aldon Johnson of Idaho Falls, Idaho, above, is one of two Mormon missionaries seized by Czechoslovakian officials in Moravia January 27. The Czech foreign office said Johnson and Stanley E. Abbott of Lehi, Utah, are being held for trying to enter a prohibited area. American officials in Prague expressed "grave concern" over the case.

Keeping Score Kept Police In A Hurry

BILSTON, ENGLAND — Police here had to keep changing their records on the number of rabbits they had in custody. A rabbit, strayed from her hutch, was found outside the City Hall. Taken to the police station, she gave birth to six babies. Later the babies died.

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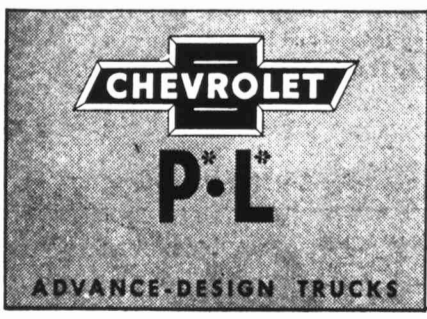
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Midland NSA Unit Aims To Grow In Size And Scope

With the three purposes of the national organization as its guide, the Permian Basin Chapter of the National Secretaries Association is striving to grow in size and scope during the coming years.



Tarche Fenoglio

Tary, Tarche Fenoglio is president; Evelyn Aiken, vice president; Evelyn Dunlap, treasurer; Lucille Smith, recording secretary and Frances Luchini, corresponding secretary.

The purpose of the organization, as outlined by the association, are to elevate the standards of the secretarial profession, to provide educational benefits, and to sponsor civic and social activities.

The NSA brings to secretaries an educational program designed to acquaint them not only with the broadened knowledge of literature, world affairs, business administration and other subjects, but, at present is sponsoring a program for the certification of secretaries.

Members of the Permian Basin Chapter at present are doing civic work by offering their services to the American Cancer Society in its current education program.

Christmas Island in the Pacific was so named because the explorer, James Cook, discovered it on Christmas day, 1777.

WT Geological Society Reports Varied Program

By JOHN M. HILLS, President West Texas Geological Society During 1934 the activities of the West Texas Geological Society were under the direction of the executive committee headed by W. T. Schneider, president, and composed of R. D. Chambers, vice president; J. A. Rogers, secretary; John Norman, treasurer; and W. A. Waldschmidt, past president.

This year's program opened with a talk by T. J. Agnich on "Geology of Limestone Basins." This was a special lecture for the West Texas Geological Society and was attended by a large number of geologists and geophysicists.

The next meeting on February 14 was in a less scientific vein with the subject of "A Brown Bear Hunt on the Alaskan Peninsula." Double billing featuring P. D. Moore and the Rev. Walter Mueher of Columbia University delivered one of the AAPG distinguished lectures on "Faults and Fault Patterns."

On March 31, Joseph A. Sharp delivered a special society lecture on "Aerial Magnetometer Operations." April 1 marked the completion of the membership campaign with a total of 384 local members and 64 out-of-town members, making a total of 448 members.

On May 25 W. H. (Henry) Conkling, division geologist for Sun Oil Company in Midland, delivered a lecture on the subject "Geological Structure of Southern Oklahoma." On May 27 the education committee made the society's annual award to the outstanding high school student of geology.

There has been much interest in this group with the attendance increasing from 35 to 59 throughout the year. A number of different geologists in Midland have assisted in this work by presenting discussions to the students on various geological subjects.

On September 14, Dr. Ross Maxwell, superintendent of the Big Bend National Park, gave a lecture on the geology of the park, illustrated by slides.

The four days before the meeting were occupied with a series of five field trips for the members of the local society and their guests.

Chairman of the field trip committee was John M. Hills. Trip No. 1 was a study of "Petrology and Igneous Geology of the Big Bend Area." It assembled at Marathon, and spent three days in the Big Bend Park and proceeded to El Paso by way of Marfa.

Excursion No. 4 was concerned with "The Permian Rocks of the Trans-Pecos Region" and assembled at Alpine, studied the Glass Mountains, spent two days in the vicinity of Carlsbad, New Mexico, inspecting the potash mines and Carlsbad Caverns as well as the Permian surface in Alamogordo in the Guadalupe Mountains before going to El Paso by way of the Delaware and Hueco mountains.

Excursion No. 5 was a study of the "Central Mining District of New Mexico" in the vicinity of Silver City. This trip spent three days studying 14 mines and the associated surface geology in the vicinity of Silver City and Santa Rita, New Mexico.

Excursion No. 6 was a study of the "Permian Rocks of the Trans-Pecos Area and Southern New Mexico." This party assembled in Marfa, studied the Marathon folds and the next day studied the early Paleozoic rocks of the Permian region and then proceeded to Alamogordo where the Paleozoic rocks were studied in the face of the Sacramento Mountains.

The Geological Society of America meeting at El Paso on November 10, 11, and 12, immediately following the field trips was under the general chairmanship of Ronald K. DeFord. The convention was attended by approximately 1,300 persons including most of the eminent geologists of the nation.

The convention was unique in that a local society took almost entire responsibility for arrangements and carried it through with success. We feel that this convention called the attention of the profession as a whole through the enormous potentialities of the southwestern region.

Dr. Theodore A. Link, prominent consulting geologist of Canada, spoke in December on one of the most controversial and widely discussed geological subjects at the present time: "Theory of Transgressive and Regressive Reefs." In his talk, he tried to show the relationships between the origin of the reefs producing the important oil of Alberta, Canada, with the reefs of the Permian Basin area.

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Out On A Limb Against Measure

NEW DELHI, INDIA.—(AP)—Twelve opponents of the Hindu Code Bill climbed a tree in Chandni Chowk, busiest market place in Delhi, and shouted slogans against the bill, which would give Indian women rights long enjoyed by their western sisters. Police arrested them in the tree top.

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Tax Refund Detectives

WASHINGTON—The federal government is counting on its "mechanical detectives" to put most of the tax-refund racketeers out of business this year. The refund racketeer works his game this way: Instead of filing just one income tax return, he files several duplicate returns with the idea of getting a refund on each of them.

The mechanical detective is properly called a collator. It quickly brings together cards having the same taxpayers' names on them. Bureau of Internal Revenue officials point out that some of the duplicate filing of income tax returns is the result of the ignorance of honest taxpayers. This has been the case with some wage earners who worked for more than one employer during the year and received more than one tax-withholding receipt.

A large number of taxpayers also make mistakes in reporting their income. Mostly they put in too little income although some have made the mistake of reporting their tax refunds as income.

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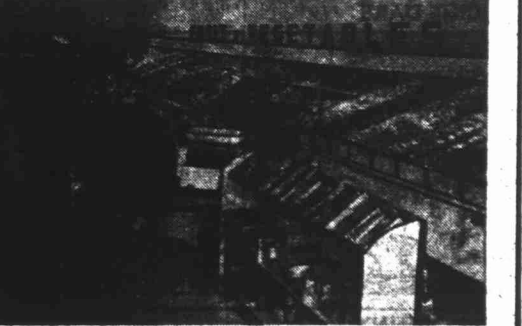
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DADDY RINGTAIL

By WES-LEY DAVIS

Daddy Ringtail And The Very Queer Egg

Daddy Ringtail slid down to the ground from his monkey house. He began to look around in the grass where the monkey boys had been playing. Daddy Ringtail had promised Sammy that he would try to find the ball that was lost.



Daddy Ringtail couldn't understand. Then she flew back to her nest, fluttering and fussing more than ever. Daddy Ringtail bent over to do the peeping in the log for the lost ball, but before he could peep—there the bird was back again, right in front of the end of his nose.

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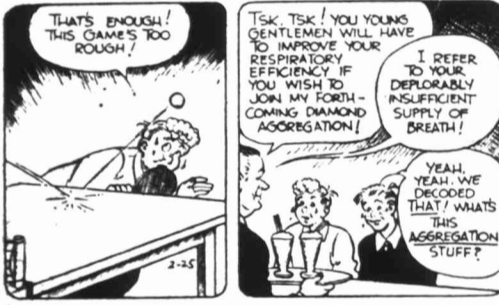
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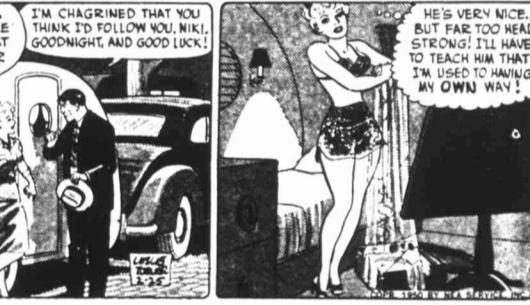
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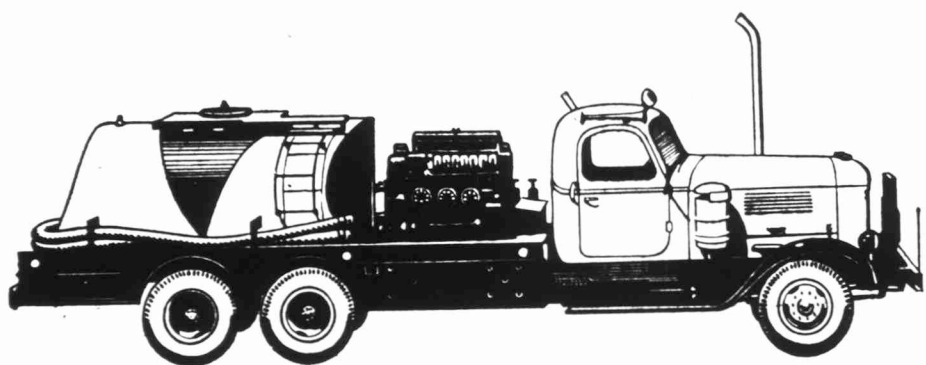
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Hardly A Day Goes By Unless Some Midland Business Firm Celebrates Its Anniversary

Midland business firms expect growth and progress in the Golden Fifties. Some have been here many years while others relatively are new. The newcomers outnumber the oldtimers, however.

Here are the special events—anniversaries, etc.—for a long list of concerns:

Business firms celebrate anniversaries and birthdays from year to year. On January 1, businesses which were the first to celebrate birthdays in the Golden Fifties included, the Tiny Tot Art School, Woods Service Station, Mims and Crane Insurance Agency. On January 2, D. & D. Service counted another birthday. Leaton's Beauty Shop became a year older January 3, and Majestic Cleaners and Walker Nursery counted birthdays on January 7.

The Service Club and Foster's Beauty Shop celebrated anniversaries January 9. Clyde Reyes Grocery had a birthday on January 10. On January 11, the New Texas and Pacific Railway station was opened to the public. Murray-Young Motors gained a year's growth January 12. Reynolds Grocery celebrated an anniversary January 17.

On January 18 the First National Bank's present building became 11 years old. Allen Music Company passed another milestone January 19. On January 20, Ponder Roofing Company became 12 years old. Watkin's Automotive Supply Company passed the four-year mark on January 27.

Williamson and Green Feed Store held its fourth year of duty January 28. Scott Clinic became a year old January 21 and the New Five-O Cab Company began operations that day.

Har-Wil Motors Court, opened in 1948 had a birthday February 3. Mode O Day became two years old that day.

The Arrow Service Station Number Two opened for business on the West Highway February 10. Cecil King's Fine Foods were being sold for the second straight year as of February 11. Fashion Cleaners, opened in 1948, and the Alamo Supply Company had their 12th birthday.

Alamo Supply opened for business that day. Tailorline Clothes, Inc. celebrated a third anniversary February 16. On February 19, Pioneer Airlines passed its third year of service to Midland. Checker Cab Company and Midland Nursery each counted a new year February 20.

Health and Templeton Plumbing Company, opened in 1947, is three years old Sunday. Monday the Sky Haven Trailer Courts will have been in service for two years.

Baker Oil Company will be four come February 28. On March 1, Midland Tractor Company and the Webb-Davis Fruit Company will celebrate anniversaries. Midland Tractor Company will be 10 years old. South Side Service Station passes another year mark on March 2. Here Anniversaries

On March 8, Midland Hardware and Furniture Company will celebrate its 45th birthday. Western Plastic Company will be three years old March 8.

Other birthdays for Midland firms and year of establishment, include: March 10—The Reporter-Telegram, published as a daily first in 1929; Roy and Roy Service Station, 1948; March 13—Doran Produce Company, 1944; March 15—Texan Drive-In Theater, 1948; March 26—Tower Barber Shop, 1948; April 1—Texas Garage and Body Shop, 1947; April 3—Chivers Grocery and Service Station, 1948; April 5—Brown's Grocery, 1948; April 7—Midland Brake Service, 1948; Stapleton Printing, 1948; Colberts, 1948; April 12—S&S Clothiers, 1948; April 14—Community Cash Grocery, 1946; April 15—Scharbauer Hotel, 1928; April 16—Whitson's Food Store; April 17—Service Drug; April 18—Midland Heights Beauty Shop, 1948; April 27—McNeal Paint and Supply Company, 1948; April 29—F. W. Woolworth Company, 1948; May 1—Neil Sheet Metal Company, 1944; May 2—Midland Insurance Agency, 1948; Dunagan Studio of Music, 1948; May 3—First Methodist Church building dedicated, 1943; May 4—Jackson Gift Shop, 1949; May 5—Ranch House, 1948; May 12—VFW Hall purchased, 1948; May 13—Terminal Coffee Shop, 1948; May 18—Craver-Hicks Company, 1947; Midland Planting Mill, 1947; Lavelle Cleaners, 1947; May 22—The United Store, 1928; May 31—Snow White Bakery, Whites, 1942; June 1—Excel-Sure

Cleaners, 1938, Peterson Jewelry and Watch Repair Shop, Broadway Motors, 1938, Georgia Goss Dancing School, 1948; June 2—Kings Drive In, 1948; June 10—Mid-West Paint and Glass, 1946; Chief Drive-In, 1948; June 11—Pieper's Appliance Company, 1949; June 16—Jimmy Burton's Electric Appliance; June 23—Mosell's Beauty Shop, 1947; June 24—Our Beauty Shop, 1947; Midland Office Machine Company, 1948.

July 1—Fashion Cleaners Number Two, 1948; July 7—Greene Furniture Co., 1946; July 9—Permian Electric Co., 1947; July 15—Triangle Food Market, 1946; Piggy-Wiggly, 1946; Local Bus Service began, 1945; July 18—Midland-Odessa B. U. Lines began operations, 1948; July 22—Breesway Trailer Park, 1948; July 25—Habit Cleaners, 1948; July 27—Permian Rug Cleaners, 1948; July 31—West Texas Brick and Tile Company, 1946; August 3—Suprex Steam Laundry, 1946; August 12—Ace Motors, 1946; August 13—Pryor Auto Supply.

August 14—The Doctors Exchange, 1949; August 15—Tullis Drug Store, 1946; Acme Advertising, 1947; Majestic Cleaners Number Two, 1949; August 18—The Book Stall, 1938; August 30—Curtis Pontiac Company, 1948; West Highway Dairy Queen, 1948.

And More Anniversaries September 2—Midland Studio and Camera Shop, 1942; September 5—Angelo Luggage, 1947; September 8—Doc's Barbecue, 1944; Variety Store, 1949; September 10—McMullans Dry Goods, 1934; September 12—Midwest Lumber Company, 1948; September 15—Firestone Stores, 1942; September 17—Midland Finance Company, 1945; September 18—Quincy Belles

Flowers, 1949; September 21—South Main Drug, 1947; September 23—J & M Steam Laundry, 1944; West-Tex Equipment Company, 1945; September 24—Palace Drug, 1948; September 29—Hine School of Business, 1948; September 30—Caffey Appliance Company, 1945, Ace (Colored) Theater, 1949.

October 1—Virtues, 1943; October 2—Pronto Pup, 1946; October 3—Looby Speech School, 1945, Allied Acidizers, 1948; October 6—Bakery Office Supply, 1947; October 10—Blue Bonnet Inn, 1948; October 15—Bootery, 1947; October 17—Frank Miller Studio and Hobby Shop, 1946, Help-Ur-SELF Laundry, Shop, 1946; October 23—Safeway Stores, 1923; Richardson's Nursery, 1943; October 24—Kingsway Courts, 1948; October 28—Tower Theater, 1947; October 29—Hughes Jewelry Company, 1945.

November 13—Miles Hall Buick Company, 1949; November 18—Mack's Chevron Service Station, 1947; November 23—Buddy's Flowers, 1947.

December 1—Pannell Brothers Sand and Gravel Plant; December 2—Chambers Lumber Company, 1945; West Side Service Station, 1949; Fitzgerald and Fitzgerald Garage, 1945; December 7—Frute-Howell Agency, Insurance, 1947; December 10—Westex Service Store, 1947; December 11—Mayflower Moving and Storage Service, 1949; December 12—Tommy's Electric Shop, 1943; Dainty Diddy Service, 1948; December 14—Pope's Texaco Station, 1945; December 20—Carleton and Brumelow Sporting Goods, 1946; December 21—Midland Mercantile Company, 1946; December 30—Bodeman and Hullum Insurance Service, 1946.

AAUW Scholarship Project—

(Continued From Page One) poets. The second half was given over to lighter music.

The concerts were designed principally for elementary school children and toward the end of the series, those who had been attending were asked to write compositions and submit them to Mr. and Mrs. Orr. About six were considered suitable for presentation and were played at the last concert.

After this concert, the AAUW received a letter from the Kansas City Conservatory of Music, requesting more information about the original compositions of the children. Future plans of the group include the resumption of these concerts as soon as possible.

Art Scholarships
In the art field, the AAUW works closely with Midland Palette Club Art Center in trying to promote more art activity in Midland. The first annual Art Festival was held during 1949 and many AAUW members worked on it. The art group plans to continue these festivals, and plans are that in the future materials and scholarships for deserving Midland artists will be given in place of cash awards to winners. The scholarships would be to the art classes taught by the out-of-city artists which the Art Center brings here.

These, and other AAUW activities, are carried on through the various interest and study groups which members join. These groups are open to any AAUW members or other interested persons.

Groups and their chairmen are: Mrs. Brandon E. Res, creative writing; Mrs. James Marberry, contemporary literature; Mrs. R. B. Lambert, opera study; Mrs. Thomas piano for fun; Mrs. C. F. Henderson, recent graduates; Mrs. J. B. Richards, Spanish; Mrs. Terry Tidwell, social studies; Miss Elliott, interna-

Germes Seem To Avoid Subway

LONDON — (AP) — The air in London subways is not so filthy as you might think. Scientists of a public health laboratory made six rush-hour roundtrips on one line and took a germ count by exposing sticky "culture plates."

They found considerably fewer bacteria in the subway cars than they had counted in an elementary school and in some public offices.

Animals Get Laughs Without Gag Writers
CHICAGO — (AP) — Animals can get laughs on television without any help from gag writers. Taka, for instance, Herbert, the orang-utan, He was in the midst of his unicycle ride on the Super Circus show when he decided to pad his part. He stopped, picked up the wheel and threw it at the band leader.

Herbert was doing a roller skating turn when the urge to ad lib seized him again. He snatched off a skate and hurled it through the bass drum. He got his laughs—and the hook, too.

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Search And Development Important

American oil industry's effort to search for and develop new sources of petroleum supplies is of paramount importance to every American and of particular importance to the immediate and future security of the nation.

In 1949, exploratory drilling in the United States stood at its highest rate. Nine per cent more wildcat wells were drilled and a record depth was set, exceeding 20,000 feet. While final results of exploratory activities are not yet available, there is ample evidence that further substantial additions were made to proved, underground reserves.

Greater Gain Expected
In 1948, the oil industry found 4.3 billion barrels of petroleum liquid reserves and closed the year with a proved, underground inventory of nearly 27,000,000,000 barrels, after producing over 2,000,000,000 barrels of oil. With exploration even more intensified, and reported to be more successful, in 1949 than in 1948, it is quite likely that proved reserves of petroleum liquids increased to a greater extent in 1949 than in 1948.

The records of petroleum industry offer no substantiation of statements heard frequently to the effect that the nation is running out of oil. Too often, figures are used to show that proved oil reserves divided by the annual rate of production represent a supply sufficient only to last 13 years.

The present ratio of reserves to production is about 13, but the records show that this ratio has changed little during the last 24 years. In fact, the ratio of reserves to production in 1923 was 10. Since then the oil industry has produced over four times as much oil as was then reported to be in the then proved reserves and still has 27,000,000,000 barrels in the unproved underground inventory.

Important Consideration
The facts show that oil men during the last 24 years have discovered 1.6 times as much oil as has been produced. An extremely important consideration in this respect is that these figures account only for oil that has been discovered.

Continuing exploratory drilling is confidently expected to reveal the presence and ultimate availability of much greater quantities of oil.

Proved Reserves
Jan. 1, 1925 7,500,000,000 bbl
New oil discovered 19,514,949,000 bbl
1925-1948 48,514,949,000 bbl
Total 56,014,949,000 bbl
Production, 1925-1948 29,193,722,000 bbl
Proved Reserves as of Dec. 31, 1948 26,821,227,000 bbl

This Jury Rules Teaching Not Work

ELMIRA, N. Y. — (AP) — A jury has ruled officially that it isn't work to teach someone to fry oysters. Mrs. Ruth Granger, waitress, testified she wasn't working, but was instructing a novice cook, when inspectors called at Paul Battisti's cafe.

The jury acquitted Battisti of permitting a woman to work between midnight and 6 a. m.



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Proud of our maintained leadership in Midland since 1908 . . . we continue to bring the foremost in fashion to the good ladies of West Texas, ahead of many metropolitan markets . . . striving to help keep Midland a good place in which to shop . . . and live.

Since the opening of this store back in 1908, it has ever been the aim of the owners and operators to bring to the women and girls of Midland and West Texas the very latest fashions of the leading designers of America . . . and the world. Though some of our late modes may look very much like the issues of 1908 you may be assured they are not holdovers in our store for that long . . . for each season brings an entirely new stock of current fashions for midlady at Colbert's.

As evidence of our efforts to continue to keep apace, or better still, set the pace for modern merchandising in West Texas, we recently moved into our new store which is one of the most advanced store settings in West Texas, and has brought acclaim from all who have seen it.

Although oil did not bring Colbert's to Midland we certainly appreciate what it has meant to us. Many, many of our good customers over the past decades are associated with the oil business in one way or another and we attribute a great part of our progress and success in recent years to their patronage.

As Midland grows and West Texans continue to prosper we are hopeful of even greater service to our good customers in the years ahead.

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★ Blue Ridge		

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★ Sydney	★ Capri	★ Berne

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★ Pacesetters	★ Ted Saval	★ Penaljo

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★ Studio Styles	★ American Room	
★ Casper-Davis	★ Yvonne	

Gloves

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Oil Men Use Helicopters Fulltime In Exploration

Use of helicopters in oil exploration work has reached a fulltime stage, especially in the marsh lands of Louisiana. Two service companies, operating eight helicopters, offer a contract service just like any other commercial service.

A substantial amount of pioneering work had to be done to get helicopter service to its present status; and additional ideas are being worked on right now. At the regional exploration societies meeting in Blount, Miss., some of the results were demonstrated in a dramatic fashion.

In addition to the demonstration, E. E. Gustafson of Bell Aircraft Supply Corporation supplied some interesting data on the results of 18 months' practical experience. In seismic operations, two or three helicopters are used. Experience, it is claimed, has shown that production is always doubled, and sometimes tripled as compared to normal ground methods. Helicopters assist in laying and towing cable, planting of geophones, moving recording equipment and observers into position, transporting shooting crews and dynamite to shoot holes, and transporting the shot-hole drilling rig and crew from one spot to another.

Use Has Progressed
The use of helicopters in gravity-meter work has progressed considerably since the earliest trials. Nowadays the helicopter has holes in the floor, through which a tripod can be lowered into the marsh. The gravity meter fits on top of the tripod and the observer takes his reading without leaving the ship.

One company recently completed a seven-month job involving the use of helicopters. The total number of stations was 9,342 or 1,324 per month. Of these, 7,374 were new stations, 1,557 base checks, and 411 reruns. More than half of all the work was "fill in," cleaning up and filling in areas that had been previously surveyed by other methods.

Midlanders Named On Oil Imports Study Committee

Four Midland men are serving as members of a Citizens Committee to seek a solution to the foreign oil imports problem. The committee has 100 members.

J. E. (Ed) Warren, president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America; James L. Daugherty, governor of District 2-T-2, Lions International; John C. Dungan, businessman-rancher, and W. P. Z. German, Jr., Midland attorney, were appointed to their posts by William J. Murray, Jr., chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission. The Railroad Commission chairman said he hopes the 100-member committee will see fit to conduct its own investigation of the import problem, "arriving at a course of action which will be in the best interest of our state and nation."

John D. Mitchell of Odessa and Henry W. Smith of Big Spring also are members of the committee, which includes citizens from all sections of the state.

The target for flying was 22 working days per month; the actual average was 21.4 working days per month, indicating the dependability that has been reached. The safety record established by one company is rather impressive. There were only five accidents, nobody injured in any of them, in over 8,000 hours of flying time.

Good Safety Record
Considering that a pilot may make from 100 to 300 landings and takeoffs in a day, the record is still more impressive. In large part this is due to the special pilot training used. Regardless of a helicopter pilot's past experience, he is given a special "oil pilot" training course. Some of the special problems are landings and takeoffs in saw grass, hidden stumps in grass, crosswind landings on barges, etc. When a man has finished this course he is considered a really experienced marsh pilot.

The surveying for position location is still something of a bottleneck. At present in some cases the location can be determined from the use of aerial photographs, and then transferred to other maps; triangulation by surveyors on top of wooden towers is still used in some cases. This involves moving towers and surveyors and reduces production time. Experiments are now going on in the development of lightweight shoran radar to be carried in the helicopter.

In the relatively flat marsh land, elevation problems are not so serious, therefore the airborne shoran may solve most of the problems of surveying there. In more rugged topography the problem of securing elevation data quickly still remains.

Many Lessons Learned
It is a rather curious quirk that the first commercial use of the helicopter should be in the coastal swamps. In their pre-war days, most exploration scientists had visions of helicopters floating gently over mountainous terrain, while the scientist leisurely examined the country below. Unfortunately the aerodynamic facts of life regarding service ceilings, useful load-carrying capacity at various altitudes, etc., brought about a completely opposite result.

However, experimental-model helicopters capable of carrying 12 passengers or 3,000 pounds' useful load are now being test-flown at the factory. At this moment, however, the only other oil-exploration use of helicopters is in the Canadian bush country, where gravity surveys are being made.

Out of all these operations, many lessons are being learned. So, the day will probably come when the geologist's dream will come true, and he will be able to hover over rugged mountain terrain and examine the geology from a true "bird's-eye view."

D. Davis, manager of the local station, heads a payroll of 50 employees who work out of Midland. Davis, who began work with the railroad in 1918, has been head man here since 1937. The Texas & Pacific, serving the

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SECTION THREE

Going Again In Golden Fifties



Here is shown a group of Midland Lions Club Orchestra members when they embarked for New York and the Lions International Convention in 1948. The crack musical outfit is scheduled to go to the international party in Chicago in 1950. A campaign to raise \$4,000 for this purpose now is in progress. The orchestra gained wide publicity for Midland at the New York meet. A repeat performance is anticipated in 1950.

Texas And Pacific Serves Basin Area

Texas and Pacific Railway Company, one of the top transportation services for the Permian Basin area since the early 1880's, has an eye cocked to the Golden Fifties with prospects of even better service.

Thousands of barrels of crude oil carried out, and tons of oil well equipment carried in, have been handled by the T&P since the first rails were laid in Midland almost 70 years ago, the Texas and Pacific has carried a large bulk of the Permian Basin's needs. One of its most modern stations is located here.

Convenient passenger schedules, modern, diesel-powered trains, the latest in communications equipment, all make for more and better service. Texas and Pacific passenger trains have new modern coaches, affording much comfort to its passengers.

D. Davis, manager of the local station, heads a payroll of 50 employees who work out of Midland. Davis, who began work with the railroad in 1918, has been head man here since 1937. The Texas & Pacific, serving the

heart of Texas and offering important connections with the nation's other leading railroads, has been in operation for more than 78 years. Six presidents have headed the huge organization. W. G. Vollmer of Dallas, current president, was a visitor in Midland in January when the new station was dedicated.

Synonymous Growth
With prospects for continued prosperity for the Midland area during the Golden Fifties, the T&P appears ready to continue to shoulder its share of the transportation load. Its progress has been synonymous with the growth of West Texas.

One of the transportation pioneers in West Texas, the railroad's first important assignment was hauling beef cattle to the markets. With the discovery of oil in the area in the twenties, Texas and Pacific immediately began the task of transporting equipment, passengers and supplies to the Permian Basin.

Among the modern improvements made by the railroad are its new powerful diesel engines which

Congress This Year Not Expected To Support Vet Bonus

NEW YORK—Although a bonus to veterans is gaining support within servicemen's organizations, there isn't much sentiment in Congress to do anything about it this year, according to Business Week.

The magazine notes that a bonus would pour out billions, while the inclination is to hold it in reserve as a pump-primer, to be used when and if there is a severe recession. Many types of moss have "teeth" which close up on damp days and permit spores to escape only in dry weather when they can be blown about by the wind.

head the majority of the trains passing through Midland. All passenger trains on the T&P line now are pulled by the speedy diesels.

The installation of cab-to-caboose radio telephones has aided greatly in the communication system of the railroad. New and heavier cars, rails and modern signal lights, and stations also have been installed.

Healthy Enthusiasm—

Midland Chamber Of Commerce Has Work Program Designed To Assure Continued Progress In Golden 50's

By DELBERT DOWNING
Manager, Midland Chamber of Commerce
"Men plus a program plus teamwork equals accomplishments—assuring progress in 1950."

The Midland Chamber of Commerce enters the new year's work with a healthy enthusiasm, which assures accomplishments in 1950.

Under the leadership of President Robert L. Wood, the directors and membership committees already have accepted a challenge to increase the membership from its present 650 to 1,000. So, with the slogan "A thousand in '50," an active membership campaign is to be conducted.

Work of the Inter-City Relations Committee is underway. Through their work Midland has been represented at club shows in Rankin, Garden City and Stanton.

Industrial Expansion. Work for the other committees is cut out for them, as follows:
The Industrial Expansion Committee is to obtain all possible information concerning available locations for industries and a plot of same is to be prepared in sufficient quantities to mail out to industries that inquire about possible locations.

Publicity
The Publicity Committee will continue to publish and distribute factual data on the City of Midland and will continue to send out pictures and news items of interest to newspapers and magazines.

Military Affairs
Through the Military Affairs Committee the Chamber of Commerce will cooperate with veterans organizations, State and National Guard units, reserve officers organizations, Army, Air Force and Navy personnel at all times.

Wranglers Club
The directors are to encourage the activities of the Wranglers and work with the club in obtaining new memberships and in their activities of greeting and publicity.

Housing
The Housing Committee will assist veterans and others in obtaining living quarters.

Special Project
The Program of Work Committee discussed at length the special project of 1949 in which the Chamber attempted to obtain a suitable exhibit building. Following the

discussion, the committee voted unanimously to propose the following special project:

The Chamber of Commerce president is to appoint a special committee to investigate the possibilities of having erected a County Park Building, suitable for holding the county fair and other attractions.

The committee is to carry through on such a project if found feasible by the directors.

Water
The Program of Work Committee suggests the creation of a committee to familiarize itself with all water information which now is available. It is to report to the board its findings, together with suggestions as to the proper course to be pursued by all interested parties to insure Midland an adequate water supply in the future.

Agriculture—Livestock
The Agriculture and Livestock Committee is to assist dairymen, ranchers and farmers in any projects which they might undertake and which are designed to advance their vocations. The committee also will assist the 4-H and FFA Clubs in their programs and undertakings and will work with the county agent and county home demonstration agent in staging shows and exhibits.

Retail Development
To develop and sponsor retail expansion program and enlarge good-

will programs throughout the Midland area is the goal of the Retail Development Committee. Events similar to the 1949 Treasure Hunt will be sponsored if such is desired by retail merchants.

Special Attractions
Continued cooperation with Midland Fair, Inc., in staging the World Championship Rodeo is assured. The committee in charge of special attractions is urged to explore every possibility of having practical, fitting ceremonies or celebrations each holiday.

The committee also will cooperate in the advancement of high school activities, baseball, softball, golf, shooting, swimming and other city-wide entertainment programs, contests and tournaments.

Petroleum
The Chamber of Commerce will serve oil interests and oil company personnel at all times. The distribution of the popular Permian Basin map will be continued and cooperation with the various petroleum organizations is assured.

Wholesale Distribution
The Wholesale Distribution Committee is to work with existing wholesale distributing firms and is to advise with prospective new firms.

Civic Affairs
Through the Civic Affairs Committee the Chamber of Commerce will assist in all efforts on plans for city beautification, planting of shrubs, safety and health campaigns, youth programs, etc.

The committee will continue to encourage leadership in the negro and Latin American sections of the city to assure full cooperation in the various programs.

Continued cooperation with local governments, the post office and other governmental agencies is assured. Utility companies and transportation concerns are assured the cooperation of the committee in any of their undertakings to enlarge their services.

The committee is asked especially to cooperate wherever possible with the City Park Commission in developing the city's parks.

Conventions And Tourist
The Chamber of Commerce is to encourage all groups to bring conventions and meetings to Midland whenever possible. Special efforts are to be made to make Midland an information center for tourists. The

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Poll Taxes Increase

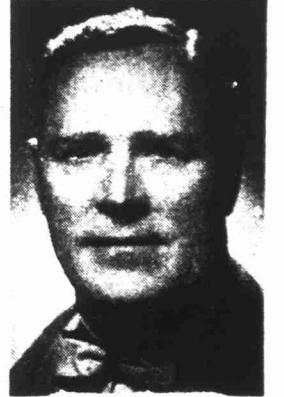
The voting strength of Midland County is growing.
Here are poll tax payments by years since 1936:

Year	Number
1936	2,136
1937	1,801
1938	2,592
1939	2,707
1940	2,986
1941	1,982
1942	3,177
1943	2,266
1944	3,838
1945	3,307
1946	4,015
1947	4,064
1948	5,679
1949	4,176
1950	6,342



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Petroleum Industry In West Texas Is Headed For Another Great Year

By JOSEPH HUTTLINGER
Washington Oil Correspondent.
Prepared especially for the Reporter-Telegram's Petroleum Progress Edition.

WASHINGTON — If oil imports are kept under control, and crude oil prices remain firm, the petroleum industry of West Texas is headed for another good year in 1936.

Surveys indicate the area will see the greatest increase in drilling of any section of the nation. Employment, production, sales of crude oil and money in the area would increase as a consequence.

This means good times.

One of the biggest threats facing the oil industry, the government's drive for legislation to lower the depletion allowance from 27.5 to 15 per cent, will be much in the news throughout the year.

Some oil producers may take into account the possibility that a tax change of some sort could go into effect as soon as next year, and trim their production plans accordingly. But reports reaching Washington are that oil men are going ahead without regard to the possible change. At best, there's only an outside chance Congress will act this year to make serious changes in the depletion allowance.

Estimates of 1936 production in West Texas vary, but it is unlikely it will be lower than last year. Production may be higher, and how much would depend upon the level of imports. The Bureau of Mines says total domestic demand will be 4.5 per cent greater in 1936 than last year. It says exports will fall off 25 per cent, assumes imports will continue at the present rate.

The cries of despair heard in the oil fields in Washington, the actuality of the 18-day producing month, seem at odds with the ambitious plans of most oil operators. Recent surveys indicate that the number of wells and footage drilled over the country promises to be about equal to that of last year.

The Oil and Gas Journal's forecast says 37,414 wells will be drilled in 1936 on the basis of its survey. The footage will total 138 million feet. This is 1,234 fewer wells, but 475,000 feet more than last year.

In West Texas, however, the prospects are far brighter. The

forecast is for 4,070 wells, about 800 more than last year. Total footage is estimated at 21 million, five million more than last year.

No area of the country promises such a growth of domestic drilling as the West Texas section, according to the Journal's estimate.

In contrast, North Texas fields will show lower drilling. A drop of 529 wells to a total of 3,955 is forecast. A drop of 1.5 million in footage is foreseen.

This is not to say that all's well in oil. No less an authority than the National Petroleum Council, which includes representatives of all importing companies as well as independents, sees trouble ahead.

In a recent report, it says imports are too high and promise "further damage" to the domestic economy and national security. In 1949, as a result of oil imports, there was a "steady decline in geological exploration, which may logically be expected to result in a decline in the number of wildcat wells drilled."

What happens about imports depends largely on Washington.

Already the campaign of independents had won a victory. The tide has turned, for the first time since the close of the war, and five importing companies announced cutbacks in planned imports. While the total reduction is only 60,000 barrels daily, and imports average about 780,000, this is the first turning of the tide. It may go on.

Unless the downward trend continues, the prospects are that Washington will act. The chance this might run afoul of the anti-trust laws can be avoided with government sponsorship, but some oilmen want a law of Congress authorizing such a conference.

Further on imports, Congress is studying legislation to set a quota, perhaps 300,000 barrels daily, and to tax foreign oil at \$1.05 a barrel. Prospects are neither measure can muster enough support now that House Speaker Sam Rayburn is against them.

As another cause, President Truman has the power, but is loath

to use it, to set oil import quotas under "escape clauses" in tariff agreements with foreign countries. Suggestions that importing companies produce a barrel less of domestic oil for each barrel they bring in have met little support.

Oil field jobs would remain just as scarce, and state revenues would receive no support from such a measure, say oil producers.

Linked closely with the drive to lower imports, is the current battle between the British and Americans for control of world markets. Whatever happens in the next weeks or months changes nothing; the fact is that this promises to be a going battle, continuing for years. It's far beyond Britain's drive to save dollars; it's Britain's move for complete control over petroleum markets in Europe, Asia, Africa and parts of Latin America.

The vacillating position of the U. S. State Department virtually gave the go ahead to the British in recent months; it's going to be hard to stop them permanently from resorting to unfair trade practices. Whichever meets the British gain by restrictive barrier agreements, refusal to let American companies sell for sterling, means added pressure on the level of imports to the U. S.

In the petroleum industry is split on the issue of imports. It is united in opposition to the Truman administration's drive to change the depletion allowance given oil and gas producers.

In the most vigorous assault against the depletion allowance within the memory of Washington observers, the President called oil men "a privileged group." He is asking Congress that:

(1) Percentage depletion allowance be reduced from 27.5 to 15 per cent of gross income, limited to 50 per cent of net income.

(2) Operators electing to charge expense intangible drilling developments costs be required to reduce income from the property by the amount of the expended costs in computing depletion allowance.

(3) The general corporation income tax rate be increased from the present 38 to 42 per cent.

On the principle of percentage depletion, there is no assault now. The size of the allowance is under fire. That narrows the issue, but between 27.5 per cent and 15 per cent, there is involved \$400 to \$500 million annually.

If the Treasury wins, the government gets the millions. If Congress refuses to change the law, the oil operator gets them.

To call the outcome of this battle is to risk error; but a partial poll of members of the House Ways and Means Committee shows little disposition to go along with the government this year.

Next year may be different, for the tax fight will be resumed.

A score or more hearings and investigations lie ahead for the petroleum industry. Some may make headlines, some may win little attention in the press. All are vital to oil men.

Gasoline prices are under study by the Senate Small Business Committee, which is trying to decide whether to hold more hearings, or issue a report saying prices are too high.

Overall relations between government and the oil industry are coming under study when Rep. Oren Harris (D-Ark) opens hearings on his petroleum policy council bill. If this goes as expected, it will be the most comprehensive inquiry into the oil industry in years.

Since the Harris plan might end Interior's Oil and Gas Division, and its advisory group, the National Petroleum Council, the NPC has rejected the proposal. The measure would create an inter-agency council to direct and counsel the petroleum industry.

Synthetic petroleum production may occupy more attention, al-



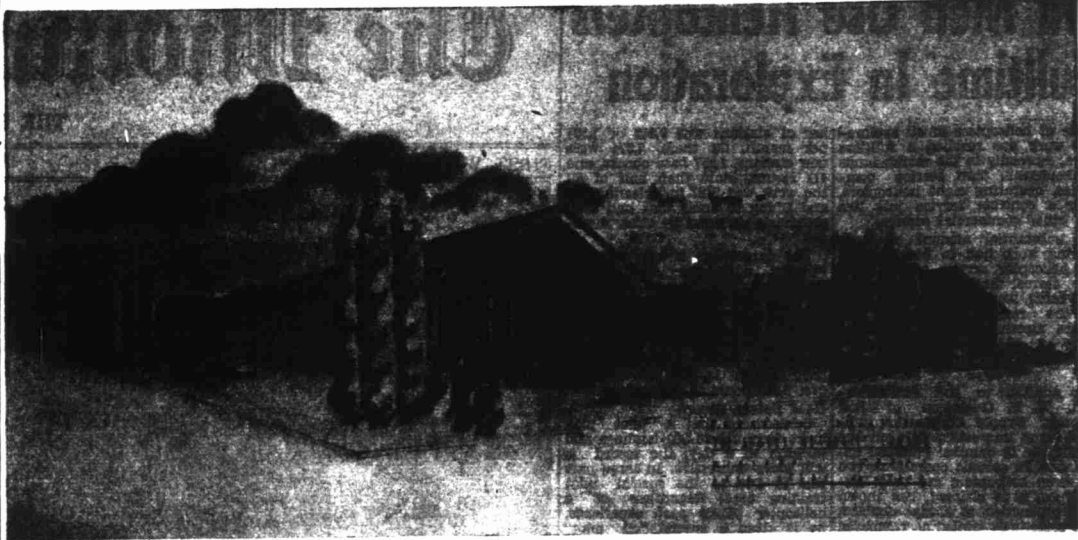
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Proposed Asbury Methodist Church

By REV. J. LENNOL HESTER
Pastor, Asbury Methodist Church

The Asbury Methodist Church was organized June 8, 1947. The Rev. Howard H. Hollowell, minister of the First Methodist Church of Midland, and members of that congregation felt that another Methodist church was needed. They presented a plan for the organization of the new church to the district superintendent and bishop, who assisted in further planning.

The Rev. J. Lennol Hester was appointed assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church, Oct. 1, 1946. Eight months later a building was purchased at South Loraine and West Washington Streets. Mr. Hester was appointed pastor of the new church at the session of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference which met in Amarillo, May 28.

Loraine and West Dakota Streets. Now the first unit of the new building has been completed at a cost of \$37,261, and the new sanctuary will be erected as soon as possible. When the building program is finished, the total cost will be approximately \$100,000.

The pastor, the official board and the membership of the First Methodist Church have maintained a high interest in the welfare of Asbury from its beginning. They have contributed about \$14,000, and Mr. Hollowell personally assisted in furnishing the pastor's study in the new building.

The church now has 396 members with a Church School enrollment of about 200.

Mrs. Mary Scharbauer has contributed greatly to the welfare of the church. Besides contributing to the building fund of the church, she has provided a house at 606 South Loraine Street which has been used as the parsonage since the organization of the church.

Midland Among Building Leaders

Midland ranked fifth in West Texas in the total units value of new dwelling constructed in 1949, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Here are the figures for West Texas cities:

(Figures in thousands of dollars.)

City	Dwellings	Units	Value
Lubbock	1,786	1,826	\$11,926
El Paso	1,341	4,695	4,695
Odessa	797	4,592	4,592
Abiene	680	4,295	4,295
MIDLAND	665	3,904	3,904
Wichita Falls	739	3,333	3,333
San Angelo	515	2,861	2,861
Big Spring	164	1,387	1,387
Sweetwater	149	694	694
Levelland	124	589	589
Lamesa	106	561	561
Brownwood	84	528	528
Monahans	32	130	130
McCamey	7	19	19

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Rev. Lennol Hester

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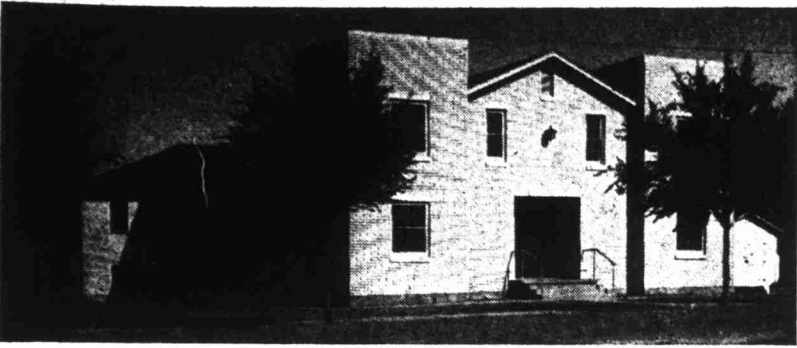
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Conceived In Man's Heart, Born In Tent, Cradled In Cottage-- Is Church History



By REV. A. L. TEAFF
Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church
Conceived in the heart of a man of God; born in a tent; cradled in a cottage—thus reads the history of the Calvary Baptist Church, 1001 South Main Street. And although the church is only a little more than nine years old, it today ranks in every way with the largest churches of the city, and is continuing to make progress in a remarkable manner.

The Rev. Fred McPherson, now pastor of the South Side Baptist Church, Lubbock, dreamed of a church to serve South Midland. His



Rev. A. L. Teaff

dream came true when a church was organized in a tent at 700 South Main Street, Dec. 1, 1940, with 70 charter members. Within a few weeks it was meeting in a new cottage at 1005 South Main Street, which today serves as a home for its pastor. In 1943 the present educational building was completed, and in October, 1945, the auditorium was finished under the direction of the Rev. A. W. Smith who was the pastor at that time. The church plant stands as a monument to all those who have wrought so well in the past.

From its beginning, the Calvary Baptist Church has been affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Big Spring Baptist Association, which is a part

The Calvary Baptist Church

of District Eight. This church cooperates fully with the missionary, educational and benevolent work of Texas and Southern Baptists. The Rev. A. L. Teaff, pastor, serves as Vacation Bible School director of the Big Spring Baptist Association. Calvary Baptist has kept pace with Midland in its remarkable growth. Every year has seen outstanding achievements. From its small beginning has grown a church membership of more than 650. Since the beginning of this associational year, Sept. 1, 1949, additions to the church in the regular services have totaled 60, including 11 professions of faith. During this same period, a total of \$6,288.22 has been given through the church, more than 10 per cent of which goes to outside causes. An electric organ has been installed and paid for, and several improvements to the building have been made.

Plans for the immediate future for the church include the following: a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, February 26 through March 3, in cooperation with all the churches of Big Spring Baptist Association; a revival meeting April 9-23, simultaneously with similar efforts in some 8,000 other Baptist Churches west of the Mississippi River; a Vacation Bible School early in July, simultaneously with the other churches of this association led by the Invincibles (college students who give their Summers to this type of work).

Definite plans for enlarging the church plant and organization must be made soon.

Holding places of leadership in the church this year are the following: J. R. Richardson, Sunday School superintendent; George Griffin, Training Union director; Mrs. A. E. Bowman, W.M.'s president; J. H. Beatty, Brotherhood president; Mrs. Vera McLeRoy, choir director; Mrs. Charles Welch, organist; Mrs. A. L. Teaff, pianist; Mrs. J. R. Truss, clerk; Mrs. Hoyt Burris, treasurer; and Herschel Beatty, head usher.

The Sunday School at present has an enrollment of 518 and the Training Union has 224 enrolled. All age groups are well cared for in both organizations. A well-staffed, well-equipped nursery is open for every service of the week to care for the babies. Germicidal lights protect their health, making it perfectly safe for babies of all ages to be

Plan 24,000 Troops In Alaska By 1952

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Military planners intend to have 24,000 Army and Air Force troops in Alaska by June 30, 1952. They believe that will be ample defense for the territory. They agree with Gov. Ernest Gruening of Alaska that the present force of 7,500 men there is "next to nothing." But they differ with some officials who have urged that very heavy forces be placed in the territory. Large masses of fighting men could not be used there, they say, either by attackers or defenders. They could not be provided in the field with the vast amount of supplies and equipment needed for modern warfare.

There is only one railroad of any length, the narrow gauge one from Anchorage to Fairbanks, single-track most of the way. Highways are few and inadequate. None of them, including the new 2,000-mile Alaska (formerly Alcan) Highway, that stretches from Central Canada into the heart of Alaska, has a hard surface. The long, deep winter freeze in the Arctic would wreck a surface but 18-inch reinforced concrete. The roads are best in winter, when they are frozen and the bridges are intact. Bridges often are washed away in the Spring floods—and 177 bridges cross major rivers on the Alaska Highway alone.

A limited amount of extra-wide-track tractor equipment can be moved across country, but it would confront snow as deep as 50 feet in some of the passes in winter—and the tundra becomes muck in the summer, when the ice melts above the permafrost. Tank trucks and other wheeled vehicles could run only on highways.

The program by mid-1952—as soon as housing and support facilities can be provided—is to garrison each of the two large interior airfields near Fairbanks with 2,000 Air Force and Army troops. They are Ladd and Eielson fields, about 40 miles apart. Heavy stockpiles of oil, ammunition and other military needs will be laid in. Then the remaining 20,000 men will be stationed near Anchorage, at the Army's Fort Richardson base and the Air Force's Elmendorf Field.

In case of attack on the interior air fields, men from Anchorage could be flown in. If more help were needed, reinforcements from the states could be brought up by air. It would, theoretically, take 6,000 men to defeat 2,000 holding strongly fortified positions. To land 6,000 men in the tundra around the fields and keep them supplied with equipment by air, while under aerial attack from the fields, would be a colossal feat.

Three Big Airfields
The Alaska strategy centers on the three big air fields. As long as they are held firmly Alaska will be safe, the military thinkers believe. A successful amphibious landing on the Alaskan Coast will be impossible as long as the U. S. Navy maintains its present world supremacy, in the opinion of the Army men.

The Russians, for example, couldn't load their ships at any closer port than Vladivostok. And that 3,900-mile communication line would be far more than the Russian merchant marine or Navy could maintain at this time.

Children Are Active In Music Affairs Of City

Interest in music, the basic cultural activity in almost every community, has grown during recent years in Midland, and present programs indicate it will continue to increase. One of the most encouraging signs of progress is the fact that children are taking a larger part in the musical picture.

At least three junior music clubs are active and numerous other music classes have occasional programs and recitals although there is no formal organization. Music has been given a large place in the school curriculum, demonstrated this year by the first Junior High Band ever to function in Midland.

Student memberships were offered this season in the Midland Civic Music Association and a number of youngsters were in the audience for the first concert on February 19. The association did not sell student memberships in its initial season of 1948-49 because the largest auditorium available for its programs

would not seat all the adults who wanted memberships. The new Midland High School Auditorium solved that problem.

A series of concerts especially for children was presented last Spring by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Orr, then Midland residents who had previous experience in that type of programs. The American Association of University Women sponsored the series.

The junior music clubs are the Moment Musical, the Grand Staff and the Young Artists, each sponsored by music teachers with assistance from parents.

Weekly meetings are held by the Moment Musical Club, made up of pupils of Miss Lydia Watson and Ned Watson. Its officers are Jimmie Mashburn, president; Cynthia Dupuy and Bob Gray, vice presidents; Doris Morningstar, secretary; and Juanda Bradshaw, critic. It is a federated junior music club.

Other Clubs
The Grand Staff Club, composed of Mrs. Benton Howell's pupils, has no regular officers, but functions under a rotating chairmanship. The members take turns serving as chairman and taking full responsibility for the programs. The club

meets monthly in homes, and this year its programs stress folk music and are planned to familiarize the members with various musical instruments.
Pupils of Mrs. G. J. Sevier make up the Young Artists Club. Mrs. W. W. West and Mrs. W. N. Little assist Mrs. Sevier as sponsors. The officers are Tommy Miller, president; Nancy Creswell, vice president; Betty Pitzer, secretary; Janice Hill, treasurer; Eliza Jane Payne, reporter; and Diane Nichols, scrapbook keeper. It is affiliated with the District Federation of Music Clubs as a junior club.

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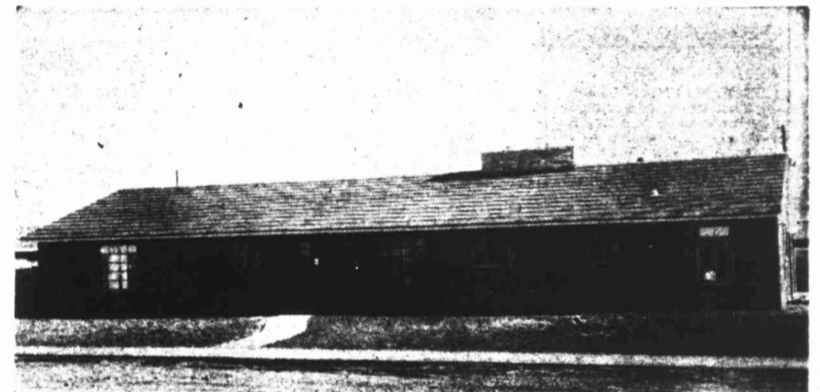
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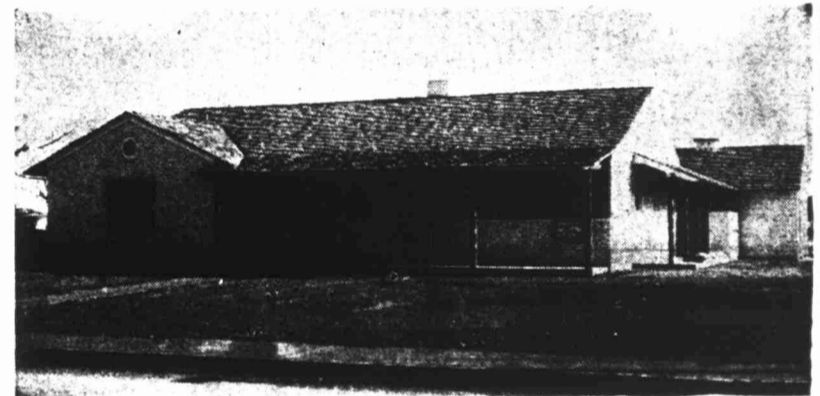
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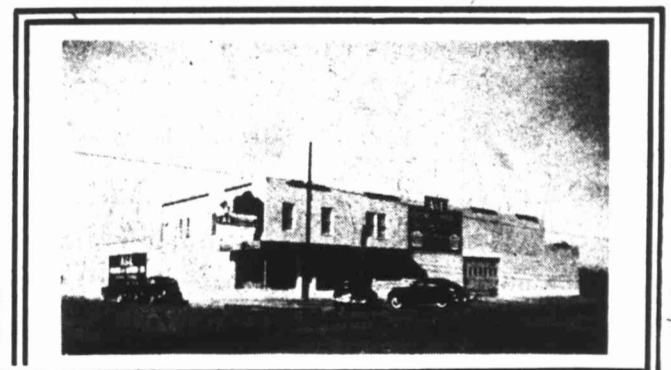
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Presbyterians Face Golden Opportunities With Definite Plans



The First Presbyterian Church

By DR. E. MATTHEW LYNN
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church
Presbyterians agree that The Reporter-Telegram has chosen an excellent theme for this edition. THE GOLDEN FIFTIES not only remind us that we are at the middle of a

century but that we are at the door of Golden Opportunities. The Presbyterians of Midland face these Golden Opportunities with some definite plans.
The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to expand their

program so as to use their new church building to its fullest capacity seven days a week. Included in this program are the services of worship, instruction, fellowship and recreation. Things under consideration, not now in our program, are

and lay-leadership in the church to make the ministry of the church available to each individual member. This is a two-way program. It will involve taking the ministry of the church to the individual. It also will involve enlisting the individual in the program of the church.

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Dr. Matthew Lynn
(1) more than one service of worship on Sunday morning, (2) a nursery for children under two years of age during the worship, (3) a week day kindergarten, (4) additional activities for young adults, (5) scheduled recreational activities for various youth groups.

The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to improve their ministry to their local membership. While involved in the building program and the rapid growth in membership, we have been aware that the individual often has been overlooked. There will be a concerted effort on the part of the minister

The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to concentrate on reaching others for Christ and His Church. Presbyterians are one of the 38 denominations in America engaged in the United Evangelistic Advance to reach America's 70 million unchurched.

The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to encourage every cooperative effort with other Christian Churches to present a united front against every force which would destroy our religious liberty or pervert our moral and spiritual life.

The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to organize at least one more church in Midland so as to serve more adequately those who belong to or look to the Presbyterian Church for their opportunity to worship and serve God.

The Presbyterians plan, in the GOLDEN FIFTIES, to be able, having set their own house in order, to have a larger part in the work of the church around the world through the educational and mission program of the church.

GOOD COMBINATION
NEW YORK—P—George Halas, astute coach of the Chicago Bears, rated the 1949 New York Yankee line one of the best in pro football. Now that the Yankees have been bought by Ted Collins and will be combined with his Bulldogs in 1950, the Collins entry should be rough on all opposition. George Ratterman, Bobby Layne and John Rauch will be the quarterbacks for the club.

Buildings Can Be Designed To Withstand A-Bomb Attack

NEW YORK—Something can be done about making office and factory buildings safer against an atomic bomb attack, according to an article in a recent issue of Engineering News-Record Magazine.

Harry Lake Bowman, the nation's top authority on the effects of bomb-blasts on structures, writes that outside of a critical area surrounding "ground zero"—immediately below the bomb burst—properly designed buildings can withstand many of the terrific forces unleashed.

In brief, according to Bowman, construction that involves well-connected columns and girder framing, integrally poured concrete walls or walls of a material that shatters into small pieces, can make for greater safety for the machines and the people of any city that might be subjected to attack by atom bombs or high explosive bombs of any type.

Bowman, who is consultant to the Atomic Energy Commission on weapons effects and protective construction and professor of civil engineering at Drexel Institute of Technology in Philadelphia, advises that changes in design necessary to make buildings safe needn't be too expensive.

"Bombs Vs. Buildings"
In his article entitled "Bombs vs. Buildings," the former wartime director of the physical damage division of the U. S. Strategic Bombing Survey, lists types of buildings in the order of their lack of resistance to bomb-effects, as:

1. Wooden structures, which are practically useless against an atom bomb blast. What the pressure and shock wave doesn't knock down will probably be destroyed by resulting fires. In the Nagasaki explosion, frame and bamboo residences one and one-half miles from the center of the blast were badly damaged.

2. Brick or concrete-block structures, which also have practically no resistance to the bomb's forces (if anywhere within a mile of the burst) and which are additionally dangerous because the masonry tends to break off in large chunks that in themselves can do great damage. This same danger is present in the walls made of these same materials, as used in many steel and concrete frame structures.

3. Light steel structures, as used for many factories.

4. Concrete or steel frame structures, with reinforced concrete walls.

"The matter of resistance to bomb effect, of course, cannot be directly related to safety of persons in the buildings," says the expert. "The walls may stand—but the deadly radiation effects may get through."

However, the matter of resistance is extremely important when it comes to the (in wartime) priceless machines and other equipment that may be contained within factory or office-building walls. Loss of such productive machinery on any large scale could easily cripple a war effort beyond repair.

Prof. Bowman points out that actually, no building can be designed from an economic standpoint—and probably from a physical one—to withstand unscathed the effect of a direct hit; or an atomic bomb burst within a radius of about 1,000 feet.

"It must be accepted," he says, "that nearly any structure within that circle of 'ground zero' will be destroyed."

Noting that it is almost impossible to design a building to withstand a specific bomb, Bowman writes:

Progressively Powerful
"The Nagasaki bomb was more powerful than that used at Hiroshima, and that at Eniwetok more powerful than either of these. No one can foretell how powerful the bomb may get, or in what form and where it may be set off by an enemy. But the experiences in Japan offer some reasonable basis for design."

"Assuming that an enemy would be more likely to release his bomb above the ground—because that would offer the greatest immediate destruction—there would be four effects: (1) Blast, that is, a wave with its front traveling with about the speed of sound, would engulf buildings in high pressure; (2)

Midland Knife And Fork Club Is New Social Organization

One of Midland's newer organizations is the Knife and Fork Club, which was formed last Fall to provide an opportunity in pleasant surroundings for an exchange of ideas between local and national leaders in business, public affairs and the professions.

The Midland Chapter, the twenty-ninth to be organized in Texas and one of more than 350 units in the United States, has 150 dual memberships and a lengthy waiting list. It is affiliated with the Knife and Fork Club International.

Dinner-meetings are held monthly during the seven-month season. Three sessions, with outstanding speakers, have been held by the club here.

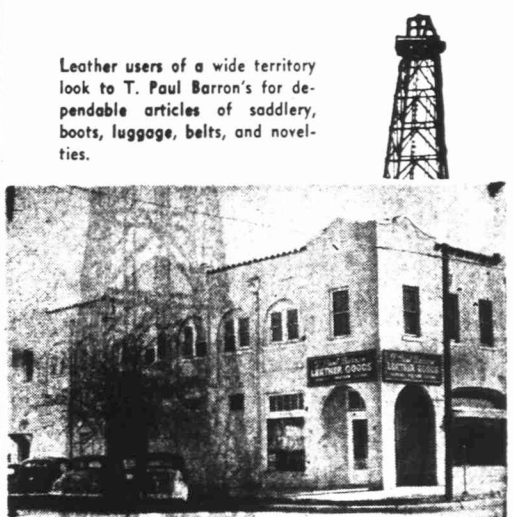
The club is not a classification, civic, sectarian or political organization, but is a social dinner club which meets in the evenings for the purpose of entertaining distinguished guests of outstanding reputation. It provides a common meeting ground for members of all other clubs. The first Knife and Fork Club was organized in Kansas City in 1895.

Officers Listed
James C. Watson is serving as the first president of the Midland Knife and Fork Club. Other officers are Lionel Craver and John R. Parker, vice presidents; J. Don Sadler, secretary, and Jack Wicker, treasurer.

Directors, in addition to the officers, are Otto Deats, W. H. Thams, Mrs. Emma Mancill, C. E. Nelson, W. H. Pryor, and Carroll Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Pryor are co-chairmen of the club's reception and host committee, and Deats and Mrs. Mancill head the meeting place and arrangements committee. Other members of the latter group are Mrs. Mary Shepard, Mrs. H. E. Chiles, Jr., Frank Monroe and C. R. Steinberger. Other committee chairmen are Nelson, membership; Thomas, by-laws, and Thams, publicity.

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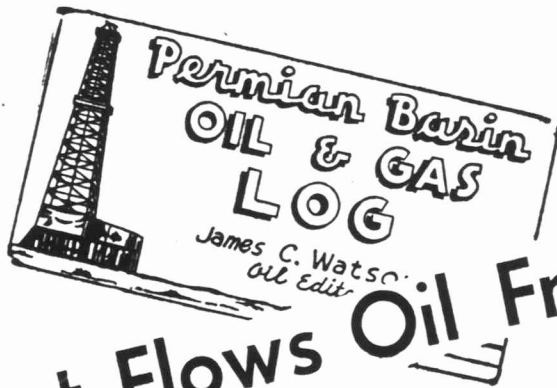
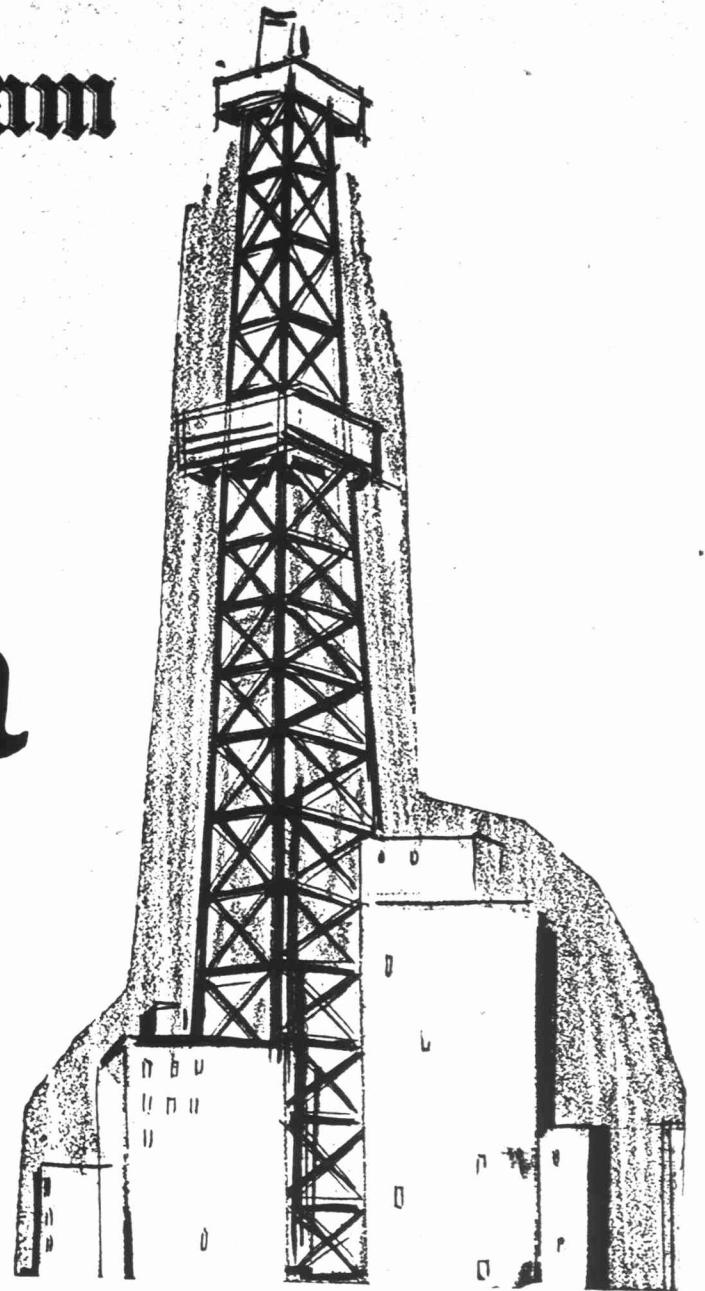
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SW Midland Wildcat Flows Oil From Ellenburger Zone

**GAOC No. 1 Peck Already
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And Pennsylvanian Pays**

The Ellenburger has shown for flowing oil production in Southwest Midland County at General American Oil Company No. 1 Mrs. Hal C. (Jodie Faye) Peck, to assure that wildcat of being the discovery for commercial production from the

**Eddy Prospectors
To Be Drilled By
Magnolia, Humble**

HOBBS, N. M.—Drilling has been started by Magnolia Petroleum Company at a scheduled 3,950-foot

**Champlin Refining
Establishes District
Offices In Midland**

Temporary offices of Champlin Refining Company's Permian Basin district have been opened in suites

**Movie Stars Final
Two Scurry Wells**

Moncrief, Hope, Crosby & Teas have completed two wells in the Kelley field of Scurry County. The No. 1 J. A. Joyce rated a

**Ashmun-Hilliard
Join Independents;
Have Opened Office**

J. B. (John) Ashmun and H. T. (Toby) Hilliard have opened offices at 308 Wilkinson-Foster Building in Midland. They are to work as oil and gas

**SW Borden Wildcat
Flows Canyon Oil**

A two-mile northwest extension to the Vealmoor-Canyon field in Southwest Borden County has been

**Warren 'Disturbed' By
Unfounded Reports That
Depletion Fight Is Won**

J. E. (Ed) Warren of Midland, president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, Saturday, called on all American

**Possible Extension
Indicated For East
Midland Oil Field**

A one and one-half mile extension to the Tex-Harvey field in East Midland County, about 17

**Midlander Takes Contract
To Drill 14 Ector Projects**

MIDLAND

Headquarters City of the Permian Basin

By JAMES C. WATSON, Oil Editor

The Permian Basin of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico had a total of 5,804,000,000 barrels of proven oil reserves January 1, 1950. That was 22.4 per cent of all the known reserves of the entire United States.

The figure for the nation as a whole was 25,908,000,000 barrels, as of January 1, 1950.

A very significant fact in connection with new reserves of petroleum developed in the United States during 1949 was that 59.9 per cent of the total net increase in new reserves in the entire United States was found in the Permian Basin territory.

Reserves in the United States increased during 1949 by 1,075,000,000 barrels. That was after the total of the new reserves discovered during the year was added to the total known reserves at the beginning of 1949—and production during 1949 was subtracted.

The Permian Basin showed a net increase of proven reserves during 1949 of 633,000,000 barrels of petroleum reserves.

No other oil area in the United States came near matching the Permian Basin in its net increase in proven reserves during 1949. Many of the major oil regions of the nation showed decreases during the year. In other words, production in most oil regions of the United States in 1949 was greater than the amount of their new discoveries.

The Permian Basin had 31,453 producing oil and gas wells on January 1, 1950. That was a net increase of 2,325 active producing wells over the total of 29,128 wells in the region on January 1, 1949.

The Permian Basin now has approximately 950,000 proven producing acres, or about 1,800 square miles of territory with proven petroleum production.

Total production of the Permian Basin during 1949 was 335,823,000 barrels of oil, an average of 117,573 barrels per day for each of the 365 days of the year.

That production was under strict proration—with a large percentage of the flush wells in the region being allowed to produce at less than half their maximum efficient rate.

The present producing oil wells in the Permian Basin easily could yield more than 1,800,000 barrels of oil each 24 hours, without reservoir damage.

NOTE—

This material was prepared by James C. Watson, Oil Editor of The Reporter-Telegram. Watson, and his staff, also provide regular reports on West Texas-New Mexico oil developments to more than 25 other newspapers and oil trade journals of the Southwest—including some of the largest publications in the nation. His daily column in The Reporter-Telegram, his more than two pages of Permian Basin oil reports in the Sunday issue of this newspaper, and his general coverage of the oil news of this region are read and respected by the entire Southwest.

Wink Eyes Golden 50's For New Era

WINK—Citizens of Wink are eyeing the Golden Fifties with hopes of pulling a steady growth.

Since 1930, when a majority of Wink's 15,000 citizens were pulling staves and heading for the East Texas oil fields, the city has experienced up and down years. The beginning of 1950 saw an increase in population over the 1940 figure, however, and it's inhabitants hope the Fifties will be the beginning of a new era.

Wink's population at the present time is estimated at 2,500. This is a small but substantial gain over the 1940 figure. Increased school facilities, a new bank, and hopes of revived oil play bring on brighter prospects for the decade that lies ahead.

Located in Winkler County, only nine miles from Kermit, county seat, Wink continues to exist as an oil center and ranchers' headquarters. Several major oil companies still maintain camps just outside the city limits.

Schools Expand

The schools, which could be called the focal point for the Wink area, recently completed an expansion project. A new cafeteria, which also houses administrative offices, a new and modern band hall, field house, and stadium, all built at a cost of \$350,000, have given Wink one of the best school plants for a town of its size in the state.

The new bank, located downtown in the city's most modern building, was chartered in December, 1947. Its individuals deposits total more than \$25,000 and the bank has saved Wink citizens from trips to Kermit, Pecos and Monahans.

Wink isn't looking for a rush comparable to the late twenties when the Hendrick Field discovery brought on a boom that had the city gasping overnight. It looks for a slow, steady gain of permanent citizens.

R. A. Lipscomb, superintendent of the Wink Independent School District, says the town is growing slowly now, but unlike the oil rush twenties, the incoming citizens appear to be here to stay.

A new FHA housing district recently has been completed. Branches of the Winkler County Hospital and Library have been erected in modern brick buildings. A street paving program is ready to begin. The city has bought its own water system and made substantial improvements. The sewage system has been expanded.

Church Building Projects

Several of Wink's churches have undergone face liftings also. The Baptist, Methodist and Church of Christ have all completed new building projects in recent years. In all, the city claims nine churches, many of which are ready to meet an increased enrollment.

Wink has one of the more modern airports in the state and maintains a U. S. weather station. Built just prior to the war by the Civil Aero-

navics Authority, at a cost of \$750,000, the air field was used as an emergency landing field for civil airlines until the Army leased it for practice landings during the war. One of the runways extends 7,000 feet, long enough to take care of any size plane. Although no commercial airline makes the Wink stop, the city maintains the airport for its private-citizen customers.

Wink's school system is heralded as one of the model type. Current enrollment of the schools stands at 642, smaller than the rush days, but still a substantial increase over previous years. Its football teams, with an all-time record of 166 wins, 44 losses and five ties still continue to record victories over schools twice its size. Its new band hall affords the latest in facilities for music students.

Lipscomb, one of the long-time citizens of Wink, is president of the Winkler County State Bank, a former mayor and city commissioner. He hopes for a steady, rather than a rushing, increase in the city's population. "We've begun to gain a little population now," he says, "we just hope the trend keeps up." Lipscomb has been a Wink citizen during the years when the population soared and sank.

Generally, it costs more to get an article from the factory than it does to manufacture it. On the average, 60 per cent of the price paid to the retailer goes to cover the expenses of distribution.

Over The Top



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She attributes it, however, to her rearing as the youngest child of a West Texas Baptist minister who considered a good education the best heritage he could give his children. Good reading and wide contacts with people, he regarded as important in education as school attendance and diligent study, which his children took for granted.

Early Training

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found it. Already she has made several major trips with stops in half a dozen places to speak or confer on club business.

A volume of correspondence she anticipated also, and installed an oversize mail box at her front door. It is filled to the top almost every day and she devotes much time to reading and answering mail. Incidentally, she finds most of it pleasant and has discovered that the few unpleasant letters are usually the result of some misunderstanding of federation policy.

She expected a mass of business details concerning operation of the federation headquarters building in Austin with federation endowments and scholarships and the many ramifications of federation interests. She plunged into those, most of them already familiar because of her board membership in the last administration, and believes that she and her board members are about to achieve an organization that will care for them.

Main Problem

Her main problem is one familiar to all Texas federation presidents—and all housewives—making ends meet financially. With the general increase in costs of all operation phases, the federation had not raised its members' dues until the convention at which Mrs. Hodge was elected.

The General Federation of Women's Club, meantime, increased dues of those in attendance at the Winter meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission. The demand is expected to increase even more during successive years of the Golden Fifties.

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same as in 1948.

It is believed that the decline in demand of 11.2 per cent for the first nine months will be largely offset with an increase for the final quarter so that the year will be within 11.2 per cent up or down compared to 1948. Dr. R. J. Gonzalez of Humble Oil & Refining Co., chairman of committee, explained.

While the last-quarter gain was not as great as predicted, some members of the committee feel that the small gain reflected a turning point from the marked declines of early 1949. The gasoline demand for this year will be in excess of the five per cent generally predicted, the committee found.

Demand For Petroleum In Golden Fifties Will Increase, Is Consensus of Experts

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5. To interest clubwomen in legislation at all levels. This interest should be individual and through clubs at the local level, through the federation at state and national levels, and individual clubwomen should express their views on legislation sponsored by the general federation, Mrs. Hodge urges.

6. At least two women on every school board. Too many women, she believes, avoid such responsibility, but schools need their active participation on boards.

7. Closer cooperation with the State Department of Public Health in finding ways to be of greater service.

8. Public recreation for youth. "Much has been done in some communities on this score, but much remains to be done."

9. Changes in our juvenile court laws.

10. At least two Junior Clubs in every town. Midland has no club which meets the federation definition of a junior club, since the Junior Woman's Wednesday Club has "grown up" to adult status.

11. A Better Communities project for every club. This project would be a national project sponsored by the general federation in 1949, which many Texas clubs entered and which now is being judged.

12. Greater respect for the federation as an organization.

Women who have worked with Veda Hodge as she carried out responsibilities of former offices predict she will achieve her aims with the full cooperation of board members and just plain club members.

Respected As Leader

She has qualities that other women like and respect in a leader. Soft-spoken and gracious, she can voice decisive opinions and insist on her convictions. No pioneer type, she confesses she prefers the more civilized beaten trails, but she has the down-to-earth practicality of the small-town West Texas and a manner that is polished, but not venerated.

She and her husband, a Midland theater owner-operator, have a mutual appreciation for each other's work and accomplishments so she finds it possible to fit the demands of her club work into the framework of her life at home to the advantage of both.

Her vivid personality is reflected in her home, a comfortable, modified ranch-style brick at 1301 West Missouri Street. There is dignity in the soft-toned living room decor that fits the dignity which makes her look taller than she is when she takes the speaker's platform, and there is a colorful gaiety in the sunroom reminiscent of the laughter in her blue eyes as she talks with friends.

First Christian Church Will Occupy New, Large, Modern Plant In 1950

By THE REV. CLYDE LINDSLEY

Pastor, First Christian Church

Dreams of adequate facilities with which to serve the constituency of the First Christian Church of Midland have been dreamed for years. Former issues of the "Oil Progress Edition" of The Reporter-Telegram have reviewed those dreams, but they could not point to anything tangible which would indicate the visions were coming true.

This year brings another story. Dreams are coming into reality. Fingers now can point to the new building which is being constructed for the use of the church in the Park-Hill addition to Midland. The full city block bounded on the East and West by F and G Streets and on the North and South by Louisiana and Michigan Avenues is the center of this new development for the First Christian Church.

Planned For Future

The new church will take care of a congregation almost twice the size of the current membership. This proclaims a faith in the future of Midland. The officers of the church recognize that plans for today are not sufficient. They are building a church for the future that will constantly serve a share of the religious needs of a growing community.

The church under construction will house the members at worship, at study, at fellowship, and at recreation. This is in keeping with what we know of the growth of Christ. Dr. Luke wrote of Him, "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and Man."

The sanctuary, with its overflow space, will seat 500 worshippers. The educational building will take care of a Bible School of 400 persons.

Nursery, kindergarten and adult facilities are being provided along with the facilities for the normal school ages.

The entire building is being air-conditioned to provide refrigerated cool air in the summer and warmed air in the winter. The comfort of people has been a chief concern of the building committee which is chaired by Clark R. Steinberger.

Truly, truly, a part of our dreams will have come true in less than 60 days. The announcement of the dedication date may be expected at any time.

However, there are dreams and visions yet to be realized. First and finest among them is a Youth Building to aid in the serving of the needs of the young people of Midland. Boy and Girl Scout groups will be among those eligible to use the youth building. Programs for mixed youth groups are being discussed. It is possible that this building may be constructed during this beginning year of the new half century.

Another dream to be realized a little later is the development of the play-ground area of the property. There will be courts provided for basketball, volleyball, and tennis. Equipment for the enjoyment of small children will be provided. Picnic ground and flower gardens are other possibilities.

The Rev. Clyde Lindsley, pastor, will begin his sixth year with the First Christian Church in Midland in a few weeks. He, like the members of the church, are appreciative of the cooperation and help received from their friends toward the development of the plans for another progressive church program in Midland.

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TEXAS OIL ROUNDUP—Scurry's Main Boosters Once Skeptical; Field May Be World's Largest

A brand new 1950 edition of the Scurry County Oil Directory is just off the press! It shows, in Scurry County exclusively, the oil companies, their operating personnel, home offices, telephone numbers, etc.

As active as this field now is and will remain, this directory is a "must" for every person interested in oil! Price is \$3.00 copy.

By MAX B. SKELTON

SNYDER—(AP)—There are many red faces among veteran Texas oil men these days—red from embarrassment.

Within the past year Scurry County has become the nation's most talked about oil boom area since the East Texas field blew in 1949.

It is a real boom and really embarrassing to many oil men who as late as a year ago were warning all comers:

"Stay out of Scurry County."

It was not that they wanted the place to themselves. They did not think the county had enough oil to get excited about. Their warning, they thought, was just good advice. They had been convinced by years of hunches, explorations, geological surveys, and wildcatting.

These same skeptics now are saying, with pained expressions, Scurry County may become one of the world's greatest oil field areas.

Oil is nothing new to Scurry. It has been an oil producing county since 1923. But four big strikes since last November, plus a surprisingly small number of dry holes, have brought the boom. About 100 wells now are being drilled.

The old wells are shallow producers—from 1,800 to 2,000 feet deep. The new production is from formations left behind by the Pennsylvanian geologic age of from 250,000-000 to 268,000,000 years old.

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The oil potential from such a formation would be tremendous, they say, even after admitting there would be many reef areas with no oil.

Oil leases were pretty cheap last year about the time Standard Oil Company of Texas was making final preparations to drill the well that was to start the Scurry boom.

Arrive In Snyder

Two young Notre Dame graduates arrived in Snyder about that time. They were Joseph I. O'Neill, former FBI agent from Philadelphia, and William P. Castleman, Jr., former Aluminum Company sales manager from Louisville, Ky.


They had decided to go into business for themselves. A friend in Dallas had suggested they go to West Texas and buy, sell and trade oil leases.

Neither claimed to know much about the oil business. They were attracted by the low prices leases in Scurry.

By September 1948 they had vested all their money in oil leases and had a come discourag-

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BUDDY POPPY GIRL—All smiles over her nomination as 1950 Buddy Poppy Girl for the Veterans of Foreign Wars is Doris Day, film and radio star. The blonde entertainer was chosen for the role for her "comeback" from a serious auto accident in which her left leg was crushed just after she had won a dancing contest.

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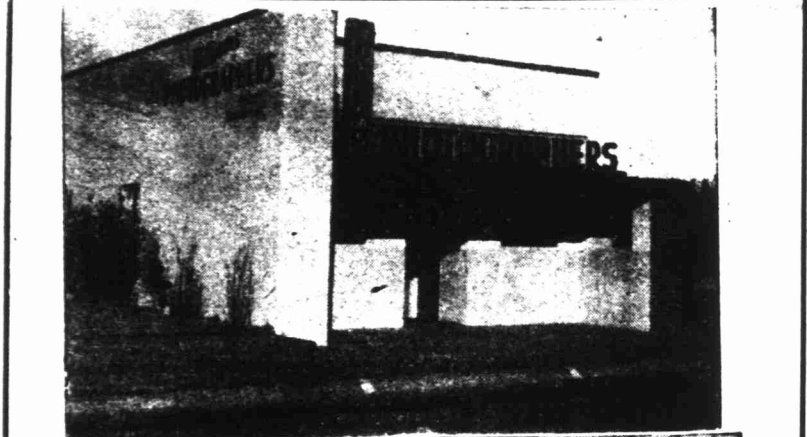
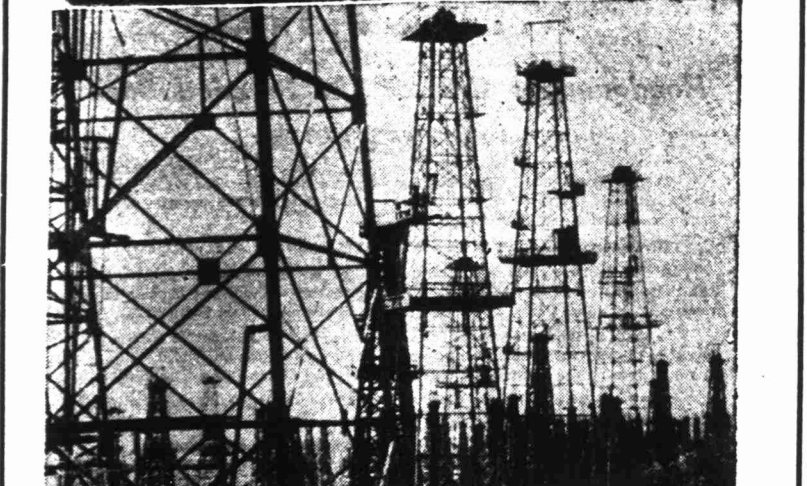
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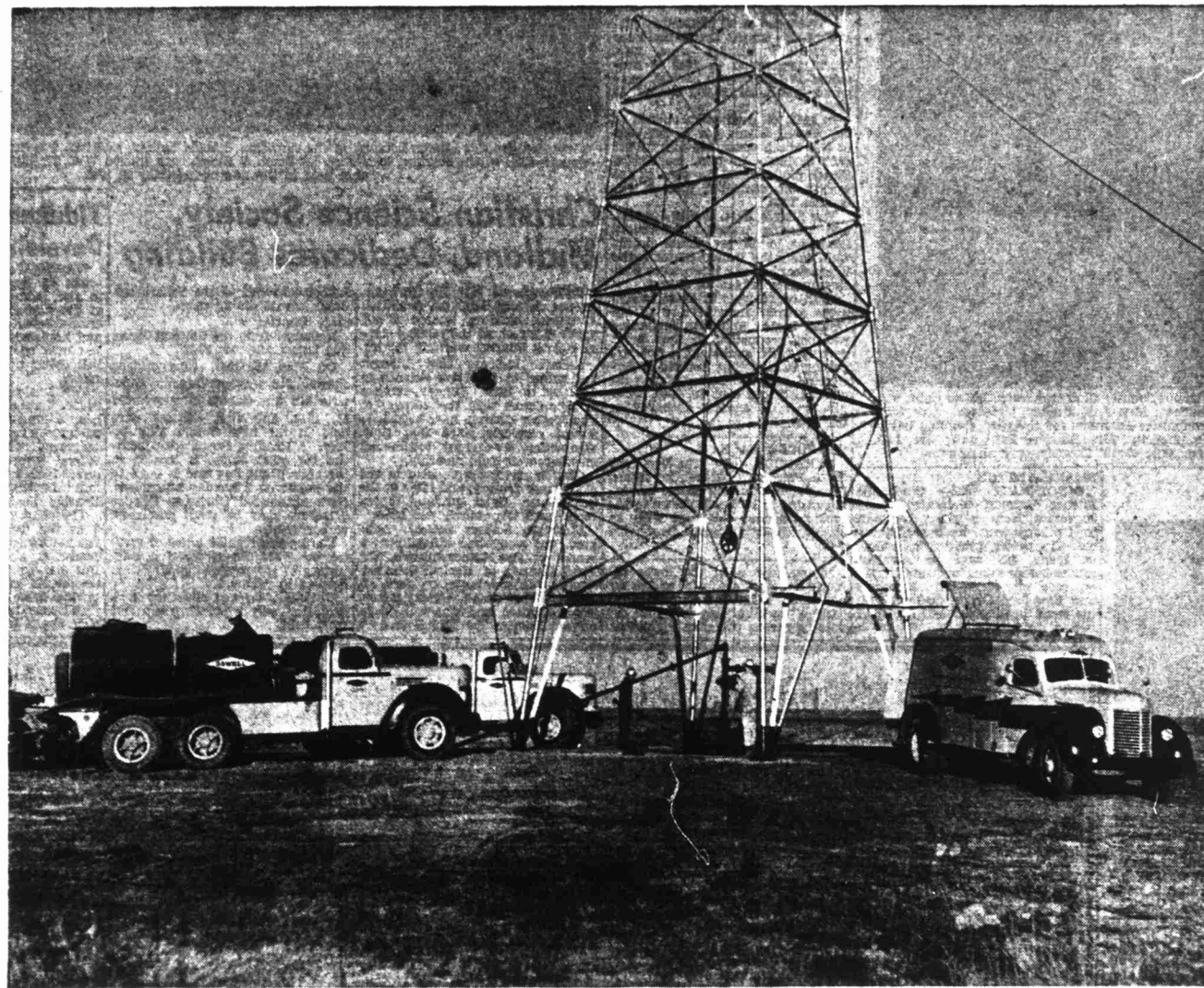
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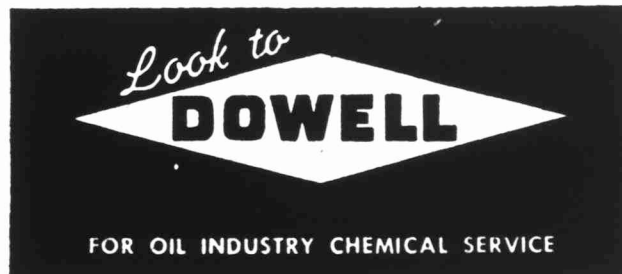
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Officers for 1950 in the Ladies Golf Association of the Midland Country Club are: seated left to right, Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, Sr., secretary; Mrs. Vann M. Ligon, president; Mrs. J. E. Beakey, treasurer; Mrs. Mike Brumlow, vice president; not in the picture, The committee chairmen for the year, standing left to right, are Mrs. Frank Johnson, social; Mrs. Bob Franklin, publicity; Mrs. Herschel Ezell, golf; Mrs. J. J. Travis, hostess; Mrs. W. H. Pomeroy, Jr., historian; Mrs. Frank Downey, card chairman.

Texas Tech Museum



Texas Technological College's new museum, recently completed after 15 years of planning and building, now is being occupied with the school's exhibits. The building will not be dedicated until Fall although it already houses displays on three floors. Dr. W. C. Holden, director of the museum, currently is spearheading a drive to gain new members for the Museum Association.

Midland City Panhellenic Is New, Busy Organization

Organized in 1949, the Midland City Panhellenic has as its dual purpose constructive activity for the good of the community and constructive activity for the cause of fraternal organizations.

Mrs. A. E. Pettit is president of the organization and other officers are Mrs. Donald Oliver, vice president; Mrs. Raymond Lynch, secretary; and Mrs. Frank Paup, treasurer.

The word panhellenic means "of or pertaining to all Greek-letter fraternities in American colleges and universities, or to associations representing them." Panhellenic organizations most frequently found are national, campus and local. The campus organizations weld together the active chapters of fraternities or sororities so that they may work together for the good of the school.

The National Panhellenic Conference, which is the national panhellenic organization, has 20 national sororities as members. Eleven more are associate members. City Panhellenics may or may not belong to the National Panhellenic Conference.

City Group

City Panhellenics, like the Midland organization, serve as coordinating bodies between the sorority alumnae chapters. Although they were first organized for primarily social purposes, they now have grown until they have become a power for good in the communities in which they operate.

They carry out the first part of their dual purpose—constructive activity for the local community—in specific acts in welfare work and other community projects. The second part of their purpose—constructive activity for the cause of fraternal organizations—by attempting to fully inform persons about the purposes and organizations of sororities.

Of the 20 sororities which are active members of the National Panhellenic Conference, 11 are represented in the Midland group. They are Delta Zeta, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Omicron Phi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Pi Beta Phi. These alumnae groups all are chartered with their sorority's national organization.

Six other sororities are associate members of the Midland City Panhellenic, but do not have large enough alumnae groups here to have chartered chapters.

They are Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Phi, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Gamma Delta, Kappa Delta and Phi Mu.

The total membership in the City Panhellenic is about 150. It meets four times each year and may have social meetings on call. Each of the 11 active sororities has a representative who attends the business meetings and all sorority alumnae in Midland are eligible to attend the social meetings.

Representatives Listed

Representatives of the 11 active sororities are Mrs. George Pruter, Delta Gamma; Mrs. Pettit, Zeta Tau Alpha; Mrs. George Abell, Delta Delta Delta; Mrs. Lamar Eschberger, Chi Omega; Mrs. Oliver, Pi Beta Phi; Mrs. Lynch, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Mrs. Paup, Kappa Alpha Theta; Mrs. Hugh Gilmour, Alpha Delta Pi; Mrs. Fred Kotyza, Gamma Phi Beta; and Mrs. F. C. Cummings, Delta Zeta.

The civic project of the Midland City Panhellenic this year has been donating to the Girl Scout Little House. The donation has been made and will be used for constructing or furnishing the house.

To promote better understanding of fraternal organizations, especially sororities, the Midland group has on file the rush rules and Panhellenic data from all colleges and universities that Midland girls normally attend.

Rush week is the period, usually a little over a week, when girls who are not sorority members attend parties at sorority houses, meet the sorority members, and decide whether they would like to pledge a sorority and if so, which one. The time of the school year and the types of rushing and the rules under which it is operated vary with the schools.

This information is available to any girl who wishes to use it and the Panhellenic organization is ready to help girls better understand college sororities.

Summer Meet Planned

Tentative plans are to have a meeting during the coming Summer for all girls who plan to attend schools which have sororities. Different types of rushing and rush rules will be discussed and girls will be told how they are expected to dress and act during the rushing period. Any questions the girls may have will be answered.

The Midland City Panhellenic also has as its purpose the closer unity of college and alumnae sorority groups. This closer contact makes both groups more aware of the others' activities and purposes and makes both better able to work for the good of the school, the college, and the sorority.

Highway Chairman



Fred Wemple of Midland is chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, which plans an extensive program of highway development and improvement over its entire system during the Golden Fifties. Wemple, a long-time Midland resident, is a veteran good roads enthusiast and is a former president of the Texas Good Roads Association. He also is a past district governor of Rotary International.

Sun President Gives Forecast For 1950

PHILADELPHIA — 1950 will require increased effort by the oil industry "in all divisions to reduce costs and improve output, as well as more alert, intelligent merchandising," Robert G. Dunlop, president of Sun Oil Company, says.

One result of the latest phase of petroleum's growth, expansion of marketing facilities, will be "thousands of opportunities for small independent businessmen and units," he added.

U. S. Produces More Than Half Of Total Petroleum In World

The United States to date has produced 63 per cent of the world's crude oil. Production of the world, from 1857 through 1949, amounted to 61.6 billion barrels. The United States from 1859 through 1949 produced a total of 38.9 billion barrels, figures show.

The trend of oil production outside of the United States has been substantially upward since 1945. World production in 1949 is estimated at 1,505,000,000 barrels, compared with 881,259,000 barrels in 1945.

In 1949, oil production outside of the United States was 45 per cent of the world, compared with 35 per cent in 1945. In 1949, the United States produced 55 per cent of the world's oil, compared with 66 per cent in 1945.

The Middle East, South America, and Canada reported substantial increases in oil production during 1949, while the United States found it necessary in the interests of conservation to reduce its output.

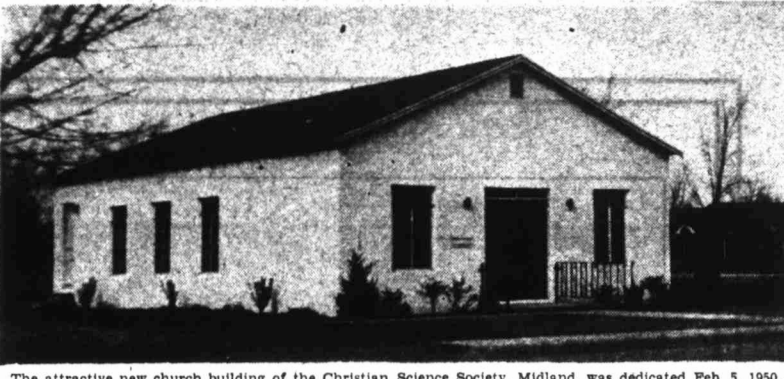
With oil reserves in these foreign areas greater than those of the United States, and with increasing rates of production in such areas seeking world markets it is not surprising to find that imports of foreign oil into the United States increased 24 per cent in 1949, while American oil exports declined 11 per cent.

SMART SWITCH
CINCINNATI — (AP)— Cincinnati Pitcher Herman Wehmeier was converted from a third baseman to a pitcher when he was 12 years old. Thereafter, pitching on sandlot teams, he won 52 straight games before losing one and hurled on four city-champion Knochle and American Legion teams. In all his years in amateur ball he never batted under .480.

SYRACUSE BACK
SYRACUSE — (AP)— The New York State Fair here, where the famed Hambletonia trotting classic was inaugurated in 1926, will return to the racing calendar this year with an \$80,000 five-day program September 4-8.

Flying insects in the lower atmosphere now are said to be the cause of heretofore unexplained "angles" or blips appearing in the viewing screen of radar equipment.

New Christian Science Church Building



The attractive new church building of the Christian Science Society, Midland, was dedicated Feb. 5, 1950. Construction of the building, located at 407 North C Street, was started Nov. 28, 1948, and first services were held in the new church May 20, 1949.

Christian Science Society, Midland, Dedicates Building

On February 5, 1950, the Christian Science Society, Midland, dedicated its church building, located at 407 North C Street, at the regular eleven o'clock Sunday morning service.

Records indicate that interest was shown in Christian Science in Midland in 1929. Sunday services in accordance with the Manual of the Mother Church, have been held almost regularly since that time.

Wednesday evening testimonial meetings were held monthly. Church services were held in the old County Library, and later in the Scharbauer Hotel private dining room until the church was built.

Christian Science Society, Midland, was recognized officially as a branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts, on June 11, 1942. At that time a Sunday School was organized and classes held in private homes. In 1943 Sunday

Tidelands Fight To Develop During 1950

WASHINGTON—This year—1950—will be the most important yet in the long fight over ownership of the tidelands. The federal government and the states of Texas and Louisiana have gone to verbal war over control of the multi-million dollar properties lying off the coast.

Within a few months, the United States Supreme Court will sit to hear arguments on the Justice Department's request for a declaratory judgment which would establish federal sovereignty over the submerged oil-bearing lands off Texas and Louisiana.

Hearing Postponed
The court originally set February 6 as the date to hear arguments from attorneys representing Texas, Louisiana and the United States. But the court has postponed the arguments without a definite date having been scheduled.

Christian Science churches are dedicated only when they are free from debt.

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(Continued From Page One) distribution of pamphlets is to be continued and road signs will be kept in good repair.

Hospital
The Chamber of Commerce pledges every cooperation to the Midland Memorial Hospital, the most modern and best-equipped hospital in West Texas. The Chamber also will continue its efforts and cooperation, uninterrupted, to make Midland the medical and surgical center the Permian Basin Empire.

Aeronautics
The Aeronautics Committee is to continue its efforts to make Midland the aviation center of West Texas and to work with the city government in further municipal airports development.

Highways
The Highways Committee will put first on its agenda the completion of the project started in 1949 to obtain an overpass at Big Spring Street and to make Front Street a truck by-pass route through the city.

The committee is to continue its efforts to extend State Highway 349 through to Lamesa and will continue its interests in the improvement of State Highway 158, both west and southeast. It will continue to work with the county and city governments in improving U. S. Highway 80 through Midland County.

The committee will continue to cooperate with the local agencies and the State Highway Commission in obtaining all-weather roads to oil fields and agricultural communities. Special emphasis is to be placed on the proposed road which will connect Midland more directly with Crane.

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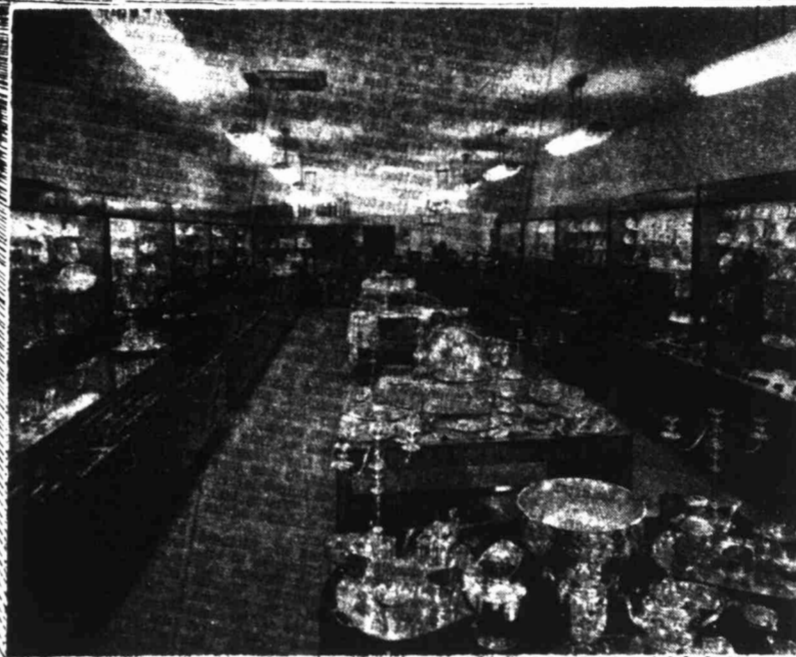
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Community Theater Shows Promise; Has Progressed In Four Years

Progress of the Midland Community Theater through the 1950's shows bright promise in the light of its four-year history. Growing recognition has come to the theater and to the city from over the nation because of the theater's program, and that recognition in turn has stimulated the interest of Midland residents in the theater.

Further in the future, the Community Theater envisions a building of its own, planned especially for its use and providing the stage facilities, dressing rooms, lighting equipment and seating arrangement that would be best for its productions. At present and for its past four seasons the theater has been housed in the City-County Auditorium, which was built to serve other purposes and which has forced the group to resort to makeshift devices to gain some of the effects it needed.

The very difficulties of using sometimes-unsuited facilities, however, has developed the ingenuity of the volunteer stage crews which produced, for instance, Shaw's "Pygmalion" with the ancient, lately-revived system of arena staging; "I Remember Mama" with a complex set of side-stages, varying stage levels and intricate lighting; and "My Sister Eileen" by building a trap door in the stage floor to give the effect of a tunneled entrance.

All these stage effects were achieved for 1949 plays, and the first 1950 production repeated the arena or "in the round" staging which proved popular with the first audience to see it here. It will be used again next Fall for another George Bernard Shaw play, "Arms and the Man," if present plans develop.

For the first time in the theater's history the Board of Governors has selected at the start of the year the plays to be presented throughout the year. The list is subject to change if some other plays not now available to non-professionals are released before the year's end.

Church School Sought By Grace Lutheran



The Grace Lutheran Church

By GILBERT C. BECKER, Pastor, Grace Lutheran Church. Since the time of the Reformation, the Lutheran Church always has emphasized Christian education. The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, of which Grace Lutheran Church in Midland is a part, maintains 10 Junior Colleges, two normal schools, and seven seminaries located in Springfield, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., Porto Alegre and Crespo in Brazil,

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Nagercol in India and Hankow in China. Almost 1,100 elementary schools with an enrollment of more than 83,000 children are maintained.

In Midland, the Church School still is in the future, but that future is perhaps not so dim and distant. It is hoped a kindergarten may be opened and then to add other grades as able. At the present, religious education is carried on by means of the Sunday School, which has an enrollment of 48, taught by seven teachers. There also is a Sunday Morning Bible Class for adults.



Rev. Gilbert Becker

Sunday School work is hampered by lack of space, but as soon as the parsonage is built, the old parsonage will relieve this situation for the time being.

In all the societies of the congregation—the Parish Workers for the ladies, the Men's Club, and the Walter League for the young people, the accent, too, is on Christian education.

There also is a course of study for prospective members of the church. The Lutheran Church wants members, but it does not want members in name only. When a person joins the Lutheran Church, he knows exactly what the Lutheran Church teaches.



Paxton Howard

Community Theater since it was organized, got a further impetus when the City Council voted last Fall to set aside a plot of city-owned land near the Midland Airport for a Civic Center, to provide places for buildings of several civic organizations.

The Community Theater is one of those organizations, and its members are beginning to look more surely toward the day when it may have its own house in the midst of a plot planned and built for recreation and cultural pursuits.

In the meantime the organization goes ahead presenting its shows to growing audiences, discovering new talent and developing the old, adding to its store of permanent stage and lighting equipment, making improvements within its means to the present quarters—such as a complete repainting of the interior and addition of new drapes in 1949—and offering an opportunity to all residents of Midland, whether or not they are theater members, for self expression on its stage or with its technical crews.

As soon as the annual memberships, the financial mainstay of the theater, provide a budget large enough, the theater hopes to employ teachers who can give specialized training in speech or other factors that go toward developing talent for its plays and for participation in other activities. At present the director is the only paid member of its staff.

Geological Library Here Is Excellent

By R. V. HOLLINGSWORTH, Chairman, West Texas Geological Society Library Committee

Started in 1935, the library was started in 1935 by the first library committee of the WTGS, composed of E. Russell Lloyd and Addison Young, who solicited cash donations and reference books.

Through their efforts the collection was initiated and grew. Ronald K. DeFord was extremely active in promoting the library through its first 13 years. His activities in 1946 added many volumes of the American Journal of Science, steel shelving for the growing numbers of volumes, and a micro-film reader.

Midland has an excellent, growing geological library of approximately 4,000 volumes, located in the lower floor of the Midland County Courthouse and operated by the librarians of the Midland County Library, under the supervision of Mrs. Lucille C. Carroll.

This library has gained national recognition and is used extensively by geologists of Midland and other Permian Basin communities. It has been developed as a project of the West Texas Geological Society of Midland.

The micro-film reader has made possible the reading of out-of-print geological publications which now are recorded on micro-film and stored in national archives of the government and private libraries.

The sale of publications is attended to by E. Russell Lloyd, Jr. The revenue supplements the library fund. Supervision of the library is by annually appointed committees. The 1950 committee includes R. V. Hollingsworth, chairman, W. A. Waldschmidt, E. R. Douglas, Maylon S. Baker, Jr., and L. S. Meizer.

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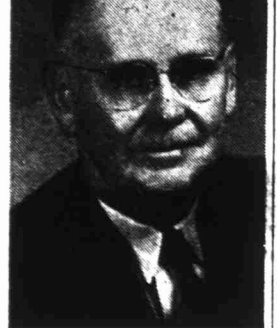
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"Midland Has Always Been A Good Town" - Addison Wadley

The text of talks made by Addison Wadley, pioneer Midlander, to various service clubs of the city on early-day events here, proves interesting. It is reproduced for the enjoyment of all citizens.

"It was the good old days in Midland when a quarter's worth of steak would feed a family of eight. Haircuts were 35 cents and shaves 15 cents. And the butcher would give you all the liver you wanted.

"My father came to Midland the latter part of 1883 and established the first lumber yard. The family name in 1884. I was four at the time.



Addison Wadley

"I have a very vivid recollection of unloading the household effects at the old two-story section house—there being no station here at the time.

"Originally, the town was called Midway, it being just halfway between Fort Worth and El Paso. This later was changed to Midland.

"At the time we came here, there were possibly 40 or 50 people here. Uncles John Scharbauer, Z. T. Brown and H. N. Garrett were some of the big sheep men. It was not until about 1886 that T. J. Martin, better known as Uncle Tom, started the first cow ranch in this section. It was located about 15 miles south-west of town.

"The lack of water had retarded ranching of any consequence. But it was found that water could be had almost any place by digging or drilling wells. With this practice, the cattle interests began expanding.

From Sheep To Cattle
"It was not until the coming of Chris Scharbauer, who was Clarence Scharbauer's father, that the Scharbauer interests changed from sheep to cattle.

"It wasn't long before cattle had put an end to sheep ranching and there followed a period of 25 years when there scarcely were any sheep in these parts.

"I recall a few of the first generation of pioneer families now living. These include: Arthur John-

son, Mrs. Klapproth, Mrs. S. W. Estes, Mrs. G. H. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Watson, Mrs. Mollie McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Cowden and Walker Cowden.

"Lum Daugherty was born in Midland, almost 80 years ago, and still is living on the same spot where he was born.

"Then there were the Lees, Pemberton, Rays, Cowdens, Tysons, Drapers, Holloways, Browns, Rankins, Goldsmiths, Reigers, Taylors, Wessons, Innmans, Woolridges, Brunsons, Wrights, Flanagan, Floyds, Epleys, Tolberts, Volivas, Edwards, Barrons, McGinties, Aycocks, Garretts, Drivers, Crowleys, Hotts, Ellis, Jewells, Estes, Waddells, Youngbloods, Dublins and Wimberleys.

"J. H. Barron, father of T. Paul and uncle of Ralph, established the first drygoods store here. C. A. Taylor, father of Fannie Bess, Cordelia and Wood, was our first druggist. A. W. Dunn, grandfather of Dunn Reiger, built and operated the original Liano Hotel. (At that time, it was the Waldorf-Astoria of West Texas.) J. P. Inman, father of Dr. T. J. Inman, was an early day optometrist. Herman Klapproth, father of Judge Klapproth, was a harness and saddle maker. Neville Ellis' grandfather was the first mortician.

"The Texas & Pacific Railroad built through here in 1881. Midland County was organized in 1885, being originally a part of Tom Green County. The first county officials were: E. B. Lancaster, judge; A. B. Roundtree, clerk; Theo Ray, sheriff; T. B. Wadley, treasurer.

Didn't Cost A Penny
"Midland County's first courthouse did not cost the county a penny. A Mr. Moody owned the section of land adjoining the townsite company's land on the east, and was making every effort to get the town located on his land.

"There was an election to be held to decide just where the town would be located. And secretly, both parties were approached with the proposition that if they would put up \$5,000 for a courthouse, the election would be thrown to favor their property. This, they both agreed to. It was a matter of heads I win, tails you lose, as far as the community was concerned. When the results of the election, presided over by R. D. Gage of Pecos, was canvassed, the some 20 odd votes counted a win for the Townsite Company. It immediately put up the \$5,000 for the courthouse.

"The original frame courthouse served until about 1905. A new three-story one was constructed of red Pecos sandstone at that time. It cost \$25,000. The old frame courthouse was sold to R. L. Slaughter for \$516. He used the lumber for ranch houses.

"The imposing stone courthouse served until 1929 when it was sold at public auction for one dollar. This story was carried in Ripley's Believe It Or Not. Some of the red stone was used in building business buildings.

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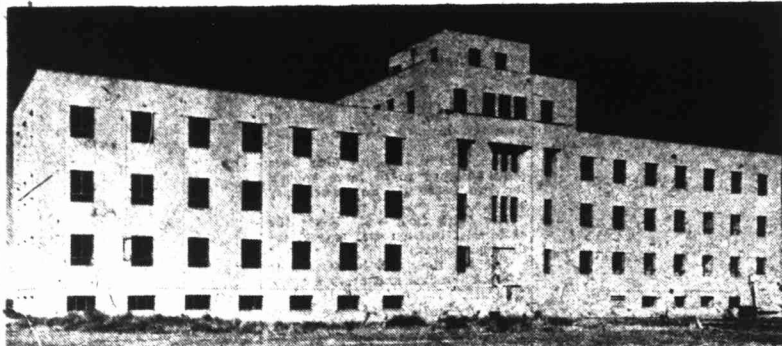
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Formal Opening Scheduled Early In '50



Construction of the huge Midland Memorial Hospital at the intersection of West Illinois Street and the Andrews Highway in West Midland is progressing on schedule, and completion is scheduled this Spring. Its formal opening will be one of the big events in Midland in the Golden Fifties. The 75-bed, general, open-staff hospital will be one of the largest, most modern and best-equipped in the Southwest.

Hospital Completion, Opening Scheduled In Golden Fifties

With the completion and formal opening of the new 75-bed Midland Memorial Hospital scheduled this Spring, Midland, in the Golden Fifties, is destined to become the hospital and medical center of the vast Permian Basin Empire of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico.

The opening of the hospital will be one of the big and long-awaited events in Midland in 1950.

Construction of the five-story building is progressing on schedule, and officials and contractors are aiming at an early completion date. Hospital equipment is arriving daily and personnel to operate the institution is being employed.

Midland Memorial Hospital, when completed, will provide the most modern facilities in this great territory. It will serve all residents of Midland and the Permian Basin Empire.

Construction of a two-story nurses' home adjacent to the hospital practically is complete.

Financed By Gifts
The hospital, costing in excess of \$1,325,000, is being erected with funds contributed by business firms, oil companies, organizations and individuals of Midland and the Permian Basin Empire and federal aid. An intensive finance campaign was

staged in 1948, and construction of the hospital was started late that year.

The contributions made by oil companies, employees of oil companies and affiliated industries, and persons connected with the oil industry in many other ways, played an important part in the founding of the hospital.

The new hospital already has attracted a number of fine doctors and specialists who will join with Midland's other capable and well-qualified physicians and surgeons in taking care of the medical needs of an ever-increasing population. Some of the new doctors have built and are erecting costly clinics here.

Five-Story Capacity
When completed the building will be of T-shape design with the main wing running East and West and facing South. The rear wing will run North and South. The main wing will be three stories and

Snyder Jumps Gun On Golden Fifties

By DALMON McNAIR
Reporter-Telegram Staff Writer

SNYDER—The City of Snyder has jumped the gun on the Golden Fifties.

But this Scurry County capital is looking toward the fifties with anticipation of rising as one of the top cities of West Texas. From a quiet, modest town of 3,850 persons in 1940 Snyder almost has reached the boiling point. Chamber of Commerce Manager William Schiel estimates Snyder's population at 18,000 today with prospects for a gain of another 12,000 before the year's end. An ultimate permanent population of as high as 30,000 is forecast for a town that was just another farm and ranch headquarters before August, 1948.

In 1948, the oil came and with it came sharp increases in bank deposits, population, business establishments, and school and utility problems. Oil, the mineral which has pulled many a West Texas town out of the doldrums, brought on a boom

that has been unmatched in the past 20 years.

Most reliable geologists, surveying the Scurry County field, have estimated a presently proved reserve of one billion barrels. Other estimates have run higher.

On The Lips
One of the highest publicized little cities in the country, the story of Snyder has been on the lips of radio commentators, and on the pages of leading newspapers and magazines. One of the nation's top pictorial magazines told the Snyder story, in words and pictures, in December 1949.

How does all this publicity affect a little city that suffers with new growing pains each day? It is both beneficial and detrimental, says Schiel. It helps to bring new industry and investments to the Scurry County capital. But, it also brings job seekers from all parts of the country who usually arrive in town broke and can't locate work.

In spite of its mushrooming growth there aren't any jobs avail-

able in Snyder for the common laborer. Most of the new firms, oil drilling companies, etc., bring their own crews.

Reminiscent of the days of Mezia and Kilgore when an oil boom brought on a complete reversal in the slow and pacified characteristics of a town, Snyder's facilities have been outgrown from time to time. The schools are constantly adding buildings and new classrooms; utilities have been expanded; the court house square has been streamlined to take care of more traffic. But Snyder still is over-crowded. A city just doesn't triple in size in one year and take it in stride.

But what has troubled its citizens the most is a psychological worry. Old timers and their families have begun to fear the town. Young ladies no longer want to walk its streets alone. The truth is, however, Snyder is still a comparable peace abiding county seat, according to Police Chief Sam Best.

No Major Crimes
"Naturally we've had an increase in arrests," Best says, "but there has been little evidence of a major crime wave. Most of the increase is in drunks and minor robberies."

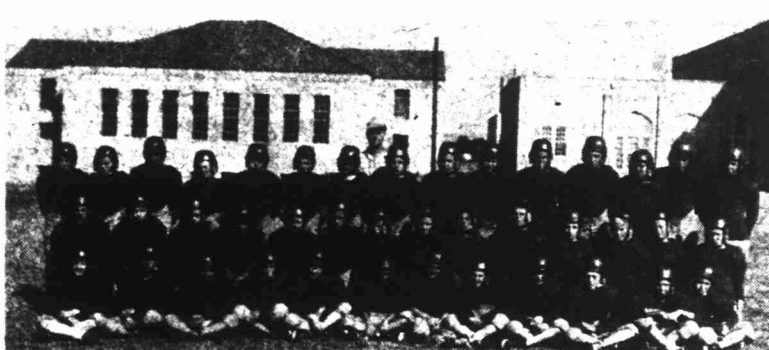
Best, working with a crew of eight policemen, operates only one patrol car. Sheriff Lloyd Merritt, with two deputies, operates two automobiles. And that's Snyder's entire law force. "We're getting set to add a new car and install radios," Best says, "but our force is pretty adequate. Of course we will have to add some to the force after the town grows a little more."

Chief worry of Best and his crew is the traffic problems. Automobiles travel bumper-to-bumper in the downtown section and it isn't uncommon to see them backed up for two or three city blocks.

The Snyder schools were all housed in one central building prior to the boom. Now the system operates a high school and grammar school plant; a temporary Junior High School building, and a new primary building, taking care of the first and second grades. A \$600,000 bond issue has been approved for further improvements for the schools.

Snyder's school enrollment has increased sharply in the past year. At the end of the 1949 school year there were 1,212 students on the rolls. At the present time 2,400 are enrolled and they are increasing at the rate

Will Shine In Golden 50's



The Sixth Grade Bullpups of 1949 pictured here will show up in varsity football uniforms during the Golden 50's and many of them are star prospects. They won the first annual Peanut Bowl in Odessa last November by trouncing a team from San Jacinto Elementary. The team was coached by Lloyd Curlee. Pictured are: Top row, left to right, Hammock, Ruff, Walker, Chancellor, Martin, Parmley, Dillard, Feemster, Scott, Hudson, Roberson, Whitley, Sanchez, Booth, Vanderpool, Middle row, Frick, Carpenter, Mills, McNeese, Harris, B. Harris, Reeves, Blancett, Monro, Grittest, Monroe, Raton, Daniels, Pyett, Bottom row, Wallington, Walden, Menchaco, Landrith, Welton, Sapp, Cutbirth, Howard, Midkiff, Mayhew, Phillips, Schwabe. McBride, also a member of the team, is not in the picture. Coach Lloyd Curlee is shown standing back of the team in center.

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Real Estate Board Grows At Beginning Of Golden Fifties

The Midland Real Estate Board, which had a total of 15 members at the close of its second year in February, 1949, has grown to 28 active, associate and affiliate members at the beginning of the Golden Fifties.

C. E. Nelson of Mims and Stephens firm is president of the board of Midland real estate dealers who are interested in the city's civic projects, zoning regulations and real estate projects.

The local real estate board members are divided into three groups. Active members are those possessing licenses as real estate dealers. Associate members are those who are engaged in work with an active member. Affiliate members are firms who have direct interest in the city's real estate development.

The active members automatically become members of the Texas Real Estate Association and the National Real Estate Association upon payment of dues to the local organization. Associate and affiliate members belong to the local group only.

The board meets twice each month to discuss any problems affecting the progress and good of Midland, particularly as far as real estate sales and developments are concerned. In its three years, the local board has voiced its opinion regarding several issues involving zoning and utility improvements for the city.

A business meeting is held by the board at 5:30 p. m. on the first Monday of each month. On the third Monday, a dinner and business meeting is held. The latest meeting begins at 7:30 p. m.

Officers. Members Listed. Officers of the board for 1950 include: Nelson, president; Harlan Howell, vice president; Leonard Miller, treasurer; and C. C. Boles, secretary. Boles is an associate member while the other officers are active members.

Active members of the group include: R. W. Allen, Floyd O. Boles, L. R. Burnside, W. F. Chesnut, John F. Friberg, Barney G. Graf, Clifford E. Hogue, Charles R. Ervin, Laura Jesse, Roy McKee, Ted Thompson, Frank True, W. R. Upsham, and J. C. Wilson.

Associate members are C. C. Boles, A. F. McKee, George Park and E. J. Russell. Affiliate members include Thomas Ingram, Mims and Stephens. The Reporter-Telegram, Harry Reynolds, Suberman-McRae and Sealy, attorneys; West Texas Abstract Co., and the Midland Federal Savings and Loan Association.

A current drive for new members is being waged by the board, according to Nelson. However, prospective new members must be approved by a board vote and must adhere to strict code of ethics and regulations, Nelson said.

LOUISIANA FURS. Louisiana's fur crop is made up largely of muskrat pelts, of which five or six million are taken annually. Opossums, raccoons, minks, skunks, otters, and foxes help swell the state's trapper income to about \$8,000,000 yearly.

Electric automobiles far outnumbered steam and gasoline cars at the New York auto show of 1950.

Steady Growth By First Methodist Church; New Children's Building To Be Constructed



By REV. HOWARD HOLLOWELL, Pastor, First Methodist Church. The First Methodist Church of Midland has enjoyed a steady growth which has reflected the growth of the city. Facilities have been taxed to the very limit to care for the increased attendance and activities of the church and Sunday School. Congregations at present are overflowing the sanctuary, and there have been some discussions among officials of the church as to the feasibility of holding two services of worship on Sunday mornings, in order to take care for the needs of the increasing numbers of persons who attend. This has not been decided upon, but likely will be done within a reasonable time.

The sanctuary and educational building, erected in 1940-41, are recognized as among the finest in West Texas. The total cost of these buildings did not exceed \$90,000, but these same buildings could not be constructed at present-day prices for two and one-half times this amount. It is to be noted that increased attendance at the First Methodist Church might possibly be misleading. Ministers constantly are concerned that we do not take a false view of our situation with reference to church attendance. We are told that the population of this city has doubled within the last five years. If this is the case, then churches would not be "holding their own" unless attendance also doubled. The percentage basis is the only true gauge of the effective ministry of a church to the needs of a growing community. The picture may be seen in its true perspective only when this factor is borne in mind.

Courage, Determination. Even so, the churches have shouldered their responsibilities with courage and determination, and have carried out building programs, or have these programs in the making.



Rev. H. H. Hollowell

building, that is, at the corner of Baird and Illinois streets. It will be of the same general architectural pattern as the other buildings now in use, and will be adequate to care for 400 children. In planning this building, the Board of Education of the church consulted with experts in the field of child training, and ultimately designed the building to meet the requirements of the latest methods and standards in Christian education. Nothing is omitted; nothing superfluous has been added. This building also will have office space for the church school officials, as well as a room for the church library. Other features of this modern educational unit are:

Crch Nursery. This bright and cheerful room will be equipped with 16 beds, storage space for each baby's belongings, and a small kitchenette for bottle-warming. Sufficient floor space will allow those in charge to move efficiently around the beds.

Toddlers Room. To take care of those children who are walking but not yet two years old, there will be a spacious room with play pens, educational toys, shelves, cubboards, and adjacent toilet facilities.

Nursery. These four rooms will allow a division of the two-year-olds into two small groups with similar arrangements for the three-year-olds. Beauty and cheerfulness will prevail because of low windows, proper heating, shelves, sturdy educational toys, chairs and tables of the right height. Toilet facilities also are included in the plan.

Kindergarten. Four large rooms for the four and five-year-olds will enable the kindergarten staff to properly use the informal method of teaching, which our church advocates. There will be adequate room for the various centers which this type of teaching makes necessary.

The departments described are on the first floor, and have openings onto a playground area in the patio. Play pens also are provided in the patio for the babies.

The second floor will house the other two departments in the children's division, namely, the primary department and the junior department. Primary Department. Children who use this department are in the first, second and third grades in public school. Our plans will be for a room each to be 24 by 28 feet. These will be used for the first and second grades. The largest room will accommodate the entire group for parties and other activities which include the whole department. Uniform equipment, and a kitchenette will make this part of the building attractive and efficient.

Junior Department. This department is patterned much like the primary department, and will house the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades. Equipment which meets the specifications for juniors, plus a kitchenette, will make this a happy place for boys and girls, to play, work and worship.

New Congregation. That the present plans, when completed, will not be adequate to cope with the growth which now is being experienced in Midland. For this reason we are soon to organize another Methodist Church in this city. This new church will be sponsored by The First Methodist Church and will be located at the corner of North Main and Hamby. This site was selected many months ago. Title to the property has been obtained, and a building has been purchased from the City of Midland. This building will be moved to the site sometime during the Spring or early Summer, and the forthcoming annual conference, to be held in Big Spring, May 24-28, will see the appointment of a pastor to this new congregation. This will make a total of three Methodist Churches in Midland.

The Methodists of Midland know that great things are demanded of them, and they are meeting this challenge with admirable courage and vision.

Superior Company Drills Deepest Oil Well—20,251 Feet

The deepest well ever drilled for oil now stands at 20,251 feet. This is the Superior Oil Company's Pacific Creek well in Wyoming. The depth, in contrast, exceeds the height of the tallest peak in North America — Mount McKinley in Alaska.

The deepest producing well is Mushrush No. 11 of the Standard Oil Company of California, in Kern County, Calif. This is producing from a depth of 15,290 feet to 15,530 feet, with initial production of 375 barrels of 40-gravity crude oil and 1,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day.

Both of the wells are monuments to the persistence of oil men in their constant search for oil and gas.

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Hospital—

(Continued From Page One) the rear wing will be a four-story structure. A basement under the entire structure will give it a five story capacity.

Provisions for an adequate amount of space for patients and equipment have been made. The main floor will accommodate the business offices, administrator's office and various other offices. Also on the main floor will be the laboratory, X-ray department, general kitchen and dining rooms for the staff and employes, an outpatient department, medical records office and library.

Second Floor. The second floor will be devoted to patient's rooms mainly but will house two isolation wards. Plans call for two patients' wards of four bed capacity on the second floor, also.

Rooms on the second floor have been designed to be large enough for two beds if an emergency arises.

The third floor will house the obstetrical division and several individual rooms.

The top floor will be devoted to operating rooms and other surgical facilities.

The main floor of the nurses home will provide a reception room, a lounge, smoking room, a study room and an apartment for the supervisor of nurses. The top story will be divided into rooms.

Finest, Most Complete. The basement will be used for storage rooms, dining room, boiler room, pharmacy and other similar purposes.

Architects have expressed the opinion Midland Memorial Hospital will be one of the finest and most completely equipped in the state.

The hospital will be open-staffed, with a skilled permanent staff. It will be open to any and all cases, including charity. Midland Memorial Hospital is a non-profit organization.

Hospital officials now are accepting gifts from interested persons and organizations for memorializing rooms, departments and equipment. Information may be obtained from any officer or from the hospital's temporary office on the third floor of the Midland County Courthouse.

Midland and Permian Basin Empire residents will welcome the opening of Midland Memorial Hospital in 1950.

University Expands '50 Summer Session

AUSTIN — Graduate engineers may obtain Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees by attending only summer sessions at the University of Texas under an expanded program starting in June.

In the 1950 and future Summer sessions, the College of Engineering will emphasize graduate study in aeronautical, architectural, ceramic, chemical, civil, electrical, mechanical, and petroleum engineering, in engineering mechanics, and in architecture and city planning. Dean W. R. Woolrich announced.

Read the Classifieds

Big Future On Gridiron In Fifties



The football fans in Midland will hear from this group of gridirers during the Golden 50's. They are the South Elementary Bullpups, champions in 1949 of the Elementary Flag Football League. Pictured are: top row, left to right, Donald Moore, Johnny Long, Billy Savage, Vernon Williams, Melton Williams, Donald Gladden, James Stewart, Dan Phillips; middle row—Leonard Truelove, Jimmy O'Neil, Carrol Hightower, Autrey Decker, Richard Heard, Keith Crabtree, Herbert Williams, Jimmy Padgett; bottom row—Carl Pirtle, Donald Rone, Kenneth Morris, Roy Eisenbach, John Greathouse, Keith Jeffcoat, S. L. Vann and Gaylon Howard. The team is coached by Charles McDonald who is in the back row.

Snyder Jumps Gun—

(Continued From Page One) of 30 per week. The faculty has 75 members now, an increase of 32 over last year.

School Plans. Included in the improvement plans for the schools is a new 18 room Ward school and cafeteria for North Snyder; a cafeteria and new science and homemaking equipment for the high school; a building site for a Ward school in East Snyder and a future high school site. The latter two won't be built immediately but will be constructed when necessary.

An increase in the city's wealth can be evidenced by Snyder's bank deposit rise. At the beginning of 1949, a total of little more than six million dollars was on deposit in Snyder. At the end of the year the figure had risen to more than 15 million. On January 14, this year, a new bank opened for business and now is getting its share of the county's wealth. Known as the West Texas State Bank, it opened in a new building on the southwest corner of the square.

The housing problem has loomed as the main trouble maker for Snyder. The city's new citizens are finding it tough to locate a bed for a night. Bed rooms, when available, rent for an average of three dollars a night. The stories of card board and sheet metal shacks and the increasing sium areas are true. Cot houses rent their makeshift beds for \$1.50 to \$3 a night. Trailer space goes for about \$30 a month, and there are few back yards that aren't loaded with them.

Schiebel says there are over 3,000 trailer houses in Snyder now. But the trailer houses cause little worry to city officials. A city ordinance requires that all trailers be connected to sewage lines. The trailer occupants use community baths or the baths of landlords if they are parked in his back yard.

Crowded Condition Story. Evidence of the crowded living conditions in the city was at hand recently when two men were caught sleeping in the women's lounge of the Northside Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Joe York, who live in the northwest sector of Snyder, had gone to the church to carry a piano bench. The church pastor went in the building with the Yorks so he could light the stoves to get the building warm for an afternoon funeral. The two intruders were found sleeping on couches in the women's lounge. They had with them blankets and coats which had been pilfered from nearby automobiles. One of the men was arrested; the other escaped.

Miss Neida York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe York, speaks for Snyder's young ladies of college-age level. "I think Snyder is so awfully dirty now," she says, "and I liked it so much when it had only about 5,000 people." There isn't anything in the town much for entertainment purposes.

There is a new drive-in theatre and another under construction. But conditions at the places of entertainment also are crowded.

Snyder has an estimated 360 business establishments, excluding small hamburger snacks and other migrant businesses. In 1940, the total was only 124. The chamber of commerce membership has increased to 245, some 60 more than in 1949.

Two important highways, U. S. Highways 180 and 84, cross at Snyder. Highway 180 is claimed as the shortest route between Fort Worth and El Paso. Highway 84 runs north and south from Lubbock to Sweetwater. Railroads in the city are the Santa Fe which goes south to Houston, and the small feeder line, Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific, one of the richest shortline railroads in the United States, according to Schiebel.

What Snyder looks for now, is permanency. Rapidly tiring of its temporary status and the heavy influx of migratory workers, the town's citizenry looks to the Golden Fifties with apprehension and with hopes of building a city with a solid foundation. And the trend appears to be moving in that direction.

Numerous Callers. There still are those numerous callers at the chamber of commerce office for help in locating living quarters. But the trend already has changed from workers seeking temporary shelter, to those with an eye for a permanent future in wealthy Snyder. The majority of the callers now seek new homes to buy or lease by the year, or building sites.

Snyder has 16 churches, several of which have conducted building programs to meet an expanded membership. The schools, although increasing in enrollment at a rapid rate, are building for the future. The new utility problems are expected to be met soon. Several solid new businesses, a new radio station, and prospects for commercial airline service, all speak for permanency.

You would hit the nail on the head if you called Snyder a boom town. But you would be doing this crowded little city an injustice if you called it temporary. Snyder appears to be here to stay. It has all the aspects of a growing pillow for Central-West Texas.

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Midland Turns Out As "Square-Dancin' Town"

Square dancing has become such a popular form of entertainment here there's hardly a night in the week but what one group or another is dancing to string-band music and the directions of a caller.

organizations have come into being during the last year and if the rapid growth continues, there will be many more before another year passes. One of the oldest groups is the Sashaway Club, which meets on the first Fridays of each month. John

Fletcher is president of the organization; John Mills, vice president, and Mrs. E. L. Straughan, secretary. Single Saddle

clubs, restricted to unmarried persons. Dan Peterson is president; Juanita Anderson, secretary, and Carolyn Oates, reporter.

Swing Your Partner



Mrs. Ed Halfast, Midland square dance caller, instructs a group of dancers at a meeting of the Sashaway, one of Midland's oldest square dance clubs. Interest in square dancing skyrocketed in Midland and throughout the Permian Basin Empire in the late 40's and is expected to continue at an even faster pace in the Golden 50's.

Meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays, the Swing Away Club has Ronald James as its president.

New Officers
E. D. Madland is the newly-elected president of the Circle Eight Club, which meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Ernest Neill is vice president and Mrs. Dean Corley, secretary-treasurer.

The Promenaders Club meets on the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month and has Harry J. Russell as its president. Mrs. John Challice is the treasurer.

Large Club
One of the larger clubs is the Forty-Niners, which meets on the second and fourth Thursday nights. Officers are W. E. Nance, president; Mrs. Arvid Augustson, vice president; Mrs. Charles McDonald, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Dan Gillett, reporter; Mrs. Raymond Howard, social chairman; and Dr. J. F. Gaines, chairman of ways and means.

Mrs. R. F. Rood is president of the Do-Si-Do Club, which meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

Several other groups meet regularly and dance but are not organized as clubs and several Midland churches have square dances in their recreation halls for members of the congregation and their friends.

The First Presbyterian Church has square dancing each Monday night in the Fellowship Hall. Members alternate as hosts and callers.

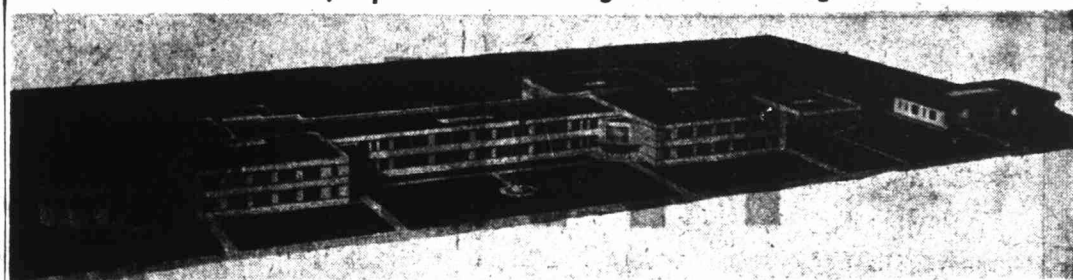
The Trinity Episcopal Church also sponsors square dancing in the Parish House.

Science Developed Method Of Recovery From Stripper Wells

One of the biggest aids science has given the oil industry in recent years is a method of producing oil from stripper wells. Such wells—strippers—no longer respond to normal production methods and scientists have developed another method of recovery from them.

In years past, thousands of wells were abandoned when natural flow of oil ceased or when the wells failed to respond to pump pressure. Scientific secondary recovery methods now are "prolonging the life" of such wells and leading to recovery of millions of barrels of oil that otherwise would have been lost.

Elaborate, Expensive Kermit High School Building



Part of the buildings included in the Kermit school system's expansion program are shown in the architect's model pictured. The units are located on a 40-acre tract in East Kermit and, when completed, will represent an investment of approximately \$1,500,000. The small model at the extreme right is the first eight rooms of what is now a completed 16-room primary unit, with two eight-room units connected by a large recreation building. The smaller structure to the left of the

primary building is the recently completed cafeteria. The curved extreme left end of the high school building is the band hall; next is the auditorium which will seat more than 1,300 persons; the center is the academic section, and the right end is the gymnasium with a seating capacity of 1,200 persons. The homemaking cottage and the vocational shop are located to the rear of the main building, to which they are connected by covered walk-ways.

Midland Civic Music Club's Growth And Progress Assured By Long-Range Planning

By KORENE GEFEN
Civic Music Club Reporter

Long-range plans to insure the continued growth of Midland's Civic Music Club have been outlined by members at the club's thirteenth season draws to a close.

Encouragement of string music in the schools and among adult factions in Midland; aid to talented, but underprivileged persons; presentation of "big-name" artists; and continued sponsorship of an annual musical review are but a few of the goals of the club for coming seasons.

Members of the club's executive board met recently and decided that a more concerted effort on the part of the club must be made to encourage the children of Midland to learn how to play the various stringed instruments—the violin, viola, cello and bass violin. They pointed out that this type of music in later life, both in college and community, offers emotional outlet as well as the opportunity for group teamwork.

Potential Talent

Many persons living in Midland have potential musical talent, but are hampered by such factors as lack of an instrument, lack of practicing facilities or lack of funds through which to procure the necessary instruction. The board decided that, if it is within the club's power, aid will be given.

With Midland's new, acoustically perfect auditorium, it is quite probable that the Civic Music Club will undertake sponsorship of a "big-name" performer. Such talent is available since Midland is on a direct line between Dallas and El Paso, and since the problem of seating a large audience has been eliminated.

Heretofore, Midland audiences have varied from the luke-warm to enthusiastic stage—depending upon the quality of the performer, prior publicity and the type of performer. Careful checks have been made to

determine what type of performer Midland audiences want and the Civic Music Club will abide by those indications when choice of an artist is to be made.

The club has sponsored movies in past seasons. During 1949 the presentation of "Carnegie Hall" was a successful project and indicated that Midland music-lovers want more musical movies. It was the board's opinion that at least one movie should be exhibited each year and plans now are in progress toward that goal.

Program innovations were included under the club's progress since 1937. Among those have been the introduction of all open programs. The club, while encouraging a large membership, does not limit attendance and welcomes guests at all programs. During the 1949-50 season the club has presented a ballet number and will exhibit a square dance on the Texas Day program, March 14. Because of the nature of the square dance it is probable it will be presented "in the round."

Jazz Program

Jazz music probably will come into the limelight during the 1950-51 season—at least for one program. Although club members admittedly prefer the more classical type of music it is conceded that swing, be-bop and boogie woogie comes under the heading of modern music and should not be ignored.

On the long-range agenda is to come an emphasis on original composition. Plans are in the offing to encourage members—and non-members—in presenting manuscripts with the club acting as a sounding board.

Last year the club, during National Music Week (which falls in May), presented a children's concert as well as a resume of outstanding numbers which had been given during the year. It is the plan of the club to make the children's concert an annual affair.

The board also signified approval to the plan for presentation of artists (either local or regional) for a series of concerts for children. This type of concert, under American Association of University Women sponsorships, was given successfully during a past season by two Civic Music Club members—Mr. and Mrs. Howard.

As always in plans for the future comes the significant fact that the club has found so many members who contribute new ideas and make the club a continuing organization. Civic Music Club members are to begin their 1950-51 season with an all-out drive for new members, both men and women. One of the major points to be stressed in the membership drive will be the short business meetings which the club has found so successful.

Associate members also are welcomed to the club. Previous policy has been to allow those who do not participate in the club affairs the privilege of becoming associates.

New Instruments

During the past seasons the club has purchased musical instruments. Mrs. E. W. Vanderpool now plays the club contrabass, and by doing so, has been able to supply the needed fifth voice in the Silver Strings, an organization consisting both of members and non-members. Two years ago the club bought a piano which now is housed in the North Elementary School and which facilitates two-piano music. It was suggested that the club make the purchase of a recording set its next project, but that was listed as one of the long-range plans.

Almost all members of the club own pianos and, of course, the families are encouraged to make use of the instrument, thus increasing the potential musicianship of the club about three-fold.

It is the goal of the organization to continue with its musical cooperation with other local groups

In the past (and in the future) members will assist in various church choirs and Christmas and Easter programs. All assistance possible to school musicians and their instructors is given, both in the home and through patronage of concerts and recitals. Members have, and will continue to, participate in minstrel shows and community projects.

Since the advent of the Civic Music Association, members have aided in ticket drives and almost 100 per cent of the membership has purchased tickets for themselves and families.

Officers Listed

Officers of the club, which is in the Ninth District of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs, include Mrs. J. B. Koenig, president; Mrs. Larry Melzer, first vice president; Rosemary Bole, second vice president; Dorothy Routh, recording secretary; Mrs. Delbert Downing, corresponding secretary; Lotta Williams, treasurer; Mrs. Sam E. Geffen, historian-reporter, and Mrs. Ben Danby, Jr., librarian.

Standing committees include, program: Mrs. E. W. Vanderpool and Mrs. Frank Thompson; social courtesy: Mrs. Van Camp and Mrs. Ralph Troseth; telephone: Mrs. M. O. Gibson; Mrs. Glen Mershon and Mrs. Gilbert Sevier; membership: Mrs. Holt Jowell, Mrs. Ralph Crays and Mrs. Frank Miller; arrangements: Ben Danby, Jr., and M. O. Gibson.

Past presidents include Mrs. Myrtle Scharborough-Smith, Mrs. Tom R. Parker, Mrs. Robert Turpin, Mrs. F. C. Cummings, Mrs. J. R. Brooks, Jr., Mrs. Lee Cornelius, Edith Conyers, Mrs. Joseph H. Mims, Mrs. Tom R. Parker, Mrs. Bernice Stevens and Mrs. Herman D. Williams.

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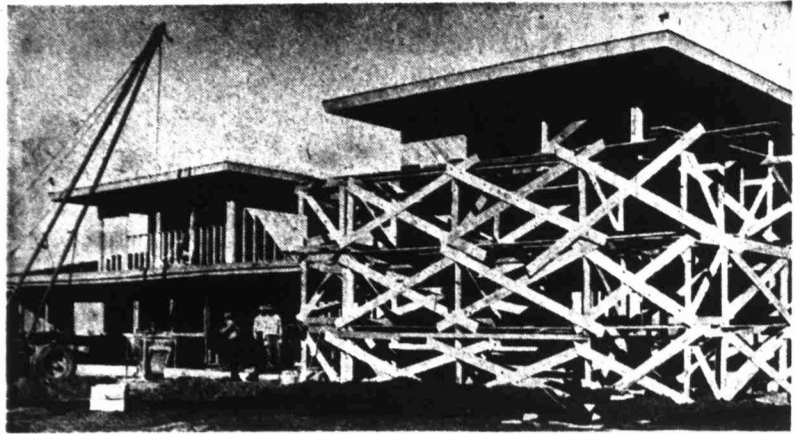
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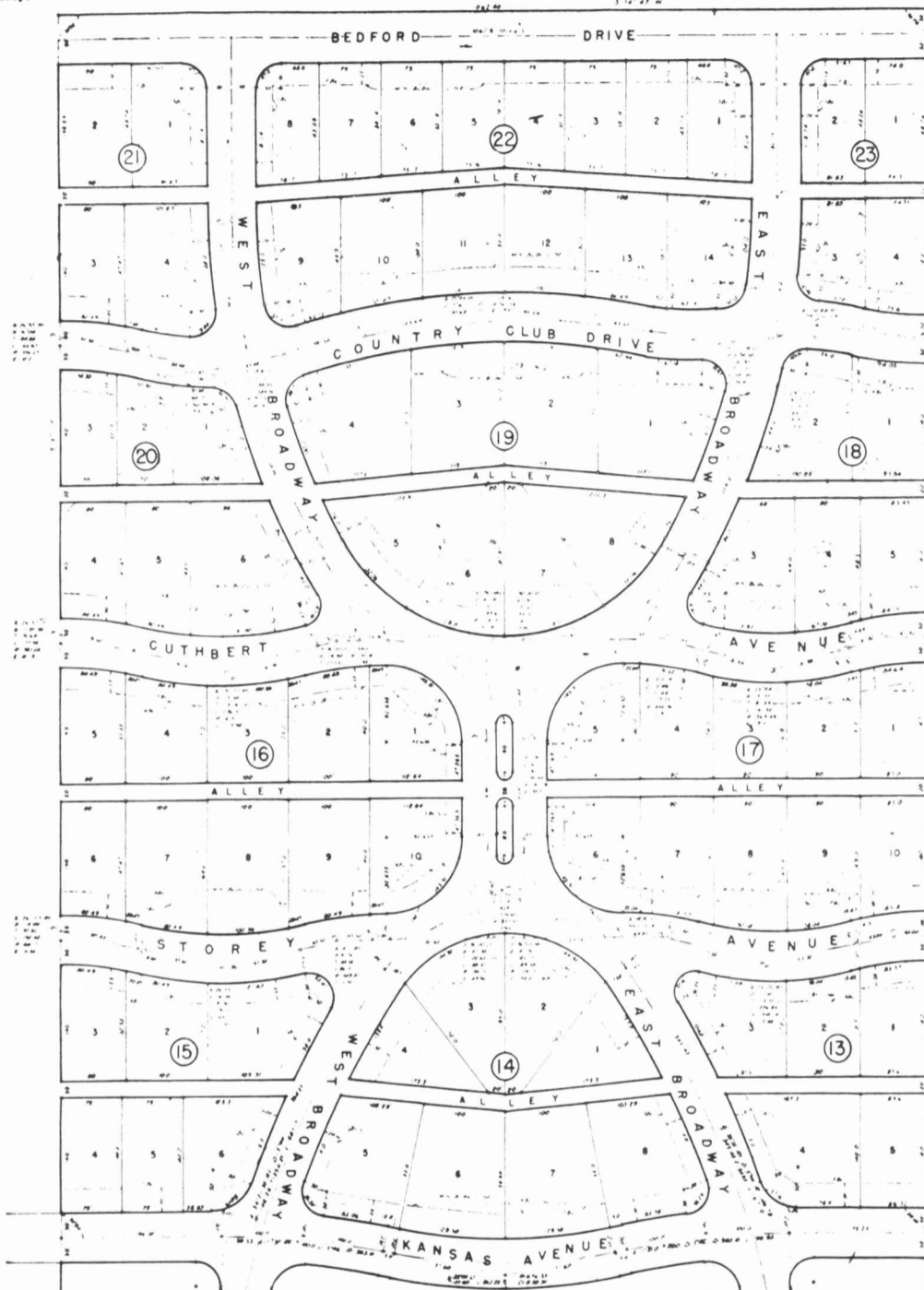
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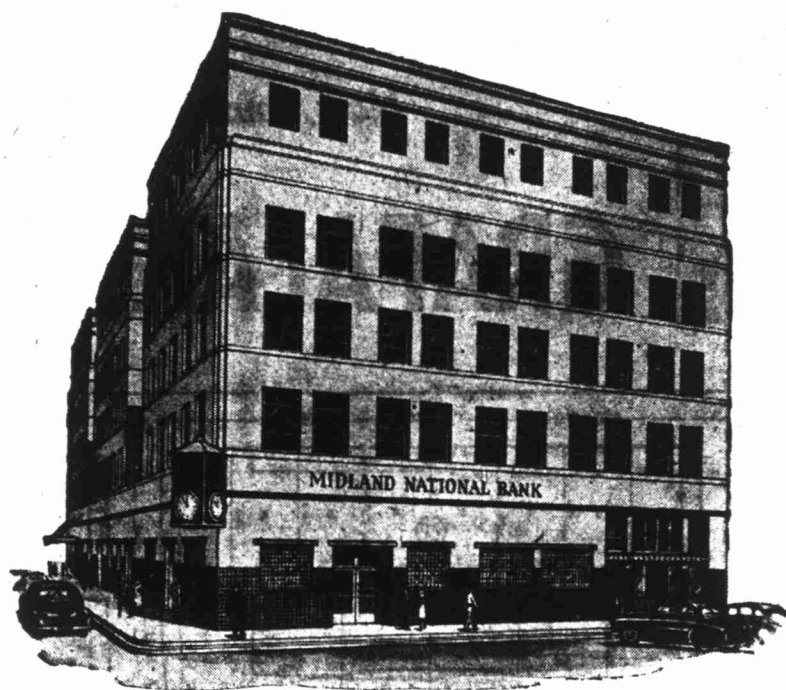
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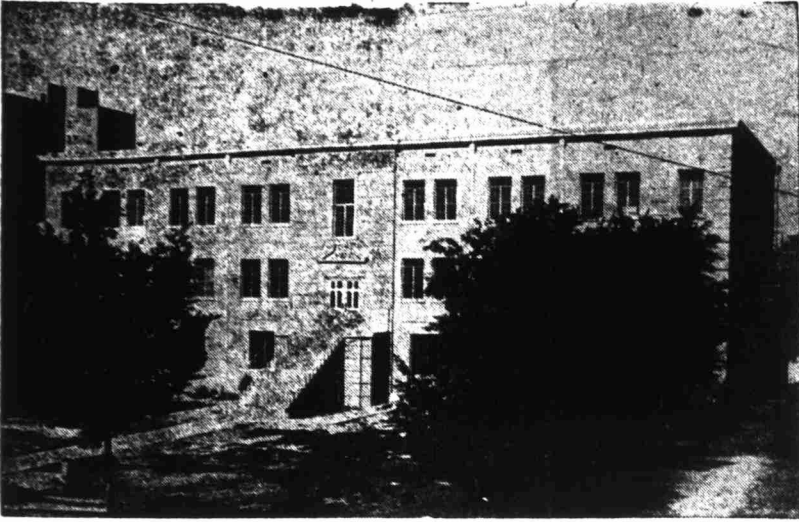
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From 24 Charter Members, First Baptist Church Grows With Midland, And Rapidly



**By REV. VERNON YEARBY
Pastor, First Baptist Church**

Baptist beginnings in Midland date from Jan. 10, 1886, when there was the formal organization of the First Baptist Church in Midland. There were 24 Baptist people who joined the church to make the roster of charter members.

The story of the First Baptist Church from that day to this present age is the story of progress and development. There have been many days of difficulty in the history of the church, but there are many records of achievement in which the members of the First Baptist Church take pride.

The church has grown so rapidly that it never has been able to adequately house its organizations and take care of its membership in proper building facilities.

After leaving the small frame building at the corner of Illinois and Marienfield streets, the church moved to the brick building at Main and Illinois streets. The church has acquired property until it now owns all but 100x140 feet of the entire city block. In 1940 the church erected a modern three story Educational Building to take care of "present and future needs" but within the space of a few months these buildings were not adequate. In 1947 the church provided 10,000 square feet of floor space in temporary Army buildings. These buildings have been

First Baptist Educational Building crowded since they were placed on the property. In addition, the church has a beautiful residence at 311 North Main street and the associate pastor's home is located at 905 West Kansas street.

The First Baptist Church has been looking forward to a building program for several years. It now appears that such a program actually is about to begin. On February 12, the church voted in conference to organize a building committee and elected a Steering Committee for a building program. Members are: T. Paul Barron, Mrs. Clyde

BRIGHTENED UP
The star, Nova Herculis, in 1934, changed from a star of the 14th magnitude too faint to be seen by the naked eye, to the 17th most luminous star in the heavens, within a few days time.

More Conservation Due In Golden 50's

Conservation practices which were further extended in 1949 are expected to be even more widely practiced in the Golden 50's.

Experience has shown that storage of petroleum in nature's underground reservoirs is very much more efficient than in steel tanks above ground, which are exposed to the variations of Summer and Winter temperatures.

Marked progress was made in 1949 in reducing the flaring of natural gas, and substantial quantities of gas that was formerly blown into the air after serving its function as the energy in oil production was either injected back into the underground formations to re-energize the fields or moved to consuming markets through the construction of new pipe lines.

Seaboard Established Office Here In 1941

Seaboard Oil Company began its operations through Midland offices in July, 1941, when the company established district offices here.

H. H. Lawson, first manager of Seaboard here, still is at his same post. Seaboard offices are located in the Petroleum Building in Midland and handle business operations for the company in the Permian Basin area.

Bronx Zoo, New York, operates the world's largest earthworm factory, to feed its duck-billed Platypuses.

Midland Has Always Been A Good Town —

(Continued From Page One)

ness structures and some still are standing.

"In the point of continuous service, Burton-Lingo Lumber Company is the oldest business establishment. Allens Brothers & Wadley sold the original lumber yard to that company in 1887. Next in length of service is the Ellis Funeral Home, established by N. H. Ellis. The First National Bank was chartered in 1900, although it had operated as a private bank as early as 1888.

"Midland has always been a good town."

"In its lifetime, Midland has had several newspapers. There was the Staked Plain in 1885. It was followed by the Eye Opener, Midland Gazette, Livestock Reporter, Examiner, Telegram and finally, The Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Two Livery Stables
"Midland used to support two newspapers. And it supported two livery stables, too."

"Midland has always been a good town."

"Midland's first school house was a one-room building located on North Baird Street, just east of the present Methodist Church. It had one teacher and about 25 pupils, of which I was one. This building later was moved to the block on which Ace Motors, Skelly Oil Company and other businesses are located. The county paid \$200 for this block, which sold two or three years ago for \$40,000. Additional rooms were added to the original building as needed. In 1896, more room was needed. Then was built the old two-

store, square red brick, eight-room building, which stood for years. This building was erected without a bond issue. It was financed by public subscription.

"Midland has always been a good town."

"Not a great many know that Midland once boasted a college. It was The Midland College. Parts of the foundation of its main building can be seen out West College Street."

"I believe the growth and progress of the community can be better told by a review of our schools, than by almost any other way."

"The first church building in Midland was Baptist. It was located on North Marienfield Street, where now stands the Service Drug. It was soon followed by establishment of Methodist, Catholic, Christian and Presbyterian. Other denominations came later."

"The present-day Chamber of Commerce in 1904 was the Commercial Club."

"Midland never laid claim to a first rodeo. But it really did put on a big show in 1889 at the first and only Cowboy Carnival. At this time the town boasted a population of about 2,000. Due to the advertising efforts of the promoters, it was estimated that 2,500 visitors came here for the carnival. A carload of mattresses and bedding was shipped here to take care of the visitors. There was \$0 by 140 feet carnival building for dancing and it was erected on the spot where Virtue's store now stands. That night about 10 p.m., a norther blew up and by the next morning there were 14 inches of snow. You can imagine the

exodus of visitors when that happened. The carnival building served many years as an Opera House.

"Few know that from 1887 to 1900, Colorado City was the metropolis of West Texas. It had about 25,000 population and street cars. The old tracks were salvaged for metal in World War I."

"Midland has always been a good town."

"The First National Bank was started in 1890 with A. W. Hilliard as president; W. H. Cowden and Herman Garrett as vice presidents; and W. E. Connell as cashier. The Guarantee State Bank was organized in the early 1900's, and was merged with the Midland National Bank in 1912. The Odessa National Bank was chartered in 1902 but was moved to Midland and the charter changed to Midland National Bank in 1912. President was D. W. Brunson and O. P. Thomas was cashier."

"Few know that from 1916 to 1918 you could ride a train from Midland to Seminole and all intermediate points. David Fasken, an uncle of Andy Fasken, built a standard gauge railroad and operated trains on schedule between Midland and Seminole."

First Oil Well
"The first oil well drilled for oil in West Texas was drilled in Midland County. This well was drilled nine miles south of Midland on what was the Bryant Ranch. It was sunk in 1920 to a depth of 4,478 feet. There was a slight show of oil at 4,320 feet. But the well was abandoned and plugged, Jan. 11, 1921."

"At this time, there was another venture a few miles northwest of town, but there is no record of the depth or findings in this hole."

"While there was no oil found in the Bryant well, something else was discovered—potash. As a result of this discovery, the government sent a survey to investigate. It headquartered at Midland and its findings led to the potash mines at Carlsbad."

"Midland has always been a good town."

"Along in the 1890's and early 1900's, before there were public water or sewer systems, each house had a windmill. Midland became known, far and wide, as Windmill City. Plumbing was of the outdoor variety. Midland had its Badger Club and there were many Badger Fights."

"Midland has always been a good town, but for its splendid progress and growth since the advent of oil, I give special credit to three men: T. S. Hogan, who built the Petroleum Building; Dr. John B. Thomas, who built the Thomas Building (now Leggett Building); and Clarence Scharbauer, who built the Scharbauer Hotel. But for the foresight and vision of these three in particular, I believe Midland would only be a town of 6,000, just a suburb of Odessa."

"Midland has always been a good town."

HARMLESS TO ITSELF
The belief that scorpions commit suicide by stinging themselves to death when tortured has no scientific foundation. The poison of the scorpion has no effect on the individual itself or on others of the same species.

Progress In 50 Valid Theme For WT Area

**By WILLIAM J. MURRAY, JR.
Chairman, Texas Railroad Com.**

(Written especially for the Petroleum Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram.)

AUSTIN—The predictions made a year ago that West Texas would lead in the development of new reserves during the year 1949 and make vast progress in utilizing gas formerly wasted and in developing methods for increasing efficiency of underground recovery of oil, were more than borne out by the developments of the past year.

Discovery and development of new reserves were almost phenomenal and should help more than any other factor to convince the nation that we are not running out of oil



Rev. Vernon Yearby
Cowden, Frank Cowden, Mrs. J. E. McCain, C. G. Murray, L. E. Patterson and Roy Stockard. It is in the mind of church leaders to provide adequate Sunday School and auditorium space for at least 1,800 persons.

\$750,000 Project
In addition to this program, which will involve a cash outlay of at least \$750,000, the church is seeking to establish more Baptist churches in Midland. In 1949 the church purchased property valued at \$5,500 and erected the first unit of a church building at 1710 North Big Spring street, valued at \$12,000. This property was paid for by the first of 1950 and this Mission Church now averages 125 in Sunday School and 165 in preaching attendance. The Rev. J. H. Goins is pastor. Present plans call for the organization of a church congregation on April 9, 1950, this being Easter Sunday.

The First Baptist Church now is negotiating for additional property in other sections of the city and present plans call for the erection of a new Baptist Church in Midland each year for the next five years. This would bring the total of Co-operating Baptist Churches in Midland to nine.

The First Baptist Church owns property in the Latin American section of the city and carries on a full church program among Latin Americans, with the Rev. Silvano Lara as pastor. In addition to this unique ministry, the church also owns property in the negro section of the city and maintains a day-time negro kindergarten for pre-school children. This work is carried on in close cooperation with the negro Baptist churches of the city.

In addition to this program, the First Baptist Church has organized a church at Terminal, and is supporting this work, which has made rapid growth. The Rev. Curtis Rogers is pastor of this church.

Looking beyond the local responsibilities, the First Baptist Church is one of the 15 largest contributors of all Baptist Churches in Texas to Missions and Benevolences. The church, in addition to this distinction, supports missionaries in Chile, South America, and Nigeria, Africa.

Ambitious Program
The ministry of the First Baptist Church would not be so large, were it not for the glorious heritage and background of the pioneer peoples of West Texas who believe in the future. This church is seeking to keep faith in the future and is making every effort to expand and enlarge its opportunities and ministries in every phase of Christian endeavor.

The present financial program of the First Baptist Church calls for about \$1,500 a Sunday and with the special contributions which come through the year, the church receives and disburses more than \$125,000 annually.

The Rev. Vernon Yearby, pastor, holds the distinction of the second longest pastorate in the history of the church and preaches to capacity audiences each Sunday. The Rev. Raymond G. Hall, associate pastor, presents one of the outstanding church musical programs of Baptist churches in Texas.

The First Baptist Church is seeking to keep abreast of the times and meet tomorrow's needs in its progressive and forward looking ministry. The First Baptist Church feels keenly its responsibility to the spiritual and moral welfare of the citizens of Midland and the surrounding territory. The First Baptist Church is seeking to develop and maintain a dynamic, spiritual, progressive church program to meet the ever developing progress that petroleum, ranching and farming is presenting the Permian Basin area.



and that there is no need for a government fostered and subsidized program of synthetic fuel development, so long as private enterprise is allowed a relatively free reign and given a reasonable incentive for seeking out and developing the undiscovered reserves which are believed to exist in this country.

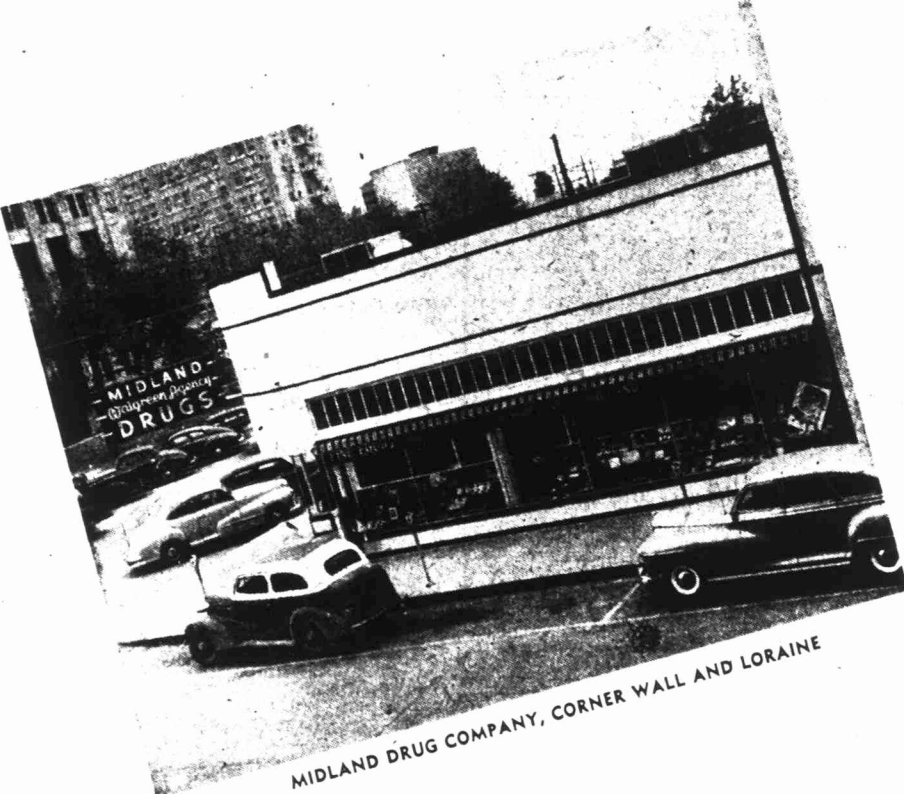
Producing Capacity
West Texas, which we refer to as Railroad Commission District 8, now is capable of producing efficiently in excess of one million barrels of oil daily. No other commission district has ever been capable of efficiently producing so large an amount. The considerable volume of excessive producing capacity which exists in West Texas today and which could readily be called upon in times of a national emergency must be of considerable comfort to our military leaders concerned with problems of our national security.

However, largely because of increasing volumes of imports it has been necessary to severely cut back on the rate of production from West Texas as evidenced by the fact that in spite of enhanced productive ability West Texas produced 44 million barrels of oil less in 1949 than in 1948.

Unless the factors which have necessitated this reduction in West Texas allowable are alleviated it is not improbable that further reductions may become necessary.

Consequently, it would appear that the theme of "CONTINUED PROGRESS IN THE GOLDEN 50'S" is a very valid theme for West Texas, and we may reasonably anticipate that many hundreds of millions of barrels of additional reserves will be developed in this area. However, it will be helpful if the nation can be made to realize that it, too, has a stake in the continued progress of petroleum development in West Texas.

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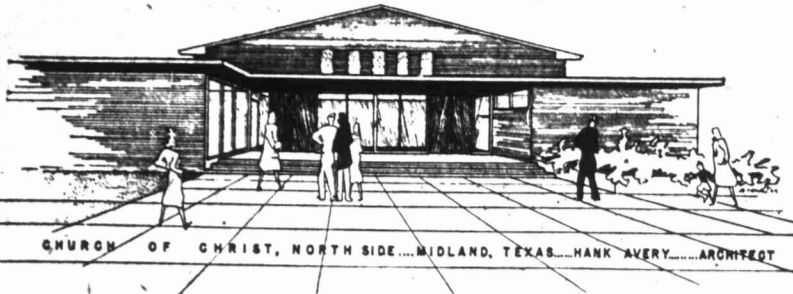
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First Met In Courthouse; Northside Church Of Christ Has New Structure



CHURCH OF CHRIST, NORTH SIDE...MIDLAND, TEXAS...HANK AVERY...ARCHITECT

By J. WOODIE HOLDEN
Minister, Northside Church of Christ

The original group or congregation of the Church of Christ in Midland met for worship in the old courthouse back in 1928. J. D. Harvey of Colorado City, G. B. Shelburne of Stanton, and Thornton Crews were among the first men to do preaching work for the congregation.

Church of Christ, Northside together with the old church building, was removed from the lots to make room for the erection of a new church building at the North A and Tennessee location. This building was started in June, 1949, and now is nearing completion, with Felix Stonebocker as contractor and Hank Avery as architect. It will seat about 550 persons and has rooms for about a dozen study groups.

Gospel Invitation
During the period of construction the church has met for services in a building erected in 1946 across the street east at 500 North San Angelo. During 1949, 127 persons answered the call of gospel invitation in these

services. Not all of these remain as net gain, but the church has had a steady growth through the years in numbers and in spirituality, gaining in numbers from about 200 in 1945 to about 365 in early 1950.

The minister is serving his fifth year as local evangelist. In view of being able to enter a new building in the near future, and considering the fine spirit of peace, harmony and spiritual zeal in the membership, together with unlimited opportunities in the growing city of Midland, the church faces the future with much optimism and bright prospects for continued progress to the will of God.

Women Voters League Maps Projects For Golden 50's

A "Know Your Community" booklet and a study which will contribute to the same type of publication on the state level are the League of Women Voters' principal projects at the present time.

The Midland League was organized in 1940 and has grown until it is one of the largest women's organizations in Midland. Mrs. J. E. Beaky is president of the group. The "Know Your Community" booklet will be a comprehensive study of Midland, its method of organization and operation, and how it works. It will be printed later in the year and will be available to interested persons both in and outside of the League.

Three Parts
The information which will be included in this booklet has been divided into three sections—school, city and county. Members in charge of these sections attend the necessary

meetings and gather other information which will be included in the booklet.

The school section of the booklet is in the writing stage and will include a history of the Midland school system, athletics, needs of the schools, and the cafeteria. The history division will give a description of the present plant, the enrollment, amount of bonded indebtedness, present number of employees, school board, elections and number of members, organization and accomplishments.

Organization, finance of and medical attention provided by the athletic departments in the high, junior high and the elementary schools as well as the Carver and Latin American schools will be included.

The needs of and recommendations for improvement in the same schools will be included. This will include the needs for improvement and provisions for non-paying students in the cafeterias.

Gives Information
The Midland League has prepared a paper on the office of the governor which will be included in "Know Your State" booklet to be published by the State League of Women Voters some time this year. Each League in the state is preparing a part of the booklet.

Besides these special projects, the League supplies non-partisan information about candidates and issues in all elections, urges every citizen to vote and arouses the interest of women in city, state and national governments.

Voters Guides
In carrying out these activities, Voters Service Guides are given to eligible voters and attempts are made to get the voters to the polls. The Midland League has made an attempt to obtain voter booths for the city. The group also has carried on campaigns to get voters to pay their poll taxes and attend precinct meetings and candidate rallies.

Membership in the League, which meets for luncheon, business and programs twice a month, is open to women over 21 years of age, regardless of political party affiliation. As of Jan. 1, 1950, there were 112 paid members and several more have joined since then.

TIPC Member



W. P. Z. (Bill) German, Jr., Midland attorney, currently is serving as a member of the Texas Petroleum Importers Committee. German was appointed to the post by William J. Murray, Jr., chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas. The committee contains 10 members.

Production Of Aerial Maps Aids Industry

The production of aerial maps has done much to help oil companies in further developing the Permian Basin. These maps, made by a Midland survey company, have been in constant demand since the company's inauguration 14 years ago.

Although maps have been made of the Permian area for decades, it wasn't until 1936 that modern, scientific processes were placed in effect. Now, clear, accurate maps are produced which are sufficiently accurate for land and geophysical as well as geological information uses.

Probably the biggest problem encountered in aerial map-making has been in securing a clear photograph from the air. If the plane is at the slightest angle the picture will be distorted and will show up in enlargements. A new rectifying camera, which allows the camera as much freedom as the plane, has overcome this difficulty.

After drainage lines, roads, railroads, etc., have been drafted in, the next step in drawing up a map is the stripping of section lines and numbers onto the surface of the map.

Process Made Faster
The "stripping" process has made possible faster, more accurate, and more uniform work. The process consists of sticking section lines and numbers, which have been printed on transparent material, over light guide lines drawn on the mapping surface. The stripping operation saves much time that would otherwise be consumed by drafting.

Additional information such as oil well location data—operator, elevation, total depth, is type-set on transparent material and stripped on the map.

Negatives are made from the map and the required reduction is accomplished. The finished map is usually delivered on a film with a drafting surface. Reproduction rights to the customer are sold with the maps.

Keeping Score: Oil Search Finds 1,259,927 Wells

The count shows 1,259,927 oil wells have been drilled in the United States since 1859.

These wells have varied in depth from 69 1/2 feet, the first commercial oil well, to a recent one running in excess of 20,000 feet. All told, 1,259,927 wells have been drilled in the United States since the time of the Drake discovery in 1859.

Of these, more than 75 per cent have been drilled in the past 30 years. The largest number of wells drilled in any one year occurred in 1948, when more than 39,000 were sunk into the ground. This was an average of one completed every 13 minutes.

Texas Pacific Came In Early Thirties

The Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company was one of the pioneer companies to establish district offices in Midland. The company brought its offices here in the early thirties.

Nick Carter is head of the geological department for the Texas Pacific Company. Gordon Geddes is chief scout for the company in the Midland area and W. O. Weiland is head of the production department.

Texas Pacific offices in Midland are located at 601 West Missouri Street.

Under the Roman calendar, November 11 marked the beginning of Winter, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

First Citizen Of 1950



"First lady" and first citizen of Midland for 1950 is Miss Cecelia Kay Wilson, shown here in her first photograph with her mother, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. Cecelia Kay was the first baby of 1950 and received a batch of prizes from Midland merchants and business firms. She was born in Western Clinic-Hospital at 11:20 a. m., January 1.

University Of Texas Is 'Oil-Rich' School

Probably the richest "oil-rich" school in the United States is the University of Texas. The University has been through legal battles and squabbles of all types in getting its oil business straightened out but now it is riding high.

More than 2,000 wells have been drilled on University lands since the first producer was completed in 1923 and productive acreage is now located in 49 oil fields and two gas areas of the Permian Basin.

According to last count, there were 26 oil fields, some large, and some quite limited, located wholly on University lands. A recent report showed 1,991 oil wells and 40 gas wells as being University producers. One month's production totals nearly 1,825,000 barrels.

Endowment Fund
Royalties from all sources, bonuses from lease sale sand oil

and gas lease rentals are considered as "non-replaceable" income from the 2,000,000 acres of endowment land and go into the University permanent fund endowment. The principal of this endowment cannot, under the constitution, be expended except for the purchase of federal, state or civil subdivision bonds, and only the interest received from such investments is available for operational use by the university.

The University of Texas receives two-thirds of this interest income and Texas A&M receives one-third.

Tiny glass cups used years ago to measure out a penny's worth of jelly beans or small candies in the corner store have become prized items for collectors of handmade American glassware.

Oil Production Is Found In 28 States

At the close of 1949, oil was being produced in 28 states in America. There were 443,600 producing oil wells and 64,750 natural gas wells in those states.

Oil men forecast more great progress in drilling activity in the Golden 50's and it is expected oil industry will spread to many other states.

The potential rate of production of many wells is much greater than the average of all, but state conservation laws limit the production to conserve underground pressures and to promote the maximum ultimate recovery of oil from the underground reservoir.

The average production of natural gas per well in 1949 was about \$30,-

000 cubic feet daily. Many oil wells produce both oil and gas, and a substantial share of the nation's gas supply comes from oil wells. This is an important source of petroleum liquids derived from gas.

The production of liquid fuels from natural gas has increased since 1929 by about 300 per cent.

MASSACHUSETTS SECESSION

A convention in Massachusetts before the Civil War advocated New England's secession from the Union unless the law requiring the return of fugitive slaves was repealed, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Texas' Economy Based On Oil

The business pulse of Texas is synchronized with the heartbeat of the state's No. 1 industry — petroleum production and processing.

Nearly \$2,500,000,000 from the sale of crude oil, natural gas, and their products when put in the bloodstream of the state's economy helped to push up business indices and cash register totals all over Texas in 1949.

The widely spread nature of the Texas petroleum industry is one key to the impact of oil and gas operations on the state's economy. All 254 counties either have production or oil men have acreage under lease for exploration.

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Petroleum Pipeline Construction Grows

The United States, long a leader in petroleum pipeline construction, has had increased activity in that field since the war. Other parts of the world where oil is being produced have joined in such construction.

Approximately 5,450 miles of pipelines now are under way and 10,850 miles more is under consideration in all oil producing countries.

These figures, together with 780 miles of projects completed in 1949, give a total of 17,080 miles representing the current status of petroleum pipeline undertakings. When this is added to the 28,200 miles of natural-gas lines the magnitude of combined petroleum and natural-gas projects in all categories is 45,280 miles. Reports of major projects under consideration which have not yet been announced indicate that such a final combined total for the world may be raised to more than 50,000 miles.

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Airlines Aid Oil Industry

Three major commercial airlines, serving Midland with a total of 16 outbound flights daily, have contributed their share to placing Midland and the Permian Basin "on the map."

Giving the city connections with most Texas points, Oklahoma oil centers, and coast to coast ports, American, Continental and Pioneer Airlines have all recorded continued growth from the Midland Air Terminal.

American Airlines, Inc., the last major company to begin service in Midland, reported its greatest year in 1949. More passengers than ever before were handled through the Midland terminal. American operates two eastbound and two westbound flights each day.

Continental Air Lines, Inc., first decided to make Midland a stopping point in June, 1944, affording the city service between Hobbs, N. M., and San Antonio. Later Continental expanded its service and began flights to key oil points in Oklahoma. At the present time Continental gives Midland connections with five other southwestern states and direct service to several oil centers. Six flights daily are operated by Continental out of Midland.

Pioneer Air Lines, Inc., a "feeder" service, made Midland its West Texas terminal in February, 1947. The service linked Midland with

most major Texas cities and important Oklahoma oil points. In 1949 Pioneer enjoyed its greatest year in Midland, handling a total of 10,437 passengers at the Air Terminal. Pioneer operates six flights daily.

American Airlines, a coast to coast service, began operations here in November, 1947. This new service afforded Permian Basin oil personnel an opportunity to conduct business with the entire world.

All these airline services have found Midland an ideal air center. Modern airport facilities and an excellent location have made the Midland stop a profitable one for the commercial companies.

Midland regained its two airports from the government after World War II and constructed a \$30,000 building at the Midland Air Terminal. The port was rededicated in 1948 by the late Governor Beauford Jester.

Midland and vicinity always has been an air travel conscious. One of the state's first National Aeronautics Association chapters was established here in 1946. Several prominent oil men were charter members of the organization.

Continued prosperity of the airlines and the oil business in the Permian Basin could easily serve as a gauge for determining the growth and progress of the area up to the Golden Fifties.

Midland DAR Chapter Has Large, Active Membership

By MARION ALDRICH
DAR Reporter

Although the Lt. William Brewer Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, like its 2,624 sister chapters, originally banded together to keep forever bright the memory of a great cause, it has grown into a forward-going organization dedicated to the continuance of the American way of life.

In an effort to build better citizens for the future, to promote Americanism, and to rid this country of the menace of Communism, the Midland DAR chapter is giving financial aid to many worthwhile organizations.

Among these are two schools for underprivileged children which are entirely owned and operated by the DAR. These are the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School at Grant, Ala., and the Tamassee DAR School at Tamassee, South Carolina. Fourteen other approved schools also receive financial aid from the DAR. In addition to these, scholarships are granted by the society to many American Indians and to at least one state school each year. This year's choice is Sul Ross State College at Alpine.

Ellis Island

Another worthwhile project of the DAR is the Occupational Therapy Department of the United States Marine Hospital at Ellis Island. It will continue to be supported in full by the Society. This immense project provides treatment for 500 patients, including members of the Coast Guard, Merchant Marine, Light House Keepers, certain federal employees and, when necessary, detainees from immigration.

The DAR, having done much work in the field of conservation of natural resources, has chosen as a project for the immediate future the completion of the purchase of a large grove of redwood trees in Del Norte County, California. The Lt. William Brewer Chapter, like many others, is contributing to the project so that the trees may be preserved for posterity.

The Midland group also is donating money to help furnish the Texas Room in the DAR Memorial Continental Hall, in Washington, D. C. This hall is one of the three buildings in Washington which are owned and operated by the DAR. The building is the largest in the world to be entirely built and financed by a woman's organization. The Texas Room includes many antiques, among them a very valuable piano.

Administration Building

A new administration building is under construction and is expected to exceed one million dollars in cost. During 1950, each member of the Midland chapter will contribute six dollars toward this building.

The Lt. William Brewer Chapter will continue to give DAR medals to those junior and senior high school students who write the best essays on some phase of Americanism. It also will continue to present the DAR Good Citizen Award to the senior high school girl who possesses the most outstanding qualities of

Officers Of Midland's DAR Chapter



Officers and officers-elect of the Lt. William Brewer Chapter of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution are, back row, left to right, Mrs. Nelson Puett, regent, elect, and Mrs. George Kidd, present registrar and historian-elect; front row, left to right, Mrs. G. C. Hughes, present and elected recording secretary; Mrs. John Perkins, present regent, and Mrs. Lee B. Park, present treasurer.

dependability, service, leadership, patriotism and scholarship. Fay Montgomery was the girl chosen for this honor in 1949.

In addition to these projects, the DAR will give aid to the Boy Scouts, Future Homemakers of America, the Polio Fund for the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation, and other groups, all with an eye toward the future, working always in a spirit of appreciation of the rights of free men and in an effort to preserve those privileges and rights.

Present officers are Mrs. John Perkins, regent; Mrs. Nelson Puett, first vice-regent; Mrs. C. L. Davenport, second vice-regent; Mrs. W. T. Harris, chaplain; Mrs. George Kidd, registrar; Mrs. Dan Hudson, historian; Mrs. W. H. Pryor, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. M. Osborn, librarian; and Mrs. Lee B. Park, treasurer.

Officers-Elect

Officers-elect of the Midland chapter are Mrs. Puett, regent; Mrs. Davenport, first vice-regent; Mrs. John McKinley, second vice-regent; Mrs. Frank Elkin, chaplain; Mrs. Kidd, historian; Mrs. George Abels, registrar; Mrs. Charles Sherwood, librarian; Mrs. Hughes, recording secretary; Mrs. J. C. Watson, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. John P. Butler, treasurer.

Other chapter members are Mrs. Frank Aldrich, Mrs. E. F. Alstrin, Mrs. H. B. Arnold, Jr., Mrs. E. I. Bailey, Mrs. Ben Black, Mrs. Frank I. Conner, Mrs. John E. Cooper, Mrs. Frank Cowden, Mrs. Stanley Daws, Mrs. Jack Dolman, Mrs. C. I. Driver, Mrs. David Dunn, Mrs. Roy Durst, Mrs. Douglas Edman, Mrs. W. H. Gilmore, Mrs. George W. Glass, Mrs. Ben Golladay, Mrs. R. W. Hamilton, Mrs. Harvey Herd, Mrs. Claude Houston, Mrs. R. E. LeBlond, Mrs. Waldo Leggett, Mrs. Edward Man-

'Slim' Slim-Hole Technique Apt To Reduce Cost Of Wildcat Work

"Slim" slim-hole drilling may soon be introduced to the oil industry as a new technique for reducing the cost of wildcatting unproven areas.

Plans now are actively under way to design equipment to run a diamond core drill to depths of as much as 10,000 feet, making hole from one and one-half to four inches in diameter. The developers believe this might cut the cost of an exploratory well to one-third of the expense involved in present methods.

This is not what the oil industry already knows as "slim-hole drilling," but is an adaptation of techniques now used in the mining industry. If the current experiments solve problems of meeting conditions encountered in oil- and gas-bearing formations, a new concept of slim-hole drilling might emerge and a new exploration tool be provided.

Experts Confer

Recently a dozen drilling experts from some of the country's major oil companies met with representatives of an oil-field service company and a manufacturer of specialized equipment to discuss the possibilities of "slim hole holes." The group felt the cost of finding new oil reserves and of testing the results of geological and geophysical work might be greatly reduced by a more efficient method of obtaining core samples from deep formations.

In addition to wildcatting, other possible users of extra-slim coring were considered. Continuous slim-hole coring could be used to determine a total geological section. The technique could economically evaluate leases due for cancellation or renewal. Slim-hole coring ahead of a large-hole bit could probe for hazardous drilling conditions and probable productive horizons. Finally, there is the possibility that a slim core hole could be completed as a producing well.

Results were not made public, but the discussion was deemed so satisfactory that experimental work was started immediately toward the design of equipment suitable for wildcat drilling.

Curtain Lifted

Later the curtain was lifted a bit by Robert E. Todd of Core Laboratories, Inc., Dallas. Speaking at the Texas A&M College meeting of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, he said:

"At the present time special equipment is being designed for the use in wild-hole diamond coring in wild-catting unproven areas. It is only a matter of time that slim-hole diamond coring equipment will be available to core to a depth of 10,000 feet at a cost greatly reduced from the now expensive large holes. This equipment is being designed to take cores from grass roots to total depth."

"During the past few years the mining industry has sunk holes less than 3 inches in diameter to depths of 10,000 feet, with the use of diamond coring tools, but not until the past few weeks has there been a serious effort to combine the knowledge of these two industries in developing a more economical method of wildcatting."

10 Years Old

The term "slim hole drilling" entered the oil industry about 10 years ago and has come to have a standardized meaning wherein portable-type rotary rigs are used to drill wells in the range of about 3,000 to 6,000 feet deep. While slim in comparison with the usual oil well, such holes are big enough to accommodate four-inch casing, take the mining industry, however, is successfully using diamond drills to core hard formations to depths in excess of 6,500 feet making hole as small and one and one-half inch in diameter. This has been done for some years in Michigan and other United States mining areas, and in Africa diamond coring is now being done to depths of 10,000 feet. Another side to this slim-hole picture is the fact that the present portable-type rigs can be, and already have been many times, combined with the use of two and three-eighths inch A. P. I. drill pipe or the "FG"- or "N" type core drill to substantial depths.

Midlander Heads Knights Templar



R. B. Cowden of Midland, long prominent in Masonic affairs of the city and state, now is serving as grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Texas. He will preside at the organization's ninety-seventh annual convocation in El Paso in April. Midland's Knights Templar organization will serve as a co-host with El Paso in the staging of the annual meeting. Cowden is a well-known West Texas rancher and oil man.

Guides Schools



Frank Monroe will guide Midland's schools in the Golden Fifties. He is superintendent. His supervision is wide and many details occupy the time of this school leader. A rosy future for the Golden Fifties, including the addition of school plants, can largely be attributed to his foresight and untiring efforts.

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City Officials



William B. Neely, attorney, is mayor of the City of Midland and W. H. Oswalt is city manager. Neely is serving his first term in the office. Oswalt became city manager late last year.

Petroleum, Progress Go Hand In Hand

By KEN REGAN
Member of Congress
(Written especially for the Petroleum Edition of The Reporter-Telegram)

We, the people of West Texas, should and do take exceptional pride and interest in Petroleum Progress. Petroleum has meant so very much to every man, woman and child in this vast area, and through the great petroleum resources in our section of the state, we have played a major part in the affairs, prosperity and defense of our state and nation.



Ken Regan

First—Petroleum has brought a great measure of prosperity to this section which has been of benefit to every resident, either directly or indirectly, through the increase of available spending power and the placing of money in circulation.
Second—It has provided for the many needed improvements for our towns and cities through extension of the various utilities—water, electricity, gas and telephone lines—which are essential to our health and comfort.

Third—It has provided funds for enlarging our churches and building many new ones where our people may worship in their chosen faith and denomination.
Fourth—It has helped to provide good highways for our convenience in carrying on our business and rapid and easy communication with our neighbors.
In addition to these outstanding benefits that petroleum has bestowed on us, it has provided huge sums through the various tax levies which meet a substantial part of the cost of operating our county, district and state governments.

Yes, we people of West Texas have every reason for celebrating the progress of petroleum and for giving thanks for the many benefits and blessings petroleum has provided and the continuing glowing prospects with which nature has endowed our section.

Sun Oil Company Joined The Trend

The Sun Oil Company followed the trend of other top oil firms in 1959 when the company moved its district offices to Midland.

The company had operated in West Texas with offices in San Angelo for several years before moving to Midland. Charles M. Chase is district land superintendent for Sun here. He has been a member of the Sun Oil firm for several years.

W. H. Conklin is district geology supervisor here and J. B. Hamilton is district production superintendent.
The land, geological and production offices of Sun Oil Company are located in Midland Tower.

DEERLESS TO DEERFUL

There were no deer native to Australia or New Zealand, but when they were introduced from England, they multiplied very rapidly, until New Zealand is said to have at least 10,000 red deer.

When Louis Kossuth, Hungarian revolutionary leader, fled his homeland 100 years ago, and came to this country, Americans honored him by creating handmade glassware flasks bearing his name. Widely distributed during Kossuth's visit in 1851-52, these are now rarities.

FAMED LANDMARKS
The Twin Buttes are famous landmarks southeast of Arco, Idaho. One is of rhyolite cone and completely surrounded by Snake river lava, while the other is an upraised block of stratified basalt.
A third of the population of Europe was wiped out by the "black death."

Operation Of City Is 'Big Business'

Operation of the ever-growing City of Midland is big business, and constantly is becoming more and more complex as the Permian Basin Empire's headquarters city continues to develop and to expand in all directions.

The tremendous growth in the last several years has brought numerous problems and headaches to city officials, who welcome their continued growth and who strive constantly to keep pace with the rapid development.

Members of the City Council—Mayor William B. Neely and Councilmen Frank Shriver, H. E. Chiles, Jr., W. F. Hejl, Robert I. Dickey and Stanley M. Erskine—have given and are giving generously of their time and efforts in the efficient and economical conduct of municipal affairs and operation.
Plan For 50's
They, with City Manager W. H. Oswalt, other city employees and members of various advisory commissions, such as Zoning and Planning, Finance, and Public Parks, now are developing plans which will assure continued progress in the Golden Fifties.

Keeping pace with progress in this fast-developing section is quite a chore, but Midland's municipal government has accepted the challenge and is looking to the future with every confidence.
Midland through the years has been fortunate in that sound and successful business and professional men and civic leaders have been willing to serve as members of the City Council. The unselfish service and devotion of such progressive and civic-minded citizens is reflected in the city's progress and in the excellent condition of its affairs.

Problems have been numerous, but always they have been worked out to the best advantage.
City's History
Many citizens have served as city officials since Midland first was incorporated on July 16, 1906. That first incorporation, however, was not long lived, since early records show the city government was dissolved by action of the Commissioners Court of Midland County about four years later.

Then on Jan. 24, 1911, by action of the voters, the City of Midland was reorganized and again incorporated. The vote was 101 for incorporating, and 53 against.
The late J. M. Caldwell was named mayor of the city in an election held Feb. 27, 1911. S. J. Isaacs had served as mayor in 1907-08, A. C. Parker, 1909; and J. A. Haley, 1906-10. Caldwell served until 1915.
Former Mayors
Other mayors and their terms of office: J. M. Gilmore, 1915-17; H. A. Leaverton, 1917-18; W. A. Dawson, 1918-23; T. Paul Barron, 1923-25; B. Frank Haag, 1925-29; Leon Goodman, 1929-35; M. C. Ulmer, 1935-43; A. N. Hendrickson, 1943-46; Fred T. Hogan, 1946-47; R. H.

IPAA Counsel Is Chosen As Tech's Graduation Speaker

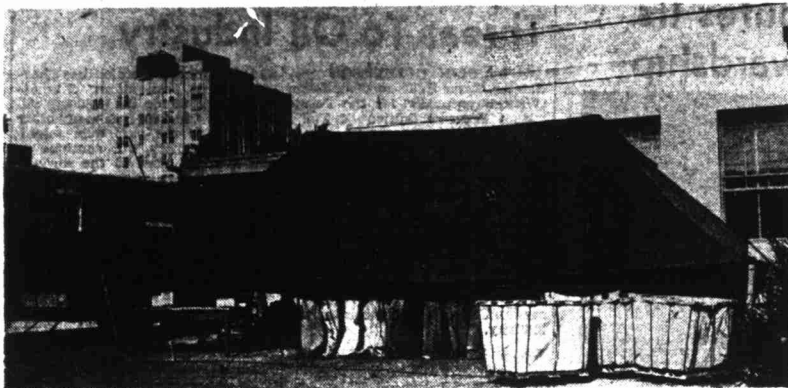
LUBBOCK — Russell B. Brown, Washington, D. C., general counsel of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, will speak at the Texas Technological College commencement exercises May 22. President D. M. Wiggins has announced.

Wiggins said Brown's acceptance "represents a fulfillment of the college's desire to bring about a closer relationship between industry and higher education."

Registrar W. P. Clement said 1,250 students probably will graduate at the May ceremony.

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There'll Probably Be No More Of This



There'll be no more of this, at least for a long time. Pictured is a tent under which postoffice employees worked the overflow mail from the Midland Post Office, before construction of the sub-station on North Marienfeld Street. The main postoffice and sub-station now are adequate to prevent recurrence of the above scene.

Millions Spent To Stop Gas Flaring

The oil industry spends millions of dollars in construction of facilities to stop flaring of gas in Texas oil fields. In 1949, an order to stop flaring was issued by the Railroad Commission as a conservation measure.

Prompted by this order and following a policy of holding flaring to a minimum, 138 projects costing \$256,000,000 were completed in 1949 or will be completed in 1950. All are designed to cut down gas flaring.

The plants, figures indicate, will permit a saving of about 90 percent of oil well gas wherever it is economically sound to gather it.

Already operating are 82 projects that cost \$88,000,000. The necessity of participating in these projects involves an important problem of financing for independent operators.

Amerada District Office In Midland

The Amerada Petroleum Corporation moved its district offices to Midland from San Angelo in 1933. Jack Hosterman was the first manager of the organization here.

John Cornwall is the present manager of the Amerada offices in Midland.

CC Manager



Delbert Downing, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, has played an outstanding role in the planning of a golden future for Midland during the Golden Fifties. Downing's counsel and guidance are given credit for much of the success of the Chamber's projects in the last years and will continue to play a big part in the Golden Fifties.

Due To Finish Long Slog In Golden Fifties

They are due to finish the long slog in the Golden Fifties! Connie and Bill Stockdale and their boxer dog Taj Mahal are walking across the nation.

They trudged into Midland January 10 and the next day were on their way again.

The couple said their long junket on foot was to gather material for a book. They expect to reach Los Angeles in March. The trek began at Putnam, Conn.

Sinclair One Of Earlier Companies

Sinclair Oil & Gas Company was one of the earlier oil firms to move its offices to Midland. The offices were moved here in 1934.

J. W. Jordan, now a vice president of Sinclair with offices in Tulsa, Okla., was the first district manager for Sinclair in Midland.

VALUABLE STAMP

A few 24-cent airmail stamps of the United States, which show the airplane in the center flying upside down, now are valued at \$3000 each.

Dial Phone System Due In Golden 50's

The City of Midland faces the Golden Fifties with immediate prospects of increased modern telephone service.

A new brick building, now under construction at South Marienfeld and West Missouri Streets, will house the new Southwestern Bell Telephone Company system. With completion of the building and installation of new equipment, dial phones will come to Midland.

The new building, which is to have two stories and a basement floor, will be tailor-made for Midland's needs, including the latest in modern telephone equipment.

The new service will be installed with the possibility of increasing Midland's service by 75 per cent in the future.

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The Marine Corps has its own correspondence school and instructions in some of the arts, trades and sciences is given Leathernecks anywhere they may be stationed.

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Midland Federal Savings, Loan Association Will Construct New Office Building In City



The Midland Federal Savings and Loan Association announced Monday it would construct a new office building at intersection of Peacor Street and Texas Avenue. The new building will be of modern design and will have an adjacent parking apron. Present location of the association is in the Wemple-Avery Building.

Under construction now is our new building . . .

. . . to be completed in the very near future. C. H. Neuhardt is the architect of this modern up-to-date building. It is in this way that we are keeping up with the progress that this area is making . . . we are continually adding to and improving our services to our customers. We hope to continue to progress in the future as we have been able to in the past.

The Midland Federal Savings and Loan Association announced Monday it would construct a new office building at intersection of Peacor Street and Texas Avenue. The new building will be of modern design and will have an adjacent parking apron. Present location of the association is in the Wemple-Avery Building. The Midland Federal Savings and Loan Association is a home institution. It was organized in 1934 and operated at first from the Sparks, Barron & Ervin firm office.
Original officers and directors were: J. R. (Bob) Martin, president; T. C. Wilson, John F. Butler and Addison Wadley, vice presidents; I. E. Daniel, D. H. Roettger and Percy F. Bridgewater, directors.
Present secretary-treasurer is the president, having been appointed last March to that position.
Present officers and directors include: Martin, president; Wilson and Butler, vice presidents; Martin, Roettger, Butler, Daniel, Wadley and Bridgewater, directors.

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Trinity Episcopal Church Attributes Its Growth To Sacrifices And Stewardship



By REV. R. J. SNELL
 Rector, Trinity Episcopal Church

The last year has been one of steady growth and of increasing service for Trinity Episcopal Church as its membership grows along with ad commensurate with the growth of Midland. We have gained much from the use of our Parish House not only for ourselves but also for the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Midland Service League.

Our Sunday School fills every niche of the Parish House and Church on Sundays. To this School we have added an adult Bible Class.

Trinity Episcopal Church and Parish House

taught by Emil Rasmussen and several additional staff members.

In our Auxiliary we have added a Young Matron's Guild which is doing effective work for both Church and community. Our greatest physical addition has been the acquisition of adequate pews to give us greater and more comfortable seating capacity.

Episcopallians hope through the increased effectiveness of their present organization, augmented by such others as are needed, to continue to provide an adequate program of worship, study and fellowship.

District Convocation

We look forward during this year to the Convocation of the District of North Texas, which will meet in Midland March 12 and 13, and to the coming of the Rt. Rev. John E. Hines, bishop-coadjutor of the Diocese of Texas, to conduct a preaching mission the week of April 24.

None of this growth would have been possible without the sacrificial labor and stewardship of our membership. Starting with a small handful of members in 1929, we have grown in numbers and in equipment until now, some 20 years later, we find ourselves a congregation with more than 600 baptized members, and with an enrollment of about 210 in our Sunday School.

A baby atom-smasher, with a 9,000,000-volt punch, has been built in Holland. It is so light and easy to handle that it will be taken to the job instead of moving the job to it.



Rev. R. J. Snell

Fine Arts Club Lists State Federation Head As Member

With one of its members, Mrs. J. Howard Hodges, serving as president of the Texas Federation of Women's Club, the Fine Arts Club of Midland begins the 1950's as the only Midland club ever to have this honor.

The club launched Mrs. Hodges' candidacy for the office last year and assisted her campaign until her official election and installation at the state convocation in Austin in November.

Two other club members, Mrs. L. B. Byerley and Mrs. B. R. Schabarum, are directors whom Mrs. Hodges appointed to serve during her term.

Mrs. Byerley is state chairman of Higher Institutions for the Education Department and Mrs. Schabarum is in charge of the North American division of the Council of International Clubs.

The Fine Arts is one of Midland's best federated clubs and always has been interested in cultural activities among its members and other Midland citizens.

Its members were instrumental in the organization of the Midland Woman's Club and have assisted in carrying on its activities.

The club's programs this year were centered around no set course of study but have taken in all fields of art. Future programs will include book and musical reviews, an opera program and a pro-

gram on contemporary American music.

The group already has heard a talk by Lillian McElroy of Odessa on "An American School Teacher in Great Britain," heard two plays and a book review, discussed American Art and sponsored an art exhibit.

Mrs. Henry D. Murphy is the club's president and other officers are Mrs. Wilson Bryant and Mrs. George Kidd, vice presidents; Mrs. Schabarum, recording secretary and reporter; Mrs. Ralph Oberholzer, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Selman J. Lones, treasurer; Mrs. Barron, historian; Mrs. J. G. Carner, critic; and Mrs. E. H. Ervin, parliamentary referee.

Standing Committees

Standing committees and their members are: yearbook, Mrs. W. H. Sloan, Mrs. Nelson Puett and Mrs. Byerley; social service, Mrs. Tom C. Bobo, Mrs. Lones and Mrs. Sloan; hospitality, Mrs. Y. D. McMurry, Mrs. Kidd and Mrs. E. H. Barron; civic, Mrs. Schabarum (education); Mrs. Dewitt C. Haskin (library); Mrs. Barron (gardens); Mrs. Byerley (Youth Center delegate); and Mrs. Oberholzer (Midland Woman's Club delegate).

Other members are Mrs. Clifford Hall, Mrs. O. J. Hubbard, Mrs. Harry Miller, Mrs. Roy Parks, Mrs. Foy Proctor, Mrs. Fred Wemple, Miss Lydia G. Watson and Mrs. J. M. White.

Imports Represent Real Threat To Oil Industry

By OLIN CULBERSON
 Member, Texas Railroad Commission

(Written especially for the Petroleum Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram.)

AUSTIN—As the oil industry in Texas enters the second half of the twentieth century, it is faced by an extremely serious problem—imports of foreign oil.

The seriousness of this problem cannot be understated. Foreign imports represent an immediate and dangerous threat to the entire industry and one which must be solved with the cooperation and understanding of all members of the industry.

and determination which has characterized its past actions. The situation now facing the industry will be solved, I feel sure, as many other problems in the past were solved. The oil industry will continue to add a bright page to the story of Texas' industrial development not only during 1950 but during the next half century.

The heat of the atom bomb "suntanned" some Japanese, but those closer to the blast were bleached.

Oil Import-Export Question Will Be Hot In Golden 50's

Last year the oil import question became one of the hottest issues in the oil business and it will continue to be hot in 1950 and possibly even further into the Golden 50's.

According to reports from the Bureau of Mines, imports went up 25.8 per cent in the first 10 months of 1949 and exports dropped 10.3 per cent.

A break down on the 1949 export-import picture is interesting.

According to Bureau of Mines' figures just released, imports totaled 187,484,000 barrels, an increase of 38,260,000 from the corresponding 1948 period. Exports amounted to

114,383,000 barrels, a decrease of 11,819,000.

Crude oil imports in the first ten months totaled 126,968,000 barrels, an increase of 25,345,000 or 24.9 per cent from the like 1948 period.

Refined product imports at 60,516,000 barrels were up 11,905,000 or 24.5 per cent.

Crude oil exports totaled 27,337,000 barrels, a decline of 6,243,000 or 18.5 per cent and refined product exports at 75,227,000 barrels were down 5,576,000 or 6.9 per cent.

October imports totaled 24,445,000 barrels (15,365,000 crude and 9,080,000 refined), compared with 16,448,000 (12,872,000 and 3,576,000) in October 1948, an increase of 7,997,000 or 48.6 per cent.

October exports totaled 9,554,000 barrels (2,916,000 crude and 6,638,000 refined), compared with 10,905,000 (3,404,000 and 7,501,000) in October 1948, a decrease of 1,351,000 or 12.4 per cent.

The ratio of imports to total new supply in the first ten months of 1949 was 10.2 per cent in the like year-earlier period.

First golf balls were feathered and covered with leather.

Canasta Replaces Sewing As Program In DYT Club Here

Beginning the fifties with a change in the program of the organization, the DYT Club is no longer a sewing circle as originally organized, but now is a canasta club.

Organized strictly for social purposes, the DYT Club will be four years old March 7, (Eight of the 10 charter members are still in the club. Mrs. W. M. Sartain moved to San Antonio and Mrs. L. W. Sandusky, to Dallas. Remaining charter members include Mrs. A. E. Houck, Mrs. E. P. Birkhead, Mrs. Roy McKee, Mrs. John Sewell, Mrs. Joe Roberson and Mrs. J. P. Carson, Jr.)

Other members include Mrs. E. M. Watkins, Mrs. L. V. Basham, Mrs. Tommy Henderson and Mrs. Glenn Shoemaker.

Patterned By Kansas Club

The letters DYT have no particular significance, but are just the name of the club. The club, at its organization, was patterned and named for the original DYT Sewing Circle of Coffeyville, Kan.

Mrs. Fay Todd, grandmother of Mrs. Carson who was the first president of the Midland organization, is one of the two living charter members of the Kansas club. This club plays rummy and rook at their meetings. Mrs. Todd was the honored guest of the Midland Club at its annual New Year's progressive dinner this year.

Mrs. Roberson is president of the Midland club now. Other officers include Mrs. McKee, vice president; Mrs. Sewell, reporter; and Mrs. Henderson, treasurer.

Original Officers Listed

Other officers of the club at the time of its organization included Mrs. Houck, vice president; Mrs. Sartain, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Birkhead, reporter.

The club has no special project except having fun. The only special meetings are when the husbands of the members are invited and the annual New Year's progressive dinner.



Olin Culbertson

The power to control imports of foreign oil rests with the Congress of the United States. Unless Congress takes some immediate steps to establish import quotas, there is no way in which the Texas Railroad Commission and the oil industry can adequately meet the threat of this ruinous competition from foreign sources.

Under the present statutes, the Railroad Commission must establish quotas for Texas production based on market demand. Naturally, with a steady flood of foreign oil flowing into the country, the demand drops sharply. This leaves the commission with no choice under the law but to reduce Texas quotas.

Serious Situation

The seriousness of the situation facing Texas producers is well known to the members of the Railroad Commission. The commission has stated publicly that it favors restrictions on foreign imports. It is my firm conviction that this country should, at most, restrict foreign imports to the volume of oil and hydro-carbon products which the United States exports to foreign countries. In the past, the exports from the United States have run between five and seven per cent of our national production.

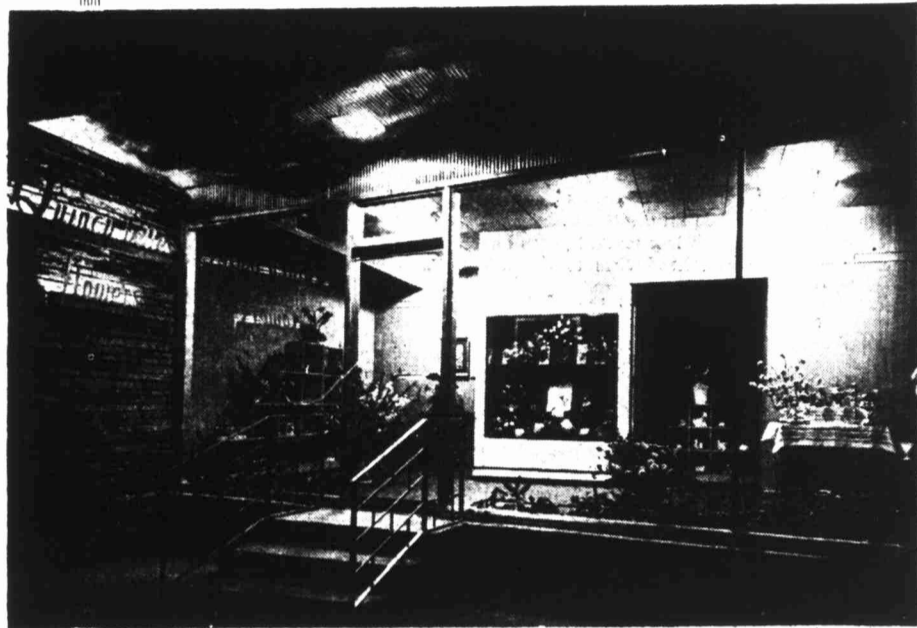
The Texas Railroad Commission is hopeful that during the coming year the question of foreign imports will be solved to the satisfaction of the members of the oil industry in Texas. The commission will do all in its power to see that this is done and that this vital industry will continue to thrive and prosper.

As a member of the commission, I know that the oil industry of Texas will meet this problem and other problems with the courage

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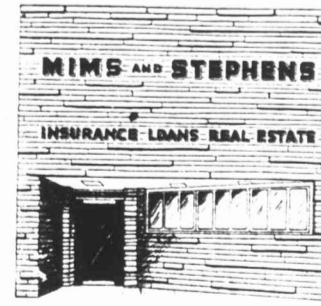
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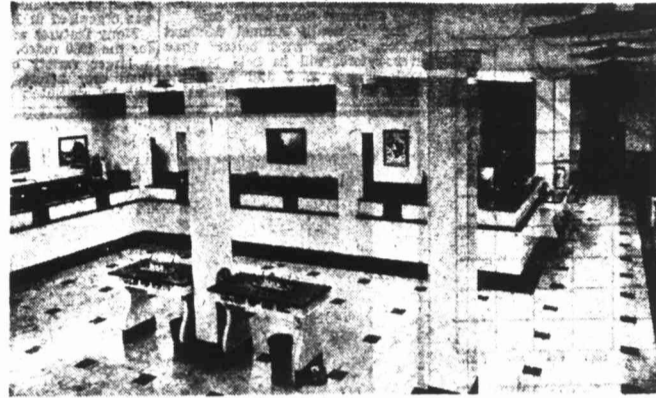
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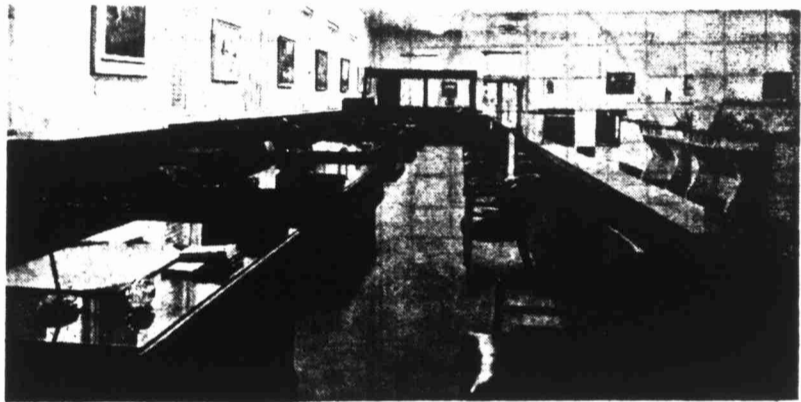
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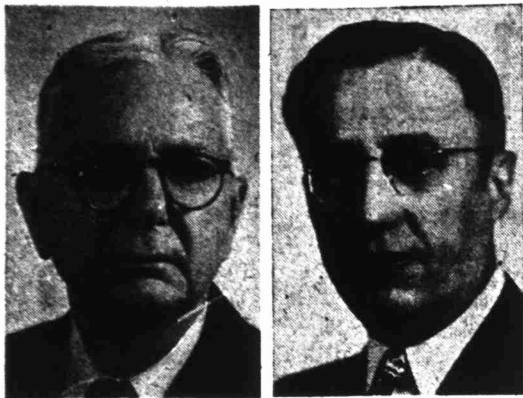
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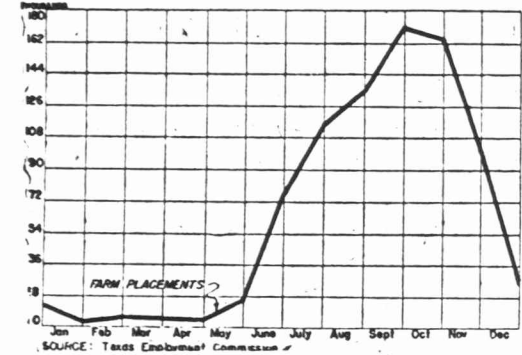
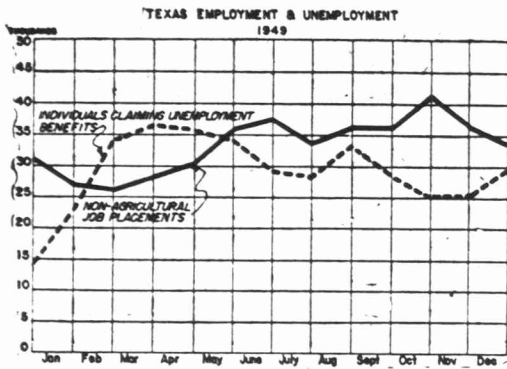
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Hospital Officials



Dr. John B. Thomas, pioneer Midland physician and surgeon, is president of the Midland Memorial Hospital, and E. R. Andres is secretary and administrator.

The '49 Picture With '50 Forecast—



Upsurge in Employment, Unemployment Parallels Population and Labor Growths

As the state's population and labor force steadily increased in 1949, employment and unemployment also joined in the upsurge, according to the Texas Employment Commission's annual report to the governor recently released.

The report, considered by many businessmen and economists as one of the best yardsticks in ascertaining the state's economic position, showed that 1949 non-farm employment reached the highest figure in the state's history. Total non-farm employment was pegged at 2,375,300 in December—nearly 38,000 above the December 1948 peak.

The state's overall economic condition during 1949 was considered one of the best in the nation. Month after month the previous records of 1948 were surpassed. The report pointed out however, that the increase in employment failed to keep pace with Texas' growing labor force. As the population of the state increased, so did the labor force. "In consequence," the report continued, "unemployment was greater than during the previous year despite the increase in employment."

General Good Times
While Texas was enjoying good times generally, some of the less fortunate states found themselves in tight economic straits which neared the recession or near depression stage. As the year ended however, dark spots on the economic horizon became somewhat brighter in hard-pressed areas, with the future outlook to show "continued improvement," the report said.

New Applications for Work
Through local offices of the TEC, according to the report, climbed above 1947-48 levels. Claims for unemployment insurance also climbed. During the year 181,850 initial claims for job-insurance were filed. These were followed by the filing of 326,110 continued claims. Sharp increases in filing claims occurred during July and August when large numbers of veterans began filing for job-insurance under the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. This was brought about as the result of the July 25 cut-off date for most veterans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Allowance Act. From the last week in July through August, 16,573 first claims were filed. The number then began falling, and in September only 10,490 claims were filed. The number then increased and reached 13,719 in December. Continued claims in December totaled 37,550.

Greatest in History
Job-insurance payments in 1949 were the greatest in TEC's history—with the exception of 1946. Unemployed individuals received \$11,918,350 during the year and brought the total amount of insurance payments since the beginning of the unemployment insurance program in 1933 to \$81,888,020. Monthly payments ranged from \$486,047, in January 1949, to \$1,358,538 in May, the report revealed.

The high level of employment and wages in the state increased the Trust Fund balance although the average tax rate of employers subject to the UC Act was unchanged from 1948, and benefits paid in 1949 were greater than in 1948. The Trust Fund from which job-insurance payments are made increased to a new high mark of \$217,301,565, on December 31. Interest on the Trust Fund amounted to \$4,404,279 during 1949. This was equivalent to 57 per cent of the payments made for unemployment insurance during the year.

Tech Will Offer Mexican Field Trip For College Credit

LUBBOCK — Fifteen lucky students enrolled in Texas Tech's Summer session program will make a tour of Mexico's beauty spots and cultural centers during July and August as part of a study program in foreign languages.

Dr. T. Earle Hamilton, associate professor of foreign languages at Tech, will have charge of the group. He says the party will leave Tech in mid-July and return about August 23. While in Mexico they will visit historical and literary landmarks and attend class lectures. Visits to bullfights, concerts, plays and motion pictures will be a regular part of the course.

The special course is designed for students interested in commercial or governmental foreign service and teachers of Spanish.

Midland Rodeo Again Entertainment Topper

Top entertainment in the Permian Basin Empire in the Golden Fifties, as in the Forties and Thirties, will be provided at the famed World Championship Midland Rodeo—staged each year in Midland.



Clarence Scharbauer, Jr. The Sixteenth Annual Midland Rodeo, "bigger and better" than ever before, will be held May 31 and June 1, 2, 3 and 4, in the huge and modern rodeo plant of

Midland Fair, Inc., located on East Highway 90. All night shows are planned.

Again this year thousands of oil men and their families from Midland and throughout the Permian Basin Empire will be among the crowds of spectators at each performance. Oil men, too, are among the rodeo's most enthusiastic boosters.

Without the support of the oil fraternity, Midland Rodeo could not be what it is today—one of the top ranking shows of the nation.

Stellar Performers
Midland Rodeo last year attracted more than 20,000 spectators and arrangements are being made to handle even larger crowds this year. The show annually attracts the stellar performers of the rodeo world, both men and women, who compete for the large cash purses offered here. The show is produced by Everett Colburn of the Lightning C Ranch at Dublin, Texas, who produces many of the nation's largest and best-known rodeos, including Madison Square Garden.

The big event is sponsored and staged by Midland Fair, Inc., which was organized in 1935.

Many features are being lined up for the 1950 rodeo, which will offer a larger variety of entertainment than ever before. Specialty acts huge and modern rodeo plant of

Clarence Scharbauer, Jr., is president of Midland Fair, Inc., and Roy Parks, Jr., is vice president. J. Homer Epley is secretary-treasurer.

Honorary vice presidents include Roy Proctor, Roy Parks, Sr., Leonard Proctor and George W. Glass, all of whom are past presidents of the association.

Directors Listed
Directors include James N. Allison, T. Paul Barron, Buster Cole, John Dublin, Jr., Tom Nance, Scharbauer, Marion Flynt, A. P. Scharbauer, F. A. Bird, E. B. Dickenson, John P. Butler, John B. Mills, Jack Wicker, James Franklin Cowden, Jr., J. C. Sale, J. P. Gibbins, Roy Parks, Jr., J. E. Hill, Jr., and H. G. Bedford.

Members of the Rodeo Committee are Leonard Proctor, chairman, Roy Parks, Jr., Dublin, Cole and Flynt. Midland Rodeo is approved by the Rodeo Cowboys Association which maintains headquarters in Fort Worth.

CONFUCIUS THE EDITOR
Confucius did not found Confucianism, but transmitted the teachings of antiquity and edited some of the Chinese classics, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

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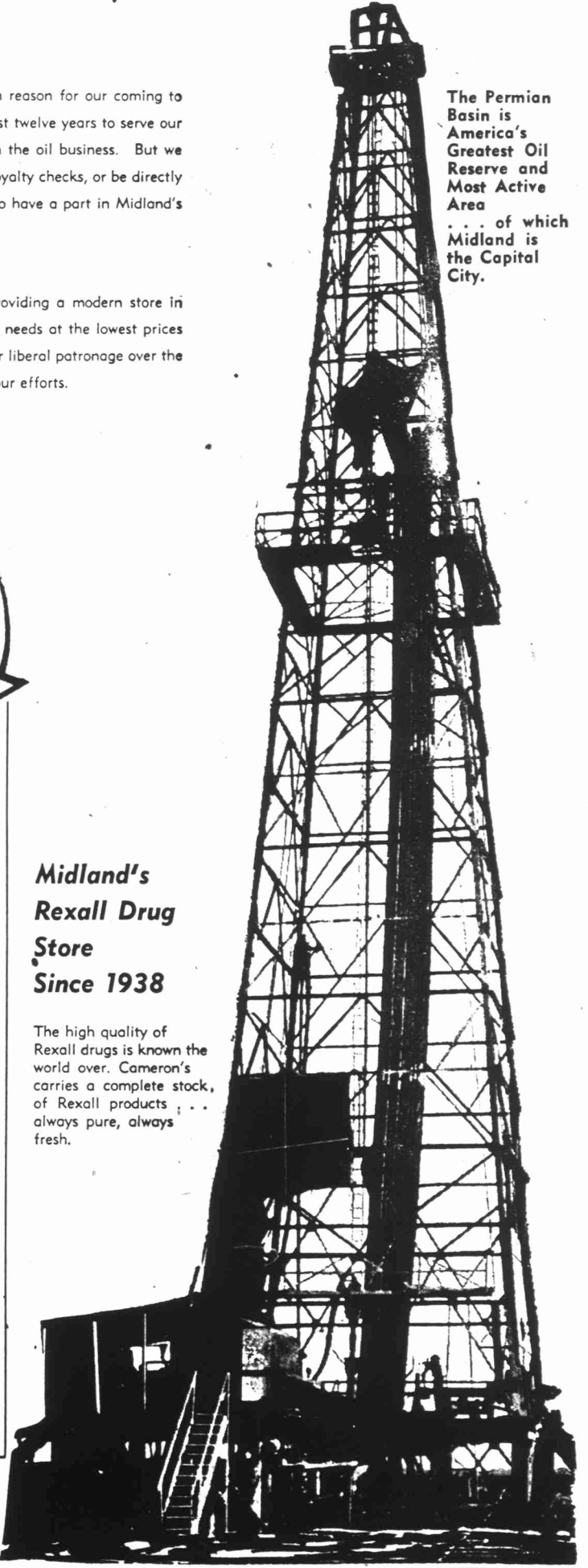
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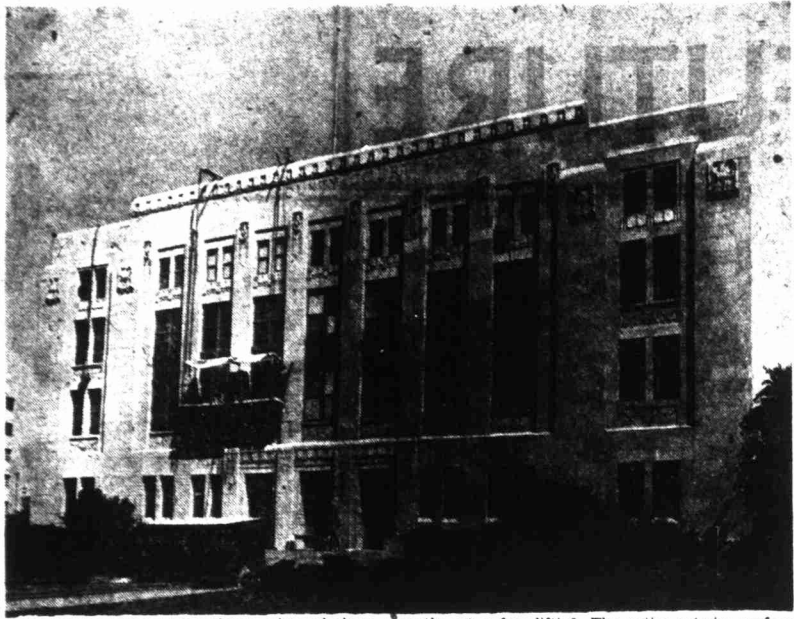
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Gets Face-Lifting For Golden Fifties



The Midland County Courthouse, pictured above, recently got a face-lifting. The entire exterior surface was sandblasted and waterproofed, and mortar was replaced where needed. The sandblasting restored the courthouse to its original whiteness. When the picture was made, the crew had progressed almost half way across the south front, having started from the left.

Big Spring Has Been Oil Conscious Since Initial Lease Executed In 1910

BIG SPRING—This West Texas city, which accounts itself as the birthplace of Permian Basin oil operations, has become a petroleum addict during the past two score years.

Since the first oil and gas lease in Howard County was executed March 28, 1910, interest in oil has been sustained. Three years before artesian water seekers had quit in disgust because of gum ruined their well in the southeast part of the city. By July 1919, S. E. J. Cox, a promoter par excellence, hit upon free oil just over the line in northern Glasscock—the first of any volume in the basin area. The well was ruined before it produced and one in Mitchell County was brought in shortly afterwards.

Cox once shut his eyes and envisioned a "line of derricks 60 miles long." He was a piker.

It was not until 1926, three years after the first significant strike had been made in Reagan County, that oil play came to this area to stay. Fred Hyer tapped a 25-barrel well on the Chalk ranch and soon Owen-Sloan drilled another that set things on fire. Some of the early Howard-Glasscock wells flowed at 3,000 barrels per day.

Nine Pools

In the intervening years, nine separate pools have been developed, producing from eight pay—the Yates at 1,200, Seven Rivers, Grayburg, San Andres, Clear Fork

In the Permian, Canyon and Mississippian. Today there are more than 1,500 wells in the fields. Around 135 million barrels of oil have been extracted.

At one time Big Spring had four refineries in operation. Cosden, the one that endured, has one of the largest inland plants in the country and only last year completed a fluid catalytic cracking unit producing 90 plus octane gasoline.

Approximately 600,000 acres of Howard County are under lease. Stanolind is the leader with approximately 50,000 acres, but this pales before the estimated 200,000 acres that Cox had on the books back in 1919-20.

Big Spring has felt the backwash from the fabulous Scurry County development. Through a strike in southeastern Borden County, the play has crept near Howard County. And in the eastern sector, a wildcat has shown promise of developing pay from another zone—the Wolf-camp.

Naturally, all this development in oil has had its effect on the city. It was responsible for a full-fledged boom from 1926-29 and has been the stimulus for continued growth.

Utility Connections

Within the past decade telephone connections have more than doubled in reaching 5,329. Electric connections almost have doubled in attaining 5,194, as have gas at 4,739, water at 4,470. Scholastics

have gained by 700, reaching 4,177 and population for the urban area has pressed around 20,000.

Bank deposits, in reaching \$21,-600,000, have quadrupled. Retail sales have been estimated at \$20 million, aided by oil and an estimated \$15 million for agricultural products in the wake of last year's record-breaking crops.

Community life has expanded. Today there are 20 active denominations worshipping in 31 church buildings. The city has five large hotels and a score of tourists courts. Four private hospitals have a capacity of 164 beds. The city is home for \$6 million 250-bed Veterans Administration hospital and a 425-bed state hospital.

It has a high school with 53 affiliated credits, eight grade schools, a negro school, and a new junior college which is building a half million dollar plant.

Transportation

As crossroads for the two longest transcontinental highways in the country and a division point on the Texas & Pacific railroad, Big Spring has assumed transport significance. This is fortified by service by three airlines.

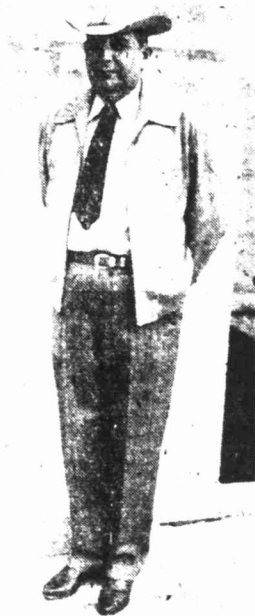
The city is center for a thriving livestock industry, which draws gross sales of around \$3 million per annum. It is a market center for extensive cotton, grain sorghum, small grain production and an increasing amount of wool.

St. Ann's Catholic Church Progresses; Aims Toward Parochial School In City



St. Ann's Catholic Church

High Sheriff



Sheriff of Midland County, going into the Golden Fifties is Ed (Big Ed) Darnell. He is an executive in the Texas Sheriff's Association and is honorary leader of the Midland County Sheriff's Posse.

By MRS. BLANCHE E. DANSBY

Progress? Yes, they really are making progress at St. Ann's Catholic Church at 2000 West Texas Street. The church was dedicated Oct. 10, 1948, and early in 1949 a new pastor was installed, Fr. Frances Taylor, O.M.I., replacing Fr. Frank B. Triggs of the preceding six years.

The church is well appointed, lacking nothing in convenience to serve the rapidly growing parish. It is debt-free and the parish, which numbered 190 families when St. Ann's was separated from St. George's (the original Catholic church in Midland) now includes 280 families. There is daily mass at 7 a.m., reasonably well attended, and the church is filled to capacity at the 8 a.m. low mass and the 11 a.m. high mass on Sundays. A well-balanced mixed choir of twenty voices sings the high mass each Sunday and an all-male choir soon will take over the music for two Sundays in the month.

There are flourishing parish activities; St. Ann's Altar Society devotes itself to the altar and sanctuary, supplying linens, flowers and candles as well as cassocks and surplices used by the large group of altar boys who are detailed as servers for the various masses.

The Mothers' Club is composed of the young mothers of the parish, having for their objective the equipment of the school which soon is to be built. The Holy Name Society for men is devoted to spiritual work, only and interests a large number of the younger men active in the parish. A School Planning Committee and a Finance Board devote considerable time to their special activities, while the Ushers' Club and Altar Boys' Club have duties applying to their special pro-

rogatives.

The social life of the parish is augmented by a monthly card party and the St. Ann's Social Club, which features square dancing.

Parochial School

All these activities at present are centered around the main project of the parish, the building of a parochial school, fronting on West Texas street and offering kindergarten and grades 1 to 6, inclusive. Plans for this building and for a convent to house the teaching order of Sisters in charge are proceeding rapidly and it is expected that a contract will be let and ground broken for the school within the next few weeks. It is planned to open the school this coming September.

The new school will include sufficient space for present needs and additional school rooms may be added as they are needed. The plans anticipate a large hall and gymnasium at the extreme west of the block in the not-too-distant future. When the block of property on West Texas street was acquired some twelve years ago, it needed almost clairvoyance to envision the use of the land as a site for church and parish buildings to supply the needs of the then infant parish.

Thanks to the vision of forward looking members, the block of outlying grounds seems to have come closer to the city's center and it requires small imagination now to visualize the spate filled with buildings matching the church in construction, up to the minute in design and destined to function in an ever increasing parish for the civic betterment which is characteristic of the American way of life.

Only one-half of the area of the United States has been mapped at all and only about one-quarter by adequate, up-to-date methods.



This picture, entitled "Please Forgive Me," occupies a top spot in the international nature photography exhibit in Chicago. It was contributed by Isabelle de P. Hunt of Philadelphia.

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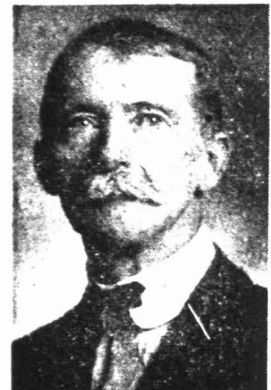
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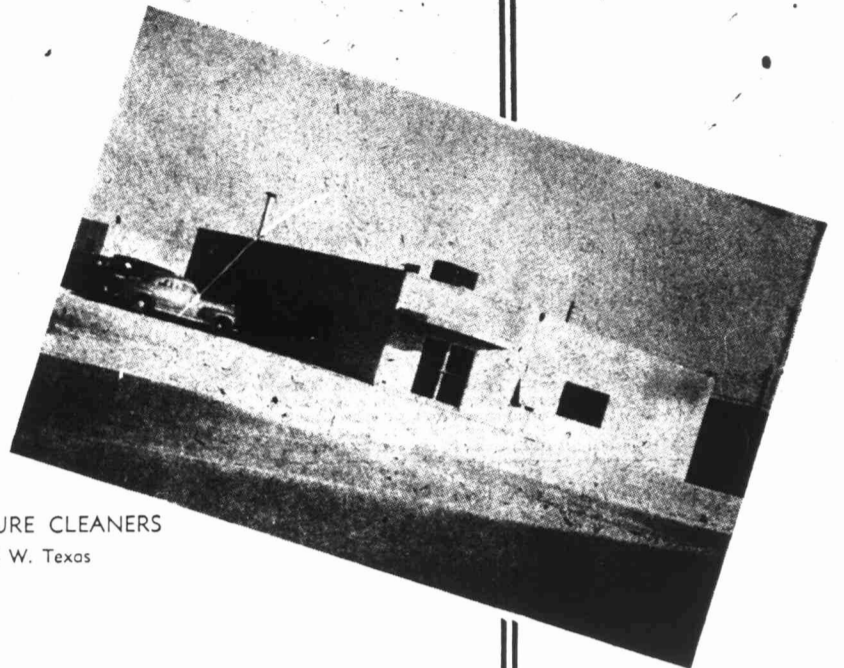
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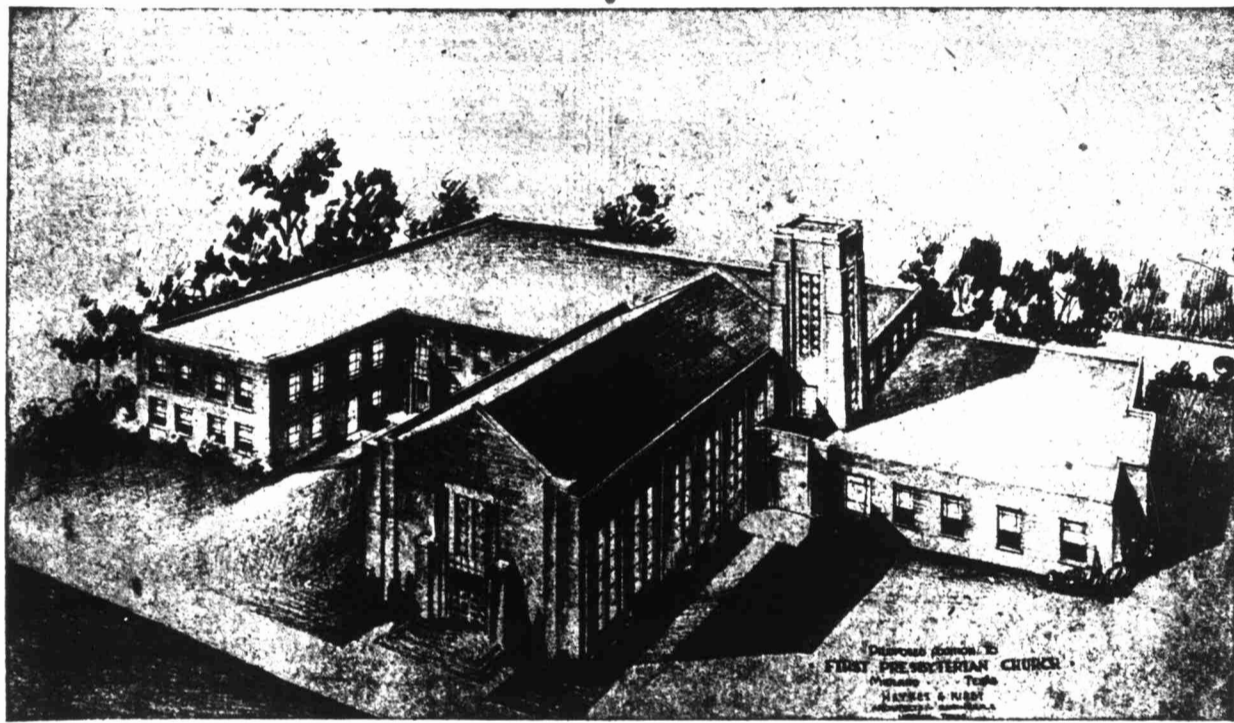
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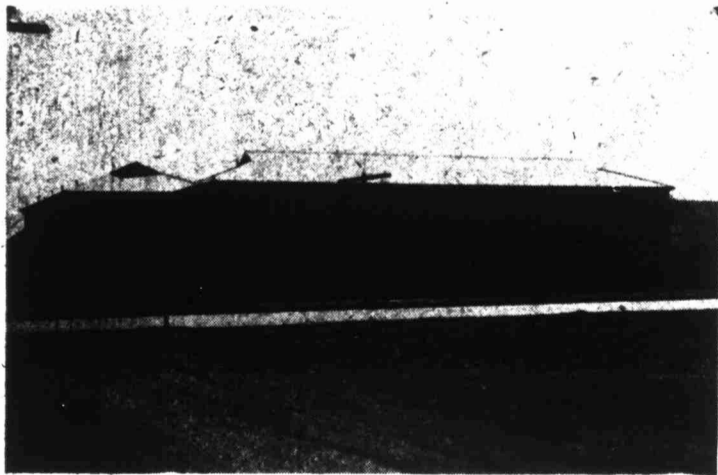
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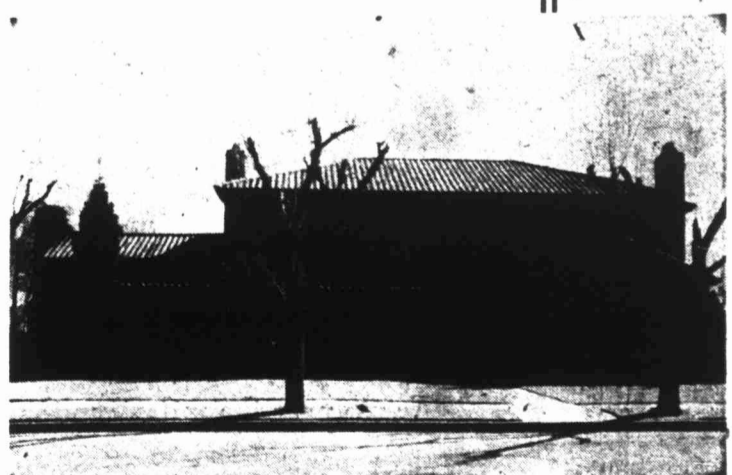


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Infant Industry, Color Research, Inc., Finds Midland Is Good Place To Start Growth; Firm Specializes in Colored Oil Well Log Photos

By BOB PRENTISS
An infant industry—specifically designed to aid the oil industry—has chosen Midland as the place to grow in the Golden 50's.

Color Research, Inc., with offices at 2407 West Indiana Street, specializes in photographs in color of oil well logs—eliminating tedious and expensive hand-copying of the vital well records, which sometimes have as many as 30 colors.

James G. Ash, manager of the Midland office, maintained that the process of photographing well logs in full color was an offshoot of the hobbies of two Miami, Okla., engineers.

J. B. Highfill and R. F. Willis, both of Miami, found color photography a fascinating hobby, and set out to find new uses for color. They finally decided to find industrial uses for new color principles in photography which they had devised.

Learning of the tedious work involved in coloring oil well logs, they designed a camera which uses neither negative nor color transparency to record the information-laden log on a strip of specially sensitized paper. After two and a half years of experimenting with the process, they decided to open for business.

In Oil Capital
Ash was named manager, and Midland—as the heart of the tremendous Permian Basin Oil Empire—was selected as the spot where the process could be of most value to oil men.

With the present set-up, Ash's "staff"—Willena Dyer—now makes copies of as many logs in one day as it formerly took trained hand copyists a full year to make.

The office was opened here in

April of 1948—and gives Midland the distinction of having the only office in the world where oil logs may be copied by photography in full color.

Original oil logs normally are drawn on a scale of an inch to 100 feet of well, and by use of standard colors, show strata encountered by the deepening well, together with complete notes on the progress of the hole, and as such are a complete record of an oil well which may have cost a half million dollars to drill. With well depths running to 13,000 feet and over in some areas, the length of the log and the complex process of reproducing it become an increasing headache to users.

Duplicate logs are needed for many things. District geological offices in many cases send a log to the head office as each well is completed. Other district offices also are given copies. By this method, research may be carried on without the use of the original log. It letting contracts for drilling, contractors use logs of other wells in the area for computing costs.

Before the introduction of the Color Research process, copies of logs were made in one of two ways. A black and white log could be reproduced by photography or by printing, with use of standard symbols to replace colors in the log—but detail was lacking because of the size of the symbols. The other method was by hand copying and coloring, which takes up to two weeks per log.

Speeds Up Process
Color photographing of well logs, in addition to speeding up the reproduction process—also eliminated the necessary checking back for errors in copying, since the camera records only the original log.

A problem confronting the developers of the process was the length of the log, which sometimes ran to 15 feet or more. A special system was developed, where the original log passed on rollers before the camera, at a rate of two feet per minute, and was recorded on another roll of sensitized paper. Ash reports satisfactory progress in growth for the infant industry, and expressed enthusiastic confidence in the selection of Midland as the starting place for the new business.

With more than 300 oil companies' headquarters in Midland, and the Golden 50's showing no sign of slowing the rapid growth of the area, he feels that he is in the right spot.

ATOMIC BOMB POWER

One atomic bomb, dropped on Manhattan and properly detonated over one of the two clusters of skyscrapers could kill 200,000 and injure a like number.

Toya Chapple To Be First Catoico Queen Of Golden Fifties

Miss Toya Chapple, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Chapple, will reign as the first Catoico Queen in the Golden Fifties.

Each year the student body of Midland High School elects a queen for the school year.

Catoico queens who have been elected since 1942 include:

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1943—Beva Jo Knight
1944—Patsy Warren
1945—Ann Ulmer
1946—Ann Cleveland
1947—Alma Faye Cowden
1948—Betty McCain
1949—Royce Raye McKee
1950—Toya Chapple

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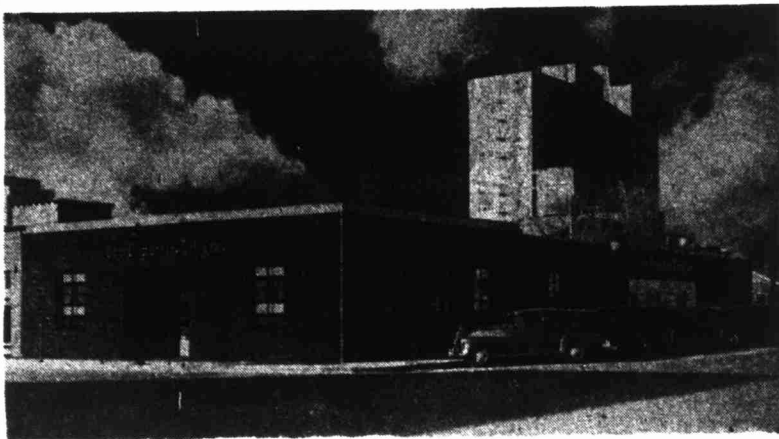
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While Chronicling Progress, Growth; The Reporter-Telegram Has Kept Pace

By TANNER LAINE
Managing Editor

While chronicling the growth and progress of Midland and the Permian Basin, The Reporter-Telegram keeps pace.

Often when the Fourth Estate gets together at press meetings, The Midland Reporter-Telegram is pointed out as a model small city daily. Its plant is equipped with the best equipment money can buy in order to publish for its readers and advertisers—a newspaper second to none in its circulation class.

Its staffs are charged with responsibility of fairness and accuracy, and what is very important—service to the community.

Midland's first newspaper in 1886 was The Staked Plain. Its publisher was J. C. (Judge) Rathburn. It was located on the exact spot on North Main Street where stands today the modern Reporter-Telegram building.

Competition
In 1889, Midland had a newspaper called The Livestock-Reporter. The

Midland Examiner, published in 1902 and 1903 as a competitor of The Livestock-Reporter was absorbed by the earlier publication. But during the competition, The Livestock-Reporter was changed in name to The Reporter. C. C. Watson, veteran newspaperman still living in Midland, was publisher. Another early-day newspaper was The Gusher. Not much is known of its existence. Still another early-day paper was The Midland Gazette. Some say there was a paper earlier than the Staked Plain, called The Midland Eye-Opener.

Newspapers came and went but Watson published on. His paper in 1919 was The Midland Reporter and Gazette-Examiner.

T. Paul Barron bought the weekly Midland Reporter from Watson in August, 1924, and converted into a semi-weekly the following year. Watson published the first daily newspaper here, The Daily Telegram in 1927. Barron went to a daily with his Midland Reporter in 1929.

With Gene Howe and the late Wilbur C. Hawk, he formed the Midland Publishing Company. This company purchased The Daily Telegram. The Reporter and The Telegram were merged into the Midland Reporter-Telegram. Barron bought all the stock in July, 1936.

New Plant
August 15, 1940, James N. Allison, present publisher, bought the newspaper. In January 1948, the newspaper was moved to a modern and new plant site in a building especially constructed to house a daily newspaper.

This brought Midland's newspaper back to the location where it started in the 1880's as The Staked Plain. But a vast difference took place and a great growth.

Your Reporter-Telegram of the Golden Fifties will continue to bring you up-to-the-minute news of the oil industry and its affiliates. A daily feature is the Permian Basin Oil & Gas Log. A Sunday feature (Continued On Page Two)

Will Be So In Golden 50's—Year By Year, Midland Outgrows Its Schools

Like the old woman who lived in the shoe, Midland school officials, year by year, find themselves not knowing what to do with so many youngsters.

Continued growth of the city strains the school plants despite the recent completion of a million-dollar building program and the issuance of contracts for two more new plants, costing near a half-million.

It's a must and a certainty, the Golden Fifties will see the addition of more school facilities here.

New students are moving to Midland each day, requiring a place in the educational program, and new structures are rising each year to meet their needs. With the Golden Fifties at hand, Midland is continuing to add to its school physical plants.

In December, last year, voters approved a \$450,000 bond issue for the purpose of constructing a new elementary school and a new negro high school. These new buildings are expected to be ready for occupancy in September when the 1950 Fall term opens.

High School Is New
Already completed is a new high school plant, valued at more than three-quarters of a million dollars, two new elementary schools, new auditorium, gymnasium and football stadium. Improvements, to the tune of \$20,000, were added to the Carver High School in 1947 but the colored students already have outgrown their quarters. The new negro high school, to be located immediately south of Carver School, will cost about \$175,000 and will offer complete facilities.

Construction of a Northeast Elementary School, located on the corner of Fort Worth and Parker

Streets, is expected to be completed by September at a cost of approximately \$334,000. The new school will take care of about 200 bus students from the overcrowded South Elementary and also will help relieve the crowded conditions of the North Elementary and the Junior High School.

New South and West Elementary Schools were completed in 1947 at a cost of \$187,000 each. But the continued growth of Midland and the great influx of school-age population made these new structures inadequate almost immediately. Four new classrooms were added to the buildings to help relieve the crowded conditions.

The new high school building affords some of the most modern facilities in the Permian Basin area. The new auditorium, completed only recently, is to be used for civic affairs as well as school-sponsored programs.

The new gymnasium has a seating capacity of 1,800 persons—the old one seated a bare 450. The new football stadium, built at a cost of about \$150,000, seats more than 10,000 persons comfortably.

The current school tax rate in Midland is \$1.40, ten cents short of the maximum allowed independent school districts. Voting of the new, \$450,000 bonds in December did not raise the tax rate.

Facilities Grow
Continued growth of the school system here might be reflected in its faculty personnel. In 1936 there were only 55 faculty members in the Midland school system. By 1948 the number had grown to 128 teachers and at the beginning of the Fall term more than 140 teachers were employed in the city's schools. The trend is expected to continue.

The Latin-American School, built in 1938 at a cost of \$14,000, recently was remodeled and three new classrooms added. The school enrolls students through the fifth grade.

New and modern cafeterias, plus adequate facilities for classrooms and athletics and a modern study library, all are doing their share in preparing the youth of Midland for the Golden Fifties.

Oil Man Jimmy



Gen. James H. Doolittle, famed wartime flying leader of two theaters, is an oil man in civilian life. He is an executive with Shell Oil Company and has visited Midland in that capacity. Many men who served under Doolittle are oil industry workers and saw him when he was here.

Civic Workers' Guide Published By U. Of T.

AUSTIN — A guide for civic-minded citizens has been published by the University of Texas Bureau of Municipal Research.

The bulletin, "Public Relations Program for a Citizen Committee," is by Research Associate John P. Keith.

"The publication is a guide for those wrestling with problems in local and state governmental affairs," Dr. Stuart MacCorkle, bureau director, declared.

"However, we believe the material will be valuable to any citizen group regardless of its activities," he said.

In the publication, Keith discusses citizen committee organization, strategy, policies, finance, and elements in molding public opinion. For a specific example, he uses a state-wide citizen committee on the Texas Constitution.

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Stanton Plans Forward Motion In Golden Fifties

By CLEDDIE SHELBURNE
Reporter-Telegram Staff

STANTON—Basking in the wake of a record-breaking cotton crop and enjoying generally prosperous conditions at every turn, Stanton and Martin County look to the Golden 50's as possibly the greatest era in the history of both.

Major improvements, many of them of big city caliber, are being made and many more are planned.

The biggest thing to indicate a golden era for this progressive city of 2,500 friendly people (and a few old sore heads—as a sign at the edge of town says) is talk of a bond election coming soon.

The city council recently was petitioned to call the election and has taken initial steps in doing so.

The issue to be voted on calls for the issuance of \$125,000 in bonds for water and sewer improvements and extensions.

So fast is the city growing in all directions, city utility extensions can not keep up. The bond money, if the issue passes, will be used in a vast project designed to give all reaches of the city the best service possible.

Building Boom
Commercial and residential building has been on a boom here since the war. Scores of new residences have been completed and others are under construction.

J. T. Davis, T. J. Holloway and Gene Graham are contractors handling a majority of the residential construction. Each has projects under construction now.

The new Martin County Memorial Hospital is nearing completion and is expected to be opened early in April. Manager Jack Arrington said it appears work will be completed in time for the April opening.

The hospital, to serve during the Golden Fifties and the future, will be one of the greatest developments in the history of Martin County.

Also in this connection, Arrington has announced he will construct a new, modern funeral home to cost more than \$25,000. It will be the first one in many years and the only modern funeral home in the history of the city.

Arrington has purchased an ambulance and other equipment. Construction on the building is scheduled to be completed in 90 days.

The air of prosperity extends to all parts of Martin County. New farm homes are going up, real estate deals are being made and activity in all fields is on the increase.

Bank Deposits
Bank deposits jumped to an all-time high in 1949. On the heels of the increase the First National Bank, through its president Jim Tom, announced plans for the construction of a \$50,000 bank building.

The new structure will be one story. Brick and tile will be used. Tom said the new building will provide the latest in everything to give patrons the most efficient service possible.

The First Baptist Church completed a new and modern building in 1949 and recently retired the balance of the building costs. Several prominent members, including Guy Eiland, B. P. White and others, made large gifts to the building fund.

Unemployment is at an all-time low in the county and the wage

standards compare favorably with other West Texas areas.

"Stanton and Martin County are enjoying their greatest progress in history. We are looking to the Golden 50's for even greater progress," Jim Kelly, publisher of the Stanton Reporter, said.

Everyone else is of the same opinion in this capital city of Martin County.

Palette Club Art Center Sees Growth

A new name indicating its broadened scope is worn this year by the Midland Palette Club Art Center, an outgrowth of one of the city's older cultural groups, the Palette Club. Its activities have increased the art-consciousness of Midland and its members feel that its growth has only begun.

It has brought half-a-dozen painters of statewide or national reputation here to conduct classes, show their own work, and incidentally to paint Permian Basin scenes and people. It has launched groups which meet weekly in its studio building, one for painting and the other for work in ceramics.

It staged a local art festival last Spring, with cooperation of the American Association of University Women's Art Group, which surprised even its most enthusiastic members with the number of exhibitors and the quality of their work. It has brought a number of art exhibits to the city, and it is planning for the future a building which will serve Midland as a true art center, to house exhibits, workshop studios and a gallery where a permanent collection of paintings could be gathered.

Organized In 1920's
The group which began all this art activity started informally in the late 1920's, when a group of women who liked to paint as a hobby started meeting in a garage belonging to one of them. When they actually organized, they limited their membership to persons who painted and the club was always one of active painters rather than one which studied the paintings of others.

Only in the last few years did the Palette Club members realize the need for sharing their interest in art with other residents of Midland. Mrs. C. H. Butler, a charter member and the president this year, said they were not so much concerned with instruction for themselves, as they all painted merely as a hobby and to please themselves, but they felt the talented young residents of the community should have an opportunity to study and develop their talents.

Last year the club decided to expand its membership sponsor groups which could include artists in ceramics and other creative crafts as well as painting, permit use of the studio to groups which met at night and so could enroll employed persons.

The guest instructors were invited to come here and teach classes of varying duration. Rene Mazza of Dallas was the first, then Errol Uter of Fort Worth, Arthur W. and Norma Bassett Hall of Santa Fe, Robert Atwood of Abilene and Vermont and recently, Cecil Caserio of San Antonio have been among the teachers.

Plan Larger Building
Their classes, perhaps more than anything else, have stimulated interest in art, both for those who practice painting and those who appreciate the development of art in the community.

Plans of the club for a building larger than the present Palette Club Studio are among those being made by several Midland organizations. The art center is one of the buildings designated in a Civic Center plot set aside last Fall by the City of Midland as a future development to meet the cultural and recreational needs of the city in a long-range program.

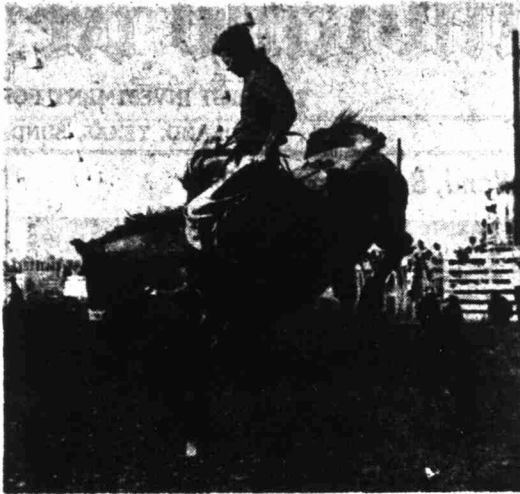
In the meantime, the Palette Club Art Center has added a room to the small studio on North Colorado Street, and is using it to capacity for classes and work groups. The new room provides space for the ceramics work and for silk-screen printing which has been done by a number of interested persons.

Serving with Mrs. Butler as officers of the expanded organization are Mrs. Robert Turpin, vice president; Mrs. Ralph M. Barron, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. E. E. Lindeblad, reporter.

Pure Oil Company Here Since 1940
Pure Oil Company established offices in Midland in 1940, moving geologically, land and scouting departments here from Odessa.

Offices were established in the then Thomas Building. Morgan Roberts was district geologist.

Golden Fifties Rodeo



There will be ridin' and ropin' and plenty of thrills at the 16th Annual Midland World Championship Rodeo in the Golden Fifties. Specific dates for the big western show this year are May 31 through June 4. Midland Fair, Inc., annually presents top entertainment here for thousands attracted to "the rodeo."

Reporter Telegram Has Grown With City—

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is the The Tool Pusher column on the special oil pages. James C. Watson is oil editor of The Reporter-Telegram. His assistants are Jack Benefield and Pansy Burris.

The Reporter-Telegram has 53 employees in six departments. James N. Allison is publisher. It is an afternoon daily newspaper with enlarged Sunday morning publication.

The editorial department has these staff members: Bill Collins, editor; and Watson, Tanager Laine, J. M. Ratcliff, Richard Venator, Cleddie Shelburne, Robert Prentiss, Dalmon McNaair, Sue Coleman, Frances Hagaman and Patsy Shelburne.

The advertising department contains: R. S. Brashers, business manager; and C. S. Jackson, Horace Busby, W. E. Robitsek, Floyd Coleman, Horman Hines, Joe Bursan, Irene Humphrey, Crockett B. Ferrell, Alton Towery, Jo Miller, Freddie Stultz and May Walker.

Mechanical Department
Composing room employees of the

mechanical department include: A. C. Robertson, foreman; and E. A. Crisman, Lewis Williams, James Beggs, Ella Raines, Ben Criles, Bob Baugh, Scott Robertson, J. S. Patton, Bob C. Price, Henry McCroy, Walter Trent and Flossie Brewer.

The press and stereotype department includes: C. E. Johnson, foreman; and James Woodul, Bill Johnson and Billy Walker.

The circulation department is headed by E. R. Russell. Employees include: Hershel Parks, Fred Fromhold, Ed Scoggins, Herbert Williams, H. L. Ford, Leroy Collyer and Myrie Hines.

The business office employees are H. B. Orson, Sylvia Holman and Betty Stultz. C. F. Yeats is custodian.

The Reporter-Telegram has 35 newspaperboys, 19 route carriers including five adults. These are not included in the 53 total employees figure.

The Reporter-Telegram publishes in a modern-equipped building at 221 North Main Street. The building

was constructed especially for a newspaper plant. All office equipment is uniform with metal desks. The building has a special lighting system, also air-conditioning and heating.

Adds Equipment
The newspaper recently installed a Model 36 Bluestreak Mixer Linotype to add to a battery of five other type-setting machines. Workshop equipment is all-metal. The Reporter-Telegram has a Ludlow type-casting machine and an Etrod strip-casting machine. Its press is a 16-page Duplex Standard Tubular.

The newspaper has a long picture window so that citizens may watch the press rolling.

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Contributions To Civic Growth Remains Aim Of Woman's Wednesday Club

Almost as old as the century, the Woman's Wednesday Club in the years to come will continue its contributions to the civic and cultural growth of the City of Midland.

Organized and federated in 1903, the club holds the honor of being Midland's first federated club by a wide margin. It also is a pioneer group in the Texas Federation of Women's Club.

Its members, like those of other Midland clubs, this year have concentrated their activities on the proposed Woman's Club Building. Support of the Midland County Library, however, is the club's major project and has been for many years.

The club maintained a free library before the establishment of the county library and has been active in book donations to this organization. The Memorial Section was established by the group, which last year presented 200 volumes to the Dunbar Branch Library.

Our Environment?
Turning from national and international programs, the group chose for its 1949-1950 course of study, "Our Environment," with programs given entirely by club members.

In March, the group will study State Lands on Texas Day and Oil. "Church and School" and "Air Influence" will be the April programs and a summary of the year's work will be given in May.

During the first part of the club year, programs on land, plants, unusual places and people were given, as well as ones on the development of law and the cattle industry. Historical points of interest and the

history of Midland County were the February subjects.

All of these programs have been slanted toward Midland and the surrounding area and have been given by the members best informed on them.

Officers of this club serve two year terms and are elected in odd years. Named last year, the present officers are Mrs. R. M. Turpin, president; Mrs. Marion Flynt and Mrs. Guy Cowden, vice presidents; Mrs. Paxton Howard, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Allen Cowden, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Andrew Paaken, historian; and Mrs. Clark R. Steinberger, parliamentarian.

Standing committee members are Mrs. Erie Payne, Mrs. Tom Sealy and Mrs. Steinberger, yearbook; Mrs. Ida Fay Cowden, social; Mrs. N. Dave McKee and Mrs. John Perkins, telephone; Mrs. W. G. Whitehouse, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Ben F. Black, flowers; Mrs. Ernest Sidwell, Woman's Club representative; Mrs. W. L. Kerr, Youth Center delegate; Mrs. Paaken, federation counselor; Mrs. Allen Cowden, reporter; Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, scrapbook; and Mrs. L. W. Sager, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Sealy, project.

Department chairmen are Mrs. Steinberger, American home; Mrs. Clyde Cowden, American citizenship; Mrs. Sidwell, education; Mrs. Flynt, public welfare; Mrs. Allen Cowden, fine arts; Mrs. Turpin, international relations; and Mrs. Whitehouse, legislature.

Other members are Mrs. Russell Conkling, Mrs. J. M. DeArmord, Mrs. George Glass, Mrs. C. M. Goldsmith, Mrs. R. L. Miller and Mrs. H. Winston Hull.

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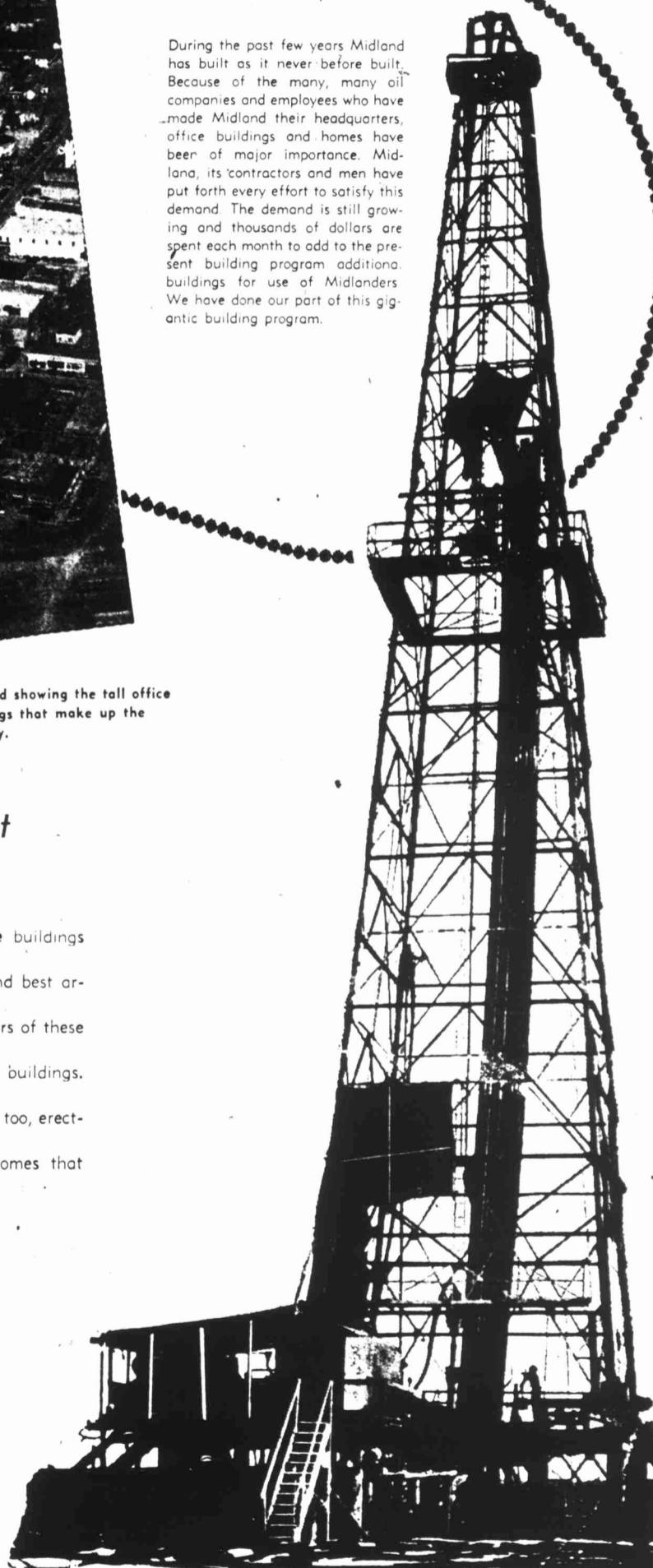
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Shown above is an aerial view of Midland showing the tall office buildings and the other business buildings that make up the business district of this fast-growing city.

During the past few years Midland has built as it never before built. Because of the many, many oil companies and employees who have made Midland their headquarters, office buildings and homes have been of major importance. Midland, its contractors and men have put forth every effort to satisfy this demand. The demand is still growing and thousands of dollars are spent each month to add to the present building program additional buildings for use of Midlanders. We have done our part of this gigantic building program.



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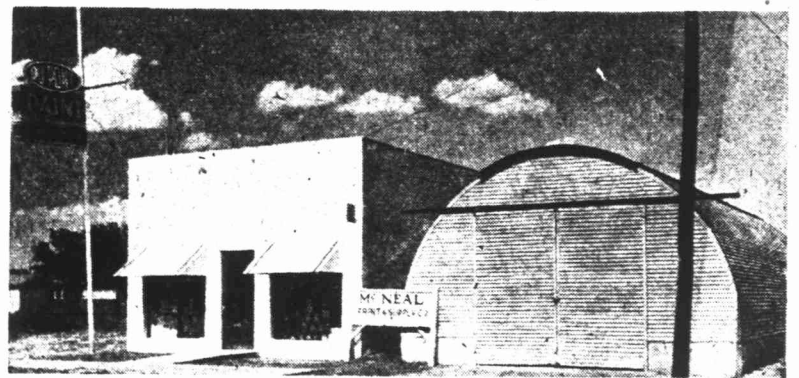


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'Baseball in 1950's Will Belong To Swiflies'—Rickey

NEW YORK—(AP)—Branch Rickey built the Cardinal organization with speed and has the Dodgers on top with the same prescription.

The first thing the president of the Brooklyn club looks for in a young prospect is ability to get over ground in a hurry.

The arm is another test.

"The kid will quickly eliminate himself if he can't hit, so why clutter up the place with a lot of fellows who can't move and throw?"

The best pitching and the best hitting is no longer enough.

Boston fans will testify to that after what happened to the Red Sox the past two campaigns.

Success in baseball spells trends, so the 1950s will belong to the swiflies.

This is to be especially true in the National League, where base-running and the one run is stressed to a much greater extent than in the American.

Ott Went Out

Mel Ott went out after the Giants belted no fewer than 221 home runs, yet wound up no higher than fourth in 1947. The whole crowd was rapidly getting nowhere in particular when Leo Durocher was imported in mid-season of '48, and the new pattern was cut when The Lip moved in.

Manager Durocher's kind of a ball club will lead off with the leg work of Thomson, Lockman, Dark and Thompson.

The Braves would appear to be adopting the old Giants method in acquiring Sid Gordon and Marshall to join Elliott and Holmes, men who can't run a lick.

The Boston outfit has Earl Torgerson and another two or three who can move, however, and the purchase of Sam Jethroe from Montreal is strong evidence that Billy Southworth also has an eye on the speedometer. All Lead-Off Man Jethroe did was steal 80 bases in the International League, with opposing managers deliberately walking pitchers to head him off.

Bums Rumble

Brooklyn will continue to ramble with Robinson, Reese and Snider showing the way. The Cardinals do it from memory with Schoendienst, Diering, Musial and Slaughter. The Phillies get around, especially with Ashburn, Hammer and the new second baseman, Mike Gollat. Even the Cubs have the idea with Jeffcoat, Smalley, Pafco and two or three new hands, one of whom is First Baseman Preston Wagn, purchased from the Brooklyn organization.

The Reds will stand still, as per usual.

And while the Pirates have Stan Rojek and Pete Castillone, they are the one large contradiction, featuring Ralph Kiner, the greatest home-run manufacturer of our time.

But there aren't as many home-run swatters around any more, so the game is to be speeded up as managers make necessity a virtue.

Great Increase In Mail Deliveries

City mail delivery service began in Midland in 1940 with five foot carriers.

Now in the Golden 50's, there are 12 foot carriers averaging six to seven or 13 to 14 miles per day. There are two motorized carriers, one in the south covering 23 miles and one in the north averaging 30 miles. There are parcel post deliverymen. There are two rural route mail carriers covering 34 and 43 miles respectively. There is one Star Route carrier to Lovington, N. M., a route of 165 miles.

Knowledge Of Language Is Good Policy

By ROBERT J. COLE

MEXICO CITY — A Mexican newspaper commented recently how fortunate Mexico is to have Spanish-speaking members on the Texas Good Neighbor Commission.

El Universal, one of Mexico City's largest and most influential newspapers, said Texas should "feel proud to have created the Good Neighbor Commission to promote understanding and collaboration between both countries."

Reporting on a joint conference held in Fort Worth between U. S. and Mexico, El Universal said "big resistance" is afoot in the U. S. preventing full evaluation of Mexican laborers' work in Texas.

"The presence of members on the Commission who speak Spanish," the newspaper said, "is a great help in solving this problem. Thanks to the constant effort and faith of all members of the commission," it added, "Texas can look forward soon to the day when she will realize the privilege and value of speaking two languages."

Crisis Of Situation

Said El Universal, "the crux of the situation is in correct application of the International Agreement signed by Mexico and the U. S. last August." Contracting of Mexican laborers for work on U. S. farms is similar to concepts under Mexico's constitution. "Equal pay for equal work, regardless of sex or nationality."

The newspaper quoted Ramon Guerra, member of Texas' Good Neighbor Commission, as saying: "The Good Neighbor Policy means understanding and respect for other nations and equal rights and opportunities for all."

The Mexico City newspaper, Excelsior, reprinted a letter to the editor of the Big Spring Herald. Excelsior quoted the Herald as saying more Texans should know Spanish and vice versa. "We find ourselves among many Mexicans," the Herald was reported as saying. "They speak Spanish; often they don't speak English. How are we going to do business with them?"

Passing judgment on the story, El Universal called it "a grave error in these times that the border be a kind of wall separating two languages. The basis of all understanding," El Universal said, "is language."

ALLIGATOR'S AGE

Many authorities say that an alligator does not reach its full growth until it is between 40 and 60 years old. Their normal life span is said to be between 100 and 200 years.

Progress In Oil Transportation Results From Vigorous Competition

From "THE HUMBLE WAY," a publication of the Humble Oil & Refining Company.

Fortunately for millions of Americans, the petroleum industry has developed its own efficient method of moving crude oil, gas and finished products from one place to another. The greatest bulk is moved by pipe lines and sea-going tankers. The highly-developed system depends also upon barges for shipping on rivers and in protected waters and upon motor trucks for inland hauls. Railroad tank cars continue to be used chiefly for carrying products to areas not yet served by products pipe lines and inaccessible by water.

One word explains why the oil industry has been able to build such an amazing transportation system. That word is competition. Each company has tried to reduce its operating costs, and transportation is a considerable item of operating costs. But there are other reasons, too, and all of them stem from competition among companies and operators. The producer's need for crude oil customers, plus the refiner's need for (1) an assured, adequate, continuous supply of oil and (2) new customers and marketing areas have combined to bring about the present transportation system that carries oil so efficiently. It has been a spirited race since oil first was discovered, and it is still in progress.

Steady Supply

Pipe lines or fleets of tankers, or both, assure refiners of a steady supply of crude oil. Products pipe lines have been built inland from coastal refineries, so that those plants can compete with others located nearer oil producing areas. Without such lines, the higher cost of transporting gasoline by motor truck or railroad tank car would place the coastal refiner at a marketing disadvantage inland, even though he could use cheap water transportation to move his products in coastal waters.

Early competition among the various forms of transportation was vigorous to the point of being vicious. The first hauling jobs fell to teamsters, energetic and resourceful fellows who, with little regard for such niceties as eminent domain and land-owners' permissions, took their wagons over the easiest route to market.

Soon after the rush of 1859, oil men began to use water transportation. They floated barrels filled with oil down Oil Creek and steamers made the trip from Pittsburgh up the Allegheny River to the mouth of the creek. Barrels of oil were already being made and held there until Spring floods could carry them down the creek. This haphazard method broke a great many barrels and lost a lot of oil.

Titusville Railroad

By 1863, a railroad had reached as far as Titusville, near the Drake discovery well. At first, oil was carried in ordinary barrels by rail. By 1865, however, large wooden tanks already were making their appearance on flatcars, and the first metal tank car appeared in 1869. By now, the railroads were giving river transportation some stiff competition for oil traffic.

But all three early methods — wagon, river and railroad — were too slow and too expensive. A better way had to be found to transport oil in bulk lots, and the young industry already was working on the problem. In 1882 approximately 1,000 feet of small diameter pipe line was laid over a hill from a producing well to a refinery, oil being moved through the line by the siphon principle. The next year a second line was laid from producing wells to a railroad siding, but it developed leaks and was unsatisfactory.

In 1865, five miles of two-inch pipe line was built from Pithole, Pennsylvania, to Miller's Farm. The line carried about 80 barrels of oil an hour, and teamsters were enraged. They cut the line, tore up parts of it, and created such a disturbance that men with rifles had to be stationed along the line.

Opposed By Teamsters

Other lines built about the same time similarly were opposed by teamsters who burned tanks of oil, fought pipe line employees, and brought on such disorder that government troops finally were called to restore peace. Cutting and plugging of lines went on under cover for years but the teamsters were doomed to failure. They had been charging from \$3 to \$5 a barrel for hauling oil. Early in the struggle, the pipe lines set a rate of \$1.25 per barrel.

The first trunk to carry oil from producing regions direct to refineries was built in 1874 in Pennsylvania. Now the railroads were alarmed, and with good reason. Having won their earlier fight with river transportation as a means of moving oil, the rails now were faced with a much more formidable competitor—the pipe line. Before 1874, pipe lines had been used only to carry oil from wells to rail shipping points.

By 1880, over 1,200 miles of pipe lines were serving the producing fields of Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio and West Virginia. Other lines reached westward when oil fields were discovered in Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, and Oklahoma. By 1900, about 18,000 miles of pipe lines were in operation in this country. Today, there are more than 140,000 miles of oil lines and about 940,000 miles of gas lines in the U. S. . . . and more miles of both types of line are being laid.

Present Technique

Present-day pipe lines and pipeline techniques are vast improvement over those of the late 1800's—even over those of a few decades ago. Pipe line companies have found ways to move oil longer distances in a more efficient manner. They have, in fact, been practically forced to increase efficiency to reduce costs and meet competition.

There is more automatic equipment today, and less hand work. Remote-reading tank gauges in many places make it unnecessary for a gauger to go out and take hourly readings on each tank. There are better ways of digging trenches, doping and wrapping pipe, and protecting it against corrosion. This speeds the work and re-

duces construction and maintenance costs.

All-welded lines have virtually replaced screw-in and coupled pipe. Pumps are larger and they operate at higher speeds. The pipe itself is much larger, so it can carry more oil. A few decades ago, an eight-inch line was a big one; today, pipe lines range up to 32 inches in diameter—and larger.

World War II

Ingenuity and advancements in pipeline technology were of great help to the Allies during World War II, when Pluto (Pipe Line Under the Ocean) was laid from England to the coast of France after the invasion. Gasoline flowing through this line was relayed through specially-built, top-of-the-ground lines that kept up with the invasion vehicles as they swept through France. Without Pluto and its flexible "fingers," the invasion would have gone forward at a much slower rate. In war, as in peace, pipe lines aid the cause of freedom.

One thing remains unchanged in the pipe line business, and that is the constant pressure of competition. Competition continues — as it always will — to influence how much line shall be laid, what route the line shall follow, and what areas shall be served.

Pipe lines serve the interests of everyone: producer, refiner, and consumer. When a new field is discovered, the producer's first step is to obtain a pipe line connection. Often the line nearest the field will be extended to the new discovery. Such, however, is not always the case, and frequently competitive lines enter the field as it is developed. In practically all of the major oil-producing areas, producers have the choice of a number of competing carriers and purchasers. The simple fact is, refiners must have a regular and assured supply of crude oil. Pipe lines extending from producing areas to refineries provide a ready crude oil market for producers.

Cheese Purchaser

The producer, for his part, is free to sell his oil to whomever he chooses. Should any purchaser on the field spot a higher price than the price the producer currently is receiving, he may — and does — switch to the pipe line serving the purchaser offering the highest price. This practice usually results in the original purchaser meeting the competitor's price, if conditions permit and if the price rise accurately reflects true market forces.

Present crude oil pipe lines were built because someone needed oil. Producers have benefited from this competitive race for their supplies — a race in which refiners have, in effect, brought their own markets to points of production.

As far as the consumer is concerned, pipe lines have meant lower prices for products. It is conservatively estimated that today a barrel of oil can be moved 1,500 miles by pipe line for about half as much as it cost to move it only five miles through the first pipe line!

A great many changes and improvements have been made in transporting oil by water since the days when oil was floated in barrels down Oil Creek. As early as

1869, European countries, needing kerosene produced in the United States, began to equip their cargo vessels with compartments to hold oil. In the early 1880's, many cargo vessels designed especially to carry oil and its products were plying the seven seas. American tankers were being turned out in large numbers by this time, and the oil industry was using its own ships to carry crude oil to refineries and products from refineries to markets.

Larger Tankers

The first tankers were smaller than the seagoing giants of today, of course, and could carry only a fraction of today's cargo. The new super-tankers now in operation and under construction can carry up to 230,000 barrels of oil on a single voyage.

Although the railroads normally haul little crude oil, they are sometimes called upon to do so in time of emergency. In such a case it is the temporary condition of "spot shortages" of heating oil in certain parts of the United States during the unusually cold winter of 1946-47. At that time, railroad tank cars by the hundreds were pressed into service to haul crude oil from West Texas to East Texas, where it was relayed to the Gulf Coast by pipe line.

Practically all the petroleum normally moved by railroad tank car is in the form of products. The long strings of tank cars that connect refineries centers with the nation's markets are filled with gasoline,

kerosene, lubricating oils, heating oils, and other finished materials.

Like other forms of petroleum transportation, the modern railroad tank car is a great improvement over the crude wooden vat mounted on flatcars 70 or 80 years ago. Today's tank car takes not one, but many engineering forms — even though all tank cars may look alike to the unpracticed eye. Those that carry volatile products are equipped with safety valves and other appliances for safety and convenience of loading and unloading. Cars that carry heavy products, such as tar, asphalt, and wax are equipped with steam-heating devices. Some are covered with insulation and steam jackets to keep the products hot and fluid.

Tank Trucks

Virtually the same principles of engineering and science that have improved the tank car and made it safer have been applied to the smaller and more mobile tank truck. Trucks of this type, loaded with gasoline or fuel oil, are a familiar sight in every community. They are the last link between the oil well and the gasoline tank of the customer's car or the heating oil tank in the basement of his home.

Pipe lines and pumping equipment especially designed to handle products are becoming more and more a competitor of other forms of products transportation on land. It is logical that this should be so. With the demand for refined products increasing, and with competition for markets becoming keener, each refiner is seeking to develop and hold the widest possible distribution for his products.

Octane Rating Is Determined By Test

Fuel with a low-octane number will "knock" in an automobile engine, causing a loss of power and possible damage to the pistons and bearings. Checking a gasoline for its octane number is a direct performance test.

Octane numbers are measurements of anti-knock quality in gasolines, just as miles are measurements of distance. They are based on mixtures of two pure hydrocarbons, iso-octane and normal heptane. Iso-octane, from which the word "octane" comes, has an octane number of 100 and is very high in anti-knock quality. Normal heptane has an octane number of zero, and knocks very readily.

Pure Hydrocarbons

The two pure hydrocarbons may be mixed together in any proportion, and the octane number of the mixture is decided by the relative amount of iso-octane it contains. For example, a mixture of 70 parts iso-octane and 30 parts normal heptane has an octane number of 70.

These mixtures of iso-octane and normal heptane are known as reference fuels and are burned in test engines to determine the octane number of an unknown gasoline. When a sample of unknown gasoline "knocks" in a test engine at the same point as a known blend of reference fuel, it is assigned the same number as the blend.

In actual practice, both iso-octane and normal heptane are far too expensive for everyday testing, so secondary reference fuels have been developed to serve the same purpose.

First Golden 50's Baby Is Girl; But Males-Females Even

The first citizen to be born in Midland in the Golden Fifties is a girl, Cecelia Kay Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, 507 South Marshall Street. She was born at 11:20 a. m., Jan. 1, to become the first new citizen of the Golden Era.

Cecelia Kay was the tenth "first of the year" baby to receive a shower of gifts from merchants of Midland. Since 1941 when Mary Lynn Osborn became the first newly-born of the year, the city's merchants have been showering the first baby of each New Year.

Boy in A. Bunch

In 1942, Claudia Kay Kuykendall was the first baby, but during the next four years the boys took over. In 1943 the honor went to Monte D. Midkiff, Billy Don Smith won the title in 1944, Thomas V. Ford, Jr. in 1945, and Aubrey Leon Bentley in 1946.

In 1947 the winner was a girl, Margaret Ann Miller. Larry Bruce Holderman was the number one baby in 1948 and Janet Lee Murray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Murray, was the first of 1949.

Not All 'Life Magazine' Has Been Recent

Not all of Midland's "Life Magazine" publicity has been recent. In 1940, the magazine pictured color photos of the Roy Parks Ranch, Atlantic Tank Farm and other sites.

The pictures were part of a series depicting a "Flight Across America."

Round-Clock Action At Chicago Airport

CHICAGO—(AP)—The men who run the Chicago Midway (Municipal) airport says it's the busiest in the U. S.

Traffic figures for 1949 show 223,943 landings and takeoffs during the year, a record. It figured at one landing or takeoff every 2.35 minutes, day and night.

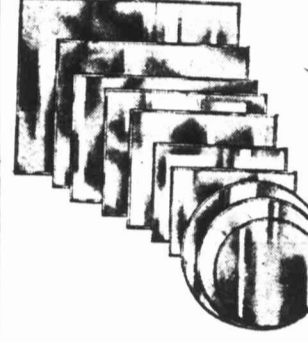
DICK TRACY STYLE

NEW YORK—(AP)—Experts who delight in trying to look into the future say they foresee the day when radio sets will be small enough to be carried in the pocket like a fountain pen. Also, they say, it is possible television receivers might be developed to a point where they can be worn like a pair of overgrown eye-glasses.

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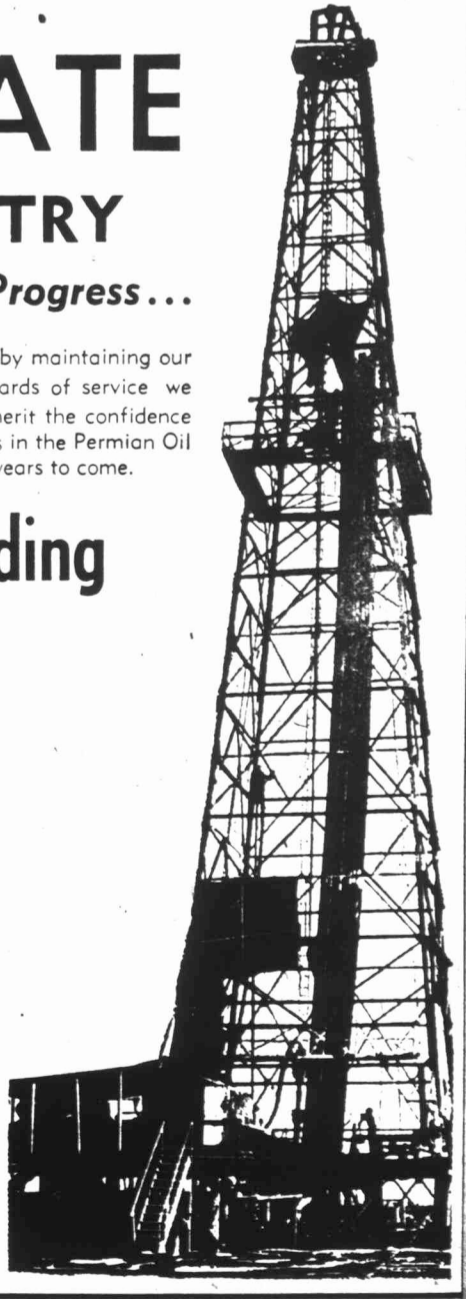
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Industry's Investment Plan For '50 Revealed In Survey

NEW YORK—Industry's plans for new plants and equipment in 1950 total \$12.4 billion, a 13 per cent drop from what was spent in 1949, according to the findings of a survey released by the McGraw-Hill Department of Economics.

However, the report points out, capital investment during the year may stabilize at about its current level. This possibility is suggested by the fact that the rate of capital investment in the first quarter is about the same as the level which this survey shows to be planned for the year as a whole.

This third annual review, conducted to determine industry's yearly investment plans, shows that the 1950 program will make little headway in overcoming the growing need for new plants and equipment.

At the same time, the survey notes, industry's plans for the New Year may well bring investment during 1950 to a point slightly above its current level.

Findings Summarized

Here's a summary of the findings:

- (1) Manufacturing companies as a whole plan to spend \$4.3 billion in 1950 for new facilities. That is 13 per cent less than they spent last year.
- (2) Manufacturers expect 1950 sales to about equal 1949's volume. Chemical companies long forward to a four per cent increase in sales. Petroleum, food, textile, and automobile companies expect a smaller increase. Other industries expect sales to be the same or slightly lower.
- (3) Manufacturing capacity will be increased about three per cent during the year—under present plans. Largest increases planned are in the chemical, textile, and food industries.
- (4) The bulk of manufacturers' investment funds, 65 per cent, will go for replacement and modernization of existing facilities. This continues the shift in emphasis away from expansion reported last year. Then manufacturers' capital funds were divided about 50-50 between expansion and replacement and modernization.
- (5) Internal sources—retained earnings and depreciation reserves—are counted on to provide more than nine-tenths of capital funds in the manufacturing industries. New common stock issues are expected to provide less than one-half of one per cent of 1950 investment funds. In contrast, the railroads expect to raise only two-thirds of their 1950 investment funds from internal sources. They will rely on debt financing for most of the remainder.
- (6) More than half, 65 per cent, of all manufacturing firms report that they would not reduce their investment programs even if general business should decline 20 per cent during the year. However, two out of three firms review their investment programs monthly, and most of the others look them over at least once a quarter.
- (7) They would not increase their 1950 investment programs, say more than 90 per cent of the manufacturing firms, even if they could sell new common stock at a price 50 per cent above its November, 1949, price.
- (8) Investment plans in other industries also show a 13 per cent decline in 1950 from 1949. This coincidence arises from the fact that utility companies, notably the electric light and power companies, will spend only slightly less than they did in 1949. Railroads, on the other hand, will cut their 1950 expenditures by 44 per cent.

Stability In Investment

The report admits that replies to the question indicate there is a large measure of stability in investment plans. However, actually, plans frequently are reviewed and changes are made rapidly to meet changing economic conditions. In 1949, for example, industry as a whole spent one per cent more than it had planned. However, electric utilities spent 19 per cent more than planned while the automobile industry invested only 74 per cent of what it had planned at the beginning of the year.

the Department of Commerce, the study notes that by the first quarter of 1950 expenditures will fall to a level 13 per cent below the 1949 average.

"That, in the light of results of the McGraw-Hill survey, suggests that the country has reached the bottom of the decline in capital expenditures," says the report.

In commenting upon the low rate at which plants are being put into first class shape, the survey says that it would take 40 years to completely modernize the nation's manufacturing facilities unless future plans are speeded up.

Use Own Resources

Manufacturing industries count on their own resources, funds retained from earnings or set aside to make-up for depreciation, to finance most of their new facilities. They expect to get 92 per cent of the needed funds in this way. Mining companies look to internal sources for 83 per cent of their funds, while railroads expect reserves and earnings to provide only 68 per cent of the funds they will need.

"Many manufacturers report that a severe business recession would not alter their 1950 investment programs," the survey continues.

"More than half of them, 56 per cent, report that they would not cut back their programs even if general business activity declines 20 per cent during the year. Of the 44 per cent who would cut, almost one-half would reduce their programs by less than 25 per cent. One-half would cut back between 25 per cent, and six per cent would slash their expenditures by more than 50 per cent."

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Zephyr Concerns Establish Here

The Zephyr Corporation and Zephyr Petroleum Company, both of Tulsa, have opened Permian Basin headquarters in Midland.

The associate organizations have offices at 210 North Big Spring Street, in suites eight and nine of the former Ryan Hospital building.

F. G. McIntock, vice president of both organizations, will divide his time between Midland and Tulsa.

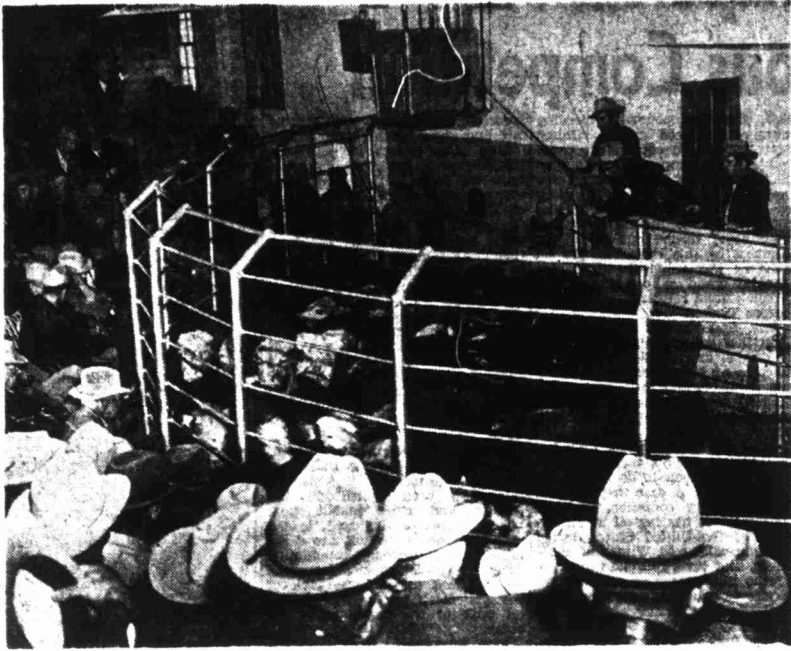
OIL BOOK PUBLISHED BY COLORADO SCHOOL

GOLDEN, COLO.—Publication of "Petroleum Refining" as volume 45, number 2A, of the quarterly of the Colorado School of Mines has been announced by Harry M. Crain, director of publications at the school. This is a number of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Volume entitled "Mineral Resources in World Affairs," which will make available all of the papers presented and much of the discussion at the conferences on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the school.

MEN WITHOUT FOOTBALL

CHICAGO—It's not lack of manpower that keeps the University of Chicago out of big time football. The latest count shows that the total enrollment on the campus is 8,421—including 6,324 men.

Action At Midland Livestock Sale



Hundreds of head of livestock are sold each Thursday afternoon in the sales arena at the large and modern plant of the Midland Livestock Auction Company on East Highway 80. The sale, managed by Don Estes, offers a convenient market to area ranchers and farmers. Buyers during 1949 were more plentiful than cattle and the Midland market was among the best. The operators look to an even better market in 1950. Local and area stockmen are using the auction not only for sales but for replacements. During the first two months of this year, stockers have continued in strong demand.

Just Send Us Rain, Oh Lord, We'll Attend To The Details

COLLEGE STATION — R. E. Dickson, who is in charge of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station of the Texas A&M College System, at Spur, is a man who keeps an attentive ear turned to the observations made by the West Texas farmers and ranchers with whom he comes in contact.

Recently he listed some of the pertinent and sagacious remarks passed by men of the region, touch on many phases of agriculture. The ones which deal with rainfall and water conservation run like this:

"Soils are like bottles in that some are large and some are small. Some are easy to fill with water and some are very hard to fill.

"We have no right to pray for rain until we learn to use the rain we get.

"Just send us rain, O Lord. We'll attend to the details.

"Sage of the giants and dwarfs is the sage of rains and droughts.

"Put erosion waters to work and they will quit their meanness.

"No Bad Rains

"I am by rains like the late Father Flannigan of Boys Town was about boys: 'There are no bad ones, but they need to be trained to serve.' Water in the ground makes cash in the bank.

"Many good rich farm acres, especially in the forks of the creek, were made by erosion deposits. Man is helping nature much in this type of program. If they can't hold in on the hill, they hold it in the valley.

"Some hill land is worth only \$10 an acre to raise grass for cattle; it is worth a similar amount to furnish water to be used in the rich cropland valley.

"Land don't wear out—it wears off.

"Students of the problem claim that soil losses through erosion are 22 times greater than losses through crops harvested.

"Other remarks passed by visitors to the Spur Station ran toward livestock and grazing.

"Range Deaths Reduced

"One of West Texas' best ranchmen purchased his first cow with funds obtained from the sales of bones picked up on the open range following one of those early dry years. Range deaths in Texas have been materially reduced during the years.

"Man can go broke by having too many cattle, but seldom is man hurt by having too much grass.

"I have my range overstocked but the cattle soon will die down to a stand.

"Let's go to grass.

"Doubling grass yields instead of grass-eaters helps many a ranchman.

"Fodder years are feeder years.

"Johnson and Bermuda grasses have been much discussed invaders, but they have added many millions of pounds to Texas beef and milk and they anchor soils.

"Bermuda has prevented many millions of tons of soil from washing into the Gulf.

"If one could have good grass grazing 365 days in the year, he certainly could raise good beef and produce good butter.

"Cotton Production

"And on the subject of cotton: No runoff and no erosion for 22 years with closed level terraces just resulted in increasing the returns from cotton by \$246.12 an acre.

"My best cotton dividends are made by water conservation.

"Dickson also lists some observations that are hard to place under one of the above headings.

"For example: 'Which floats the fastest—clay soils, sandy soils, sorghum stalks or cow chips.'

Industry Spent \$100,000,000 On Research In '49

Scientific progress in the petroleum industry marches on! It will be so in the Golden '50's.

More than \$100,000,000 was spent for research in 1949. Many additional new products were perfected.

More than 5,000 products are now made from petroleum and many additional, useful products are being developed in the oil laboratories.

New, scientific refining processes have greatly increased the nation's petroleum resources, as well as providing hundreds of new products for the everyday use of mankind.

With the construction and operation of new pilot plants, the field of petrochemicals was extended greatly in 1949. This is the forerunner of large synthesis plants that are expected to revolutionize the production of chemicals in the United States. Hundreds of millions of dollars are being invested in such projects.

In 1939, one-third of all the chemicals produced in the United States was based upon petroleum or natural gas, whereas only three per cent of the chemicals produced by the rest of the world came from such sources. This demonstrates clearly the initiative of the vigorous American oil industry free to apply itself to improving the lot of mankind.

Many Midlanders Listed On C. Of C. Committees

Members of standing committees of the Midland Chamber of Commerce for 1950 were announced recently by President Robert Wood. The committees will carry out the scores of projects listed in the organization's 1950 program of work.

The committees and their members are: Organization Affairs—R. M. Barron, director in charge; Membership Meetings, Carl Wevat, Dr. C. S. Britt, Larry Burnside, Lester Short, Charles Ervin; Publicity, Barney Grafia, Ray Howard, C. W. Chancellor, J. M. McDonald, Ray Gwyn, R. S. Brashears.

Agriculture and Livestock—R. L. Miller, director in charge—Dairy Cooperation, M. A. Roberts, Sherwood O'Neal, J. P. Carson, Jr., Glenn Mershon, E. D. Richardson, Dr. J. O. Shannon; County Fair, H. B. Schauer, J. T. Baker, Charles Green, L. T. Sledge, Jr., J. R. Cuffman, A. G. Bohannon, T. Paul Barron, Newell, Larry Trimble, 4-H and FFA, H. C. Jones, R. H. Coffey, J. R. Cuffman, Charles Green, Charles Reeder, Floyd Forrest; Garden, Niles B. Winter, Mrs. A. P. Shirey, Erma Mancill, R. O. Howard; Wholesale, W. L. Lomax.

Industrial Activity—James N. Allison, director in charge—Industrial Expansion, Harlan Howell, Johnny Starr, Jimmy Hoover, Paul McHargue, Chester Shepard, Harry Murray, Sam Salt; Highway, John P. Butler, Hal Rachal, M. C. Ulmer, M. W. Collier, C. C. Keith, Fred Fromhold, R. M. Barron, Jack Wilkinson, Barney Greathouse, Commercial—R. D. (Bobb) Scroggs, director in charge—Retail, John B. Mills, Henry Murphey, Charles A. Haynes, Lem Nichols, T. R. Wilson, Jr., Allen Wemple, C. W. Chancellor, Jr., Harry Murray, Floyd Bell; Convention and Tourist Development, A. A. Jones, Frosty Barnett, Cal Boykin, C. E. Bissell, Percy Bridgewater, Felix Stonehocker, W. Sager, Ray Toward; Wholesale, W. L. Lomax, Craver, Harry Pryor, Mike Brumbelew, O. W. Stice, H. J. Davis; Trade Territory Relations, M. L. Webb, John Biggs, George Stewart, C. A.

Early Basin Geologists

Geologists, who worked the Permian Basin when it was a "wildcat's paradise" were honored at a reunion in Midland in 1940. The West Texas Geological Society was host unit.

The honored guests included: E. F. Boehms, Lon D. Cartwright, C. D. Cordry, Thornton Davis, D. H. Edson, Marion Funk, F. M. Haase, H. Klaus, Edgar Kraus, Riley Maxwell, F. H. McGuigan, Robert Roth, F. H. Schouten and E. L. Porch, Jr.

Union Oil District Office In Midland

Union Oil Company established a district office in Midland, Jan. 1, 1941.

A. P. Loskamp was district manager.

Iowa produces 19 per cent of the corn output of the United States.

Looks To Future



Harold Webb, owner-manager of the Midland Indians, looks to the future for greater ball clubs here. He has put the Indians in the first division every year so far in the Longhorn League.

Phillips In Area 20 Years; Here 16

Phillips Petroleum Company moved into the Midland area more than 20 years ago. Today, Phillips maintains a Midland office where scores are employed.

In 1934 Phillips established its first Midland office. Office employees numbered seven. Sixteen years later the company's operations and number of employees had mushroomed to many times its original size.

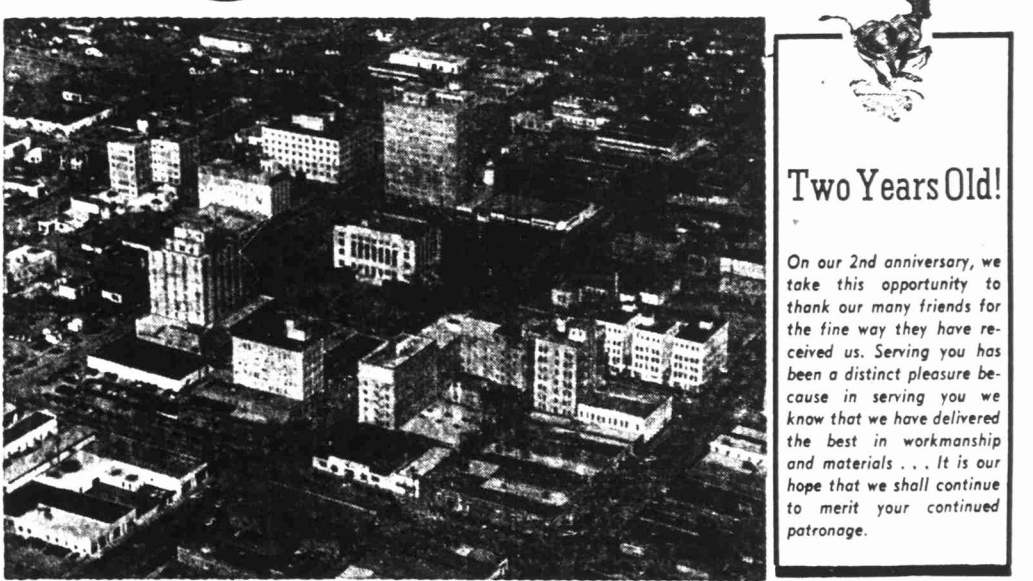
To Start 50's With Strong Race String

NEW YORK—The strength of Calumet Farm's 1950 racing string is best exemplified by the list of nominations for the Belmont Stakes to be run on June 10 at Belmont Park.

Warren Wright's stable has seven 3-year-old colts among the 102 horses nominated for the Belmont. They are Courage, Mostest, Shine Boy, Skeiter, Sun Lit, Theory and Urgent.

Theory, second in the Belmont Futurity last Fall and now in training at Hialeah Park, is regarded as a certain starter in the Kentucky Derby in May.

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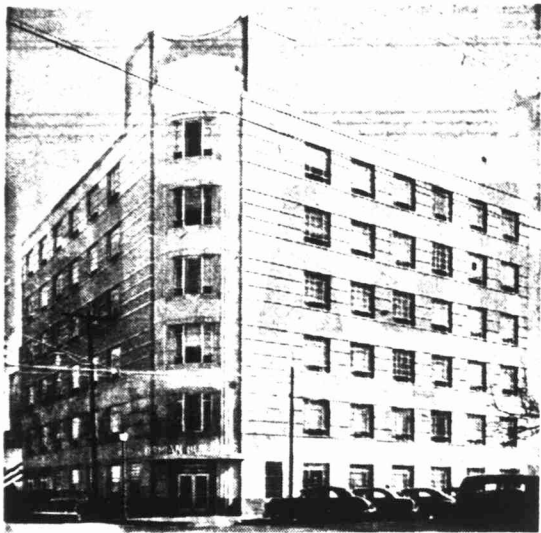
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Growing Crane Looks To Golden Fifties

Backward Glance Indicates Trend

By LELA WILSON

Crane Correspondent for The Reporter-Telegram

CRANE—With only a backward glance, with pardonable pride, the citizens of Crane look forward to a year that promises to see the fulfillment of past prophecies and more recent dreams.

Spearheading the growth and development of this city of approximately 5,000 population is the beginning

of the construction of the new compressor station and treating plant by the El Paso Natural Gas Company. The plant, located just west of the Phillips plant, will handle 15 million cubic feet of gas daily.

The company will build its own power plant to supply all electricity for the station and 13 residences to be built west and north of the station. Other construction will include an engine room and treating plant.

The Phillips plant has enlarged its field system and now is receiving all gas formerly burned in flares except from one lease in the north field. Phillips now is laying two and one-half miles of 10 and 12 inch lines to carry the gas from the McClellan field to its plant.

The Gulf Oil Corporation began the operation of its new gasoline plant, located 16 miles northwest of Crane, last year and will condense between 30 and 35 million cubic feet daily.

The Atlantic has started the operation of its new gasoline plant on Block 31, in Crane County.

Roads Improvement
The large plants brought on the necessity of new roads and the improvement of old ones and county commissioners called for bond elections and spent about \$425,000 in building for the future with good roads leading to all of the major fields in the county—21 in all.

The latest road to be anticipated is one that will connect Crane with a direct route to Midland, thereby giving McCamey oil supply houses as well as Crane oil firms a shorter and more direct route to the offices of some of the major producing companies in these fields.

Keeping astride with the county developments has been the City of Crane. Streets that formerly had been deep sand or sticky mud, depending on the weather, have been paved from curb to curb with about 120 blocks receiving this pavement. Curbs and gutters are now being laid along the two main streets and are a part of State Highways 51 and 329. This work is being done to expedite the work of the state in spending approximately \$110,000 for

the motor company and the rear part will be used as the machine shop for the garage.

Ground is being cleared for a new fireproof building, 80 by 100 feet, on a block of Gaston Street. The building will be divided with T&P Cleaners occupying one space. The building is being erected by Pat Passur, Crane pioneer.

A building which formerly was a part of the old Crane High School has been moved to the downtown section by Leon Neeley, contractor and builder, and is being converted into an office and store building.

The Russell-Thomas Lumber Company has opened for business in its new building and yard on North Gaston Street. Also on that street is the newly-opened Super Shell Service Station, owned by Jimmy Hollis.

Recently completed is the new and enlarged building of the T. N. White Motor Company which has secured the dealership for Buick cars in Crane. This company also maintains a large garage in connection with its show rooms.

June 15 saw the formal opening of Leaman's Department Store in its new 50 by 80 feet brick building.

On August 24, Theater Enterprises, Inc. held its formal opening of the New Crane Theater. It cost more than \$100,000 and has modern conveniences and equipment. The building has a seating capacity of 900 and has well used "cry" rooms for mothers with small children.

This room is equipped with a bottle warmer and is sound proof.

John Alexander built his own Gulf Service Station on South Gaston Street and opened for business during the winter. Recently, Herman Plate, who has operated the KP Service Station for a number of years, purchased the Crane Service Station and will continue to operate both stations.

Other new businesses added last year include the Webb Grocery and Market, Preslars Food Center, Tood Insurance Agency, Young Vegetables and Fruit Market, Corner Drug, and the Louella Shoppe, formerly the LeBoeuf's Shoppe.

A large number of old businesses have either moved to new and improved locations or have made major repairs to their old sites and have added much to the progress of the business district. These include the Crane Food Store, formerly Dons Food Store; Crane Flower Shop, owned by Mrs. Claudia Wilks; Crane Electric Company; Crane Feed Store, burned out of its former location in the first major fire here in 19 years; R. E. Wesley Insurance Agency; Bill's Place, Western Auto Store; Quality Cleaners, and Holman Grocery and Market.

Roping Club Organized
A Crane Roping Club was organized. Pens, chutes and a new arena were built in connection with the

club's organization. The softball field was the site of much entertainment for the championship softball team supporters.

The year 1949 saw the organization of the Business and Professional Women's Club, to work in cooperation with the Lions Club on civic projects. First project was the sponsoring of the "Town Hall" programs in Crane. These programs brought such notables as William L. Shires, noted news commentator and radio speaker; personable Virginia Sales, the Wahl quartette and the Deep River Singers.

The Lions Club sponsors the Boy Scout movement in Crane in all its phases, and during the past year dedicated the new Scout Hut, on the

park grounds, as the "Billie Allman Scout Hut."

Cubs, Scouts and Senior Scouts are all active in Crane. The Business and Professional Women's Club has as its chief project the sponsoring of a Girl Scout troop.

Authors And Poets
Crane has two authors and a poet as citizens. There are Mrs. Alma Walters, whose book, "A Tale Told," has recently been published; Paul Patterson, journalism teacher in the Crane schools, and author of the book, "Sam McGinew and Texas Too"; and Mrs. Ella Harriet Clark who has had a volume of verse published.

Classes in pastel painting in oils, ceramics and china painting are taught by Mrs. Myrtle Shaffer and Mrs. Lela Wilson. Piano teaching is under the direction of Mrs. A. E. Galloway. Mrs. C. E. Shirley teaches violin and the Bingham School of Dance conducts weekly classes and offers private instruction.

Clubs active in the city social calendar include the Dorcas Club and the Benefit Club, taking membership from the Rebekah Lodge; the Past Matrons Club, Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Lodge, sponsoring the annual Hill Top Meeting attended by more than 1,500 Masons with Hugh Craig, highest officer in the state as the principal 1949 speaker; the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and its auxiliary; Friendship Club, Wednesday Club, Yomaca, Stitch and Chatter, two square dance clubs, Buttons and Bows, and the Castle Gap Promenaders.

The Parent Teacher Association, which has been active since the opening of the schools in Crane, is still functioning as the Elementary P-T-A, with another unit called the High School P-T-A, filling a need for parents of high school students.

Crane's oldest resident in point of age is Mrs. George Ann Lewis, who was 97 on February 12. She is active and is proud of the stained glass window in the Methodist

Record Number Of Births Expected In Golden 50's
One of the brightest prospects for the Golden Fifties is the anticipated increase in the number of newcomers who will arrive via the stork route.

A record number of births in 1949 set the pace for the oncoming years, with 537 recorded.

This compares with 538 in 1948. Other high figures for a few years back are, 1947, 257; 1946, 254; 1945, 224; 1944, 258; 1943, 212; 1942, 160.

Deaths recorded in 1949 numbered 127.

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Rainbow Girls Order In Its Second Year

One of the newer organizations for young residents of Midland is the Order of Rainbow for Girls, which is in its second year, and which promises to continue its growth and contribution to the social life of the city.

New officers, who will serve a six-month term, were installed recently, headed by Wanda Burnside as worthy advisor. Her predecessors in that office have been Royce Raye McKee, Peggy Lou Whitson and Beverly Keisling.

The Order of Rainbow is an organization for girls which is sponsored by the Masonic Lodge and the Order of Eastern Star, and those groups here are responsible for the Midland assembly. Its first mother advisor was Mrs. Fred Wycoff, who is now the worthy matron of the Eastern Star Chapter, Mrs. Clyde Hamilton is the present mother advisor, or adult counselor.

In addition to regular local meetings, the members have participated in programs of other Rainbow Assemblies of this area, and sent representatives to a state meeting last summer.

Present Officers
In addition to Miss Burnside, the officers now are Betty Nix, worthy associate advisor; Peggy Minear, charity; Ruth Greene, faith; Swan Hagler, hope; Barbara Long, recorder; Sue Talkington, treasurer; Ann Boring, organist; Pauline Norwood, choir director.

Nelda McDuffy, outer observer; Shirley Harrison, confidential observer; Glenda Hamilton, chaplain; Mary Lynn Manning, drill leader; and in the color stations: Betty Reeves, love; Virginia Brees, joy; religion; Carolyn Reagle, nature; Nancy Klingler, immortality; Virginia Kroelmeier, fidelity; Jan Houck, patriotism; and Martha Scharbauer, service.

State Legislators



Hill D. Hudson, Senator of Pecos and Rep. J. T. Rutherford of Odessa represent the vast Permian Basin Empire in the Texas Legislature. Both are familiar with the oil industry and its needs in West Texas.

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Portrait of Progress

In last year's Progress Edition, Texas Electric Service Company headlined an advertisement "More Power for the Permian Basin and Still More on the Way." It showed the Company's new Permian Basin power plant, 25,000 kilowatts of which was in operation, 25,000 kilowatts under construction. Now, construction has been completed and the new steam-electric generating station is on the line, turning out 50,000 kilowatts of electric power, aiding in the rapid growth and expansion of Midland and the Permian Basin.

To make this additional electric power available throughout the Midland-Permian Basin area, new transmission and distribution lines have been built---the Midland substation has been enlarged---other new and improved electric power service facilities have been installed.

In the future---as in the past---electric power from the lines of Texas Electric Service Company will continue to help paint Midland's "Portrait of Progress".

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In flat dry country, particularly in West and Southwest Texas, derricks are skidded sometimes several miles between locations. The derrick and substructure, towering almost 100 feet, are jacked up onto rollers and pulled along plank paths by one or more trucks or tractors. The technique varies with the operator as each strives to move as quickly as possible; some attach caterpillar treads to the four corners of the derrick and eliminate the plank paths.

To save time in moving, many operators use two derricks with each rig in order that the derrick is built and ready when the rig is

moved into a new location. Obviously, skidding removes the need for the second derrick and also saves considerable time in rigging up. Whether the derrick is skidded or not, the rig (generally regarded as all of the machinery—draw-works and engine, mud pumps, etc.) is trucked to the new location to be available when needed in rigging up.

Typical Of Progress
Skidding large derricks—a product of oil field ingenuity—is typical of the progress in drilling techniques and machinery. Up until about 25 years ago almost all derricks were of wood, and were left over those

wells which were producers. This was done for a number of reasons, mainly because wells were then flowed wide open and oil reservoir pressure was soon dissipated. To keep wells in production, operators soon had to install pumping equipment, and consequently left the derricks standing to facilitate servicing the pumps. The derricks were either dismantled or skidded away from dry holes.

Steel Derricks
During the twenties bolted steel derricks came into use as oil field equipment became standardized and conservation practices were put in to operation. Flowing wells then

had a longer flowing life and pumping was often delayed for years. The bolted steel derrick greatly reduced the fire and high wind hazards, and could be used for drilling many more wells. Thus when the drilling derrick was not needed as a production derrick, and when moves were more frequent, the portable or movable steel derrick became more practical.

BEST SINGER
Audubon says that the song of the mocking bird is far superior to that of the nightingale. Its song is not mere imitation, but is composition and creation.

Petroleum Remains Cornerstone Of Nation's Security

By LYNDON B. JOHNSON
U. S. Senator
(Written especially for the Petroleum Progress Edition of The Reporter-Telegram)

In this year of 1950 the eyes of the nation and the eyes of Texas are seeing more clearly the sensitive and vital role played by petroleum in our world of today. Despite the changes that have come, the great advances in developing atomic energy and hydrogen bombs, petroleum remains the cornerstone of the nation's security.

Oil—much of it Texas oil—twice has helped save freedom and democracy. We know now that our democracy cannot be free if its petroleum industry is not free. Looking to the future, we realize the



Lyndon B. Johnson
vital importance of keeping alive the freedom and incentive which has been responsible for the rapid maturity of one of the youngest, but one of the most important, industries in the world—the petroleum industry.
As a Senator for Texas, I pledge my continued support to the preservation of the workable relationship between the government and the petroleum industry which has meant so much on both the State and Federal level. My congratulations go to the men and women of Midland who have done so much through the years for the petroleum industry.

Frontier Chemical Company Looks To Continued Growth

Frontier Chemical Company, with its home office in Midland and its plant at Denver City, has continued to expand to take care of the caustic soda and muriatic acid requirements of the Permian Basin. Founded in 1945, this firm has grown from a lusty infant to become a substantial factor in the heavy chemical industry in the Southwest. A controlling interest in the firm recently was purchased by Clint W. Murchison and Associates of Dallas.

Using West Texas raw materials, gas and power, this firm was developed to supply muriatic acid, for oil well acidizing and cotton seed delinting and caustic soda for the petroleum refineries, natural gasoline plants, cotton seed oil refineries, soap plants and chemical plants in West Texas and New Mexico. Because of its strategic location in the heart of a sizeable consuming area, this plant can offer rapid delivery service to points within an area bounded by Borger, Abilene, McCamey, El Paso and Roswell. Practically all transportation is handled by Frontier's fleet of trucks.

Truck Transportation
The acid is shipped in tank trucks to a number of acidizing stations in the area and because of the promptness and dispatch with which acidizing operations are carried out, the speed of Frontier's delivery service is a big factor in overall acidizing operations. Frontier has been able to show a substantial saving for a number of caustic soda consumers by being able to deliver caustic soda via tank trucks in small quantities to the refineries and natural gasoline plants in the area. The use of liquid caustic soda also has proven to be a major factor in cutting down hazards usually connected with the handling of chemicals. In addition to supplying liquid caustic soda for the area, Frontier manufactures flake and solid caustic soda, the major portion of which goes to distributors handling oil well mud.

Frontier shortly will introduce "Bronco Brand" bottle washing alkali for use by dairies and soft drink bottlers. The Frontier Research Department has spent some months developing this product for the hard water area in West Texas and New Mexico.

Increased Payroll
The firm's original payroll totaled approximately \$100,000 annually. It now has grown to a figure in excess of \$250,000 per year. Daily production of chemicals now exceeds 80 tons. Plans are being considered for an expansion program covering increased production of caustic soda and acid together with the production and distribution of other products using West Texas raw materials.

Key personnel of Frontier includes, Curtis W. Cannon, president; Robert L. Wood, general manager; C. M. Thompson, sales manager; Charles J. White, plant manager; W. H. Kolins, plant superintendent; S. D. Tapp, packaging and transportation superintendent, and Edward Smith, maintenance superintendent.


FAMOUS OKAPI DEAD BUT NOT FORGOTTEN
LONDON—(AP)—Buta, an okapi that belonged to two kings, is dead but not forgotten. The London zoo said he is to be stuffed and put into a museum.

King Leopold of Belgium gave the African beast, a smaller relative of the giraffe, to King George of Britain in 1937.
Buta, believed to be 20, has just died of old age and pneumonia. A young widow, Zendi, survives.


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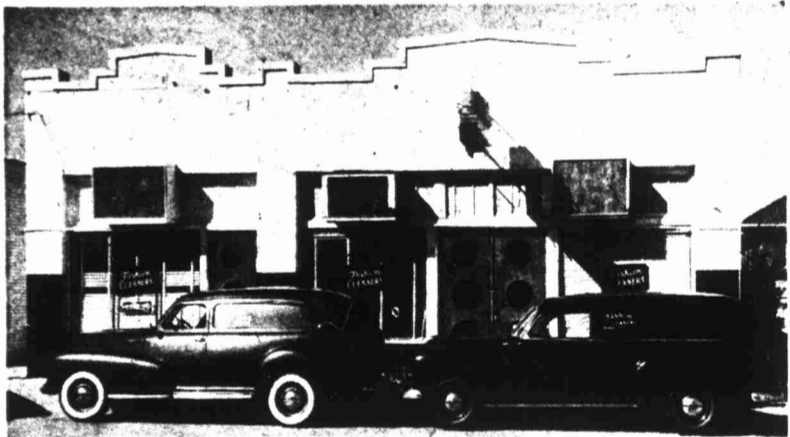


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Independent Petroleum Association Of America Is Headed By Midlander

By LLOYD N. UNSSELL

The Independent Petroleum Association of America—at the helm of which sits Midlander, J. E. (Ed) Warren, of Kings, Warren & Dye—will become "of age" this year when it marks its 21st year of service to the nation's independent oil and gas producing industry.

Warren is serving as the eighth president of IPAA, which is the nation's largest organizational "team" dedicating its efforts to the welfare of independent oil and gas producers, and land and royalty owners throughout all oil producing areas of the United States.

Originally organized to effect relief from an excessive and increasing importation of foreign oil into markets traditionally supplied by domestic producers, IPAA soon found its program expanded to cope with all the numerous problems regularly faced by American oil producers.

Its activities today cover all national questions common to oil producers in whatever part of the nation they may be located.

Among problems with which IPAA now is concerned are oil imports which reappeared in excessive volumes shortly after World War II, and have continued to increase, and the proposed reduction in the industry's statutory depletion allowance, which the association declares would put most independent producers out of business. Leaders of IPAA also have been outspoken opposing such matters as ECA financing of European oil refining facilities, regulatory interference by the Federal Power Commission, and proposed foreign loans for oil development.

Organized By Men

From a group of 29 men who attended the organizational meeting of IPAA in June, 1929, at Colorado Springs, Colo., the IPAA's membership now stands at more than 9,000—representing the independent oil fraternity in every producing region of the nation.

Midland claims 340 independent oil and gas operators, royalty owners, businessmen and bankers, and men in allied industries, who hold membership in IPAA.

Robert L. Wood, a member of the association's executive committee and national membership chairman, has been instrumental in building the association's strength in this area.

Another Midlander who has his weight behind IPAA is general Paul L. Davis, who was elected IPAA vice president for the Permian Basin area last October. Davis is widely known to the independent oil fraternity of this area.

IPAA has 14 other directors in

Midland. They are J. P. Butler, H. E. (Eddie) Chiles, Jr., E. A. Culbertson, Alden S. Donnelly, W. P. Z. German, Jr., J. M. Hawley, J. P. Joe S. Hill, C. V. (Cap) Lyman, G. E. Marsh, II, G. M. McGarr, Donald M. Oliver, Thomas N. Sloan, J. W. Starr and Phil Yeckel.

Texas, the nation's largest oil producing state, also has the largest state membership in IPAA. The state is divided into six areas, each under vice presidents. Other IPAA Texas areas and their vice presidents are:

North Texas, V. C. Ferini, Jr., Abilene; Panhandle, R. C. Kay, Amarillo; Southeast Texas, K. D. Owen, Houston; and Southwest Texas, F. B. Lefevre, San Antonio.

Texas Is Headquarters

National headquarters of IPAA are located in Tulsa, Okla., operating under the direction of C. E. Buchner, executive manager, while Russell B. Brown, general counsel, has charge of the association's Washington office.

The association has its headquarters in the former home of the late J. E. Crosbie, early day Tulsa oil man. The residence building was purchased and remodeled for office purposes by the association in 1934. The building is comparable in size and architecture to the Petroleum Club of Midland.

The IPAA had a humble beginning 20 years ago when a far-sighted group of independent operators generated an uprising against proposals of President Hoover's now famous "oil conference" to "conserve" domestic oil production.

As the program at the Colorado Springs conference appeared to be one of emphasizing imports, Wirt Franklin, of Ardmore, Okla., called together a handful of independent oil men to plan a course of action against the cry of "save our oil."

Franklin and others of the independent oil industry were later to prove, through individual initiative and industrial freedom, that this country could supply its own oil requirements whatever they might be—and IPAA still challenges any proof to the contrary.

Franklin was elected the first president of IPAA at the Colorado Springs meeting on June 11, 1929. Headquarters for the embryo organization were established at Ardmore. Harold B. Fell, president of the Simpson-Fell Oil Company of Ardmore, was named executive vice president, a position he still holds. Midlander W. V. Veep, following the war, to staggering volumes of imported oil and products which created an increasingly

and now of Oklahoma City.

Other founding vice presidents were W. Scott Heywood, Jennings, La., P. D. Pine, Okmulgee, Okla.; H. C. Conley, Green River, Utah; J. W. Oliver, El Dorado, Ark.; Dr. A. W. Green, Denver, Colo.; and C. J. Dousmann, Baker, Mont. Miss Marie Montgomery of Amarillo was named vice president at large.

This nucleus of IPAA pioneers set out to "talk and live" their cause, which, in short, was to establish a competitive freedom under which the independent oil producer could search for oil where he pleased—and take the risk involved. Included in this necessarily, was the assurance that domestic oil producers would be assured the domestic oil market free from excessive foreign competition.

In the course of its early planning the association employed Miss Elmer Huss (now Mrs. Bond) to handle its office matters. She is now office manager at IPAA national headquarters.

Russell B. Brown, then an attorney at Ardmore, was engaged as executive manager of the association.

In October 1930, Brown and Mrs. Bond moved IPAA offices into Tulsa's Thompson Building where they were maintained for 18 years. At that time, the independent oil fraternity—faced with both the nation's worst economic depression and an ever-increasing flood of foreign oil—began an all-out crusade to stave off disaster to the oil producing industry.

At this point, C. E. Buchner, who had been closely identified with Tulsa's civic development, was engaged as executive manager of IPAA. Brown became general counsel of the association with headquarters in Washington, D. C., where he since has continued to guide the association's activities in behalf of the independent oil man.

Officers and members of the association spent many months in Washington in 1931-32 compiling and presenting testimony to show that the domestic oil industry, as a vital factor in the nation's economy, was at stake in their fight against excessive imports.

Tax Was Effective

Subsequently, in 1932, Congress placed an excise tax on imported oil which curbed the flow of imports considerably and was instrumental in restoring reasonable stability to a chaotic industry.

The tax on oil imports, prior to World War II, was reduced through trade agreements, which gave rise following the war, to staggering volumes of imported oil and products which created an increasingly

1950 State Fair Will Be Gigantic Mid-Century Show

DALLAS—The 1950 State Fair of Texas will be a gigantic Mid-Century Exposition, a half-off salute to the first half century and an eye-popping preview of the second. State Fair President R. L. Thornton has announced. Dates of the 1950 Fair will be October 7-23.

"Since the 1950 Fair takes place at the end of the first half century, this will be a good time to pause and take a refreshing look at what has been accomplished and appraise the challenge of what lies ahead," Thornton said.

"We have arrived at a fascinating moment in history, and the 1950 Fair will provide an unsurpassed view of the achievements of the Twentieth Century, as much of it as we can see at this time."

To support the mid-century theme, the grounds will be given an extensive job of face-lifting. Plans reveal. The front entrance will be rebuilt as a "pylon of time" and a "court of the decades," with an outdoor "lobby" extending into the Esplanade.

Dramatic Theme

Decorations on the Esplanade will include dramatic theme stationery suggested by various types of time instruments used down the centuries.

Already announced for the 1950 Fair are South Pacific as the Auditorium attraction, and the All-American Jersey Show, America's largest cattle show.

Museums of the civic center will have special displays. One museum already has its mid-century show in advanced stages of preparation.

"Every facility on the grounds is being pressed into service for the 1950 Fair, which is destined to be the largest, most mass-appealing ever produced in Texas," the fair official said. "All special events, including a music festival, pageants and daily parades, will be keyed to the mid-century idea."

Woman's Wednesday Club Lists Public Affairs As Club Study During 1950

Like many of its sister federated clubs in Midland, the Junior Woman's Wednesday Club this year has turned toward the future and "world citizenship" for its study course—"Public Affairs."

One of the younger of the city's six federated groups, this club is the junior club of the Woman's Wednesday Club, which was instrumental in its organization in 1934.

Recently chosen officers-elect are Mrs. John P. McKinley, president; Mrs. W. P. Z. German, Jr., vice president; Mrs. Thornton Hardie, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. D. G. Roberts, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Fred Kotzys, historian; and Mrs. Oliver Haag, parliamentarian.

Program Subjects

Meeting twice a month, the club this year had divided its programs between guest speakers and talks by club members. Later in the year, program subjects will include "City Government" and "Jury System," both by guest speakers, and "Planning Your Charity," which will be given by a club member.

Mrs. James T. Smith is the present president of the group. Other officers are Mrs. John P. McKinley, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Thornton Hardie, Jr., parliamentarian; Mrs. Oliver Haag, historian; and Mrs. W. P. Z. German, Jr., corresponding secretary.

Other active members are Mrs. Bill Beckers, Mrs. Walter Cremin, Mrs. Wright Cowden, Mrs. I. by Dyer, Mrs. Charles Edwards, Jr., Mrs. Allen Flaherty, Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Donald M. Oliver, Mrs. J. C. Ratliff, Jr., Mrs. D. G. Roberts, Mrs. Olin Prather, Mrs. J. W. Starr, Mrs. H. L. Straughan, Jr., Mrs. Louis Thomas and Mrs.

Hugh West.

Associate members are Mrs. W. T. Averitt, Jr., Mrs. I. E. Badley, Mrs. R. M. Bayer, Mrs. W. M. Blivins, Mrs. Sidney Duncan, Mrs. Randall Gillispie, Mrs. Dan Harston, Mrs. Paul Houston, Mrs. W. M. Holmes, Mrs. Earl Kennedy, Mrs. Willis Kiedling, Mrs. Barron Eldred, Mrs. P. W. Pitzer, Mrs. Ken Regan, Mrs. Clarence Thieme, Mrs. Bob Tesch and Mrs. Mitchell P. West.

Growing Crane Looks—

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former capacity. New steel towers with extra lights were placed about the field to give Crane a much needed addition for entry into Class S-A competition.

The Golden Birds made a good showing in the S-A District. Two were placed on the mythical all-district eleven chosen at the close of the season.

The Crane High basketball team new stands at the top of the Southern half of the district and students from Crane won the tennis district meet in 1948.

Three Crane boys went to the state meet of Interscholastic League competition and brought back honors to their school last year.

The coming year will see the greatest improvement and addition of church buildings ever known in Crane. Leading the way will be the new \$90,000 First Baptist Church which held its ground breaking ceremonies February 5 with the Rev. Vernon Yearby of the First Baptist Church of Midland preaching the sermon. This church group recently has purchased a new parsonage. The building campaign is led by the Rev. H. D. Christian, pastor.

The First Christian Church has started its new church on the highway at the south end of town. The building will have an arched roof and will be built of pumice tile. This group has been organized a little over one year and is making strides in work toward a permanent church organization with the Rev. J. F. Kendrick as pastor.

The latest church group to organize here is the First Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of Dr. Jack C. Ramsay, Jr. Property has been purchased for the building of a new church.

The Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Roy F. George as pastor, has inaugurated a building campaign to gain more room for its Sunday School department and

is well on the way to completion of the project.

The Church of Christ purchased a new home for its pastor and has done considerable work about its church auditorium. Dan Clark is minister.

The Methodist Church has installed memorial windows and redecorated its building, as well as landscaping the grounds. The church is under the leadership of the Rev. R. O. Tomlinson.

Members of the Catholic faith are using the Community Hall for their services but are anticipating a new church in the near future.

New Homes Built

The building of new homes has kept pace with the new construction in the business district. A section of 15 and one-half acres has been designated for FHA houses and is almost covered with new homes of the modest type, ranging in price from \$4,500 to \$8,000. A number of larger and more elaborate homes have also been constructed in the city.

A new section to be opened up is located just west and south of the new high school. Plans are now being made to carry FHA loans on a large number of homes in that section.

Jerusalem Has 'Youth Village'

JERUSALEM (AP)—A new "Youth Village" is operating in the urban area of Jerusalem for immigrant children from all parts of the earth. The village consists of 250 acres and 20 buildings.

Its population already numbers 150 children between the ages of 10 and 17. They came from India, Turkey, North Africa, Poland, Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria and France through the "Youth Aliyah" organization. Another 100 children are expected shortly.

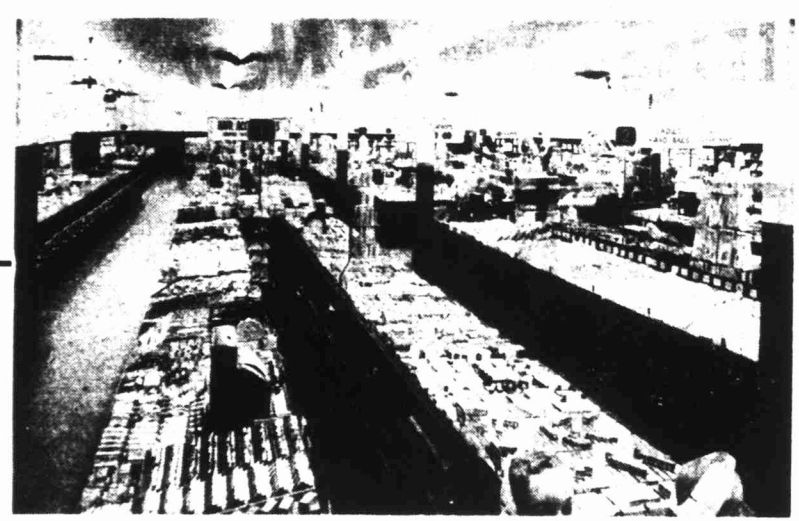
'Pharmacy' Course For Veterinarians, Stockmen Offered

AUSTIN — The University of Texas College of Pharmacy will offer a new course next September to give students special training in serving veterinarians and livestockmen.

The senior elective course, "Animal Health Pharmacy," will give the future pharmacists background in the pharmacology of veterinary drugs used in the care and treatment of domestic animals.

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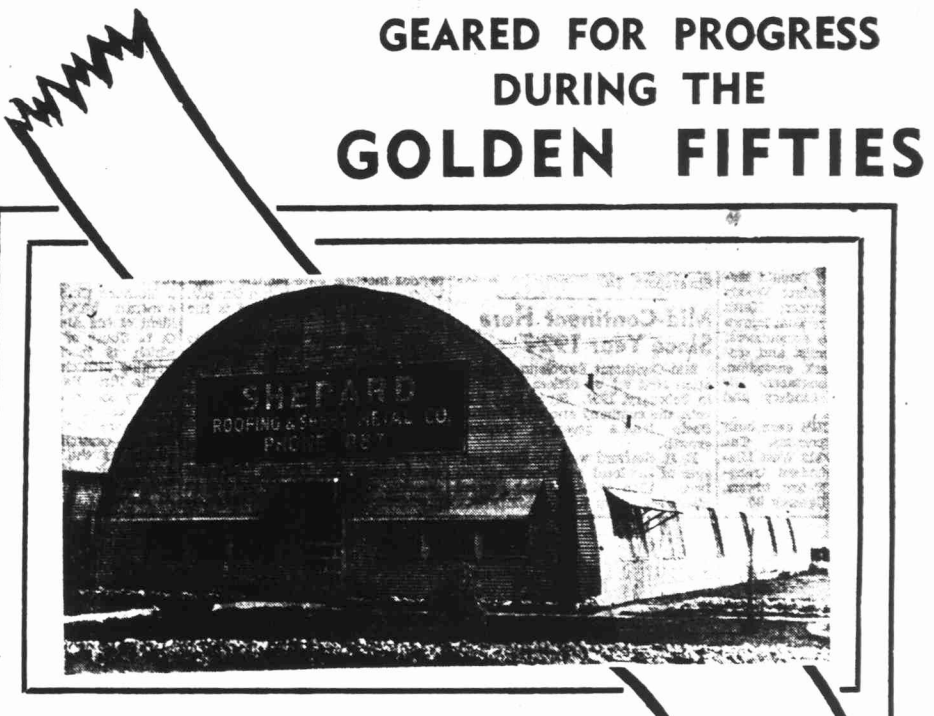
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IPAA Association—

(Continued From Page 11) serious problem. Present plans of the importing companies call for even greater volumes of imports during 1950. Four of the major importing companies have announced nominal cutbacks in foreign oil imports, but IPAA points out that these cutbacks affect only the announced importing program, and not actual volumes.

The association stands firm in its belief that only through legislation can a permanent solution to the import problem be found. At a recent meeting of its executive committee in Washington, the organization went on record resolving to approach the import problem with renewed vigor.

IPAA has endorsed two possible effective legislative methods for curbing imports: (1) a quota system which would allow importers to supply a certain per cent of domestic demand with foreign crude; and (2) a tax measure which would put \$1.05 per barrel tax on imports, with equitable taxes on various imported products. Both types of legislation now are pending in Congress.

Whatever the outcome of national oil industry problems, the guiding force in the association's drive will be J. E. (Ed) Warren, known to his Midland friends and throughout the industry simply as "Mr. Independent." He was elected president of IPAA at its annual meeting in Fort Worth last October, succeeding Fred W. Shield, of San Antonio, who served during 1948-49.

KCRS Well Heard In Basin Area

One of the more powerful radio stations in the Permian Basin is KCRS of Midland, a 5,000-watt station. The station, found at 550 Kilocycles, also claims one of the most modern studio plants in the area.

A radio affiliate of the American Broadcasting Company, a coast to coast network, and the Texas State Network, KCRS offers a diversified program to its West Texas and New Mexico listeners each day. Since 1935, when it was chartered by the late Clarence Scharbauer, KCRS has recorded steady growth and a steady increase in listeners. In 1935 the station was chartered with the Federal Communications Commission as station KLRH with a power output of only 100 watts. In 1940 it got its new call letters and a power increase to 250 watts.

The year 1948 found much equipment added to KCRS and a power upping to 5,000 watts. It now covers a vast West Texas and New Mexico area.

Staff Listed

J. M. McDonald is general manager of KCRS. Mrs. McDonald serves as commercial manager. Other staff members include Wayne Harrell, program director; Harlan Shade, office manager; Donald McGreggor, continuity writer; Woody Barkkari, account service; Keith Ward, chief announcer; Tom Brown and Wallace Jackson, announcers; Evelyn Aiken, receptionist and secretary; and W. R. Clark, custodian. Tom Yates is chief engineer. His assistants are Bud Lindsey and Herb Saladin.

Main studios of KCRS were built to accommodate 100 persons. The studios are located at 112 West Missouri Street. The modern transmitter, with four, 330-foot towers, is located on West Highway 80.

Other past presidents of IPAA following Franklin who served from 1929-35 were: the late Charles F. Roeser, Fort Worth, 1935-38; Frank Buttram, Oklahoma City, 1938-43; Ralph T. Zook, Bradford, Pa., 1943-45; B. A. Hardey, Shreveport, La., 1945-47; and Merle Becker, St. Louis, Mo., 1947-48.

Another important elective post in IPAA is that of treasurer now held by D. R. Snow, Tulsa, vice president and general manager, Mid-Continent Division of Barnsdall Oil Company. He was elected last year succeeding the late N. T. Gilbert, also of Tulsa, who had served as treasurer for 13 years.

The association has 30 state and area vice presidents, an executive committee composed of 18 men, and directors who are representative of every important oil-producing community in the nation.

As the membership and the scope of its interest have grown, IPAA also has added to its personnel staff. Now working under the general counsel in Washington are Lawrence E. Smith, a former Tulsa attorney and for many years a petroleum writer; Minor S. Jameson, Jr., petroleum economist; L. Dan Jones, attorney; and Melvin Mesnard, office manager.

Warren maintains his offices in the McClintic Building here, while offices of the executive vice president, Harold B. Fell, are in Ardmore.

Staff Members

Personnel under C. E. Buchner at the Tulsa headquarters are Charles Van Vleck, field manager; Frank B. Taylor, editor of The Independent Monthly, official publication of the association; Tom Tripp, Jr., associate editor; Robert E. Korte, advertising manager; and Lloyd N. Unsell, IPAA Information Service.

L. C. Huff, Jr., IPAA field representative of Houston, is now in the Tulsa office helping to organize the mechanics of a national membership campaign to be directed by Midland's Robert L. Wood.

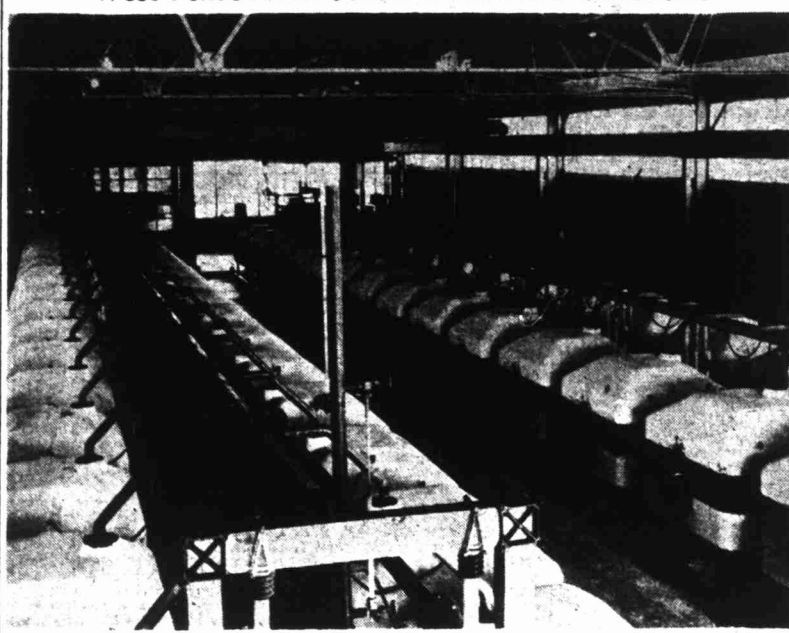
Other field men of the association are B. H. Vickrey, Wichita Falls, who is widely known to Permian Basin oil men; Wayne P. Campbell, Tulsa; A. L. Olliger, Long Beach, Calif.; W. B. Montgomery, Olney, Ill.; and Haines Phillips, Shreveport, La.

Mid-Continent Here Since Year 1927

Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation first set up offices in Midland in February, 1927. Since that time both the company and the Permian Basin have recorded constant growth.

E. H. Stafford was the first manager of the local Mid-Continent offices. Allen Watts is the current district manager for the company.

West Texas Plant Converts Brine Into Chemicals



This battery of electrolytic cells in the Denver City plant of the Frontier Chemical Company takes salt brine secured from underground salt beds in the region adjacent to the plant in Southwest Yoakum County, and breaks the brine down into its component parts of hydrogen, chlorine and caustic soda. Some of these chemicals are then combined to produce hydrochloric acid, which is used in acidizing oil wells in the Permian Basin and other territories. The caustic soda is used in various oil producing and refining operations and is also in great demand as a cleaning agent in industrial plants of many varieties. Headquarters and sales offices of Frontier are in Midland.

Numerous Church Societies Abide Here As Women's Organizations Come And Go

Women's organizations come and go in Midland, representing changing interests, but an abiding interest in the church is shown by the numerous church societies and classes. That was the first form of organization for women when Midland was a pioneer town, and they continue to grow with the city.

Monday long has been recognized as "missionary society day" in Midland, and other organizations do not set meetings on Monday afternoons. Now the church meetings overflow to other days; some circles of the First Presbyterian Women of the Church have their monthly meetings on Tuesdays, and that is the regular meeting date for the Parish Workers of Grace Lutheran Church, of which Mrs. A. C. Teinert is the president.

Mrs. J. Clifford Hall heads the Presbyterian women, who have nine circle divisions to carry on their study programs. Each circle has its own chairman, but they all unite for three meetings a month.

Societies of Christian Service for women of the Methodist Church are organized in the Asbury Methodist Church, with Mrs. Edgar Tanner as president, and in the First Methodist Church, where Mrs. E. A. Crisman is acting as president since Mrs. O. M. Luten moved from the city a few weeks ago. The First Methodist Society also has nine circles.

Mrs. William Potts is the new president of the Trinity Episcopal Woman's Auxiliary, which started its year with the calendar year. It has four guild divisions and a newly-formed Altar Guild.

The Woman's Council of the First Christian Church has five circles. Mrs. Paul McHargue is president of the Council.

St. Ann's Altar Society is the organization for Catholic women of the city, and that church also has a Mother's Club which meets twice a month. Mrs. C. P. Yadon is president of the Altar Society and Mrs. C. L. Chase of the Mother's Club, which is interested especially in working with children of the parish.

The First Baptist Woman's Missionary Society conducts its study in circle groups, while the Woman's Missionary Union of the Calvary Baptist Church adds three other circles to the list. Mrs. George Johnson is president of the First Baptist organization, and Mrs. E. A. Bowman of the Calvary W.M.U.

An active Women's Auxiliary in the First Free Will Baptist Church meets weekly. Mrs. Bert Onley is the president.

Combined interest of several church societies in interdenominational welfare work on a state and national basis is the reason for the Midland Council of Church Women, which has just started a new year with Mrs. Frank N. Shriver as president. It includes women of the Episcopal, Christian, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

Meetings are on fifth Mondays and the council sponsors such services as the World Day of Prayer and World Community Day. It joins the state and national Councils of Church Women in support of religious work among migrant workers and among lepers.

Honolulu Builds Modern Structure

Honolulu Oil Corporation moved to Midland in September, 1928, with P. F. Brown as manager. Brown and A. S. Donnelly, current managers of the local office, were the only two employees of Honolulu in Midland in 1928.

Brown, first manager here, now is on sick leave from the company. Donnelly now heads the district offices here which are located in one of Midland's most modern buildings on Illinois Street.

Petroleum Club Is Being Enlarged And Also Improved

Already the most beautiful and completely equipped club in West Texas, the swank Midland Petroleum Club plans additional improvements in the Golden 50's for its 500 members.

A 30 by 50 feet addition to the dining room, which will increase seating capacity to more than 125, has been completed at a cost of \$50,000. Kitchen space also has been more than doubled by the new addition.

Planned for the future is the construction of a large patio on the south side of the three-story clubhouse at 219 North Big Spring Street. The patio, to be built soon, will be on concrete, with tables, chairs, umbrellas and an outdoor dance area. Meals to be served at patio tables will be wheeled from the kitchen via a concrete ramp leading from the newly-enlarged kitchen.

Organized in 1946 with 200 resident and 150 non-resident members, it took two years to plan, buy, remodel and furnish the beautiful clubhouse. The Petroleum Club now has 250 resident and 250 non-resident members, and plans no further increase, according to Dan Hudson, club manager.

Purchased in 1948

The building was the home of a Midland pioneer ranching family, and was built in 1928. Purchased early in 1948, it was not until October that the club was ready for its formal opening.

The swank and ultra-modern clubhouse was designed for the comfort, enjoyment and relaxation of the members—oil men, ranchers, businessmen, merchants and professional men. Nothing was overlooked in providing more-than-adequate quarters for the members.

The original interior decoration was done by a Dallas firm. The same firm furnished and decorated the new dining addition.

A glassed-in porch extending along the front and sides of the building, with throw rugs and wicker furniture, makes a comfortable spot for relaxing. Manager Hudson's office is at the north end of the porch.

To the left of the entrance foyer, is the main lounge, carpeted from wall to wall. Beautiful overstuffed furniture in delicate pastel colors make this a favorite spot for members.

To the right of the entrance is the dining room, with the new addition adjoining. Before the addition, 60 diners could be seated, by using the glassed-in porch for additional space. With the large new addition seating 72, added to the old dining space, a capacity of more than 125 can be taken care

Petroleum Refining Capacity Increases

Petroleum refining capacity in the United States has grown by more than 40 per cent since 1939 to take care of the increasing demand by consumers.

On Dec. 31, 1949, the nation's oil refineries had a combined daily crude oil capacity of about 6,500,000 barrels, compared with a daily capacity at the close of 1939 of 5,721,212 barrels.

Crude oil processed by refineries in 1949 was at a daily rate of 5,310,000 barrels, compared with 5,696,000 barrels in 1948. The reduction in the quantity of crude processed in 1949 was necessitated by the reduced demand for heating oil, influenced by mild weather.

Weather Influence

While refineries are planned to permit flexibility of operations in accordance with seasonal requirements, a protracted period of unseasonable weather, such as was experienced in 1949, exerts a disrupting influence upon operating schedules.

Under normal conditions, refiners reduce output of heating oil and industrial fuel oils. In 1949, this procedure resulted in over-enlarged inventories of fuel oils and left a considerable surplus to reduce operating schedules.

Of importance to consumers, however, is the fact that refining capacity in the United States today is more than sufficient to take care of any unusual demands, even under the most severe winter conditions.

Who Will Be The Youngest Citizen Of 1950 Census?

Who will be the youngest Midlander enumerated in the 1950 census (federal)?

In 1940, it was Edith Eggleston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Eggleston.

She was born at 9:15 p.m., March 31, 1948. And was counted in the 1940 census, which had a deadline of 12 midnight that day.

Gulf One Of The First In Basin

The Gulf Oil Corporation was one of the first oil firms to move to the Permian Basin area. First offices in West Texas were set up at San Angelo.

On Oct. 15, 1926, Gulf moved its offices to Midland where they have been for more than 23 years. This included the land, lease and geological departments.

R. W. Pattenon, first manager of the Gulf Company here, still is on the job. He moved here from San Angelo with Gulf in 1926.

Atlantic Merged Offices In 1949

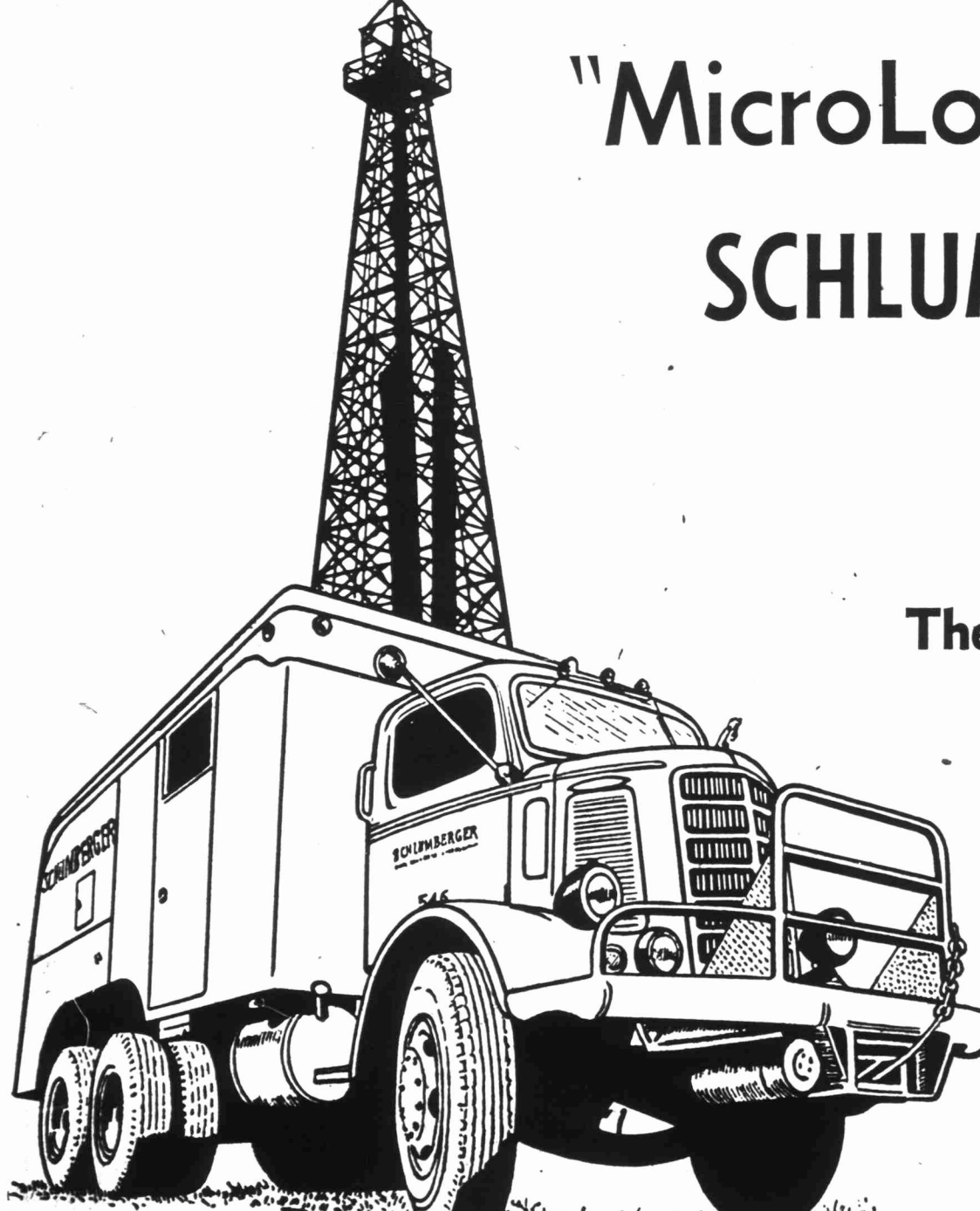
The Atlantic Refining Company has been in West Texas for several years but it wasn't until Jan. 1, 1949, that the company's several district offices were merged into one organization.

At that time the entire operations of the West Texas-New Mexico area began functioning through the company's new Midland offices in the McClintic building. Prior to that time only the land and geology departments were located here.

N. B. Winter is division manager for Atlantic here.

CALCIUM SOURCE

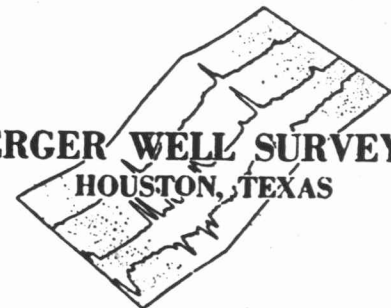
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Midland Leads In Office Buildings

Midland, as capital city of the Permian Basin, hopes to continue in the Golden Fifties its dominance in office space—a factor in the past which contributed greatly to the growth of the headquarters city.

Midland has 378,070 square feet of space in 19 office buildings—far exceeding any other area city and comparing favorably with many of the state's larger cities.

These office buildings house district, division and regional offices for hundreds of oil companies and their affiliates. Several oil companies have built their own office structures here.

The construction of office buildings began here in 1927 soon after the discovery of oil in the area. It has continued throughout the years thereafter. The postwar era has seen the greatest period in building of office structures.

As early as 1925 some oil company scouts maintained offices in the old Llano Hotel (now Crawford). It was in 1926 that the Gulf established a district office in the old two-floor First National Bank Building.

That started the parade. Far-sighted Midlanders saw what might be accomplished by providing adequate office facilities for companies looking for locations in West Texas.

Thomas Building First
Dr. John B. Thomas completed the Thomas Building, now Leggett, in 1928. It was Midland's first multi-storied office structure.

Completion of the large and beautiful Petroleum Building came later in 1928. The First National Bank Building was completed in 1938. And the other major structures have been erected since World War II. These include: McClinic Building, Permian Building, Midland Tower, Wilkinson-Poster Building, and others.

The new McClinic Building with six floors is Midland's largest from a square foot footage standpoint. It has 71,000 square feet of office space. An additional nine floors with 87,000 more square feet of space is contemplated. This would make it the largest office building between Fort Worth and Los Angeles.

The 12-floor Petroleum Building and the nine-floor Midland Tower have 82,000 square feet of office space each. Next in line is the Permian Building of six floors and 31,000 square feet of office space.

The six-floor Wilkinson-Poster Building has 30,000 square feet. Next is the eight-floor First National Bank Building with 24,000. The Leggett Building has 20,000 square feet of office space in six floors. The Honolulu Oil Company's attractive building has 17,000 square feet closely followed by the Stanolind Oil and Gas Company's 16,000 feet of office space.

Other Buildings Listed
The Magnolia Oil Company building has 10,000 square feet.

Other buildings and the amount of floor space in each include: Wilkinson Building, 7,500; Superior Oil Company, 5,200; Skelly Oil Company, 4,770; Texas-New Mexico Pipeline Company, 4,500; Freetag Building, 3,800; Butler Building, 3,500; Eastham Building, 2,500; Reeves Building, 1,800; Boles Building, 1,700.

Scientists Use Radioactive Tracers In Corrosion Study

AUSTIN—Radioactive tracers are being used by University of Texas scientists in new experiments to study corrosion, which is a costly factor in many industries.

The studies are part of a broad research program to find out more about materials and reactions which will retard corrosion. Dr. Norman Hackerman, Corrosion Research Laboratory director, and his assistants are checking in detail the effects of stearic acid containing Carbon-14 (a radioactive isotope) on metals. By measuring a metal's radioactivity after it has been exposed to the special acid, the scientists are trying to find out how much of the acid becomes associated with the metal's surface and how firm that association is. Then they hope to find out how that information relates to the change in the metal's reactivity.

The researchers are using three other radioactive isotopes to investigate corrosive reactions. Those isotopes are Chlorine-36, Sulphur-35, and Chromium-51. They are used in experiments the same as those involving Carbon-14 and are used in corrosive reactions on a metal to study the effects of their locations on certain electrical properties of that metal.

Sheppard Air Base Declared Permanent

WASHINGTON—P—Sheppard Air Force Base at Wichita Falls, Texas, has been officially declared a permanent installation by Secretary for Air Symington.

This declaration makes the base eligible for housing authorized by the last session of Congress. The law provides that the Federal Housing Authority aid private interests in building housing for military personnel.

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Oil Man Hope



Oil has brought movie and radio stars Don Ameche (top right) and Bob Hope (top left) to Midland and the Permian Basin and they are expected back during the Golden Fifties. Always when visiting the Basin, the stars were surrounded by admirers as top and bottom photos show. While here the celebrities were called Oilman Ameche and Oilman Hope, naturally.



HORSEPOWER

One horsepower is the power required to raise 33,000 foot-pounds of work per minute. It is about 10 times the power which the average man can exert consistently throughout a day's work.

RESTRICTED PRODUCTION

A small area on the North American continent, which includes northern and eastern United States and neighboring southeastern Canada, is the only region in the world which produces maple sugar.

The Encyclopedia Americana says minute diamonds occasionally have been found in meteorites, as in one found in Canon Diablo, Arizona, by Dr. G. A. Koenig in 1891.

Oil Man Ameche



Not All That 1886 Pamphlet Said Came True; But Look At City Now

Midland, which wasn't any "shrinking violet" back in 1886, has out-blossomed even the most optimistic of predictions, and bids to out-do itself in the Golden Fifties.

If Midland should in the next half-century enjoy the growth and progress it has experienced from 1886 to 1950, it would then be fantastic as compared with the Midland described in a pamphlet printed in 1886 to boost the city as "Garden of the Southwest." The Most Desirable Location Locality On The Continent For Home-seekers.

And oh how different that Midland in the future would be from the little cattle town of perhaps a hundred structures. In the Winter of 1886, the Mid-

land Town Company engaged J. C. Rathburn, publisher of Midland's first newspaper, to print 50,000 pamphlets to help "sell" Midland. Rathburn wasn't a bit coy about the matter, and so he printed:

"Unsurpassed Climate
The climate is unsurpassed. Extremes of heat and cold are unknown. With an altitude of 2,779 feet, a pure dry atmosphere is insured. The Staked Plains has a climate peculiar to itself and is fast becoming a popular health resort. Those who are suffering from catarrh, bronchitis, asthma, consumption and all diseases of the respiratory organs are afforded immediate relief and, in the incipient stages, permanent cures are effected. Owing to the high altitude, malarial troubles are never experienced. Midland was entirely free from the dengue, which was so

prevalent in Eastern and Southern Texas during the past season. "The country is a magnificent prairie, slightly rolling without wasteland. The soil is a sandy loam, varying in color from chocolate to black; is from one to 24 feet in depth and easily cultivated. It never bakes, but pulverizes thoroughly and retains moisture for almost an indefinite length of time. Flowing can be done every month in the year.

"No fears of scarcity of water need be entertained for aside from an abundant rainfall, which is sufficient to assure vegetation and to mature crops, an unlimited supply for stock and other purposes can be had by digging a depth of from 15 to 50 feet. It is soft and pure, free from unpleasant taste or effects and is pronounced the best

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It is with pride . . .

that we can truly say that the personnel of the industries that govern the prosperity of this area have made the Ranch House their headquarters when they wish to entertain their friends royally. We have done everything possible to make the Ranch House a place in which you "feel at home" . . . your continued patronage and compliments have proven to us that we have accomplished this. We will never fail in our efforts to make the Ranch House, even more, a place of which you will be proud.

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Not All That 1886 Pamphlet Said—

(Continued From Page One) water in Texas. It is found in white sand or gravel after passing through the oil, a strata of limestone, flint, rock or granite and sandstone.

"The success that has rewarded the efforts of those who have engaged in farming within a radius of 20 miles for the past three years, together with the luxuriant growth of vegetation, has exploded the theory that the Staked Plain is a barren country. Every species of grain and vegetables that has been fairly tested has been successfully grown. No finer specimens of vegetables than were produced in the past season are grown anywhere. Trees, shrubs and vines grow splendidly. With a soil, climate and altitude so nearly identical with those of the renowned fruit region of California, there is assurance that in a few years, this will become one of the first fruit and grape producing sections of the United States.

"About 20 varieties of indigenous grasses cover the surface of the Staked Plain. As these mature at different seasons of the year they afford fine grazing at all times. The different varieties of the mesquite and gramma are the most abundant and furnish the best pasturage.

Good Stock Country
"The mild and even temperature and plentiful grasses render this one of the best stock countries on the continent. Sheep thrive remarkably well, attaining to a large size, producing a fine and heavy coat. There are now within ship-

ping distance of Midland, not less than 300,000 head. Many thousand head of cattle have been located by cattlemen with a view of making Midland the market from which to purchase their ranch supplies.

"School lands are sold at \$2 per acre, one thirtieth cash, balance on 30 years' time with interest of five per cent. One section can be had on these terms, but the purchaser must become an actual settler. Texas and Pacific lands can be bought from \$4 to \$5 per acre cash with 20 per cent added if sold on five years' time, and 30 per cent if sold on 10 years' time. By purchasing Texas and Pacific land grant bonds, the railroad lands can be bought below one-half the above cost. In some counties farther North, splendid land can be purchased for \$1 per acre.

"The cost of living is not excessive. Good board can be secured at from \$4 to \$6 per week.

"Midland is on the Texas and Pacific Railroad 306 miles West of Fort Worth and 317 miles East of El Paso. The first house was constructed in July of 1884. Since that time more than 100 substantial buildings have been erected.

"Ample grounds for all public, educational and religious purposes have been donated.
"A neat and commodious courthouse has been built by contribution alone. There is also a good brick jail. Steps are being taken toward the organization of a graded school, which is expected to be in operation by the opening of the Fall term of 1886. Taxation is less than one per cent. Society

is composed of intelligent and refined people. The laws are respected and no violations will be tolerated. The present population is 800.

"The rapid growth and prosperity of Midland County in the immediate future are insured by her natural advantages. No legislative action, in the way of protection, is necessary to secure her an immense trade. Centrally located on a fine rolling prairie of more than 20,000 square miles, shut off from competition from either East or West by ranges, together with her live, energetic people, rapid increase in immigration and business interests is sure to result."

Not All True, But—
Not all the things Rathburn wrote came true. But the Midland of today, going into the Golden Fifties, perhaps exceeds even the greatest dreams of those in the 1880's.

The Midland of 1950 has an estimated population of 27,000 as compared with those 600 souls in 1884.

There was spent \$5,252,406 for construction last year and of this, \$4,344,931 went for dwelling units. There was a total of \$7,272,990 worth of building permits in 1948, a record.

Deposits in Midland's two banks in 1949 totaled \$30,239,273 and clerical receipts were \$282,497,000. Postal receipts in 1949 were \$254,965.

Present-day Chamber of Commerce bulletins say: "Midland is business headquarters center of the vast Permian Basin oil fields located in West Texas and South-eastern New Mexico.

"Climatic conditions are almost ideal, being uniform, temperate and healthful. Average year around temperature is 63 degrees.

"Located on main line of Texas & Pacific Served by Greyhound, Baygent Coaches, Midland-Odessa Bus Line, American Bus Line, Texas-NM Coaches. Served by American Airlines, Continental Air Lines and Pioneer Air Lines. Located on U. S. Highway 80, State Highway 158 and State Highway 349.

Midland schools have 57,112 units of affiliation. Eight modern fully-equipped buildings in system and more to be built. Thirty denominations of churches located here and most all have fine church structures.

"More than 250 oil companies and affiliates operate and maintain offices in Midland.

"For more than 50 years the center of a cattle empire comprising the greater ranchers of the section. The livestock industry annually brings millions of dollars to Midland. Some of the largest ranches of the Southwest are located near Midland.

And Midland looks into the Golden Fifties for even greater growth and progress.

British Mag Sniffs At Video Dress

LONDON—P—Oh, those sloppy British television announcers—why don't they dress properly! The magazine "Tailor and Cutter," snippy authority on British menswear, let out a moan after spotting a horrible example.

One TV man's tailor, the magazine said, "had neglected to rectify his right shoulder low (or was it left shoulder high?) to the extent he appeared to be standing on the 'ce' of a hill."

Let's Have It



Ready for any weather are Billy von Pult, four of Medina, Calif., and his St. Bernard, Normie. In the best tradition of the breed, Normie has a keg strapped onto her neck.

U. S. Department May Get Frontier Acres' Possession

MEXICO CITY—The Department of Agriculture probably will take technical possession of 300,000 acres along the Texas frontier under a Supreme Court order.

The court ordered "immediate possession" of the vast grazing lands once ordered appropriated. The court, however, is moving slowly and its decision has not been given officially to the federal attorney general who started the case. The court also probably will instruct the federal judge at Ciudad Juarez to execute its "possession" order with the probability that the land will be turned over to the Department of Agriculture.

The land, near El Paso, is registered as owned by Mexican citizens but it is leased to U. S. cattlemen who have stocked it, sunk wells and built ranch houses and fences.

As a result of Mexico's expropriation, ordered but never executed, Mexico has been paying indemnity under a claims settlement with the U. S. in 1941.

So far in the proceedings, neither the Mexican owners nor the U. S. citizens who leased the land have been heard in court.

HEAR THE ONE ABOUT VANISHING POKER GAME

SANTA ANA, CALIF.—P—Veise E. Willmerth told sheriff's deputies he played poker all night with two strangers and a man he had known two years ago in another city. Came morning and he asked permission to leave the game for a moment to call his wife. He left \$3,000 on the table.

When he returned, Willmerth told officers, the table and the room where the game was played were empty.

Remember?



Remember the ice storm of January, 1949, in Midland? It was an attack of weather that Midlanders probably won't be wanting during the Golden 50's. However, scars from that ice siege will be carried in the city for many years. Here is shown an example of the vast tree damage.

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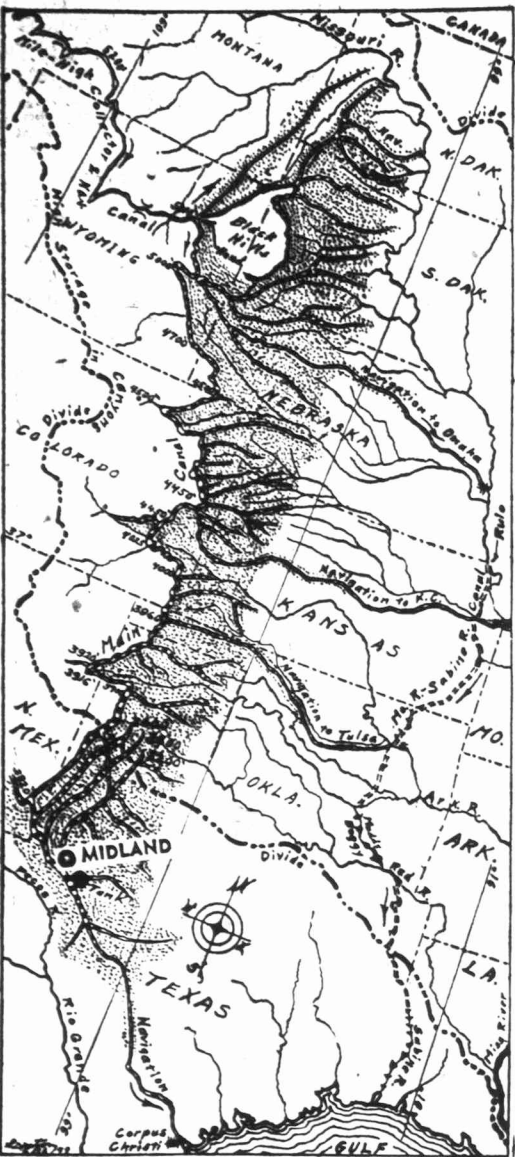
We wish to congratulate these men upon their completed tasks and renew our pledge to serve them in the best manner possible.

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F. W. "FROSTY" BARNETT, Manager

Proposed Midland Canal



Here is charted a Mississippi Basin canal system as proposed by Charles E. Sexton, Arlington, Va., engineer. He claims the grid of canals would provide flood prevention, irrigation and navigation.

Texas Longhorns Looking For More Success On Grid

AUSTIN—Fourth in the nation in the "Flaming Forties," the University of Texas looks to continued football success with the dawn of a new decade.

With preliminary rehearsals for the 1950 team less than a fortnight away, followers of the Orange and White already are wondering what the future holds. At the same time, they're pointing with pride to Texas performances in the last 10 seasons.

That era found the Longhorns taking the lead in bowl game success and pacing their own Southwest Conference in undisputed championships while ranking a high fourth among the nation's collegiate powers. Only mighty Notre Dame, Michigan and Army compiled higher winning percentages during that period.

Alabama made as many major bowl appearances as Texas in the 40's-five. However, the Longhorns had the top record, winning four and tying one. Georgia ranked next among the post-game habituals making three or more "major" appearances, with a three-one record. That one loss was to underrated Texas in the 1949 Orange Bowl game, 41-28.

Bowl Records
In other New Year's Day performances Texas defeated Georgia Tech, 14-7, in the 1943 Cotton Bowl; tied Randolph Field, 7-7, in the 1944 Cotton Bowl; walloped Missouri, 40-27, in the 1946 Cotton Bowl, and trimmed Alabama, 27-7, in the 1948 Sugar Bowl.

Ranked High
Four times during the era Texas ranked among the nation's top 10 collegiate teams (Associated Press poll): fourth in 1941, 10th in 1943 and 1945 and fifth in 1947. The 1942 team was rated 11th, after which it defeated fifth-ranked Georgia Tech in the Cotton Bowl.

Bible's great '41 team did not win the championship and it did not choose to bowl. At one time during the season, before the late slump, this team ranked first in the weekly

AP poll. The 1946 team, off to a sizzling start, likewise held top rank for a week, but wound up in 15th place after being upset twice.

Among the national powers, Army edged Texas for fourth place by one half of one per cent, .772 to .7767 in the 10-year standings. Others among the top 10 for the period, in order, are Tennessee, Penn State and William and Mary (tie), Georgia, Alabama, Pennsylvania, Sooner Barely Miss.

Oklahoma, Sugar Bowl champion for the past two years, barely missed the charmed circle and was followed by such worthies as Tulsa, Georgia Tech, Michigan State, Southern California, Duke, Ohio State, Minnesota, Virginia and Clemson.

The won-and-lost records of the nation's top 10, 1940-49 inclusive:
Rank W L T Pct.
Notre Dame 82 9 6 .8762
Michigan 74 15 3 .8206
Army 68 17 7 .7772
Texas 78 21 4 .7767
Tennessee (x) 66 20 5 .7527

Penn State 62 20 5 .7414
Wm. & Mary (x) 62 20 5 .7414
Georgia 59 27 3 .7315
Alabama (x) 66 23 4 .7312

Pennsylvania 57 21 4 .7195
X-Did not field teams in 1943.
Texas' consistency in conference play is reflected by the fact the Longhorns finished as runner-up in six of the seven seasons that they missed out on the title. And in three of those runner-up campaigns Texas mastered the cham-

Daniel, Jack Crain, Pete Layden; 1943—Joe Parker; 1944-45—Hub Bechtel; 1947—Dick Harris and Bobby Layne; 1948—Randall Clay and Lewis "Bud" McFadin.

7. Led all rivals in placing men on all-conference selections.

When Coach Cherry greets his 1950 squad for training, 22 lettermen will be on hand. Seven offensive starters and eight defensive starters will return from the 1949 "make-bit" team that dropped four games by a total of only 10 points.

Opponents to be faced besides the conference rivals are Texas Tech, Temple, Purdue and Oklahoma, rated second in the nation last Fall. A year later the assignments will be even tougher, with Kentucky and North Carolina replacing Tech and Temple. In 1952 it'll be LSU, North Carolina, Notre Dame and Oklahoma in succession before starting the conference grind.

Beyond that, the schedules are not complete but during the 50's the Longhorns are certain to meet another Southeastern power, one of the East's perennially best, a Pacific Coast leader and schools of similar rank in the Midwest.

RIGHT THE FIRST TIME
WEST LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Bill B. Beebe, 22, driving through a thick fog, thought he had drifted to the left side of the road. He turned to the right, jumped the curb, flattened a small tree and rammed a power pole. He suffered minor injuries.

Project May Hike Mexican Irrigation

MEXICO—(AP)—Irrigation on the Mexican side of the fertile Lower Rio Grande Valley may be doubled by construction of the Falcon Dam on the border stream.

Clearing of the site 75 miles downstream from Laredo already has begun on the American side. Work will begin soon on the Mexican side.

Carlos Molina, who heads the offices of the Ministry of Hydraulics Resources at construction headquarters in San Pedro de Roma, said the dam will open another 150,000 to 200,000 hectares to irrigation.

That would be about 45,000 to 500,000 acres. About 150,000 hectares already are under irrigation. Molina told newsmen he believes the irrigated farming will be diversified, as on the U. S. side of the Rio Grande.

Molina said it probably will be four years before the dam is finished. Meanwhile, he said, a business boom should develop for such towns as Roma and Rio Grande City, Texas.

The Columbia River, forming the boundary between Washington and Oregon, is believed to carry more water than all other American Pacific coast streams combined.

Ranchland Hill Club Will Grow In Golden Fifties

Ranchland Hill Country Club, hailed by all as a great addition for Midland, will reach its full maturity in the Golden 50's. Plans now call for a vast expansion program for the clubhouse and entire club proper.

The first major and important improvement the Golden 50's will bring, will be the opening of the last nine holes of an 18-hole golf course.

"If nothing unusual happens to stop us, the last nine will be ready for play by July 1," H. L. Winkler, co-owner of the club, says.

"And that will be just the first step toward making Ranchland Hill one of the finest clubs in the state. The 50's can't help but be golden for Ranchland Hill because we will go forward more during that period probably than ever again," he declared.

Ranchland Hill was organized here in 1949 and the club was opened to members in August of that year. The initial membership of 200 now has grown to 360. More are being accepted all the time.

A Ladies Golf Association will be organized in the near future to strengthen and create more interest in golf among women members.

A landscaping program now is in full swing which will beautify the golf course and area around the club house. Red Watkins is chairman of the grounds committee. Club members have been asked to donate trees and shrubs to be used in the beautification move. The present club house facilities offer a glassed-in terrace, a grill

a game room, locker rooms for both men and women, a club lounge-ballroom, and golf shop.

The expansion program calls for the addition of a dining room and ballroom, an enlarged golf shop, business offices, enlarged locker rooms, a kitchen and a covered terrace which will be open on three sides.

More Golf In 50's
The schedule of golf tournaments will become progressively bigger during the Golden 50's. Club tournaments are planned in 1950 but it is doubtful if any invitation or open tournaments will be held this year.

"In order to give the golf course and greens sufficient time to reach full maturity, the bigger tournaments will be held later in the 50's," Winkler said.

Walter Thompson, professional golfer and co-owner of Ranchland Hill, is active in operation of the club with Winkler.

Donk Roberts is president of the organization and J. P. Carson, Jr., is vice president.

Alan Leeper serves as secretary, Henry Orson is treasurer. The opening of the last nine holes will give Midland its first 18-hole golf course in history. It'll be a big assist to golf as we enter the Golden 50's.

Pickets Picket Picket



APL picket R. E. Hamilton of Houston got a surprise when he found himself being picketed by two Rice Institute co-eds, Lynn Buse and Betty McCrever. The union is picketing a new 70,000-seat stadium for Rice, which should be an ideal place for a sit-down strike.



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The painter intended to set off the brick front of the home of Samuel Cameron, Cincinnati, Ohio, with neat white stripes. The color was okay, but the lines came out wavy, with the disturbing results above.

Cherokees In North Carolina Carving Out Hillside Theater To Stage History Drama



In the Great Smokies, this amphitheater is being carved out of a hillside for the Cherokee drama that begins next Summer.

CHEROKEE VILLAGE, N. C.—An Association with both Indian and white members, listened and approved. Hunter started with one of the first contacts made between a white and a Cherokee, the tribe that once roamed over 25,600,000 acres of the South from Virginia to Alabama. That early contact, in 1540, was the visit of the Spanish explorer, DeSoto, to the Cherokee territory.

From that starting point, Hunter tells the story of the whites' gradual encroachment on Indian territory. There is the story of frontier life. There are wars and battles. There is drama in the incident of Sequoyah, who wrote an alphabet to preserve the language of his people.

And finally, there is the thrilling episode of Tsali, a headstrong Cherokee who chose death by a firing squad in the 1830's rather than be herded into a reservation.

Musical, written for the production, will be threaded through "Unto These Hills" to set the mood for each scene. And a cast of 50 to 100 actors and actresses will bring the play to life five or six times a week from July to Labor Day.

Cherokee Village is the chief settlement on the 56,000-acre reservation, called the "Kingdom in the Great Smokies." Only 2,600 Cherokees now live on the reservation, but they are all enthusiastic about the prospect of the play which will be produced annually.

Now Taking Form
"Unto These Hills" will be given in a now-being-constructed open-air amphitheater, which is taking form at the end of a gravel road leading off main Highway 107. The Mountainside Theater, as it will be known, is located near here on land donated by the Eastern Band of Cherokee.

Hunter, whose play was his thesis for his doctor's degree in English literature, won a major prize for the work.

One of the Indian council members, who listened quietly while Hunter read the play on the reservation, had one criticism to offer.

"If there is a criticism to be made of this history of the Cherokee," he said, "it is that the writer has given more credit to the Indian and less to the white than is due. In behalf of my people, I would say that there is, indeed, much to be deplored. But I would say, also, in justice to the white man, that the Indian brought much of his sorrow upon himself. Let us give justice to both."

Beginning next July, America's vacationing drama lovers will have another stop on their Summer tour. And a mixed group of whites and Indians is working to make "Unto These Hills" a major addition to American culture.

Ceramics Field Is Wide Open In Texas

AUSTIN—While most engineering fields now have more applicants than job opportunities, the reverse is true in ceramics, University of Texas Professor F. K. Pence says.

Pence, director of the University's Ceramics Engineering Department and the research laboratory in that work, declares:

"The field is wide open in Texas at this time, and it offers a graduate the opportunity to own part of a stable, small business in a short time."

"Four of 13 department graduates of the last two years have organized and now own their ceramics manufacturing plants. Several others are near the top in management."

At present, there are no table ware or electrical porcelain industries in Texas, yet the raw materials, facilities, labor, and market are apparent in the state he asserts.

Rapid Growth
To illustrate the industry's rapid growth in Texas, Pence pointed out the many floor and wall tile, enamelled-iron, sanitary ware, and artware plants that have been established in the state in the last decade.

Such manufacturing facilities have been started at Dallas, San Antonio, Tyler, Houston, Port Worth, Waxahachie, Mineral Wells, Kilgore, San Angelo, Eastland, Ranger, Strawn, Rosenberg and San Marcos.

The University's Ceramic Engineering Department was organized in September, 1945. Courses for a Master of Science in Ceramic Engineering degree were offered for the first time in September, 1949.

L'Anse, county seat of Baraga County, Michigan, was for years the site of a camp used by French explorers and missionaries.

Approval Of Housing Project Sale Sought

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Senator Johnson and Rep. Omar Burleson, both of Texas, are seeking approval of the sale of a 172-family housing project at Big Spring, Texas, to two Abilene colleges.

The Ellis Homes housing project at Big Spring was built by the government during the war on land owned jointly by Abilene Christian College and Hardin-Simmons University. The schools still own the land and want to operate the housing units as a source of revenue.

One of the world's largest chair lifts is the \$200-foot lift used by skiers in Squaw Valley near Reno, Nev.

Mexican Shrimp Will Be Branded

MEXICO CITY—(AP)—Mexican shrimp are to be branded so scientists can tell how they spend their lives.

A delegation of the Mexican Fisheries Office goes to Guaymas next week to begin the work. Shrimp nets will be lowered to various depths and the shrimp caught will be counted to find out what level they prefer. The shrimp will be marked and returned to the water. Then, when marked shrimp are caught in other waters by commercial fishermen, it will show where the Mexican ones go when they migrate.

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Preacher Believes He Has Answer To Problems Of 1950

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—A Presbyterian pastor says he thinks he has the answer to 1950's most important problems. The Rev. Arthur D. Williams said:

"We need better leaders, freedom from fear and help for social cripples. There are too many people today who are ready to brand anybody who speaks freely about the shortcomings of society as subversive."

"The result of this is that many splendid citizens see wrong and are afraid to speak and act because of the smear threat."

Rooney Gives His Ideas On Modern Woman's Failings

By **BOB THOMAS**

HOLLYWOOD—(AP)—Mellowing Mickey Rooney, thrice-married and nearing 30, offers his views on what's wrong with modern women: "They try to be everything but women."

He explained: "They crop off their hair, wear men's clothing and look like a bunch of 'feminine men.'"

The actor declared that he prefers "the clinging vine type, the womanly woman who knows she is the weaker sex."

"I don't mean the kind who can't do anything for herself. I think everybody should be self-sufficient. It's fine for a woman to be inde-

pendent in her job. But in social relationships, a guy likes to have his girl lean on him and look to him for support.

Worthy Goal
"After all, the most important thing a woman can do is just to be woman. To be a good wife and mother is a goal worthy of every woman. Too many lose sight of that fact in their struggle for recognition in the world."

He reported that his wife, Martha Vickers, has definitely given up her film career. "She's going to raise a family," he said.

It may seem hard for some to believe, but the onetime child star will be 30 in September. (His bi-

ographies list him as two years younger, but that is one of Hollywood's, most common fibs.)

"I'm just a kid," the ebullient actor admitted. "People say you're supposed to act a certain way because you've reached a certain age. But just because I'm 30 doesn't mean I'm going to stop having fun."

POPULATION OVER MILLION
TEL AVIV—(AP)—A total of 239,171 Jewish immigrants from all parts of the world arrived in Israel during 1949. These arrivals boosted the new state's population well over the 1,000,000 mark.

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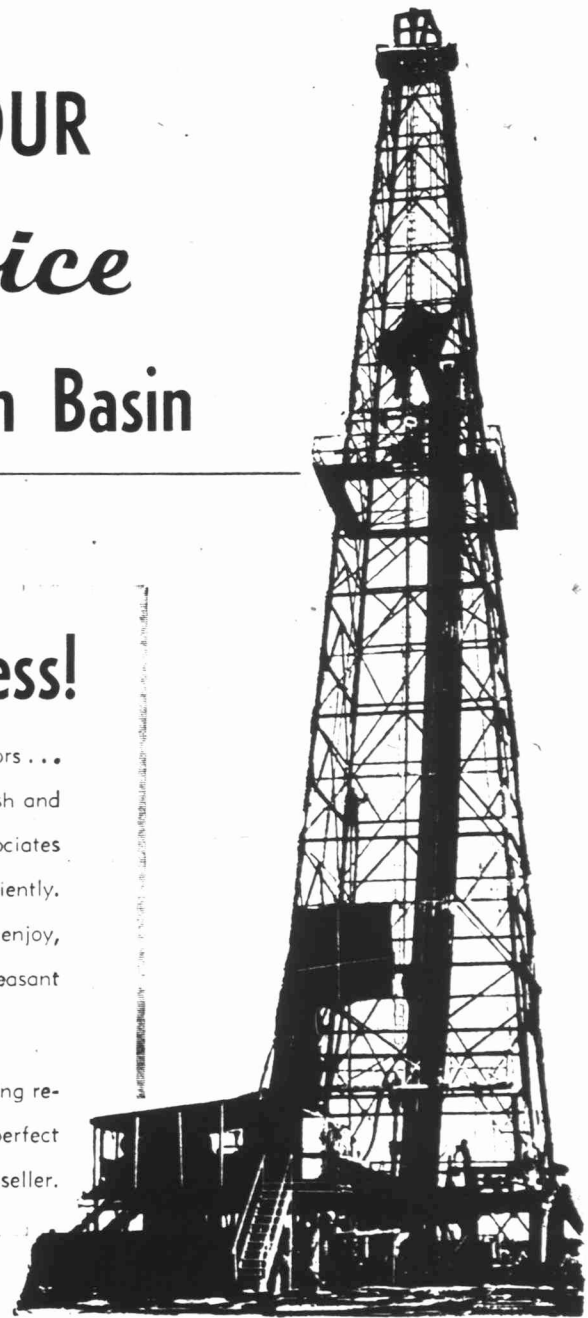
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Mrs. Shaw, son and whistle: While they shivered on the corner, she puckered up with an idea.

CLEVELAND—(NEA)—To make a name for herself, all Mrs. J. M. Shaw had to do was just whistle. What she whistled is being heard practically from coast to coast—mainly because she was standing on a cold street corner one day and couldn't get a taxi.

Mrs. Shaw couldn't whistle through her teeth, either, so while she shivered at the curb with her 30-month-old son in her arms, she decided women ought to carry little whistles in their pocket books.

Whistle-makers laughed at her, but a big Cleveland taxicab company didn't. It told Mrs. Shaw it would get the whistles made if she'd help distribute them, free, to other women who couldn't whistle through their teeth.

Up To Teeth

Now Mrs. Shaw and the cab company are up to their teeth, so to speak, in little yellow whistles. They've distributed more than 100,000 so far, and Mrs. Shaw spends most of her free time answering calls from clubs and other organizations who want their members in on the whistling.

And not just to call taxis, either. The fear of being molested by purse-snatchers or mashers has made lots of women eager for a whistle to carry on Cleveland streets, where such attacks average better than one a day.

The shrill tune Mrs. Shaw started is being echoed in other cities. Taxi companies in Detroit, Cincinnati and San Francisco, for instance,

Midland Country Club Is Planning For Expansion

Midland Country Club, one of the pioneer sports clubs in West Texas and for many years the only such club in Midland, is looking forward to great things in the Golden 50's.

Already the club is negotiating for the purchase of a half-section of land three miles north of the city for a possible future site for the club if it grows too large for the present facilities.

An option has been taken on the land and the site is being tested for water. If things pan out, the club will purchase the land.

Midland Country Club was organized in 1927 according to Secretary W. I. Pratt. The initial membership was 100 strong and shares sold for \$200.

A club house and golf course were constructed but the club was no resemblance of what it is now.

Sand Greens

The first greens were the old sand type. The club house was a small stucco structure.

Now the golf course is one of the most modern in the state, boasting modern grass greens and fine fairways.

The club was reorganized and its charter was amended several years ago. The amended charter, called for 600 shares of no-par stock.

Immediately the organization sprang into rapid growth and activity was increased. The total membership now is over 500 and there always is a waiting list.

The club house has been expanded to more than four times its original size. It offers the best in dining room and ballroom facilities. A modern kitchen was the most recent addition.

The golf shop carries a complete line of needs for golfers and is supervised by Pro J. C. Hardwicke. He came to the club in 1949. Leon Roberts is assistant pro.

Big Plans For 1950

In 1949 some of the most successful tournaments in the history of the club were held. Golf enthusiasm grew among members, both men and women.

Bigger and better tournaments are planned in 1950 and throughout the Golden 50's.

If plans for a new club golf course and other facilities at the new site develop, an 18-hole course will be constructed. There has been no definite action to indicate when a new club might be constructed but preparation is being made if one is necessitated.

A majority of the club members

Postal Receipts Gaining

Postal receipts in Midland chart a great growth in the past and the outlook for even greater gains in the Golden 50's are indicated.

Here is a record of receipts by years since 1931:

Year	Receipts
1931	\$ 26,147.02
1932	23,303.23
1933	29,968.95
1934	29,015.56
1935	39,700.81
1936	49,471.40
1937	64,519.77
1938	70,121.69
1939	70,522.80
1940	77,123.02
1941	88,091.17
1942	109,339.29
1943	121,151.52
1944	159,481.46
*1945	190,818.90
1946	154,236.05
1947	172,750.29
1948	211,625.70
1949	254,965.58

(* This year Midland Army Air Field sub-station of Midland post office reported \$48,000, which is included in the total figure of \$190,818.90.)

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Scout Council Looks To 'Golden Fifties'

A movement which has grown steadily since its beginning 40 years ago—the Boy Scouts of America—is pledged to continue its growth through the Golden Fifties. The National Crusade this year reaches its peak in the drive to "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" by bringing the benefits of Scouting to more and more boys of Scouting age.

Dr. W. B. Hardy of Big Spring, president of the Buffalo Trail Council, Inc. which embraces a 17-county area in the Permian Basin, has pledged the whole-hearted support of the council in the National Crusade.

Scouting in the present Buffalo Council area began shortly after the national movement was started in America in 1910. Troop 1 of Big Spring claims the title of the oldest troop in Texas. It was formed and has served continuously since 1911.

Began in England in 1908 by Lord Robert Baden-Powell, the great movement was brought to America by an American publisher who had a good turn done for him by a British Boy Scout in a London fog. He was William D. Boyce of Chicago, who brought organizational outlines home with him, and started the movement in 1910.

It was not until 1923 that council organization was extended to Texas. At that time, Sweetwater was selected as council headquarters. Later the council area was expanded to include 15 counties, and the headquarters was moved to Midland. Counties included were Kent, Stone-wall, Scurry, Fisher, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Midland, Andrews, Ector, Winkler, Loving, Ward and Reeves. In 1949, Glasscock and Sterling were added, bringing the total to the present 17.

Since the council was formed, approximately 27,000 Boy Scouts have

been served. In early years, totals rarely exceeded 1,000, but a steady growth in recent years brought the total to 2,000, to 3,000 and now to more than 5,000.

P. V. Thorson, Scout executive, in his report for the year wrote: "The year 1949 was a good year for this council. The year closed with the largest number of registered boys and leaders in the history of the council. Two counties were added, Glasscock and Sterling. We participated in the National Crusade, 'Strengthen the Arm of Liberty.' Age level changes reducing the entrance ages by one year each in Cubbing, Scouting and Exploring finds this council gearing into this revolutionary change in a satisfactory way. Considerable improvement was made in the advancement of Cubs and Scouts. The Long Range Planning Committee was formed and started on its work. There has been progress in development and use of the Buffalo Trail Scout ranch. Although we are pleased with progress made we are conscious of the need for improvement in many fields as it relates to serving more boys in a more satisfying manner."

In organization and extension, Chairman Ed Neinst of Sweetwater reported: "The year closed with the largest membership in the history of the council, with increases in Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, leaders and units. The total boy membership during the year was 5,778. The grand total of boys and leaders was 7,843. A total of 2,683 new boy members was registered. There were 158 units (Cub Packs, Scout Troops and Explorer Units) registered at the end of the year, the greatest number on record in any year. There were 27 new troops, 13 Explorer Units and 14 Cub Packs organized for a total of 54 new units. This was a gain of 15 over

the 39 new units organized in 1948."

A letter from H. Lyman Wren, then council president, concerning the drive for funds to acquire the Scout ranch in 1948 pointed out that Scouting serves one out of three Scouts in the area, but that the drive must be continued until all boys are reached.

Wren's letter said, in part: "I am glad we reached one boy in three in the Buffalo Trail Council... but I am thinking of the other two. Until we reach them we are doing only a third of the job that is our responsibility."

Leadership Essential

According to Thorson, leadership in the area has been responsible, in large measure, for the continued success of Scouting.

"Successful business men have had the foresight to devote a great deal of their time to boys," he said, "and by so doing have created a great and growing reservoir of strength for the nation."

In the Buffalo Trail Council, the Rev. W. M. Elliot of Colorado City was the first president. He took office in 1923, as the council was formed.

Outstanding in the annals of service to the council area is the record of Charles E. Paxton of Sweetwater. Paxton served as council president for 14 years, from 1932 until 1946.

Succeeding Paxton was G. W. Brennenman of Midland, who served in 1946 and 1947 as president.

H. Lyman Wren of Snyder then became president, serving two terms, in 1948 and 1949. At the recent council banquet and election of officers, Wren was succeeded by Dr. Hardy.

Indicative of the interest in Scouting in the area, Thorson said, is the fact that the Buffalo Trail Council won the attendance flag at the last Regional Conference in Waco, held for Scout leaders from the 35 coun-

cil areas in the region. He hopes to win the flag again this year at the meeting in April at Oklahoma City.

One of the outstanding events of 1949, the celebration of Boy Scout Week and the Fortieth Anniversary of Scouting, was held February 6 to February 12, on a nationwide scale. Highlight of the birthday celebration was the annual Report to the President, in which one Boy Scout, selected from candidates named by each region, reported to President Truman on Boy Scout activities. At the same time, on February 12, Scouts from each region called on state governors to give state reports. Selected from the Buffalo Trail Council to report to Governor Shivers was Perry Garner, Eagle Scout from Sweetwater. Garner was chosen from delegates from each of the 35 councils to present the report.

Summer camp at the Buffalo Trail Scout ranch in the Davis Mountains will open May 29, and will continue through the Summer, and units from all parts of the area go to camp. Another camp, at Lake Sweetwater, also will be operated throughout the Summer.

National Jamboree

In preparation for the National Jamboree, a shakedown camp will be held in Big Spring June 16 and 17, to prepare units for Jamboree time.

Three troops of 33 boys and three leaders each, will attend the National Jamboree at Valley Forge State Park, Pa., from June 30 to July 6. More than 40,000 Scouts

from every state in the Union are expected to attend the camp. Registrations from the Buffalo Trail Council area already are coming in.

During the Summer, Cub Scouts will hold day camps, spending all day in camp and returning at night.

In October, members of the executive board will hold their annual meeting and barbecue at the Scout Ranch, in a combined business and fun session.

Camping activities for the year will be wound up at the annual Winter Camp at the ranch from December 27 to January 1. Almost 100 Scouts attended the Winter Camp in 1949, and expectations are for a greater attendance this year, Thorson said.

Midland County, which makes up the El Centro District, leads the council in number of units with 18. The district has four Senior (Explorer) Units, 10 troops and Four Cub Packs.

Squadron 19, sponsored by American Legion Post 19, has a membership of eight Senior Scouts. Hugh T. Bliss is Squadron leader.

Squadron 33, sponsored by the Terminal Lions Club, is led by Walter Snead, and has eight members.

Bob Goff is adviser to Post 85, sponsored by the Midland Lions Club. The post has 20 members.

Newest of the Senior Posts is 151, sponsored by the IOOF Lodge of Midland. Corbie D. Friday is adviser, and membership totals nine.

The Trinity Episcopal Church sponsors Troop 85, with 17 members. Robert C. Senning is Scoutmaster, assisted by Tom West.

Terminal Lions also sponsor Scout Troop 53, with 13 members, and Charles Beal as Scoutmaster.

L. E. Patterson is Scoutmaster of Troop 54, sponsored by the First Baptist Church. With 43 members, it is the largest of Midland's troops. Reagan Legg and Howard Ford assist.

Midland Knights of Columbus sponsor Troop 83, with Francis J. Hencke as Scoutmaster. The troop has six members.

Midland Units Listed

Troop 85 is sponsored by the Presbyterian Men of Midland and lists 31 members. Scoutmaster is John H. Nicholson, assisted by William Alken.

Troop 151 is sponsored by IOOF Lodge 384, Clyde A. Johnson, Scoutmaster, and has 18 members.

Gilbert Blankenship leads Troop 152, sponsored by the Methodist Men. Total membership is 25.

With a membership of 17, Troop 153 is led by Scoutmaster Richard W. Smith. The troop is sponsored by the First Christian Church.

Rotarians of Midland sponsor Troop 154, which has a membership of 26. Jack Blake is Scoutmaster of the troop.

Troop 104, sponsored by the negro Chamber of Commerce, has 22 members. Lewis H. Ritcherson is Scoutmaster.

Cub Pack 6 has the largest membership of any Midland unit, with 121 enrolled. The pack is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, with Doyle Patton as Cubmaster.

North Elementary School is the meeting place of Pack 51, with 109

Texas Tech Sets Summer Program

LUBBOCK — Two major additions to the 1950 Texas Tech Summer school visiting faculty in the department of education have been announced by President D. M. Wiggins.

Dr. W. B. Irvin, Dallas, and Mrs. Anna B. Odell, Abilene, will offer courses during the session. The first term begins June 1 and ends July 12. The second term will run from July 13 through August 23.

Mrs. Odell, associate professor of elementary education at McMurry College, will serve as visiting lecturer during the second term. Dr. Irvin also will serve during the July 13-August 23 term, and will offer courses in educational research and the history of education. He is superintendent of schools at Highland Park, Dallas, and is past president of the Texas State Teachers Association.

Tech's department of education will offer 48 courses during the Summer session, an increase of 14 over the 1949 curriculum.

Texas Hatcheries Figures Released

AUSTIN—(P)—Texas commercial hatcheries produced two and a half million chicks last month, one-sixth less than in December a year ago, but otherwise the highest on record for the month, the United States Department of Agriculture reports.

Egg production showed a 12 percent December-to-December increase.



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Old Days Live Again At Trail Days



The good old days live again at Midland's Trail Days celebration. The first annual production, "Frontiers of Progress" pageant, was presented in 1949. Another production is planned in 1950. Top photo shows "Indians" riding the pre-pageant parade down Midland streets. Bottom photo is a scene from the pageant last year. Home talent participates in the pageant. Bigger and better shows are predicted in the Golden 50's.

Twentieth Century Club Considers Problems Of International Friendship

Facing the second half of the century from which it takes its name, the Twentieth Century Club is considering in its program this season the problems of "International Friendship." The club is in its twelfth year and has its limit of 25 members enrolled, all on the active list.

Objects of the Twentieth Century Study Club, stated in its constitution, are "to strengthen the intellectual, physical and moral advancement of its members; to further their common interests and to create more friendly and sympathetic relations in club and community."

Continued pursuit of those objects is the club's goal for the new decade. Its members feel that their emphasis on study this year is a good preparation for achievement of the goal.

Last season the emphasis was largely on a financial project, which was completed successfully and added several hundred dollars to the treasury, designated for contribution to the fund for a Woman's Club Building in Midland. This season members asked their program chairman, Mrs. W. H. Rhodes,

to prepare "a stiff study course, one that will make us think." Their choice of the subjects suggested by the program committee was that on "International Friendship," which is approached by a study of various nations with a view toward acquaintance with the lives of their peoples rather than a knowledge of their politics.

Program Subjects
Programs to date have concerned Russia, Egypt, Arabia, the Mediterranean countries, the Scandinavian countries with emphasis on Sweden, Great Britain and South American nations. In addition, a progressive dinner was given to introduce the cuisine of France, Java and Mexico.

Still to be studied are the people of the Pacific Islands, the Holy Land, Japan, India and China. For a home accent in the international scene, the club will present a Texas Day program for the Midland Woman's Club when it is hostess to that organization next month.

It is affiliated with the Woman's Club and is one of the six clubs in Midland which are included in the Texas Federation and the General Federation of Women's Clubs. The Twentieth Century Club was federated the year it was organized, 1938.

Its president this year is Mrs. Carl O. Hyde, and other officers are Mrs. Rhodes and Mrs. L. E. Patterson, Jr., vice presidents; Mrs. J. B. Bain, recording secretary; Mrs. J. R. Cotton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Robert T. Cox, treasurer; Mrs. Duke Jimerson, reporter; Mrs. Ray Howard, parliamentarian; Mrs. James O. Simmons, Jr., federation counselor; and Mrs. W. E. Shipp, Jr., historian.

Chairmen of the federated club

departments are Mrs. C. E. George, American home; Mrs. A. C. Elliott, American citizenship; Mrs. Frank Monroe, education; Mrs. Jimerson, fine arts; Mrs. Cotton, international relations; Mrs. W. E. Critch, legislation; Mrs. Harlan Howell, public welfare; Mrs. James L. Daugherty, youth conservation.

Members of club standing committees are as follows: Membership, Mrs. Raymond Leggett, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Cotton; ways and means, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Robert Donnell and Mrs. Simmons; scrapbook, Mrs. Jimerson, Mrs. H. H. Redding and Mrs. George; telephone, Mrs. Shipp and Mrs. Edwin C. Hall.

Yearbook, Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. B. R. Mathews, Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. Monroe and Mrs. Simmons; hospitality, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Jimerson, Mrs. Harlan Howell, Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Redding.

Other members of the club are Mrs. T. S. Edrington, Mrs. W. G. Epley, Mrs. Clarence E. Nelson and Mrs. H. S. Collings.

Iowa Farmer Reports Large Porker Income

DES MOINES—P—How many hogs does a farmer raise in a lifetime of farming? Carl Anderson, of Wellman, who started farming in 1912, estimated he had marketed during 38 years an average of 810 hogs a year. This would mean a total of 23,180 hogs.

Anderson hit his peak in 1942 when 1,186 pigs went to market. They brought a total of \$38,725. Anderson's records show. For the 38 years, he figures his hogs have brought an average yearly income of \$13,565.

Bank Deposits Gain Seen In Golden 50's

Bank deposits in Midland have increased by leaps and bounds by years.

Even greater totals are expected in the Golden 50's.

Here is a record of bank deposits in Midland's two financial institutions since 1931.

Year	Deposits
1931	\$ 1,462,419.20
1932	1,273,832.01
1933	1,215,369.84
1934	1,688,110.09
1935	2,362,243.11
1936	3,031,200.72
1937	4,071,552.42
1938	4,574,101.07
1939	5,168,352.31
1940	4,982,968.65
1941	6,548,444.28
1942	8,082,569.56
1943	10,725,498.96
1944	17,508,997.63
1945	22,658,220.85
1946	22,570,177.80
1947	27,442,162.03
1948	32,948,321.59
1949	36,239,373.12

Belgians May Cut Death Sentences

BRUSSELS—(P)—Many Belgians sentenced to death for wartime collaboration with the Germans may have their sentences reduced to life imprisonment following recent recommendations by a parliamentary commission. The commission recommended that men who were sentenced for purely political crimes should have their death penalty reduced to at least life imprisonment.

These men form a good percentage of nearly 300 ex-collaborators now in jail with a death sentence hanging over them. Many date back to 1945 but were never carried out. This was due to the Belgian policy of rarely putting criminals to death except for something odious.

Midland Masons Look Forward To Golden Fifties

Midland Masons are looking forward to construction of a new building, here, perhaps in the Golden Fifties.

And the fraternal order plans for sturdy advancement and a continued good program.

It is one of Midland's oldest organizations.

The Midland Masonic Lodge Number 623, A. F. and A. M., was chartered, Dec. 16, 1886. It has been one of the strongest links in Texas Masonry for more than a half-century.

The building now used for Masonic work in Midland was built by Masons in 1908. It is a two-floor edifice with the lodge meeting hall on the upper floor.

Prior to 1908, The Masons held meetings over the First National Bank. When that building burned in 1908, the construction of a new Masonic temple was started.

The Keystone Chapter Number 112, R. A. M. of Midland was chartered, Dec. 14, 1887. And the Keystone Council was chartered that same year. The Midland Commandery Number 84, Knights Templar, was chartered April 5, 1923.

Fire Destroyed Records
The fire of 1908 destroyed many of the early records of the Order in Midland. However, it is known that Judge E. R. Bryan of Midland once was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Several other Midlanders have held high places in the Masonic state organization.

Midland now has orders of Rainbow Girls and DeMolays. These organizations look forward to great progress in the Golden Fifties.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says holy trees may bring a farmer more than p-sturage in some cases.

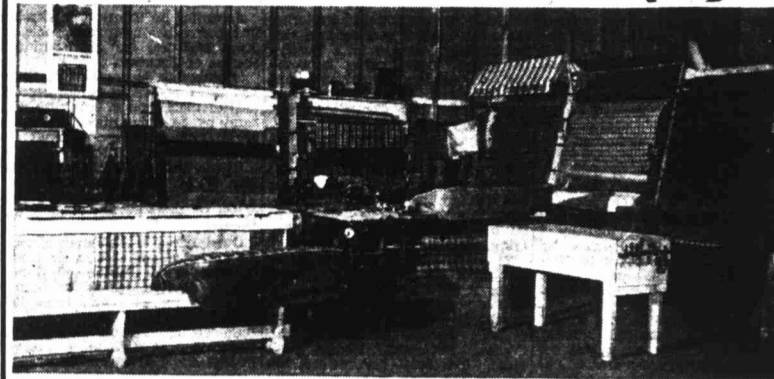
The National Geographic Society says mink farms are located in heavily shaded spots because sunlight tends to "rust" live mink fur.

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Area Garden Club Parley To Convene Here

Entertainment of the First District, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., at its annual Spring convention is the first major project of 1950 for the six garden clubs of Midland. Clubs from the state's largest district accepted an invitation last year to hold their meeting here April 14 and 15.

Already launched, plans for the convention will be in charge of the Midland Council of Garden Clubs, the organization through which work of the club is correlated. Mrs. J. D. Dillard, council president, will name the convention chairman. Mrs. Sam Preston is council secretary this year and Mrs. Willard Bumpass is the treasurer.

Fastest-growing of all the women's organizations in Midland, the garden clubs have expanded from a single unit at the beginning of 1947 to six clubs at present with approximately 300 members. In addition, two of the clubs sponsor junior garden clubs which enroll about 50 youngsters.

A dream shared by all the clubs is of a Garden Center, with a meeting place, a greenhouse and an experimental plot for use of all members. That dream became nearer a reality when the City of Midland last Fall set aside a 20-acre Civic Center Park adjoining Midland Airport, with one plot allotted to a Garden Center if and when the clubs desire to use it for that purpose.

Projects Listed
In the meantime, the clubs are working toward nearer goals. Each has a beautification project and through the council they sponsor the beautification of the cemetery grounds, highway beautification and city-wide cleanup programs.

The original garden club of the city is the Midland Garden Club, which had its start in 1941 on the foundations laid by an earlier club, then disbanded. It is still the largest, with an active membership around 40.

Mrs. H. E. Bahr is its president.

Other officers are Mrs. I. E. Daniel and Mrs. A. P. Shirley, vice presidents; Mrs. Sol Bunnell, recording secretary; Mrs. James Watson, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. John Redfern, treasurer. One of its members, Mrs. L. G. Link, is a member of the board of District One, holding the office of district parliamentarian.

Its civic project this year is the beautification of alleys at the homes of club members; its club project, a flower show judging school conducted by accredited instructors, was completed last Fall; and its conservation project is a contribution to the Audubon Nature Camp near Kerrville.

Other garden clubs of the city have been organized with the help of the Midland Club and it sponsors the Little Diggers Junior Garden Club, which was organized last season under the supervision of Mrs. Frank Stubbeman.

Perennial Club
The Perennial Garden Club, its membership comprising employed women who cannot attend daytime meetings, had the support of the Business and Professional Women's Club as well as of the Midland Garden Club when it was organized.

Its officers now are Mrs. J. W. Christian, president; Mrs. Russell Holster and Mrs. Earl Bird, vice presidents; Mrs. C. A. McCamy, secretary; and Mrs. J. D. Wilson, treasurer. Its program this season stresses the study of landscaping and flower arrangement.

When the Midland Club reached its membership limit with applications for membership stacking up, it assisted the Yucca and Texas Clubs to organize in 1947. Both soon enrolled members to their limit—a limit imposed by the fact that there was no practical meeting place except in homes of members and that most homes cannot accommodate more than 25 or 30 persons. Heading the Yucca Club is Mrs.

R. E. Gillespie, with Mrs. Dewitt C. Haskin and Mrs. W. H. Black as vice presidents; Mrs. F. E. Sadler, recording secretary; Mrs. R. E. Patton, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Nelson Puest, treasurer. It recently sponsored organization of the Young Sprouters Junior Garden Club.

Its project for the year is landscaping the Boy Scout hut and its study course is on principles of flower arrangement and "Gardening Artistically."

Mrs. John L. Smith is president of the Texas Club, which lately has added to its list of projects aid in landscaping the grounds of the Girl Scout Little House which now is being constructed. Another project is beautification of the Midland Youth Center.

Officers Listed
Officers with Mrs. Smith are Mrs. Lee Conroe and Mrs. Vann Ligon, vice presidents; Mrs. M. R. Hayes, recording secretary; Mrs. F. A. Crockett, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Harold Shanks, treasurer.

As these clubs became crowded, the Pyraeantha Club was organized late in 1948, then the Senisa Club in early 1949. Like the older clubs, these both federated with Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., and are cooperating with the Midland Council of Garden Clubs in its projects including the annual city-wide Fall Flower Show and its plans for playing hostesses to the district convention.

They, as well as the other clubs, are meeting the requirements for a standard garden club: An active organization with a systematic course of study, a flower show yearly, a club project, presentation of an authoritative speaker on a garden subject and representation at one state meeting yearly.

Officers of the Pyraeantha Club are Mrs. Walter Cowden, president; Mrs. C. M. Chase and Mrs. C. E. Oberholzer, vice presidents; Mrs. E. V. Mitchell, recording secretary;

Highway 80 Improvements Expected In Golden Fifties

The Golden Fifties are expected to bring great changes in U. S. Highway 80, an artery which already has meant much to this sector and to its oil business.

The presence of Midland on the Bankhead Highway has meant a great deal to us.

During the Golden Fifties, U. S. Highway 80 between Midland and Odessa will become a four-lane link. Work on this project already is underway. Right-of-way is being purchased.

In the Golden Fifties, U. S. Highway 80 through Midland is apt to have an alternate truck and heavy vehicles route on Front Street. The approach to Midland from the east is being widened.

Other improvements along the great highway are planned for the future.

This highway was first conceived by the late Senator John B. Bankhead of Alabama, to be a great highway from the nation's capital to San Diego, Calif., along a

Mrs. W. T. Graham, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Brutus Hanks, treasurer.

Council Membership
Senisa Club officers are Mrs. Ed Shakerly, president; Mrs. Charles Sherwood and Mrs. Cal Glass, vice presidents; Mrs. W. P. Goodman, recording secretary; Mrs. John Younger, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Hastings Pannill, treasurer.

Presidents of all the clubs, with one representative from each club, make up the council, which meets monthly. The club representatives this season are Mrs. A. L. Gill, Perennial Club; Mrs. Willard Bumpass, Pyraeantha Club; Mrs. Preston, Texas Club; Mrs. I. W. Hynd, Senisa Club; Mrs. Dewitt Haskin, Yucca Club; and Mrs. Winston Hull, Midland Club.

Southern route. He introduced a bill in Congress which made the granting of Federal aid to states and counties to go with their bond contributions.

Immediately after passage of the bill, Southern states got on the ball and organized the Bankhead National Highway Association.

Texas was first to follow passage of Federal legislation for the highway by creating the Texas Highway Commission, and otherwise complying with requirements of the Federal grant. Texas also voted to match Federal funds in construction of the highway.

West Texas was first to grasp possibilities of the transcontinental highway and immediately began qualifying by voting bonds. In true western style, West Texas counties got together on the project and its success was instant.

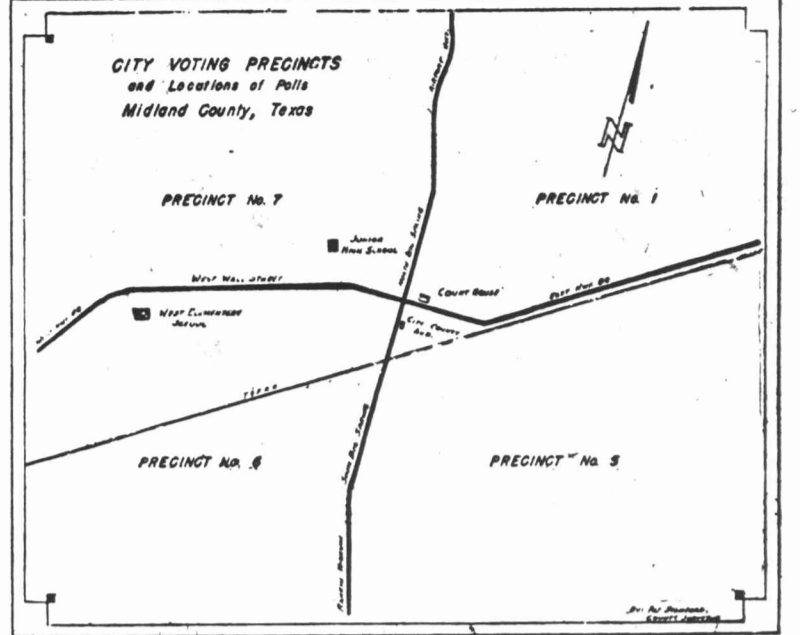
The first roadbed was built of rolled gravel and was completed in 1923. Thereafter, in 1925, the state covered the gravel with hot tarring and since has continued to improve the highway by widening, resurfacing and etc. It is not a fantastic dream to see the U. S. Highway of the Golden Fifties as a four-lane thoroughfare from one boundary of Texas to the other.

Vegetables Wear \$19,237,000 Tag

DENVER—(AP)—Vegetables wore a \$19,237,000 price tag in Colorado in 1949.

That was the value placed on the state's commercial vegetable crop by the U. S. department of agriculture. It represented a 55 per cent jump from the value of the 1948 crop, \$12,376,000.

City Voting Precincts



The above sketch shows the four election precincts in the City of Midland and provides an easy method of determining in which precinct the voter resides. Persons residing east of Big Spring Street and north of Wall Street are in Precinct No. 1 and vote at the courthouse. Residents east of Big Spring Street and the Rankin Highway and south of Wall Street are in Precinct No. 5 and vote in the City-County Auditorium. Persons residing west of Big Spring Street and the Rankin Highway and south of Wall Street are in Precinct No. 8 and vote at West Elementary School. Precinct No. 7 includes territory north of Wall Street and West of Big Spring Street and these residents vote in the Junior High School. Precincts two, three and four are in the rural areas.

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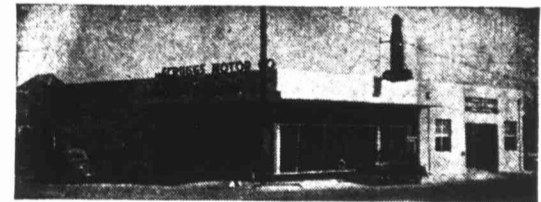
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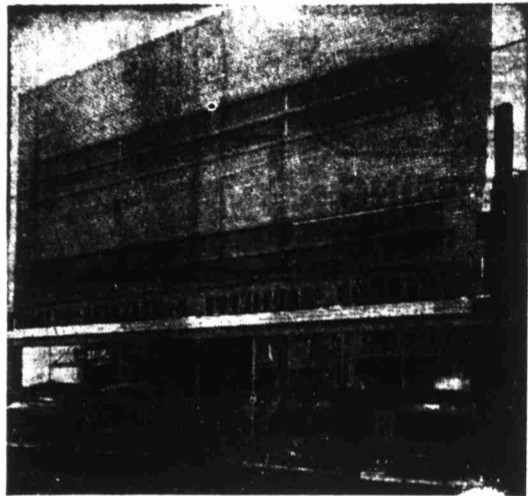
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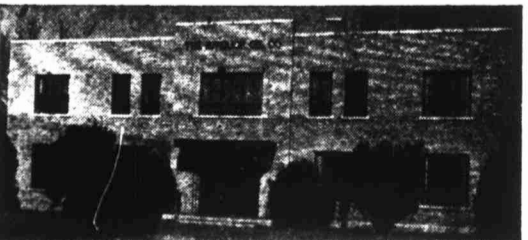
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Tugboat Jones

Golden Era In Sports Forecast For Bulldogs

By SHORTY SHELburnE
Reporter-Telegram Sports Editor

Midland looks to the Golden 50's for one of the greatest eras ever on the gridiron, the track, on the basketball court and on the baseball diamond. The forties brought little success for Midland football teams but everywhere the word is getting around, "look out for the Midland Bulldogs in 1951."

Coach Tugboat Jones, who has one of the greatest coaching records in high school football history, will lead the Midland Bulldogs into the Golden 50's sports campaigns. He is head coach and athletic director at Midland High School.

The Bulldog grid team of 1949 sounded a warning when it won four games, three of them in which the Bulldogs were underdogs.

Prospects are bright for a good team in 1950 and it is voted by all that 1951 will bring the greatest team since that memorable Bulldog eleven of 1936.

Great 1936 Team
Everyone remembers the powerhouse Midland turned out in 1936 as probably the greatest of all time. It won the regional title and finished the season with a record of 10 victories, two ties and no defeats. Maurice "Dutch" Baumgarten and L. W. "Bud" Taylor were coaching the Bulldogs at that time.

Great players always remembered first when fans speak of the 1936 title winners are Dave Wofford, 196-pound back; Woody Adams, 200-pound guard and center, and Gordon English, 170-pound lineman.

Marion Taylor, E. B. Rountree, Johnny Retting, Boog Edson, Frank Miles, J. L. Barber, Truman Whitaker, L. Wimberley, Rimmel Cowan, Van Dyke, Thurman Bryant, Pat

McMullan, B. Roberts, Frank Mitchell and E. P. Lawson were other stars of the time.

As we look to the future for the Bulldogs, we see a possibility of having an equal or better team in the 50's.

Assistant Coaches Listed
Coach Tugboat Jones has a group of the finest assistant coaches anywhere. They are Garvin Beauchamp, Red Rutledge, Audrey Gill and Jack Mashburn.

With Jones and these assistants handling the material, everyone is seeing a great future in football. Dwaine Bush, Jimmy Linebarger, Graham Mackey, Robert Keisling, Stan Coker, Guy Vanderpool, Jerry Culp, Bob Wood, Dalton Byerley, Pete English, Jimmy O'Neal, Robert Burks, Freddie Bilbo, Charles Overend and a host of other fine prospects will be back in 1950 and some of them in 1951 to build this potentially great grid team. All are linemen.

The backfield candidates will include Reed Gilmore, Jack Burris, L. C. Thomas, Charles Crowley, Ralph Brooks, Roy Kinsey, Larry Lynn, Billy Snow, Russell Rutledge, Al Scoggin and Johnny Kennedy that are known right at the minute.

The feeder system instituted by Coach Tugboat Jones to feed athletes to the varsity teams who have had training all the way from elementary school should start paying off in 1951.

Down in junior high school and even in the elementary schools good material can be seen.

Coaches John Higdon, Lloyd Curlee and Charles Cubbs handle the junior high teams. Charles McDonald, Pat Patterson and Bob Cochran coach the elementary school teams.

A bright future also is seen for

basketball in Midland High School with Coach Jack Mashburn at the helm of the varsity and Audrey Gill and Red Rutledge working the reserve teams.

Walter Spiller, Ollie Phillips, Billy Phillips, Reed Gilmore, Norman Drake and Robert Burks will be back for the cage team in 1951 plus David Weaver, Roy Kinsey, Robert Keisling, Ireland McCormick and John Van Buskirk. Some of these boys even will have three more years to play.

Bulldog Cagers Of 1943
It long has been a custom in basketball to shoot for the mark set by the great Midland High cage team of 1943-44, which went to the state tournament.

Jimmy Watson, Billy Joe Slickney, Bill Richards, L. C. Netherlin, Copper Daugherty, Hubert Drake, Guy Tom Cowden, Bobby Hyatt and Jimmy Edwards were on that powerful aggregation.

Many of the cage candidates now on Coach Mashburn's teams have the qualities of this group. It almost is a certainty Midland High will have another state tournament entry in the early Golden 50's.

Other Sports
Midland has had great athletes in many sports other than football and basketball.

On the track, such stars as Dunny Goode and Jay Francis were great just as they were on the gridiron. Dale Truelove, Wendell Williams, Fats Wright and many other grid stars also participated in track and other sports.

High school baseball, long forsaken by the interscholastic League, will be on the boom in the 50's. Midland High had a crack team in 1948 and a fair nine in 1949.

Coach Garvin Beauchamp is looking forward to some better years in

U. S. Tax Collector Is After Colleges, Charitable Trusts

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK—(AP)—The tax collector is breathing down the neck of the nation's colleges and charitable trusts. Beaten by rising costs and falling yields from their traditional investments, some of these institutions have gone into competition with business.

They enjoy exemption from income taxes and some businessmen complain that this gives the schools and other tax-exempt institutions an unfair edge in competition. And the U. S. Treasury is looking for more and more cash wherever it can find untaxed income.

Most of the colleges and universities which now run just about everything from macaroni factories to cattle ranches call it the only way to make enough money to keep their educational plants running.

These institutions always have been exempt from income taxes. In the old days they put their endowment funds into high-yielding bonds and mortgages. But in recent years the yields on such investments have slipped steadily.

In Different Light
But the tax collectors and some businessmen see the thing in a different light. There has been a growing tendency since the war for business enterprises to deed themselves to universities and colleges, who operate the firms under a trusteeship. The business escapes the income tax that way, and the educational institution gets a higher return as its share of the profits than it could from investing in securities. And the schools pay no income tax.

Federal tax collectors say that some 14,000 educational and charitable institutions report their incomes—only a small part of the total such groups. They report total annual income of \$1.2 billion, of which \$556 million was from business activities. Tax collectors add that if you take in all the tax-exempt organizations, such as farm cooperatives, you find that \$9,000 (only a small percentage) report their incomes, with receipts of \$8 billion, of which \$8.1 billion comes from business activities.

Wins Fifth Battle Over Meningitis
PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—Little Johnny Cavalleri, not yet three years old, already has won his fifth battle over meningitis. Doctors at Children's Hospital, where Johnny is convalescing, said they doubted if medical literature listed any individual who suffered as many as five attacks of this severe disease.

Meningitis is an infection affecting the central nervous system. It involves the spinal fluid in the membrane surrounding the spine and brain. Doctors say that while one attack of meningitis doesn't make a person immune from another, it is rare when a person suffers a second attack.

Grand Coulee Dam, in Oregon, is the world's largest hydroelectric plant.

With the fine coaching staff and good material at hand, Midland High has the greatest opportunity ever to become a power in all sports. The Golden 50's surely will bring a better era.

Gift To Minister, Wife Proves Timely

VISALIA, CALIF.—(AP)—Rev. and Mrs. Pedro Gonzalez Carranza, of the Mision Evangelica Bautista tell this story:

It was almost midnight on Christmas Eve and the pastor and his wife were troubled. They knew that within their parish scores of poor youngsters would go giftless. They prayed. As they finished

there was a knock on the door. "Perhaps it is a couple wishing to be married," sighed the clergyman. But the visitors turned out to be a Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilson. Wilson handed the pastor a piece of paper. "We want you to use this for the children," he said. The check was sufficient to buy gifts for more than 140 children.

It's Tin Cups, Plates For Unruly Waitress

ATLANTA—(AP)—A waitress who had a desire to throw dishes will be handling only tin cups and plates for the next 15 months.

Criminal Court Judge Charles Bruce sentenced Ruth Shirley, 36, to that length of time recently breaking nine dollars worth of dishes at a cafe amounted to malicious mischief, the court held. Miss Shirley, employed as a wait-

ress at another restaurant, said she broke the dishes because the owner refused to serve her.

"And being a waitress, I know what it takes to break a restaurant man's heart!" piped Miss Shirley.

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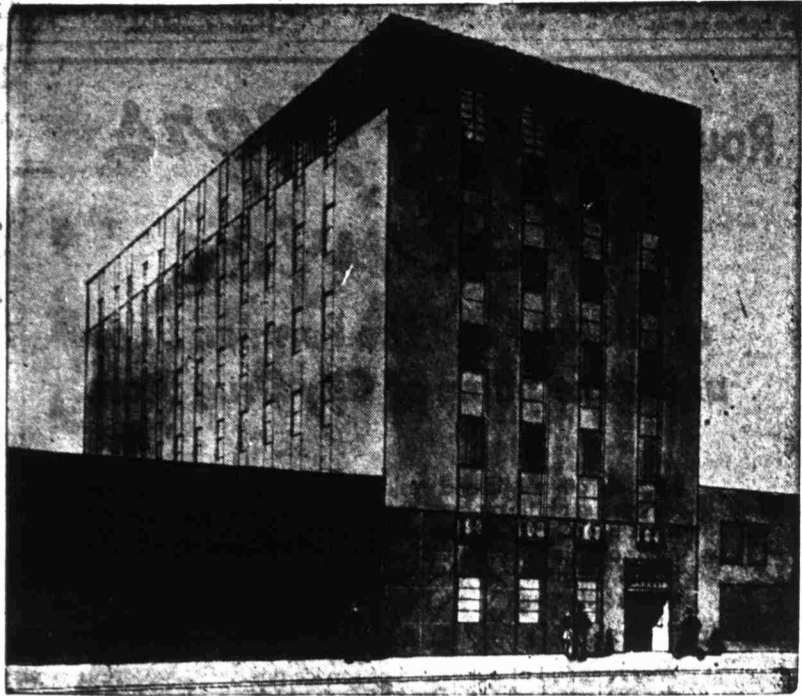
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Russian Industrial Production Boost Claimed In Report

MOSCOW —(P)—Russia's industrial production level last year exceeded goals set for 1950 and personal incomes rose sharply, an official announcement says.

In an economic report on 1949 achievements, the chief of the statistical administration announced that industrial production was five per cent over the rate expected for 1950.

The report said that during the last quarter of 1949 Soviet industry produced 53 per cent more than the average output in prewar 1940. No actual production figures were given. The general increase over 1949 was 20 per cent.

Soviet workers earned 12 per cent more in 1949 than they did in 1948 and peasants earned 14 per cent more. These figures boosted income by 24 per cent for workers and 30 per cent for peasants over the 1940 level, the report said.

Steel Shows Boost

The main industrial items to show an increase over the 1950 goals were coal, rolled steel and oil.

The only industry to miss the planned mark, according to the report, was the fishing industry, which only fulfilled 95 per cent of its 1949 quota.

The reports said agricultural production also topped the 1940 level, and "practically" reached the amounts set by the five-year plan for 1950.

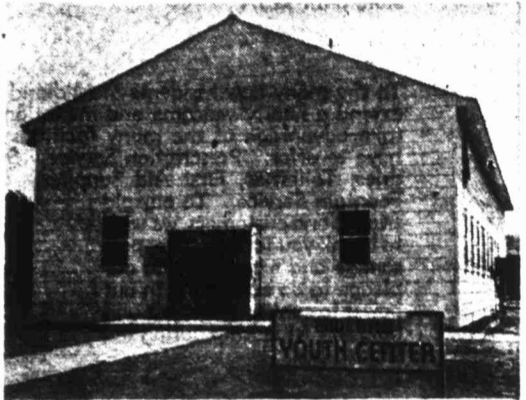
Russia's grain harvest (apparently including all types of grain), totaled 4,533,900,000 bushels.

The communique said agriculture received 150,000 tractors, 29,000 combines, 64,000 trucks and more than 1,600,000 other farm machines in 1949.

ALFALFA SEED BOOMS

DAVIS, CALIF.—(P)—There's a booming alfalfa business in California, growing alfalfa seeds for other parts of the U. S. A. Two new kinds of alfalfa are involved—Ranger and Buffalo. Neither grows as good hay here as native alfalfa. But the production of seeds of these varieties for the north-central and northeastern United States has doubled in the past year.

Youth Center



A popular gathering place for Midland's teen-agers is the Youth Center. After a struggle of many years, adult friends of the youngsters succeeded in getting an Army barracks-type building moved into the city from Midland Army Air Field, to serve as a building. The boys and girls like their Youth Center with its interesting and attractive program for them. They will be using it plenty in the Golden 50's.

Biggest Clock In Europe Being Built

STRASBOURG —(P)—What is claimed to be Europe's biggest clock is now being built in a special workshop here. It will be erected in Oslo when completed. The clock has a face more than 26 feet in diameter with hands weighing 550 pounds.

The pointer of the big hand will move by jumps representing half a minute on the face of the clock. Later the clock will be joined by a 55-bell electric carillon.

'FLOZEN' WITNESSES

BERLIN —(P)—Berlin's court buildings are freezing out witnesses, warned the "Berliner Anzeiger." The newspaper complained that sometimes witnesses are called only after as much as seven hours of waiting. "This is too much," it declared. "It makes people hungry and mad. In addition, the court halls are so drafty that the witnesses get cold feet."

Giant Pointer Will Be British Trylon

LONDON —(P)—The 1951 Festival of Britain here will have its own version of the trylon that towered over the 1939 World's Fair in New York. It will be a 290-foot tapered sliver of latticed aluminum, 14 feet through at the middle, that will hover like a giant pointer over the festival grounds.

It will be suspended 40 feet above ground in a steel cradle of girders and guy wires so as to seem to be defying the laws of gravity. It will be lit from within at night.

MINK COAT WALKS AWAY

CHICAGO —(P)—A \$2,000 mink coat was draped over a chair in a north side restaurant. It belonged to Mrs. John A. Heinzelman. She and her table companions paid no particular attention to it. But a blonde did. The blonde simply picked it up, walked out and vanished.

Civic Music Association Opens Its Second Season

Its membership more than doubled and its program expanded, the Midland Civic Music Association opened its second season February 12 with a concert by the National Male Quartet, and has four more programs scheduled for this Spring.

The association was formed in the Fall of 1948, and its members heard four concerts the first season. Its membership was limited then to 650, the seating capacity of the old high school auditorium. With construction of the new auditorium, membership was opened to a larger number when the campaign started last Fall, and 1,411 persons purchased cards.

Dates of the concerts this season were arranged to use the new auditorium after its completion in February, so the programs are concentrated in the period from February 12 to May 4. Richard Hughston is chairman of the association; he succeeded Eric Bucher, the first chairman. Nell Shaw is serving a second term as secretary.

With the large auditorium available for future concerts, the association expects to grow in membership and in quality of its programs in the coming years.

Numerous Requests

Programs this season were chosen by a committee to meet the requests made by members in ballots cast at the start of the year. Most numerous requests were for a symphony orchestra, piano ensemble, men's vocal group and ballet.

Because the season started late, it was not possible to book a ballet troupe because the wanted companies travel only in the Fall and

early Winter. The Dallas Symphony Orchestra, an outstanding musical group of the Southwest, was chosen for one concert, and a four-piano ensemble will play on March 8. The exact date for the symphony has not been set.

Other concerts this Spring will be by Andres Segovia, guitarist, on April 3 and Florence George, contralto, in the final program of the year on May 4. The male quartet sang in a Sunday afternoon program, but the others are planned at night.

A ballet program is high on the list of preferred programs for next season, but members who sign for that season will be asked again to cast their votes and their choice will guide the talent committee.

Membership in the Civic Music Association, a national organization, is available in only one week each year and admission to the concerts is by membership card; no single admissions are sold. The first membership campaign was held in the Fall of 1948 and the 1949 campaign also was conducted in the Fall because the officers wanted to be sure the new auditorium would be completed before they offered the larger number of memberships.

National Policy

However, the national policy is to conduct the campaign each Spring at the close of a season and that system is planned for the future in Midland.

Growth of membership is still possible now that the school auditorium is in use and the association foresees a larger enrollment and consequent additions to the program for the years ahead.

For the same price, a membership card this year will admit the holder to five concerts instead of the four of last season, and larger ensembles and more widely known artists will appear since the budget allows a large program expenditure. This improvement in quantity and quality of concerts can continue as more members are added.

Establishment of the organization in Midland, a step in the cultural progress of the city, assures music each year by some of the nation's best artists in a variety of forms. The association provides a stable center of musical activity, which may be supplemented by local programs and occasional single programs by visiting artists.

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CHICAGO —(P)—A sign on the back of a truck here reads: "If you have plans for tomorrow—don't hit me today."

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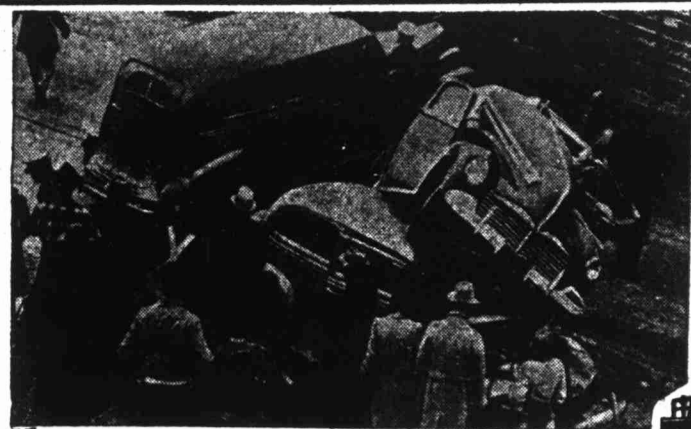
Construction in Midland shows a gain by millions of dollars since records were first kept, especially since World War II.

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1937	801,822
1938	1,031,456
1939	667,145
1940	673,116
1941	638,275
1942	233,985
1943	55,270
1944	530,600
1945	1,544,805
1946	2,816,400
1947	4,281,700
1948	7,272,990
1949	5,252,406

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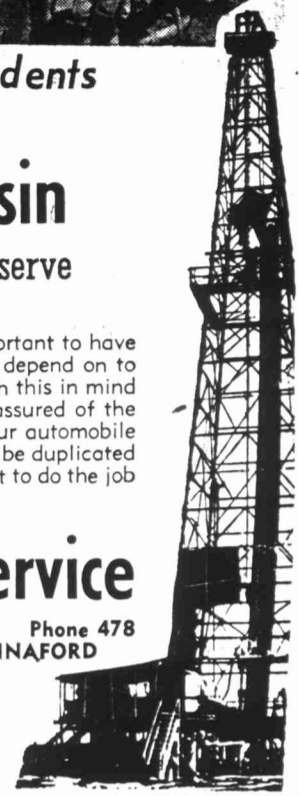
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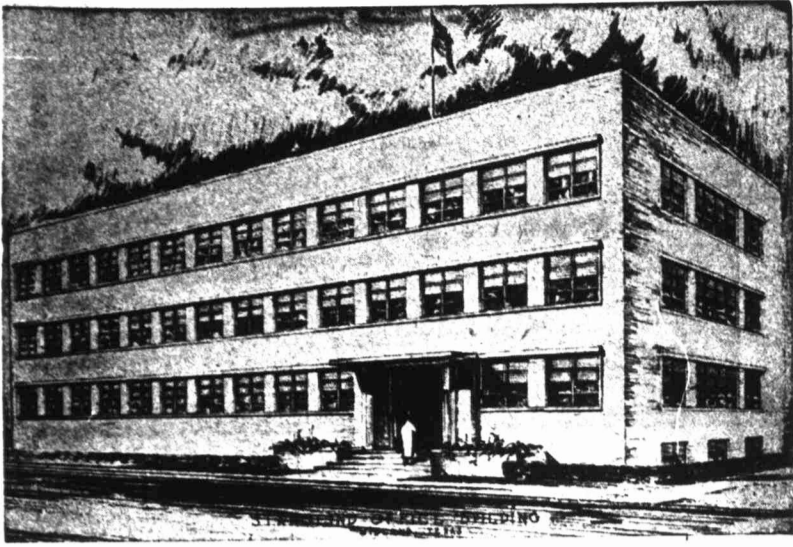
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Explosion On Mars Observed By Young Tokyo Astronomer

TOKYO—(P)—A young Japanese astronomer who never went to college says he sighted the "terrific explosion" on Mars which has excited astronomers the world over. Tsuneo Saeki, 32, has been keeping an optical eye on Mars for 17 years. He is highly regarded by two of Japan's greatest astronomers, Tadao Murayama of Tokyo's Science Museum, and Dr. Hideo Hirose of Tokyo's Astronomical Observatory.

greyish cloud was of volcanic origin because it was of a different color from clouds usually observed around the planet. He never before had seen grey-colored clouds there. Saeki said he was alone January 16 when he sighted the cloud. As far as is known, he was the only Japanese astronomer to note it. The surface where Saeki reported the blast was turned away from astronomers in the United States. Saeki said he saw a huge cloud bulging on the south side of the planet. His report to Walter Haas, Albuquerque, N. M., who is world director of the Association of Lunar and Planetary Observers, said the cloud was about 900 miles wide.

It extended an estimated 60 miles above the surface of Mars. Saeki will put the planet under observation again next month, when it will be possible to see the same section he was watching when he sighted the cloud.

POLICE PREACH SAFETY
CHICAGO —(P)—The newest Chicago police squad is known as the "briefcase brigade." There are eight officers in it. They pack up charts and statistics and go out and preach the gospel of traffic safety before church, school, club, labor union and other groups. The missionary work is a phase of the city's campaign against motor vehicle deaths.

Midlander Active In Rocky Mountain Oil Scouts Setup

An organization which is gaining recognition in the oil industry as one of the most progressive of its kind is the Northern Rocky Mountain Oil Scouting Association, of which Joe Seymour, son of Justice of the Peace and Mrs. Joseph A. Seymour of Midland is an active member and is editor of the association.

Nowadays the work is less exciting and more routine, for the companies are less reticent about sharing information on wells. However, sometimes information about a well is "tight" or kept under cover, and the scout has to dig around for his information.

In addition to oil companies, scouts were employed by pipeline companies to discover what looked like good production areas and line up the companies there to provide oil for their pipelines. Seismograph crews were the subject of much interest and many scouts were employed just for the purpose of watching them.

On Thursday the Montana scouts meet in Billings to compare note at the weekly scout-check and find out what is going on in other part of the state. Friday ordinarily is spent in the office writing a report of the week's oil activities in detail, and a scout letter giving the highlights of the week. These are sent to the home office of the company.

Holly berries are comparatively scarce because only female trees produce berries, and then only if the weather is right.

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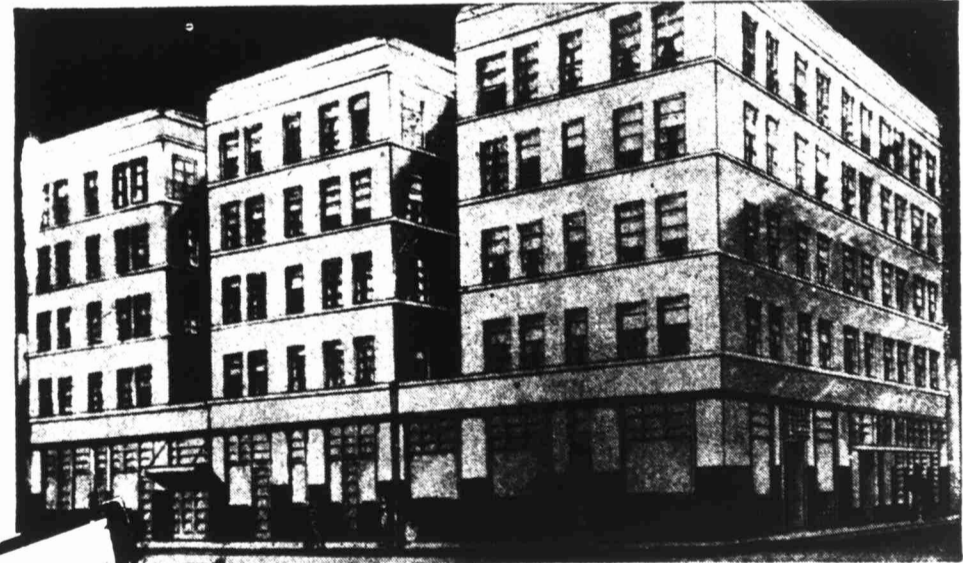
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Texans Received \$85,139,505 In 1949 Federal Aid

The people of Texas benefited in 1949 to the extent of \$85,139,505, the national government's share in their state and local investment in health, education and social welfare, according to a summary released by J. H. Bond of Dallas, regional director of the Federal Security Agency. The figures include payments under the federal old-age and survivors insurance program and other PSA programs.

"Even this substantial investment," Bond pointed out, "does not tell the whole story in terms of people or of money, since it does not take account of nationwide PSA services which benefit every citizen of Texas. These services are food and drug regulation, services to the State's educational system, supervision of Federal credit unions, and public health services operated directly by the Public Health Service.

"A total of 373,110 men, women, and children in Texas benefited directly from Federal funds added to Texas investment in health, education, welfare, vocational rehabilitation and social security," he explained. "These direct beneficiaries include: children who get health care, or who are dependent or in danger of becoming delinquent; the needy blind; disabled men and women being rehabilitated into jobs; old people receiving assistance; and those receiving Federal social security benefits."

"As for the investment of \$85,139,505 itself," Bond continued, "our accounting represents only the Federal share in the partnership. To complete the picture, Texas would have to add its own state and local funds which its citizens also use for these purposes.

Bond's summary of Federal Security Agency activities in Texas shows a breakdown for the fiscal year 1948-49:

Of a total of \$23,149,300 of Federal money paid to the states in the fiscal year 1948-49 for health and welfare services to mothers and children, Texas received approximately \$1,041,000.

Federal grants to Texas for assistance to dependent children, the needy aged and the blind were: aid to 46,942 dependent children, \$6,159,000; 215,723 old-age assistance cases, \$55,067,000; and aid to 6,045 needy blind, \$1,710,000.

By June 30, 1949, 72,577 residents of Texas were receiving monthly payments under the Federal system of old-age and survivors insurance. Monthly benefits certified for payment to retired workers, their wives, and their dependent children in Texas during fiscal 1948-49 amounted to \$8,178,000. Monthly benefits to survivors of insured workers to-

taled \$6,345,000. In addition, lump-sum payments totaling \$874,000 were made to survivors who were not immediately eligible for monthly benefits.

The San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration, which services Midland County and 23 other West Texas Counties, paid \$33,876 per month to 2,063 beneficiaries in its area. Beneficiaries are retired wage earners, their aged wives, minor children of retired and deceased wage earners, and widows and dependent parents of deceased workers.

During the calendar year 1948, the San Angelo office issued 5,207 new social security account number cards and 4,684 duplicate social security account number cards for workers who had lost their cards.

The 304 Federal credit unions in Texas had total savings of \$18,267,796, of which \$14,004,978 represented outstanding loans. Formed by groups of industrial employees, teachers, government workers, religious organizations, labor unions, farmers' organizations, lodges and residential groups, these associations are chartered, supervised, and examined by the Bureau of Federal Credit Unions.

General health funds amounting to \$542,000 were paid out of the Federal treasury to help Texas build up and maintain its local health departments, control communicable diseases, improve sanitation, and carry on health education, demonstrations, personnel training, and other general public health services including industrial hygiene, and cancer control.

Texas received \$168,000 for the control of tuberculosis in the state. Mass X-ray surveys to discover the disease in its early, remediable stages, were made possible through grants-in-aid.

Federal funds expended for control of venereal disease in Texas amounted to \$991,000 in the fiscal year 1949. Patients admitted for treatment in the state's rapid treatment centers, which benefited by these Federal grants, totaled 13,985.

Under the Hospital Survey and Construction Act of 1946, Texas received \$1,016,000 during the year for surveying its needs for hospitals and health centers and for the construction of hospitals.

In the fields of cancer and mental (Continued on Page 14)

Midlander Active In Rocky Mountain Oil Scout Setup-

(Continued from Page 12) checking with independent and company wells in his section and finding out how they are progressing. He looks for such information as depth of the well, exact location, drilistest tests for oil, gas discoveries, oil, gas and water shows in tests, and the depths at which different levels of strata formations are discovered.

The operations of seismograph crews, who are men attempting to locate new oil pools, also are checked. The seismograph crew sets off explosions in the ground and measures on instruments the reverberations bouncing back from different rock strata and pools below the surface of the ground where there may be oil. These reverberations tell the crew members where oil may be found and their operations have to be checked for possible discoveries.

Scouts also attempt to find out where any prospective wildcat drilling is being planned, either by independent operators or by other companies. Wildcat drilling refers to the drilling of a well where no oil well has previously been drilled in the hope of finding a new field. Any operations in the offing are reported and watched for developments.

Operations of his own company are not checked, as the men on the job report developments to the home office, saving the scout that task.

Sometimes when the scout is on the job, a well strikes oil and starts producing in a previously unproductive area. Then the scout goes into action.

His first job is to find out which well is producing and its location. Then he contacts the home office and reports the find. If it sounds good enough, a lease man is rushed in by the company to lease any free acreage in the vicinity. If the discovery seems important enough, the scout is justified in calling the head office.

These discoveries are not frequent in Montana, for the state is not really considered a good oil-producing state. In what is known as an oil state, such as Texas, discoveries such as these happen quite often.

Obviously, the hours of a scout are not regular. If his work dictates, he works all hours of the night and he is on the road much of the time traveling from location to location. If the activity is slack in a district and there is nothing to do, he simply may go fishing and mark the time up against the

day when there may be an extra-long shift to work.

The 12 sections in the state which the scouts cover were determined by the scouts themselves when they first got together. Montana has 11 of the sections and the entire state of North Dakota is the remaining section. This latter job is not as great as it may appear, for the activity is negligible in North Dakota, with only three or four wells drilled in the entire state.

Eight of the scouts have their headquarters in Billings, Mont., with three located in Lewistown and one in Great Falls. The weekly scout-check meeting place was

changed to Billings from Lewistown because more of the scouts are located there.

The lone scout in Great Falls is Joe Seymour, representing the Phillips Petroleum Company. The scout association has its scout officers to conduct the check at Billings each week. Leo Bay is the president or "bull scout," and succeeds Seymour.

Seymour, who was named to the position of editor for the association, has the job of sending an annual report to the National Scouting Association on oil activities in the Montana-North Dakota region, which is incorporated into a yearly

report on oil activities the country over.

No particular educational background is necessary to become an oil scout, and many of them are college graduates with no previous knowledge of the business at all. It takes about 10 days to learn the basic fundamentals of scouting, after which experience and hard work tell the tale. A prospective geologist works for about two years as a scout, ordinarily, before going into the geology end of the business. The scouts usually are transferred around the country to get a picture of the oil operations in various production areas.

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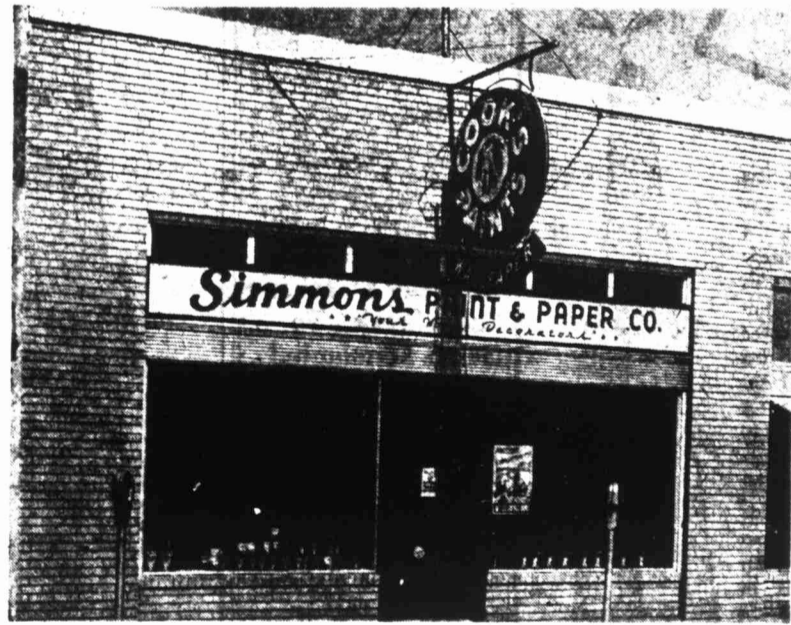
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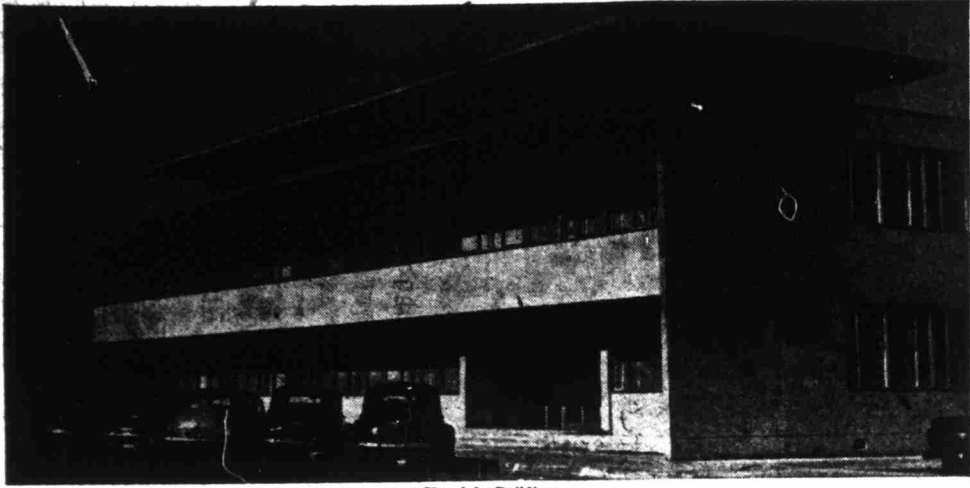
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The field of sports is broad in Midland and includes one of the biggest and most active skeet shooting organizations in the state—the Midland Gun Club.

The club stages four big shoots which attract skeet shooters of international rank. Largest of these is the West Texas Open Shoot, usually held in the Fall.

Ann Martin, national champion shooter from San Antonio, swept honors in the West Texas open in 1949. She set a new world record for women in the sub-small gauge event while participating in the meet. Her mark of 94 bettered the old record of 93.

Glass National Champ

George Glass, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Glass, Sr., has won high honors in meets throughout the United States. He was National Junior Champion in 1948 as well as Texas Junior Champion. He retained the Texas title in the 1949 state meet.

Aside from these two outstanding skeet shooters, Midland Gun Club has in itself some of the most prominent shooters in the state.

James Mascho, Midland oil man, is regarded as one of the most con-

sistent shooters to be found. He likes the 12-gauge event best and usually proves his ability with a high score.

George Glass, Sr., president of the club, shoots in all events and does exceptionally well. He has entered meets in many states, shooting under the colors of Midland Gun Club.

Wright Cowden, Ted Lowe, R. K. White, Ish McKnight, Paul Davis and John Castelman are others of the more than 150 members who shoot well.

Modern Club

The club has the most modern facilities at Midland Airport. Although among the best in the state now, the Golden 50's will see improvements made.

It is planned to give the clubhouse area one of the most attractive landscapes. Grass and trees will be planted at desired places and will be maintained with constant care.

A hard-surface parking area and approach also is planned in the near future.

The club now has four ranges and can accommodate a number of shooters. It is possible other ranges will be added as the club grows.

Officers Listed

Club officers include President Glass; Jim Mascho, vice president, and C. K. (Ted) Lowe, secretary-treasurer.

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Little Fur Goes To Market But Is Sent Right Back Home

NEW YORK —This little fur went to market . . .

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He was a baby civet cat from Malaysia, the kind that gives musk to the perfume makers. He had learned to squeeze through the bars of his cage in Central Park Zoo and go play in the bushes. But he always came back and squeezed in again at night, so the keepers didn't mind.

But recently the police called up. "We've captured a silver fox on Fifth Avenue," they said.

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The zoo persons had to take him back to his mother and take up a wire mesh to keep him home.

They haven't told him yet that nobody wanted him on Fifth Avenue. He's a nice little civet cat, and they don't want to hurt his feelings.

Texans Received \$85,139,505 In Federal Aid

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health grants in the amount of \$92,000 were made for cancer control, and \$106,000 for mental health activities.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

Through the State-Federal partnership system for vocational rehabilitation of civilians, 6,218 disabled men and women of Texas at the end of the year were receiving assistance. During the year, another 2,208 disabled men and women successfully were prepared for and placed in employment through medical, surgical, psychiatric and hospital care; artificial limbs and other aids; individual counsel and guidance; training for suitable jobs; low-up to make sure they made good. Of the latter group, 1,615 placement on the right job and follow-up were unemployed when rehabilitation services were started, and 348 had never been able to work.

Prior to rehabilitation services, the group had earned income of approximately \$736,840 a year. When rehabilitation was completed, the group was earning at the rate of \$3,700,158 a year.

During the fiscal year 1948-1949, Texas received \$1,376,783 to assist in financing state and local programs of vocational education and \$143,212 for its land-grant college program through authorizations of the Office of Education.

The Food and Drug Administration, which cooperates with states and local communities in protecting consumers against adulterated and misbranded foods and drugs, reported that 1,840 violative interstate shipments throughout the nation were removed from consumer use by Federal seizure in the fiscal year 1948-49. A total of 350 criminal actions were brought in Federal courts against firms and individuals. The courts were requested to enjoin 17 firms from shipping illegal items in interstate commerce. Imported shipments of foods, drugs and cosmetics refused entry because they did not comply with U. S. requirements numbered 6,372.

The Food and Drug Administration has 18 fully equipped field laboratories and 88 resident inspectors throughout the country.

Bond said: "The benefits and services received through the Federal Security Agency's programs by the people of Texas during the past year demonstrate the effectiveness of state and Federal teamwork. The Dallas regional office serves Texas agencies in this joint endeavor. It also facilitates administration of the wholly Federal programs."

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Amateur Telephone Radio Service To Guam Terminated

CLEVELAND—(AP)—Dr. Frank M. Natherson has ended his long distance radio-telephone service to Guam.

With regret, the Ohio Bell Telephone Company told the 42-year-old physician the law prohibited an amateur shortwave radio operator from handling such a business—even if he was serving an island outpost which so far is not reached by a commercial firm.

Some time ago the Cleveland doctor made contact by short wave with Capt. Walter Laing on Guam. The officer remarked that military and civilian personnel on Guam would like to talk to their stateside families.

System Is Rigged

Dr. Natherson rigged a system whereby a telephone line in the United States could be connected with his radio. A soldier at a radio on the island and a family on a long distance phone line in the United States could talk to each other.

Dr. Natherson estimated more than 100 persons in at least 60 cities throughout the nation used the hookup.

Ohio Bell told the doctor it was sympathetic with his cause but the Federal Communications Commission just won't allow two-way phone conversations to be broadcast.

"I'll obey, of course," the doctor said. But he wasn't happy.

For one thing he remembered a soldier on Guam who had been estranged from his wife. Because of the captain's and the doctor's efforts, the couple made up by long distance and the soldier is awaiting the end of his enlistment to go home to her.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has found benzene hexachloride may be used to control chicken lice without making meat or eggs taste "musty."

Forties Brought Success In Baseball; Fifties Promise More

By SHORTHY SHELBURNE

Baseball—the great American sport—hasn't done badly in Midland in the last 15 years, during which time six teams have been fielded by various men including Harold Webb. But, with Webb at the helm, the Golden 50's should produce greater teams.

Baseball was here long before the "Fantastic Forties" but was in a semi-pro status then. The Midland Colts of olden days were managed by Wood Taylor and he put out some fine teams.

Professional baseball made its debut here in 1937 when Joe Davis fielded the Midland Cardinals in the West Texas-New Mexico league. The league in those days was a far cry from what it now is.

Midland had teams in the loop in 1937, 1938 and 1939. Then baseball took an exit during the war years, coming back with Harold F. Webb as owner in 1947.

The 1937 Midland Cardinals didn't finish the season. They ran into more difficulties than Paul Revere did when he made his famous ride. Davis was let out as manager and the club was disbanded.

Midland Cardinals
But in 1938, the Cardinals were back stronger than ever with Fincher Withers as manager.

The roster included some players who now are active in Class AAA leagues. Del Ballinger, catcher in the Pacific Coast League last season, and Frank Nelson, who hurled for Oakland last year, were on the Midland roster.

The league in 1938 still was known as the West Texas-New Mexico but member cities were different. Midland, Wink, Hobbs, Clovis, Lubbock and Big Spring were in the circuit.

Withers and his Cardinals gave 'em all a fit that season and finished in third place. The Cards were pointed out as the best defensive outfit in the league. Jake Suytar, a first baseman, was the big hitter along with Ballinger and Nelson.

In the first round of the playoffs, Midland drew Clovis. Ernie Nelson, who will hurl for the Midland Indians again this season, was Clovis' star tosser.

Clovis took the decision in the playoffs and lost to Lubbock in the last round. Wink had opposed Lubbock in the first round.

Hack Miller, the veteran who attained great success in baseball, managed the Hubbers to the pennant.

An interesting note on the play-offs that year is in the account of the final game at Clovis.

Clovis was leading 7-3 in the ninth inning when Larry Battle, an infielder for Midland, clouted a homer with the bases loaded. With the score 7-8 in favor of Clovis, Ernie Nelson was called in to put out the fire.

Kerr Manager In 1939
Jimmy Kerr managed the Midland team in 1939 when it was called the Midland Cowboys.

Accounts of pre-season training say Kerr had 20 raw rookies to pick a team from when he started the season. As the campaign went along he signed other veterans, however, and brought the Cowboys in third in the league. But again the playoffs got 'em.

The reason Kerr had only rookies to start with was that Withers had moved his 1938 club to Abilene, lock stock and barrel in 1939.

Baseball of the professional brand was nil in Midland and most of Texas during the war. Then when the world conflict was over, it came back stronger than ever.

Longhorn League Organized
The Longhorn League was organized in 1947 with Howard Green as league president.

Harold Webb moved in and the City of Midland constructed Indian Park.

Webb managed the Indians to a second place finish in the six team loop. Midland finished just six games back of Big Spring.

Jim Prince won the national minor league batting crown that season with a .429 batting average. Ernie Nelson won 24 games the same year.

Big Spring, Midland, Ballinger and Sweetwater were in the play-offs and Ballinger won the crown. League attendance that season was 230,532. Midland drew a total of 34,013.

The Indians were stronger than ever in 1948 which they proved by winning the Longhorn League pennant.

Jim Prince was back again. Nelson came here late in the season and joined Leland Crissman, Sam Van Hoozer and Ralph Blair in pitching the Indians to the title.

Rip Collins, Clyde Perry, Eddie Melillo and Prince formed the infield and Kenny Jones, and Wayne Specht were behind the plate.

The Indians finished third in the regular season behind Big Spring and Odessa.

They clipped Odessa four straight in the first round of the playoffs and edged out Vernon four games to three to win the pennant. Attendance was up a lot in 1948

compared with the first season the league operated. The addition of two more cities to make an eight-team league helped.

Good Year In '49
Came 1949 and another banner year for the Midland Indians. A last week surge sent them into second place in the final standings.

Ralph Blair, Ernie Nelson, Kenny Jones, Julian Pressley, Scooter Hughes, Warren Sitter, Gus Pena and Lou Dawson are remembered as members of this great club. Lefty Leon Hayes and Claude Horton, pitchers, also were prominent late in the season.

Glenn Patton, a husky right-hander, pitched a one hit, 1 to 0 shutout against Big Spring in 11 innings for the best hurling feat of the year.

Jones Top Rookie
Ernie Nelson hurled a double header at Ballinger, losing the first one but copping the last.

Julian Pressley hit in nine consecutive times at bat to set a new league record. He also hit eight home runs in seven days.

Kenny Jones won the Rookie of the Year award given for the first time.

The Indians whipped Vernon 4 games to 1 in the first round of the playoffs before losing in four straight to the powerful Big Spring Broncs.

Roswell joined the league to give it a touch of the old West Texas-New Mexico loop of the late 30's.

Every city in the league turned out for baseball and attendance soared to a record 450,000 and more. Midland drew better than ever, topping the 60,000 mark.

Already there is talk of raising the classification of the league and it is sure the Golden 50's will hold a bright future for baseball for Midland's Indians and for Harold Webb.

City Manager Plan Reported Growing
NEW YORK—P—Seventy-nine American municipalities adopted the council-manager form of government during 1949. It is reported by the National Municipal League, clearing house of information for local civic groups. This brings the total number of places in which the city manager plan is in effect to 958.

The league predicted that, at the present rate, the council-manager plan will become the prevailing form of local government within the next decade.

President Tackles Huge Revenue Loss Problem In Proposal

WASHINGTON—P—President Truman has tackled an increasingly great revenue loss problem in proposing to Congress that tax exemptions on certain operations of schools and charities be narrowed. The President was specific—although not detailed—about only two cases where he wants to remove the tax exemptions such organizations usually enjoy:

1. Where business and industrial operations "entirely unrelated to education activities" have been operated under a school's tax-exempt wing and thus given "competitive advantage" over fully taxable enterprises in the same line of business.

2. "Where the exemption accorded charitable trust funds has been used as a cloak for speculative business ventures, and funds intended for charitable purposes, buttressed by tax exemption, have been used to acquire or retain control over a wide variety of industrial enterprises."

Shows Concern
The Treasury has shown concern over the revenue lost through these channels and now has two cases in court in which it is attempting to subject college-owned businesses to regular corporate taxes. One deals with an important

spaghetti-macaroni firm, C. F. Mueller Company of New York, which is owned by a trust of which the beneficiary is New York University. The other case involves a plant of the Century Electric Company of St. Louis and William Jewell College of Missouri.

While these cases remain unsettled, there have been other instances of colleges acquiring business interests by investment of their endowment funds as well as under the wills of alumni who die.

The Treasury established through a questionnaire published recently that \$8,175,932,000 in receipts from "business" operations were taken

in during 1946 by tax exempt organizations which answered the questionnaire. The Treasury said, only a minority of the tax exempt organizations sent its data.

Rep. Mason (R-Ill.), a member of the House Ways and Means (taxation) Committee, estimated that the total volume of these receipts approximates \$40,000,000,000 annually and that the government loses about \$1,000,000,000 a year in taxes as a result of exemptions.

BACKWARD RIVER
The fabulous horse with its head where its tail ought to be has a counterpart in a short river in the state of Maine, which has a delta at its head instead of at its mouth.

Pecos River Commissioners



Members of the Pecos River Compact Commission held their first meeting in Midland in January. Left to right, they are Chairman Berkeley Johnson of Santa Fe, N. M., U. S. representative on the commission; John T. Elias, Santa Fe, representing the State of New Mexico; and John C. Wilson of Pecos, Texas, representative.

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Pursuit Of Happiness, Club Theme

Looking toward the peaceful world which is today's goal and searching for elements that will make it a reality, the Progressive Study Club has centered its 1949-1950 study around "The Pursuit of Happiness."

Husbands Taking Up Yodeling As Signal To Identify Selves

ABILENE—(P)—Husbands in the 300 block of Palm and Poplar Streets here have taken up yodeling if they arrive home late at night.

If they can't yodel, they whistle "Home Sweet Home" in the highest pitch they can reach.

There's a reason. Recently one neighborhood husband spied a peeper grabbed a pistol, ran outside and fired into the air. Two nights later another husband spied a peeper. He called police but the intruder escaped.

But the wives still were nervous. They organized. If the gals hear a gunshot in the night they all grab their artillery and run to the door. Any fleeing male is "target for tonight."

Which is all right with the husbands provided yodeling and "Home Sweet Home" be accepted passwords (on the theory a "peeping Tom" wouldn't announce his presence that way). The husbands also asked that the wives: 1. Fire only into the air. 2. Be careful, be careful, be careful.

life to the pursuit of happiness. Panel discussions and guest speakers also are a feature of the year's program.

The contributions of work and leisure time to the search for contentment will be discussed at meetings later this year, as will the battle between inner realities and society.

Norman Vincent Peale's "Guide to Confident Living" will be reviewed in April and a program about the Federation of Women's Clubs will be given in the same month.

A March program will be given to Texas Day and a play will be read by a guest in April. The final meeting of the year will be a luncheon on May 24.

In meetings during the first part of the club year, the contribution of the American standard of living to the pursuit of happiness was one of the subjects discussed by a panel of club members. Another panel had education and its relation to the year's theme as its subject.

Marriage and morals as related to the search for happiness also were discussed and a guest speaker, the Rev. R. Matthew Lynn, spoke on religion. The Christmas program was a discussion of the material and spiritual aspects of the holiday.

A guest play reader was featured on one program and another meeting was devoted to a skit on parliamentary procedure. "Thomas Jefferson" by Hendrik Van Loon was reviewed in October.

The youngest of Midland's Federated Clubs, the Progressive Study

Club was organized in 1941. Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Jr., is president this year. Other officers are Mrs. John DeFord, vice president; Mrs. John Kimberlin, recording secretary; Mrs. J. W. Hunt, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Thomas M. West, treasurer; Mrs. W. E. Cox, federation counselor; Mrs. W. C. Kimball, parliamentarian; Mrs. W. B. Yarborough, historian, and Mrs. A. A. Jones, reporter.

Standing committees and their members are: membership, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Sol Brunnell; program, Mrs. DeFord, Mrs. Lindley Latham, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. James C. Clary; finance, Mrs. Brunnell, Mrs. E. A. McCullough, Mrs. Burns McKinney and Mrs. Burt Self.

Constitution, Mrs. Kimball and Mrs. McCullough; hospitality, Mrs. Kenneth Newton, Mrs. John V. Norman, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Pomeroy, Jr., and Mrs. Glen Pete Tyler; telephone, Mrs. Haden Upchurch, and welfare, Mrs. John Lydecker.

Mrs. True is the Youth Center councillor; Mrs. L. Otis Baggett, the representative without a woman's Club Building Committee, and Mrs. Latham, the placement chairman.

Department chairmen are Mrs. Baggett, world citizenship; Mrs. Self, American home; Mrs. Clary, education; Mrs. Yarborough, fine arts; Mrs. Upchurch, international relations; Mrs. Kimball, legislation; Mrs. Jones, press and publicity.

New members elected during this year include Mrs. Kimberlin and Mrs. R. A. Estes.

Telephone Wire Tapping—Here's How It's Done

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Telephone wire tapping has received so much publicity lately that you might like to know how the tappers operate. Suppose you're an FBI agent and you know that a spy has taken a room in a hotel and that he is likely to be telephoning an accomplice. If you want to listen in, you first must decide whether to ask the hotel management to cooperate.

It will be a lot easier if you get the manager's help. But maybe you don't want to take a chance on the manager or his employees. They might talk. So you go on your own. You take a room near the spy's room. You "cease the joint" to find out where the telephone wires run. Perhaps there's a terminal box in the hall. How to find out which wire is his? You send a fellow agent to the spy's room. He enters with a skeleton key and turns on the phone. That means he lifts the receiver and holds a device in front of the mouthpiece which makes a constant sound that makes a telephone connection. Then, with a portable phone you try one wire after another in the box until you find the one making the tone.

You can tap the wire in one of two ways. By making a direct connection—stripping off the insulation and touching the bare wire with the wire from your headset or by wrapping a coil around the insulated wire and drawing "the current" by electrical induction.

After you've found your wire, you make a permanent connection by either of these two methods. Then you lead your wire discreetly from the box, tucking it under the tapes, behind panels, under rugs, etc., until it stretches into your room.

Then all you have to do is keep your headpiece to your ear and wait. If you get sleepy you can rig up a little device which will make a clicking sound and wake you up whenever the spy is using his phone.

If you can't find a terminal box or other place where you can get at the spy's wire, you might dope out which direction his line runs. Then take a room where his line passes through your walls. You can find out where his wire is by holding an induction coil against the plaster. Work it slowly up and down, back and forth, until you can hear your colleague "putting a tone" on the phone. After you've located the line, you can make a hole in the wall and connect with the wire.

Can the spy detect whether his line is being tapped? Only if he has a highly technical instrument which can register a slight loss in the volume of sound. However, he'd have to have tested his wire before it was tapped to see what the normal sound volume was.

The FBI says it now is tapping about 170 telephones in internal security cases. This is only a small percentage of the total number of cases on which the FBI is at work, but it still is a lot of tapping.

Gas Meters Indictative Of Growth

More gas meters were installed in Midland in 1949 than during any other year, figures released by West Texas Gas Company, reveal. A total of 875 were installed during the year, making a total of 4,781 meters in the city at the end of the year.

Year	Meters
1931	1,033
1932	932
1933	905
1934	937
1935	1,058
1936	1,180
1937	1,396
1938	1,556
1939	1,680
1940	1,742
1941	1,997
1942	2,100
1943	2,186
1944	2,366
1945	2,512
1946	2,638
1947	3,300
1948	3,906
1949	4,781

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True Love Evidently Keeps On Bleeding

DARLINGTON, ENGLAND — (AP) — Baker John Naughton wonders whether a customer of his patched it up with her boy friend or just forgot about him. The customer

is a pretty girl about 22—walked into Naughton's shop and placed

a rush order for a cake to give her estranged friend. She wanted it inscribed, "my true love lies bleeding."

Three weeks have passed, the cake has gone stale and she still hasn't come around to pick it up.

SNAKES EARN DOLLARS — (AP) — Snakes are big dollar-earners for South Africa. Collected from all parts of the Union, Rhodesia and South West Africa, the live reptiles are flown from Johannesburg to United States zoos and laboratories. Orders for thousands more puff adders, mambas and cobras worth \$8.40 each are rolling in.

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Dijon Policeman Whistles In Vain

DIJON — (AP) — When Claude Jacquemin, farm laborer, rode his bicycle home without a red rear light he really started something. The policeman, who whistled at him in vain, hailed him into court as being in control of a vehicle which failed to stop. The magistrate, ruling that "a bicycle is not a vehicle because it has no axle," released him.

The public prosecutor appealed against the decision and Jacquemin found himself in the Appeal Court here, listening while learned lawyers argued it out. In the end Jacquemin won. The Dijon Appeal Court decided that after all a bicycle was not a vehicle.

Host Of Daffodils To Bloom For Poet

COCKERMOUTH, ENGLAND — (AP) — A host of golden daffodils such as poet William Wordsworth wrote about is expected to bloom here for the centenary of his death April 23.

School children planted more than 1,000 daffodil bulbs on vacant land overlooking the River Cocker in this Cumberland fishing village where Wordsworth was born.

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P-TA Units Look Forward To 50's

Looking forward to future years in which they will continue to serve the city and its children, Midland's six Parent-Teacher Associations have and will continue to work for the good of the community.

The six organizations affiliated with the City Parent-Teacher Council are: High School, Junior High School, West Elementary, North Elementary, South Elementary and Terminal.



Mrs. Bert Cole, Jr.
Their activities during the 1949-1950 year so far have included such things as establishing nurseries for use during school activities and P-TA meetings, setting up individual libraries in school rooms, adding to school libraries and giving funds to various other worthwhile activities. These projects are financed entirely by the Halloween Carnivals, held each year in the schools by the P-TA's City-Council.

Governing the activities of all Midland's P-TA's is the City Parent-Teacher Council with Mrs. Bert Cole, Jr. as its president. This group coordinates activities of the different organizations and plans the work on a city-wide level.

Other council officers are Mrs. Lynn Metcalfe, vice president; Mrs.

E. N. Spairs, secretary; and Mrs. Frank Stubbeman, treasurer. Standing committee chairmen are Mrs. H. C. Rowland, pre-school study group; Mrs. L. O. Byerley, character and spiritual development; Mrs. W. E. Crites, publicity; Mrs. H. L. Hoffman, health and Summer round-up; Mrs. Waldo Leggett, Founder's Day and state birthday; Mrs. Willard Bumpass, publications and Mrs. John McKinley, historian; Mrs. J. J. Black, ways and means; Mrs. Holt Jewell, Youth Center representative; and Mrs. Earl Chapman, legislation.

High School
Mrs. O. L. Stalcup is president of the High School P-TA. Its other officers are Mrs. M. B. Arick and Mrs. Roy Minear, vice presidents, Mrs. A. C. Castle, secretary, Mrs. R. E. Throckmorton, treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Studdert, parliamentarian; and Mrs. E. W. Anguish, historian and scrapbook.

Committees and their members are: membership, Mrs. Minear, Mrs. A. N. Griffith, Mrs. Sherwood O'Neal, Mrs. J. E. Beakey and Mrs. R. M. Payne; program, Mrs. Arick; carnival, Mrs. John P. McKinley; and Mrs. H. A. Shanks; publicity, Mrs. Harry Miller and Mrs. Frank Stubbeman; goals, Mrs. R. W. Patten; city council representative, Mrs. Studdert; publications, Mrs. C. M. Dunagan; Youth Center representative, Mrs. Chapman; yearbook, Mrs. McKinley; budget and projects, Mrs. R. L. Wood; and hospitality, Mrs. George Gibson.

Junior High
Mrs. Raymond Leggett is serving as president of the Junior High School P-TA. Mrs. J. J. Black and Mrs. J. H. McClure are vice presidents, Mrs. Lamar Lunt, secretary and Mrs. Walter Curran, treasurer.

Standing committees and their chairmen are program and yearbook, Mrs. Black; membership, Mrs. McClure; Youth Center delegate, Mrs. G. M. Stewart; scrapbook and publicity, Mrs. H. H. Redding; publications, Mrs. J. S. Griffith; historian, Mrs. Richard Hinkle; hospitality, Mrs. George Bennett, Mrs. Hamilton McRae and Mrs. E. H. Barron; health and safety, Mrs. Lee Flood; car-

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Blood Bank To Serve In Golden 50's



Expected to serve Midland and its area well during the Golden 50's is a Blood Bank which was established here last year, as the only one between Abilene and El Paso, Lubbock and San Angelo. The bank is located at the Western Clinic-Hospital. Shown is Dr. T. June Melton taking the first pint of blood from donor Neenie Ellis. Assisting the doctor is Registered Nurse Ruth McKinley and Laboratory Technician Floyd Rhoden. Midland veteran and civic organizations assisted in getting the bank started.

Discovery Of Diamond Coring Helped Industry

The discovery of diamond coring for oil well drilling companies has resulted in habitual practice by many operators desiring to obtain full core recovery for complete information on various horizons encountered.

The first actually successful diamond coring was performed in the Colorado Rangely Field in 1946 where formation conditions were proven ideal for diamond coring

methods. One of the principals in the diamond coring development, Robert W. Stuart, later started a company pioneering that method of exploration in West Texas, where

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Service Clubs Reflect Growth Of Midland

The story of Midland's progress up to the Golden Fifties might easily be reflected in the steady growth and development of the city's five service organizations. The Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, Junior Chamber of Commerce and Optimist clubs have all contributed to the welfare of Midland since their organization.

Midland May Be 'Bombed' In 1950

But don't be alarmed! An area close to Midland may be the target for frequent Air Force bombings in 1950.

Bombardiers aboard giant B-36 bombers from Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth are keeping their eyes sharp and their bomb-sights in order by dropping practice bombs on targets located about 35 miles south of Midland.

The Midland County target is situated at 35 miles south on the V. T. Tipton place. The Upton County target is located 35 miles southeast. A maintenance crew of four men from Carswell AFB reside in Midland and maintain the targets. The giant bombers fly over at an altitude of about 40,000 feet and dip to 30,000 before dropping the bomb. Accuracy is the objective of the bombings and the targets appear to be about the size of pin points at 30,000 feet altitude.

organized in 1928, have stood for more than 20 years as bulwarks for the betterment of Midland. The Jaycees, Kiwanis and Optimists all have been of valuable service to the community since their organization.

Rotary Club
Organized in January, 1928, with 24 charter members, Rotary Club members have worked diligently to see their chapter of Rotary International grow. More than 100 members currently are carried on the organization's rolls and their service, both as Rotarians and as individuals, speaks for the progress of Midland during the last 22 years.

Among the major projects of the Rotary Club for the current year is the further development and improvement of the Boy Scout hut, located on Maiden Lane. The hut was moved to its present site in 1949 through personal donations by Rotarians and now stands ready to serve the youth of Midland. The Rotary Club has invited other civic organizations to use the building at appointed times for the benefit of the city's youth.

The Rotary Club each year makes loans to advanced college students who need financial aid in order to further their education. Three loans were made in 1949. Sponsoring of livestock for a Midland County youth to enter in competitive feeding, and judging is another annual project of the Rotarians.

Hilton Kaderli is president of the Rotary Club. Other officers include James T. Smith, vice president; the Rev. W. R. Mann, secretary-treasurer, and Frosty Barnett, sergeant-at-arms.

membership of more than 240 members. Principal service of the Lions group has centered around its sight conservation program.

Primary function of the sight program is to give eye treatment to the youth of Midland. Through the club's service hundreds of children in the vicinity have received eye treatment and have been fitted for glasses.

One of the main attractions of the Lions Club is its orchestra which was the official Texas orchestra at the Lions International Convention in New York City in 1948. In October, 1949, the orchestra traveled to Gonzales to perform for polio victims at the Warm Springs Foundation. The band plans to attend the 1950 Lions International convention in Chicago.

The Lions Club has sponsored a Boy Scout troop in Midland for several years and also has carried out work among Cub Scouts. The Lions' acts of charity in Midland have been many during its 22 years of service to the community.

Roy Minear is current president of the organization. He succeeded the Rev. Clyde Lindale who is a member of the board of directors. Vice presidents are C. E. Pritchard.

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Midlanders Invest Million Dollars In U. S. Savings Bonds

Midland County citizens invested \$1,029,252.50 in U. S. Savings Bonds during 1949 and probably will buy more in the Golden 50's.

The 1949 mark of over one million dollars is compared with \$1,331,077.25 in 1948.

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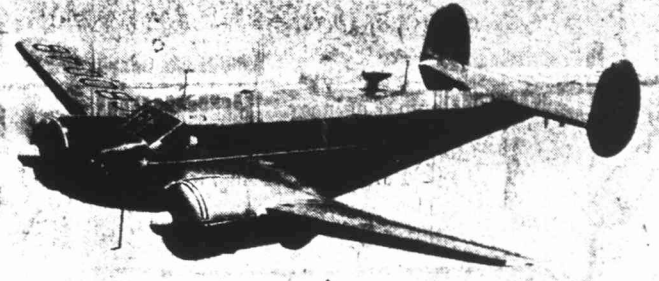
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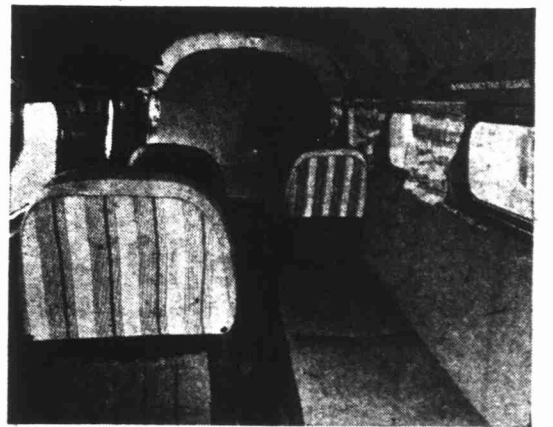
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vaped formational conditions poses a great number of new problems.

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As a result of the complete cores provided through the use of diamond coring equipment, geologists and production engineers have obtained a knowledge of the true formational conditions which exist in the Permian Basin.

Public Servants Of The Golden 50's Will Join Long Midland County List

It is not known who will be Midland County's officials in the Golden 50's, but those who have served are recorded in history of more than 60 years.

Here are the officials who have served in the election results by years:

1889 — E. B. Lancaster, judge; Theo Ray, sheriff; A. B. Rountree, clerk; J. P. Colom, treasurer; T. M. Waddell, assessor; J. W. Moseley, attorney.

1890 — A. B. Rountree, judge (he defeated Lancaster, 189 to 128); O. B. Holt, clerk; Theo Ray, sheriff; J. A. Johnson, assessor; J. B. Colom, treasurer.

1892 — A. B. Rountree, judge; W. D. Allison, sheriff; O. B. Holt, clerk; Warren Pemberton, assessor; J. P. Colom, treasurer; H. E. Crowley, attorney.

New Judge In '94

1894 — E. R. Bryan, judge; W. J. Moseley, attorney; O. B. Holt, clerk; W. D. Allison, sheriff; J. P. Colom, treasurer; J. A. Johnson, assessor.

1896 — E. R. Bryan, judge; W. J. Moseley, attorney; C. R. Fuller, clerk; W. D. Allison, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1898 — E. R. Bryan, judge; R. H. Zane, attorney; C. B. McGonagill, clerk; H. R. Wells, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor.

1900 — L. M. Murphy, judge; D. T. Thomas, attorney; C. B. McGonagill, clerk; J. E. Crockett, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1902 — L. M. Murphy, judge; C. C. Watson, attorney; C. B. McGonagill, clerk; Frank Shelton, sheriff; I. H. Bell, treasurer; J. A. Johnson, assessor.

1904 — L. M. Gibbs, judge; J. W. Moffett, attorney; F. S. Thurston, clerk; J. W. Taylor, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor; W. A. Holloway, treasurer.

1906 — Charles Gibbs, judge; J. W. Moffett, attorney; F. S. Thurston, clerk; J. W. Taylor, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor; W. A. Holloway, treasurer.

1908 — Charles Gibbs, judge; G. B. Smedley, attorney; W. J. Sparks, clerk; W. R. Beverly, sheriff; J. W. Taylor, assessor; W. A. Holloway, treasurer.

1910 — J. H. Knowles, judge; W. P. Brady, attorney; W. J. Sparks, clerk; W. R. Beverly, sheriff; J. W. Taylor, assessor; W. A. Holloway, treasurer.

1912 — H. Knowles, judge; W. E. Allen, attorney; W. J. Sparks, clerk; W. E. Bradford, sheriff; W. G. Pemberton, assessor; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1914 — Earl Anderson, judge; J. M. DeArmond, attorney; W. J. Sparks, clerk; W. E. Bradford, sheriff; J. E. Crockett, collector; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1916 — J. M. DeArmond, judge; B. Frank Haag, attorney; W. J. Sparks, clerk; W. E. Bradford, sheriff; J. E. Crockett, assessor; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1918 — J. M. DeArmond, judge; B. Frank Haag, attorney; W. E. Bradford, sheriff; C. B. Dunagan, clerk; J. E. Crockett, assessor; I. H. Bell, treasurer.

1920 — J. M. DeArmond, judge; B. Frank Haag, attorney; C. B. Dunagan, clerk; Newmie W. Ellis, assessor; Brooks W. Lee, treasurer.

1922 — Charles L. Klaproth, judge; Oliver W. Fannin, attorney; A. C. Francis, sheriff; C. B. Dunagan, clerk; N. W. Ellis, assessor; B. W. Lee, treasurer.

1924 — Charles L. Klaproth, judge; O. W. Fannin, attorney; C. B. Dunagan, clerk; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Ed Dozier, assessor; Mrs. Mary L. Quinn, treasurer.

1926 — M. R. Hill, judge; C. W. Tate, attorney; J. L. Shelburne, clerk; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Ed Dozier, assessor; Mrs. Mary L. Quinn, treasurer.

1928 — M. R. Hill, judge; Samuel K. Wasaff, attorney; A. C. Francis, sheriff; N. D. Statton, assessor; Mrs. Mary L. Quinn, treasurer; J. L. Shelburne, clerk.

1930 — M. R. Hill, judge; A. C. Francis, sheriff; T. D. Kimbrough, attorney; Susie G. Noble, clerk; Neal D. Statton, assessor; Mrs. Mary L. Quinn, treasurer.

More Changes

1932 — E. H. Barron, judge; Walter K. Wilson, attorney; J. H. Fine, assessor; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Susie G. Noble, clerk; Mary L. Quinn, treasurer.

1934 — E. H. Barron, judge; Walter K. Wilson, attorney; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Susie G. Noble, clerk; Mary L. Quinn, treasurer.

1936 — E. H. Barron, judge; Merritt F. Hines, attorney; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Susie G. Noble, clerk; Lois Patterson, treasurer.

1938 — E. H. Barron, judge; Merritt F. Hines, attorney; A. C. Francis, sheriff; Susie G. Noble, clerk; J. O. Noble, assessor; Lois Patterson, treasurer.

1940 — E. H. Barron, judge; M. F. Hines, attorney; Ed Darnell, sheriff; J. H. Fine, assessor-collector; Lois Patterson, treasurer; Susie G. Noble, clerk.

1942 — E. H. Barron, judge; Joe Mims, attorney; Ed Darnell, sheriff; J. H. Fine, assessor-collector; Lois Patterson, treasurer.

1944 — E. H. Barron, judge; Joe Mims, attorney; Susie G. Noble, clerk; Ed Darnell, sheriff; J. H. Fine, assessor-collector; Lois Patterson, treasurer.

1946 — Clifford C. Keith, judge; Joe Mims, attorney; J. H. Fine, assessor-collector; Lucille Johnson, clerk; Mrs. Minnie Dozier, treasurer; Ed Darnell, sheriff.

1948 — Clifford C. Keith, judge; Joe Mims, attorney; J. M. Speed, assessor-collector; Lucille Johnson, clerk; Minnie Dozier, treasurer; Ed Darnell, sheriff.

Service Clubs Reflect—

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led by Frank Monroe, was adopted by the state.

Dr. Dyer is president of the JayCees. Frank Hawk and Johnny Rhoden are vice presidents; Cliff Hogue is treasurer and Luke Browning is secretary. Current membership of the JayCees is 120.

Optimist Club

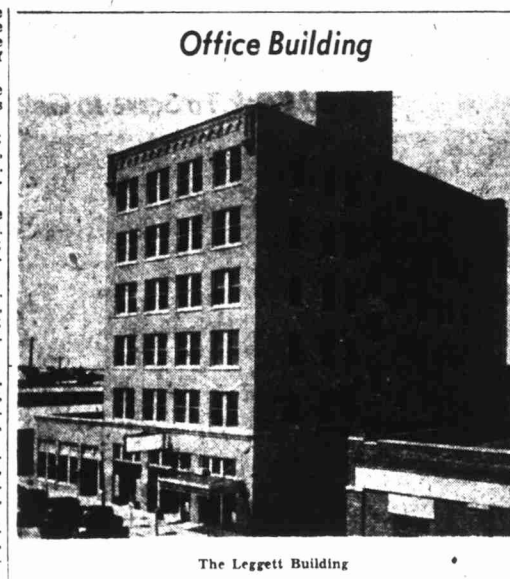
The Optimist Club, newest of Midland's service organizations, received its charter in April, 1949. Current membership of the Optimist group is about 65.

W. P. Z. German, Jr., president of the club, will be succeeded in April by V. H. (Pete) Van Horn. Jack Chase, Ted Witte and Dick McKnight will become vice presidents. Cliff Torgeson, the organization's first secretary - treasurer, recently was selected for a second year as was the Rev. Francis Taylor, chaplain. Dave Cole will succeed James Veivin as sergeant-at-arms.

With the motto "Friend to the Boy," Optimists have gone forward in promoting the welfare of Midland's youth. Recently the group has participated in the March of Dimes drive and has helped put over other worthy projects.

Boy Scout Council Headquarters Here

Buffalo Trail Council Headquarters, with P. V. Thorton as executive, were moved to Midland early in January of 1947 from Sweetwater. An era of great activity for the West Texas area served by the Midland headquarters is forecast for the 50's.



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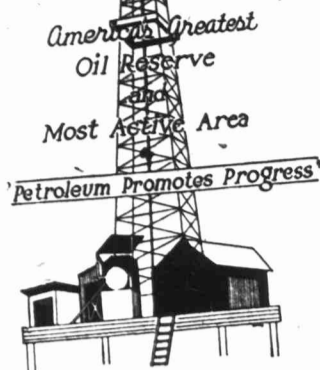
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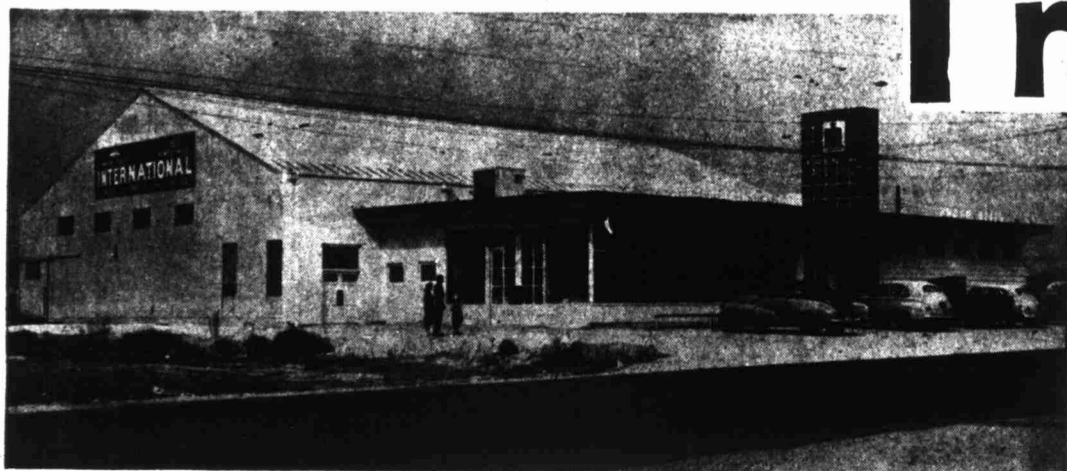
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LOOK FORWARD TO GOLDEN 50'S—

Boy Scouts Organization Has Pride In 40 Years Of Scouting

The Boy Scouts of America look forward to great strides in the Golden 50's with pride in reflection of accomplishments in 40 years of Scouting.

A "good turn" by an unidentified British Boy Scout in 1909 to an American businessman who had lost his way in a London fog, led to the incorporation of the Boy Scouts of America in Washington, D. C., 40 years ago.

The late William D. Boyce, Chicago publisher, was so impressed

with the helpfulness of the British Boy Scout, who declined his tip for the "good turn," that he accompanied the Scout to the office of Sir (later Lord) Robert Baden-Powell, founder of Scouting, learned about the program and brought a trunkful of pamphlets to America. Later, he incorporated the organization.

On June 21, 1910, a group of men representing 36 national groups interested in youth, started developing the organization and opened a temporary office in New York City.

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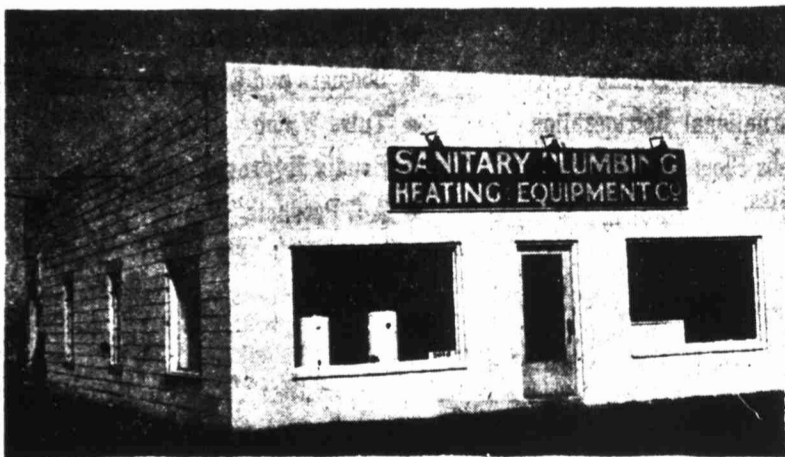
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From that modest beginning the Boy Scouts of America has grown in four decades until now it has an active enrollment of over 2,300,000 boys and adult leaders. Since 1910 more than 16,500,000 American boys and men have subscribed to the Scout Oath and Law.

President Taft became Honorary President of the new organization and at his invitation the first annual meeting of the National Council was held in 1911 in the White House. His successors in the White House have served as Honorary Presidents, and all showed great interest in Scouting.

Colin H. Livingston of Washington, D. C., became the first President, an office he held until 1925. Daniel Carter Beard was National Scout Commissioner, a post in which he served until his death in 1941, shortly before his 91st birthday.

James E. West, a young attorney of Washington, D. C., accepted the invitation to be the administrative officer of the organization. Dr. West opened the first National Scout Office at 200 Fifth Avenue, New York, on January 2, 1911, with seven employees. Sixteen years later larger quarters were required and the National Office was moved to its present location at 2 Park Avenue, New York.

Baden-Powell made a tour of the United States in September 1910 explaining the program wherever he went. His timely visit gave great impetus to the organization work.

The first of many National "Good Turns" came in 1912 when Boy Scouts promoted a campaign for a safe and sane Fourth of July. Scouts rendered valuable service at Gettysburg, Pa., in 1913, aiding the Civil War veterans who gathered for the fiftieth anniversary of the famous battle there.

Although a young organization, its members gave a good account of themselves rendering aid in the Spring floods in Ohio and Indiana. This and other civic service led Congress in 1916, to grant the organization a Federal Charter which gives special protection to the name, insignia, terminology. Another Act of Congress protects the Scout Uniform.

Service In World War I
The Boy Scouts of America placed their full resources at the service of the government in 1917 when this country entered the first World War. Then began a tremendous demonstration of boy-power, trained and organized for service. Scouts sold \$250,977 Liberty Loan Bonds totaling \$147,876.92; War Stamps to a value of \$53,043,698; located 20,758,660 board feet of walnut and the equivalent of a hundred carloads of fruit pits used in gas masks. Over 30,000,000 pieces of government literature were distributed. Service in other ways included food and fuel conservation and the growing of thousands of Boy Scout War Gardens. The active membership at the close of the first decade, December 31, 1919 was 462,060 Scouts and leaders.

The Second Decade: 1920-1929
The First World Scout Jamboree was held in England in July 1920. It attracted Scouts from 37 countries including 301 Scouts and 55 adult leaders from the United States. Since then the Boy Scouts

of America had a prominent part in furthering world-wide aspect of Scouting.

Scouts served as aides and guides at the Limitation of Arms Conference in 1921. Outstanding civic service included forest conservation and assistance at the Knickerbocker Theatre disaster at Washington, D. C., and floods at Pueblo, Colo., and San Antonio, Texas.

In 1923 the Lone Scouts of America, comprised of mostly rural boys, merged with the Boy Scouts of America. Where there are insufficient boys in rural areas to form a Scout Unit, a boy may become a Lone Scout, carrying on his program with the aid of an adult friend and counselor. There are several thousand such members today.

In 1922 the Boy Scouts International Bureau was established in London. Today there are 46 Boy Scout Associations registered by the Boy Scouts International Bureau with a total membership in 1948 of 4,306,010 boys and adult leaders.

The Scout Jamboree in 1924 brought 6,000 Scouts in a camp outside Copenhagen, Denmark, with 86 Scouts from the United States. The Third World Jamboree marked the Coming of Age of Scouting in 1929. It was the largest encampment held to date with 50,000 Scouts at Birkenhead, England, with 1,300 Scouts and leaders from the United States.

Service In Disasters
In 1925 Scouts gave outstanding aid in the Illinois tornado, California earthquake and Louisiana fire, and the following year in the Florida hurricane and the Arkansas flood.

President Coolidge shared in the presentation of the first of the annual Silver Buffalo Awards "for distinguished service to boyhood."

A big Scout adventure came in 1937 when eight Chicago Sea Scouts sailed with the Borden-Field Museum Arctic Expedition, north of Bering Sea. The following year Commander Byrd took a Sea Scout, Paul A. Siple of Erie, Pa., on his first Antarctic expedition and in 1928 three Eagle Scouts accompanied the Martin Johnsons on a safari in Africa.

The second decade closed December 31, 1929, with an active enrollment of 833,897 Scouts and leaders.

The Third Decade: 1930-1939
In March 1930 President Hoover launched a development program at a dinner in Washington attended by Cabinet officers, which commemorated the 20th anniversary. The Cub Scout program for boys of pre-Scout age was launched that year. In 1932 the Ten Year Program of growth was started, seeking to enroll at least one boy of every four, keeping them in Scouting at least four years. That year Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff presented to the organization the Mortimer L. Schiff Scout Reservation at Mendham, N. J., as its national training center in honor of her son, a national leader in the movement for over two decades, and President at the time of his death in 1931.

An American contingent of 406 Scouts and leaders attended the 4th World Scout Jamboree in Gollolo, Hungary in 1933 which brought 21,000 Scouts together from 46 countries. Scouts rendered outstanding service in relief work throughout the depression. The radio call from President Roosevelt on Feb. 10, 1934, for a "National Good Turn" resulted in the collection of 1,812,284 items of clothing, household furnishings, foodstuffs and other supplies for the needy and distressed.

In 1935 when the 25th anniversary was observed, the membership passed the one million mark. The ten millionth copy of the "Handbook for Boys" was presented to President Roosevelt at the White House in 1936. He was the first to become President with a record as an active Scout Leader, having served as a founder and President of the Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York, and member of the Troop Committee of the Warm Springs, Ga., troop. **First National Jamboree**

At the invitation of President Roosevelt the Boy Scouts of America held its first National Jamboree in Washington, D. C., in the Summer of 1937, with 27,232 Scouts and leaders camping on both banks of the Potomac River. From this camp an American Contingent of 814 Scouts and leaders went to Vozelzang, The Netherlands for the Fifth World Jamboree.

While long-term and short-term camping has been a feature of Scouting since its earliest days, this activity received new impetus in 1938 by the gift made by Waite Phillips of the Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, New Mexico, where each Summer hundreds of seasoned Scout campers go for rugged Rocky Mountain camping experiences.

Several thousand Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts rendered valiant aid during the New England hurricane in September, 1938.

In 1939 and 1940 Boy Scouts rendered notable service to officials at the Golden Gate Exposition and at the New York World's Fair. At the latter, Scouts lived in their own camp adjacent to the Federal Building.

The third decade's close saw the active membership on Dec. 31, 1939, at 1,387,993 boys and leaders. **The Fourth Decade: 1940-1949**

In 1940 the Emergency Service Corps plan was adopted for older Scouts. Methods of mobilizing Senior Scouts to render aid in times of disasters, and severe storms were developed. The entire resources of the Boy Scouts of America were placed at the service of the government with the declaration of war. Boy Scouts in Honolulu and Pearl Harbor rendered valiant services immediately following the Pearl Harbor attack.

It is estimated that over four million men in the Armed Forces were once Boy Scouts or leaders. During the war years Scout service included the distribution of Defense Bonds and Stamps Posters, air raid posters and other government literature; collection of aluminum, waste paper and rubber. They served as Government Dispatch Bearers and helped harvest crops in addition to raising victory gardens.

Sixty-nine requests by the gov-

ernment from 1941 to 1945 for Boy Scout war service were received. The World Friendship Fund from voluntary gifts of Scouts and leaders to help restore Scouting in the war torn nations was inaugurated. The Fund, since 1944, has made available funds, totalling over \$180,000.

In 1943 Dr. James E. West, having served as Chief Scout Executive for 32 years, became the Chief Scout and Dr. Elbert K. Pretwell became Chief Scout Executive for five and a half years, until September, 1948, when Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, assumed the duties of the highest administrative office in the movement.

Walter W. Head of St. Louis, who served as President of the National Council from 1926 to 1946 was succeeded by Amory Houghton of Corning, N. Y.

During 1947 the basic requirements were realigned, tested and authorized, putting equal emphasis on Scout spirit, participation and Scoutcraft or skills. In 1949 in line with other progressive moves, the entrance ages were lowered by one year as follows: Cub Scouting to 8 years of age; Boy Scouting to 11 years of age and Exploring for young men beginning at 14.

The Sixth World Jamboree, first since 1937, brought together 32,000 Scouts from 38 countries to France in the Summer of 1947 with the United States Contingent including

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Hey Kids, He's Due In 1950



Santa Claus, the beloved old gentleman with the whiskers, annually brought to Midland to open the Christmas shopping season, is due for return in 1950. The JayCees bring him. Here is a scene from one of his recent appearances. Thousands have seen Santa Claus in the Midland parade and more thousands are due to see him again in 1950. He's a regular.

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Unprecedented New Mexico Oil Activity To Continue, Predicts Oil, Gas Journal

TULSA—A detailed record of what happened in the oil industry in New Mexico during 1949 and a prediction of the exploration and development drilling to be conducted during the current year is given in the annual review and forecast issue of The Oil and Gas Journal, published here recently.

New Mexico produced 48,013,000 barrels of crude petroleum during 1949, compared with 47,969,000 barrels in 1948, and 40,926,000 barrels in 1947. As of Jan. 1, 1950 the state had 5,657 producing oil wells, with an average yield of 23.3 barrels per day. The national average was 12 barrels per well per day.

A total of 501 new wells with a combined footage of 2,419,000 feet were completed in New Mexico during 1949, the Journal reported. Of this number, 74 were wildcats, resulting in 14 oil producers, three gas wells, and 37 dry holes. Development

Altrusa Club Of Midland Has Long-Range Projects

Established firmly among the women's organizations of Midland, the Altrusa Club in its second year is choosing long-range projects and adding to its membership from women in the professions or in executive positions of the business world.

Of immediate interest to the club members is the promised visit to Midland on May 8 of Willie Walker, governor of Seventh District Altrusa Clubs, who will come from Texarkana on a tour of Texas clubs. Midland members who met her when she attended a district convention at Shreveport, La. last fall will greet her and introduce her to others in the club.

During its first year, 1948-49, Altrusans did not select a major project, but contributed to the Midland Woman's Club Building fund and carried out a number of small

Show Encourages Livestock Industry

Ranching in Midland County, which until the advent of oil was the No. 1 industry, still holds an important place and the livestock produced in this area rates among the finest produced anywhere.

The Midland Livestock Show has contributed greatly to the encouragement of fine stock and this year's show promises to be the most successful in its history.

Even greater shows are promised during the coming years of the Golden Fifties.

Officers for the show this year, which is to be held March 6 and 7, are as follows:

A. G. Bohannon, president; R. L. Miller, vice president; Charles Green, secretary; Kip Carson, treasurer; R. C. Vest, Jr., recording secretary, and Les Floyd, general superintendent.

Committees Listed

Committees are as follows: Club cat division—Raymond McCarter, chairman; Dick Midkiff and Glenn Drake.

Fat barrow division—Kelley Lovellen, chairman; Eugene Jones, and I. J. Howard.

Fat lamb division—Warren Skaggs, chairman; Charlie Cox and M. A. Roberts.

Publicity—Delbert Downing, chairman; Bill Collins, J. M. Mc-

Donald, Jim Kelly and Bill Moore.

Finances—Forrest King, chairman; Tom Sloan, Les Floyd, Ben Danby and Harry Bedford.

Sales—Sam Preston, chairman; Bob Hill, George Glass, Harris Eastham, Andrew Faska and Percy Bridgewater.

Prizes—Retail Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Rules and Regulations

Following are rules and regulations:

1. Entry in the show will be limited to the following counties: Martin, Upton, Glasscock, Midland, and the counties served by the county agent of Ector County.
2. All animals shall be weighed, entered and in the barn by 4 p.m. Sunday, March 6, with a period of grace for entries coming from other shows.
3. The show reserves to the show committee the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with or incident to the show.
4. All calves entered in the dry lot division must have been taken off their mothers or nurse cows by Nov. 1, 1949.
5. All calves entered in the show must have been born after Sept. 1, 1948, and prior to September 1, 1949.
6. Classes will be provided for dry lot fed and milk fed calves.
7. All animals exhibited in the show must be owned by a regular enrolled 4-H Club or vocational agriculture member. He must have personally fed and tended to his animals, under the supervision of the county agent, a staff member of the extension service or a teacher of vocational agriculture.
8. All lambs or hogs entered in the show must have been owned by the exhibitor since Dec. 1, 1949.
9. Date of the show is March 6, 1950, and the sale will be March 7, 1950.
10. Judging for the Midland Livestock Show will begin at 9 a.m., March 6. Judging for the district show will begin at 1 p.m., March 6.
11. All protests must be made in writing to the show committee and accompanied by \$15. If the protest is proved, the money will be returned to the one making the protest. If the protest is not proved, the money goes into the general show fund.
12. All sheep entered in the show must be wether lambs of either fine wool or fine wool cross breeding. Southdown excluded. Only first crosses in cross breeds will be shown. A lamb to be eligible for the show must retain all of his lamb teeth.
13. All hogs entered in the show must be top market hogs and shall weigh 160 pounds to 325 pounds.
14. Competent judges have been secured for the placing of all animals and the judges' decision is final in the placing of all animals in the show.
15. A sifting committee will examine all animals in the show and animals unworthy of exhibition must be removed from the barn by 8 a.m., March 6.
16. All animals must be shown by the owner except when a boy has more than one entry in a class or cannot be present to show his animal. In these cases any other 4-H Club or vocational agriculture student taking part in the show may show the animals.
17. An auction sale will be held. The sale will be handled by the Midland Livestock Auction and Commission Company. There will be a standard charge on the different kinds of animals and it will be optional whether the owner sell or not. Buyers will be entitled a three per cent shrink from the official sale weights.
18. Stalls will be assigned by the superintendent.
19. Prize money will be awarded.

Child Welfare Plans Solid; Progress Is Expected in 50's

Preparation made by leaders in child welfare here during the early forties undoubtedly will pay off in good citizens when children of those years become adults in the Golden 50's.

One of many public panel discussions on improving conditions for children was held in November, 1946, with District Judge Cecil C. Collins, Elliott H. Barron, Mrs. George P. Putnam and other speakers.

The theme of the program was "The Child Challenges the Community." The event was sponsored by the Midland County Child Welfare unit.

Boy Scouts—

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1,151 Scouts and leaders.

In February 1948 and February 1949 President Truman received twelve outstanding Boy Scouts in the White House who presented to him a "Report to the Nation" of 8-out services to communities throughout the nation. It included everything from simple usher service at charity entertainments to aiding blood banks, traffic surveys and collecting millions of pounds of food for the hungry here and abroad.

In February 1949 the organization launched its two-year crusade to "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" to give more boys a richer experience in Scouting through better trained adult volunteer leaders. The climax of the Crusade is to be the second National Scout Jamboree. It will bring 40,000 Scouts and leaders to historic Valley Forge, Pa. next June 30 to July 6 to camp together with Scouts of other lands. As the fourth decade came to a close on December 31, 1949, the membership exceeded 2,300,000 boys and leaders.

BIRD PAINTER

The satin bowerbird of Australia first constructs an elaborate nest and then paints the inside of it. It crushes fruit with its bill, and uses its bill to smear the juice on sticks lining the inside of the bower.

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Plymouth Moved Here in 1936

Plymouth Oil Company first moved to Midland in 1936 with H. M. Nielson as first district manager here.

W. D. Lane, an employe of Plymouth for several years, became the new manager in 1945, succeeding Nielson.

Plymouth's offices now are located in the McClintic building.

Canada and the U. S. consume 244 pounds of wood fiber per capita annually.



Grace Wallace

Stanolind Has Faith In Basin

Indicative of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company's interest in the Midland area and the Permian Basin is the office building which the company built here in 1948. The building is headquarters for scores of exploration and production employes working in and out of the city.

Stanolind and its predecessor companies have maintained offices in Midland since 1928 when the Southern Crude Oil Purchasing Company opened an office. When Stanolind was formed in 1931, the office was transferred for a time to San Angelo where it was combined with the Dixie Oil Company, Inc., office located there in March, 1933. Stanolind again returned to Midland and has maintained offices here since that time.

local projects. Since the beginning of this season they have been studying proposed projects and have launched two which they hope to continue.

One is a Vocational Information Club for high school girls, at which Midland women in various professions and types of business discuss their work with the girls and answer questions with the purpose of aiding the students in choosing careers. Willie Harding, club chairman of vocational information, is in charge and speakers are club members and guests. This group has been growing since its organization a few weeks ago.

Library Assistance

Another is assistance to the Midland Public Library, and a club committee is drafting plans for that program now.

The club found there is a need for aid to many patients who are admitted to the state tuberculosis sanatorium, who lack the personal items, clothing and toilet articles which patients are expected to provide for themselves. Members voted to supply those items for needy patients from Midland County.

Gifts were sent at Christmas from club members to a Korean woman who is a graduate student in nursing and hospital supervision at Vanderbilt University, studying on a scholarship from Altrusa Clubs of the district. This project was in charge of Ada Phillips, international relations chairman, who also is corresponding with a student in Mexico.

Grace Wallace is president of the club this year, succeeding Katherine Shriver, who was elected when the group organized. Estella Brown is vice president; Lucy Mashburn, recording secretary; Bertie Boone, corresponding secretary; and Laura Jesse, treasurer. Directors are Mrs. Shriver, Mrs. Phillippe, Maurine Mims, Geraldine Simmons and Sue Coleman.

Committees Listed

The vice president serves as program coordinator. Assisting Mrs. Phillips on the international relations committee are Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Mashburn. The treasurer is a member of the finance committee, of which Minta Humphrey is chairman and Nettie C. Romer, the third member.

Mrs. Mims is membership chairman, with Linnie B. Davidson and Erma Mancill on her committee. Addille Penn and Adell Vosatko form the public relations committee; Lucile Carroll and Mrs. Shriver the committee on Altrusa information; Hilda Blair Ray and Anna I. Graham the committee on constitution and by-laws; DeAlva Brewer, Kay Williams and Dick Looby the extension committee; Fay Gwyn and Elma Graves the classification committee.

We Help The Permian Basin To GOOD HEALTH

AND MANY HAVE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND GOTTEN WELL... AS HAVE THE FOLLOWING:



DR. C. L. BRADY

- CASE NO. 213
Man, age 22, had paralysis of the muscles of the left foot. Ankle and over toes was numb and he was unable to flex ankle normally. He entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic March 8, 1949. An examination was made and pressure was found on the nerves controlling the foot muscles.
On May 18, after Chiropractic care, patient reported foot action normal and all numbness gone.
- CASE NO. 54
Woman, age 57, had headaches, throbbing over temples and was troubled with tired, aching feeling in neck. She had gas on the stomach, poor kidney action, fluttering of the heart, poor appetite and weak eyes. She had been constipated all her life. Patient entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic on March 25, 1947.
Since Chiropractic service was started, all her health troubles have cleared up. She says, "The last few months I have felt better than I ever have before."
- CASE NO. 215
Woman, age 35, had colds continually, was tired and run-down. She had had headaches all her life and was troubled for the past five years. She also had a nagging pain between her shoulders. She entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic on March 10, 1949.
After Chiropractic care and necessary adjustments she reports "feeling fine."
- CASE NO. 142
Woman, age 33, was tired and worn out, nervous, and her eyes blurred and the vision was shaky. She had severe headaches and neuritis in the shoulder region. She was troubled with constipation. She entered the Brady Chiropractic Clinic March 4, 1948.
After two weeks, the patient reported she was "feeling wonderful." She continued her Chiropractic service to completely correct the cause and was dismissed in June, 1949. She reports she is feeling fine!
- CASE NO. 189
Woman, age 26, weight 112, 5' 7" tall. She had low back ache, neck ache, recurring headaches, colitis with occasional severe pain in the lower back, constipation, lack of energy, nervousness and a vaginal discharge. She entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic November 24, 1948.
After her first adjustment she again returned on November 29 and reported that she was "feeling wonderful."
- CASE NO. 172
Man, age 61, had been suffering with his back since he was nearly crushed in an accident in 1915. His back gave him severe pain, was weak and ached. It was necessary for him to go to bed at times. He had tried other means of relief with no results. He entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic September 14, 1948.
Six months later, after complete Chiropractic care, he said, "I feel wonderful! I don't
- worry about my back at all now!"
- CASE NO. 186
Man, age 26, had recurring short spells of dizziness, headaches, and pains in the back. He was despondent, had no pep or energy, and was very nervous at times. He entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic October 29, 1948.
After a short period of Chiropractic care, this man reports that he is "feeling wonderful!"
- CASE NO. 175
Woman, age 28, entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic September 20, 1948. She had headaches, was extremely nervous and irritable and suffered pains in her neck and back. She tired very easily. She was troubled with occasional vomiting spells and dizziness with abdominal pain and spots before the eyes. A Chiropractic adjustment was given and only four weeks later she was "feeling fine." She continued Chiropractic service until completely well. She now reports, "I am not nervous or irritable any more... am feeling fine!"
- CASE NO. 250
Woman, age 40, had partial paralysis of the right wrist muscles and frequent headaches. She entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic on September 9. One month later, after Chiropractic care, she reports, "My wrist is almost normal and I can move it fine. I haven't been bothered with headaches, either."
- CASE NO. 227
Woman, age 23, tired and "all-ways sleepy." She had been troubled with headaches since 1944, her brain seemed foggy and she was absent-minded. She entered the Brady Chiropractic Clinic May 17, 1949. Her first adjustment was on May 18th. On May 21st the patient called to report "It feels wonderful to go to bed at night without a headache and get up in the morning without one... I've never felt so good in my life."
- CASE NO. 124
Man, age 48, had soreness and aching between the shoulders. He was troubled with numbness in his fingers and he had no pep or energy.
He entered Brady Chiropractic Clinic November 28, 1947, and was given his first adjustment December 8th. During a continued periodic checkup, the patient reported the numbness gone, back ache vanished, and he was feeling fine!

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SPINAL X-RAYS AND SPINAL ANALYSIS

Water Meters Gain From 840 To 4,500

A total of 4,500 water meters were in use in Midland at the close of 1949. This shows an increase of 550 over the 1948 total.

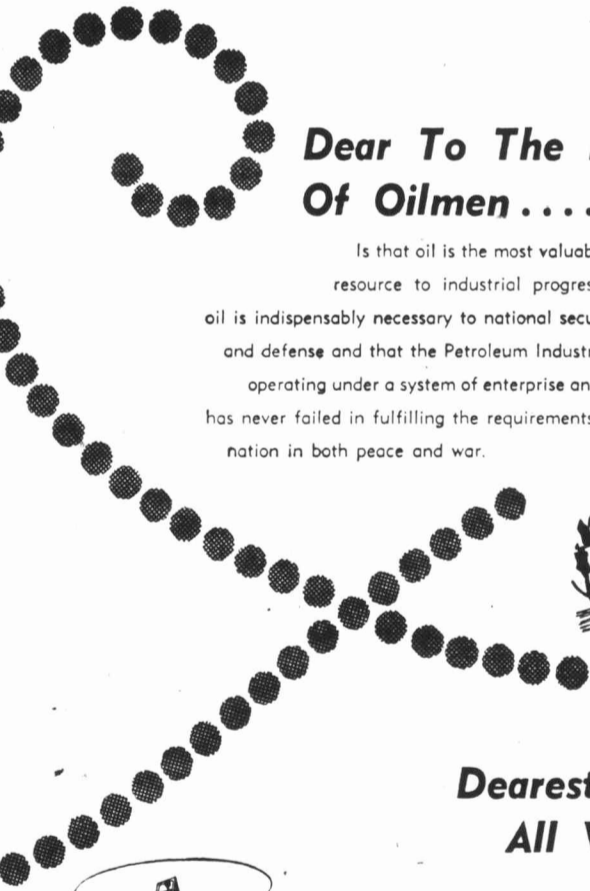
In 1932 there were only 840 meters in Midland. Since that time the steady growth of the city is reflected by the increase in water users. Biggest increase in meters was during 1947 when approximately 810 were added.

Here are the meter installations since 1931 by years:

Year	Meters
1931	850
1932	840
1933	864
1934	937
1935	1,007
1936	1,137
1937	1,237
1938	1,502
1939	1,694
1940	1,764
1941	1,878
1942	1,968
1943	2,085
1944	2,100
1945	2,578
1946	2,690
1947	3,500
1948	3,950
1949	4,500

WORK OF DEMONS

Even into the 18th century, the majority of the people of the world still believed that magic tricks were performed with the aid of demons, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.



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City Of Kermit Has Glowing Future

Capital Of Winkler County Is Modern, Progressive City

By MAUD GREEN
Kermit Correspondent for The Reporter-Telegram
KERMIT—When the twentieth century began Kermit could not look back on the years of its progress, neither could it look forward to a glowing future. When the twentieth century began Kermit hadn't even been born.

As the second half of the twentieth century begins, Kermit, after many ups and downs during the short time of its existence, has passed the sudden boom and expansion big oil development brings, and is looking forward to many years of solid, steady and substantial growth.

County seat of Winkler County, which was organized in 1910, long after many counties and cities already were well established and getting set in their ways, Kermit now stands proudly as one of the youngest, yet one of the most modern and progressive small cities in the vast area of West Texas.

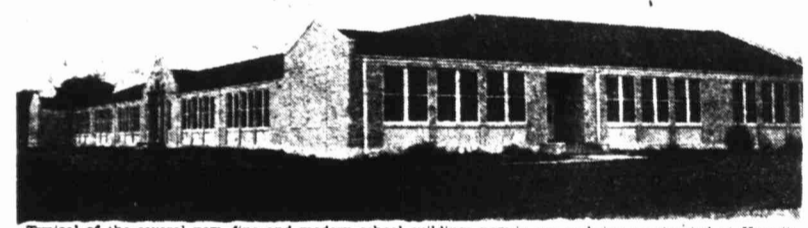
For many years Kermit's chief claim to distinction was that it was the county seat, an honor it held on to through rough and tumble efforts to move the county capital elsewhere.

When oil development first began in the county in the late 1920's, Kermit was in somewhat of a stepchild position—green gas grew all around, but was in other pastures.

Adequate Diet
 Since exploration and producing of deep oil began in 1944, mainly in the big multi-pay Keystone Field which almost laps into the north-east edge of town, Kermit has thrived and grown husky on the adequate diet the petroleum industry brings to all cities and counties.

As the last half of the 20th century began, Kermit was proudly bustling into the last and largest phase of a school expansion program equal to that of many larger cities. Construction of a million dollar high school building now is well under way, and when this building and those adjacent are completed, Kermit schools will boast one of the largest, most modern and best equipped school plants in the Southwest. Operating on a school district tax evaluation of over \$44,000,000, Kermit schools are among the richest and best equipped in the state.

Kermit Has Fine School Buildings



Typical of the several new, fine and modern school buildings now in use or being constructed at Kermit is this large and attractive Kermit elementary school building which was completed recently. A new high school plant, the last word in school facilities, now is under construction.

gan to be choosy about the type of homes they build, going in for more elaborate and substantial ones, and discarding the idea that, after all, a roof—even a sheet iron one—is a roof.

Business construction has been rapid and permanent. The New Year brought assurance of continued building for many months. Already announced for early construction are three new business buildings to be located around the courthouse square. Many new ones were completed in 1949, including one of the most important and appreciated, a larger Post Office.

Another 1950 project for Kermit is the new building recently started by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. This building and the installation of a dial system, plus cable extensions, will total approximately \$650,000. Plans have been announced to have the building and the dial system in operation late this year.

The fight for more and better highways will go on during the coming year. One outlet, which is of great importance to Kermit firms and their trade territory, soon will be completed. This is a direct road into the Dollard Field in Southwest Andrews County, where oil production and industrial building is underway.

Typical of the methods used by young towns when they really want to get something done was the way Kermit obtained the Dollard road. Since part of the route was in Andrews County, Winkler County could not spend funds to purchase the right-of-way out of the county. Kermit merchants and citizens donated several thousands dollars. Kermit Chamber of Commerce used the funds to purchase and now holds title to the vital two and one-half miles of out-of-county right-of-way which complete the link between the city and the activity in the big oil field.

Another era of Kermit's "growing up" was brought up to date last year with a paving program which hard surfaced a network of streets throughout the business and residential areas.

An important step in Kermit's development is the election in which qualified voters will decide whether to adopt a proposed home rule charter. Since its existence, Kermit's city government has been that of the general laws of the State, with the city governing body composed of a mayor and two councilmen.

Looks To Future
 Almost a year ago the present city commission declared the population over 5,000 and appointed a 15-man charter commission. This group of citizens recently submitted to the council the proposed charter, which provides for a mayor-council-city manager form of government.

The story of Kermit since it "got big enough" to be incorporated in 1938, only 12 years ago, puts it ahead of many older cities. Even so, there is more to the future than to the past, and when the last minute of the 20th Century ticks away, Kermit plans to look back and say, "We have come a long way in the century's last 50 years—a long, long way."

FOOLERS
 Culture pearls, true pearls that are started officially, cannot be distinguished from natural ones, even by X-ray, yet they are worth only a fraction as much.

Great Era Of Irrigation Is 50's Prospect
 First signs of wide spread irrigation which probably will be developed in the Midland area during the Golden 50's, came in October of 1946.

A well drilled on the Addison Wadley tract north of the city showed water in a potential for irrigation. Other wells confirmed the show.

Irrigation is developing greatly in northern Martin County and parts of Midland County now. During the Golden 50's it is expected to reach a maximum.

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Committeeman



Robert L. (Bob) Wood of Midland is on the executive committee of the Independent Petroleum Association of America. He is an independent oil operator.

STRONG SUNLIGHT
 American women require more cosmetics than Europeans because the brilliant sunlight of the Western continent tends to burn all the color out of the skin, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

A new power saw will cut 12-inch tree branches 15 feet above the ground.

Telephones In Cars To Be Widespread During Golden 50's

Use of radio-telephones in automobiles has grown steadily in the Permian Basin since the instrument's inauguration here in April, 1948.

The telephones, still used primarily by oil companies and other business concerns, will probably spread to personal and family use during the Golden Fifties.

Oil companies have found the radio-phones particularly adaptable in communicating with men in the fields. The phones allow incoming and outgoing calls and are easy to operate.

Transmitters for the phone exchange are set up in Odessa and Big Spring and calling and receiving calls is as easy as using a telephone at home.

All a person must do, in calling someone in the Midland area is contact either Big Spring or Odessa, give the operator the number you desire, and then let her do the rest. It's as simple as ABC.

IPAA President



J. E. (Ed) Warren of Midland is president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America. Warren is an independent oil and drilling operator.

Magnolia Operates In Area Since '23

Operation of the Magnolia Petroleum Company in the Permian Basin dates back to 1923 when the company made its first West Texas attempt in Mitchell County.

Since its 1923 beginning in West Texas Magnolia has helped pioneer the discovery of several new fields and has grown with Midland and the Permian Basin.

In 1947 Magnolia constructed a modern, three-story office building in Midland, permitting the company to centralize all its office personnel in the area.

Telephone Connections Increase

A total of 1,415 new telephones were installed in Midland during 1949, bringing the total in the city to 8,968. Increase in telephone connections reveals the steady growth of Midland.

In 1939 there were only 920 telephones in use in Midland. Since that time a steady increase has been noted.

Here are the number of connections since 1931, by years:

Year	Connections
1931	1,321
1932	1,053
1933	920
1934	856
1935	1,127
1936	1,328
1937	1,534
1938	2,081
1939	2,471
1940	2,683
1941	2,939
1942	3,197
1943	3,451
1944	3,709
1945	3,965
1946	4,221
1947	5,457
1948	7,263
1949	8,968

HELPLESS QUEEN

The termite queen is a giantess compared to other members of her kingdom. As she lies helplessly in her royal chamber, she is attended constantly by thousands of workers, which carry out the eggs, and feed and cleanse her, while soldier termites stand guard.

THE GOLDEN 50'S

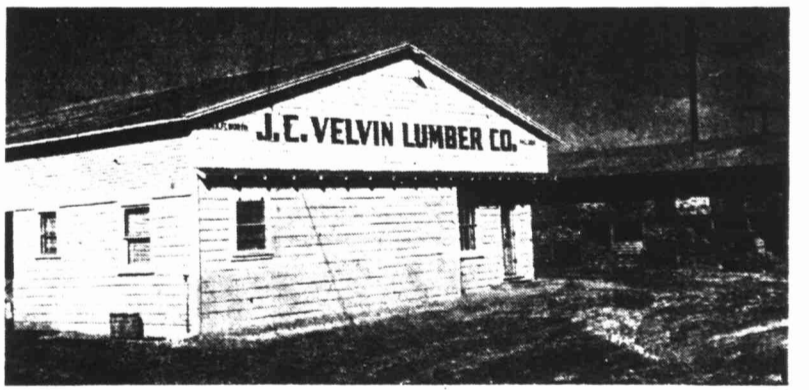
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And create an ever increasing demand for more housing, more office space and more commercial and industrial building in Midland. The oil business, with its allied industries, has been the dominant factor in Midland's progress for the past few years.

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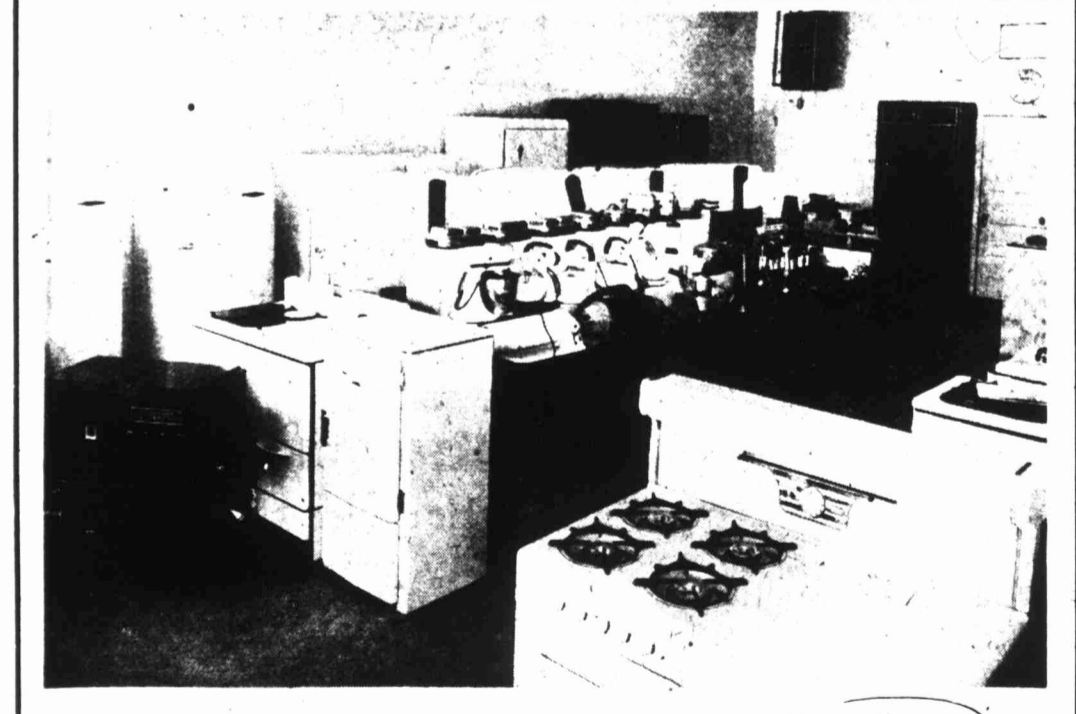
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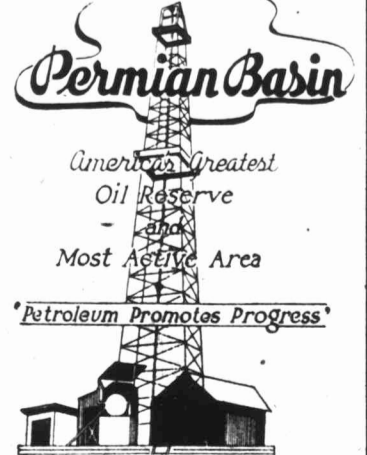


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Girl Scouts Proud Of Own New Home

A building of their own on a plot of land granted for their use by the City of Midland soon will be ready for occupancy by Girl Scouts of the city, to add impetus to a program which already is growing by leaps and bounds.

Achievement of their goal, a Little House to be used for troop meetings and special assemblies, is the accomplishment to which the Girl Scouts point most proudly this year, although their continued growth is another matter of pride, as is their part in conducting the first Summer camping season at Mitre Peak Camp.

Approximately 800 girls are registered now in 46 troops, an increase of 12 over the 34 active troops this time last year. Working with them are approximately 200 adults who are troop leaders, troop committee members and Girl Scout Association members.

Although it is called a Little House in accordance with National

Girl Scout tradition, the building which is under construction now is not small. It is a former Army barracks building which the association purchased from the Midland School Board and placed on a full block of land between D and E Streets on West Washington Street, a park plot which the city made available for Girl Scout use.

When remodeling is completed the building will have an assembly room, kitchen, troop meeting rooms, office for the area field director, leaders' office and library room, kitchen and storage rooms. A porch will extend across the front and the grounds will have a lawn, place for games, a large ceremonial fireplace and smaller fireplaces and barbecue pits for outdoor cooking.

Expanded Activities

Troops now meeting in schools, churches, homes and other places which were not planned for their use and which cannot meet their

needs, are anticipating more interesting programs and expanded activities with completion of the building.

Although meeting places have been difficult to find, the Girl Scout organization has continued its growth in recent years until now approximately half the girls of Scout age, seven to 18 years, are enrolled. There are active Brownie, Intermediate and Senior Troops, each with programs to fit the interest of the age groups.

Progress of the organization has been made possible in Midland by its adult framework. Work of the various troops in community service, handicraft, outdoor life and study, is coordinated through the Midland Girl Scout Association, made up of various committees and representatives of the troop leaders.

Mrs. R. E. Morgan has been elected to her second term as president of the association, and the other officers for 1950 are Mrs. W. W. Wilson, vice president; Mrs. W. E. Crites, secretary; Mrs. Charles Horton, treasurer, and Mrs. Don Johnson, registrar.

Standing Committees

Chairman of standing committees are Mrs. Vernon Bottoms, organization; Mrs. J. C. Rinker, training; Mrs. Henry Shaw, equipment; Mrs. Howard Ford, program; Mrs. J. J. Black, camp; Mrs. H. H. Redding, nominating.

Mrs. Robert M. Payne is chairman of the special committee on the Little House, serving her second year. Mrs. Leonard Thomas and Mrs. Stanley Erskine are co-chairmen of the Day Camp committee and Mrs. Herschel Ezell has been named director of the Day Camp for this Summer.

Mrs. I. A. Searles of Midland is field director for the Permian Basin Area Girl Scouts, a new position created in 1949 to expand the work she previously had done as voluntary trainer. She directs training for adult leaders over the area. Mrs. J. E. Starley of Pecos is area executive.

A new program for girls of the area in 1949 was the organized Summer camping season at Mitre Peak Camp near Alpine, which had

been purchased for Girl Scouts and still is being improved. Mrs. Black served as camp director for the successful first season and the girls are looking forward to an even better camp program next Summer.

Many new leaders were recruited in Midland this year to care for the added troops and to replace some who had left. Two training courses have been conducted by Mrs. Searles to prepare them for their work with the girls. A new type of organization for Leaders Clubs was started also, as an aid to the adult workers.

Leaders Clubs

Formerly, there was one Leaders Club for the entire city, but in the reorganization, one was formed for each school. Each has its officers, regular meeting schedule, and representative to the Girl Scout Association.

Mrs. Don Johnson is chairman of the Senior Leaders, and Mrs. M. B. Arick, organization chairman. Other leaders and assistant leaders of senior troops are Mrs. I. A. Searles, Mary Lynn Cliff, Mrs. Buster Charlton and Mrs. E. W. Anshul.

For the Junior High leaders, Mrs. Clyde Davidson is club chairman; Mrs. W. H. Carter, secretary; and Mrs. Black, organization chairman. The list of leaders there includes Mrs. Ford, Mrs. F. D. Heffen, Mrs. W. H. Carter, Mrs. A. L. Hayner, Mrs. Clifford Cool, Mrs. H. L. Hensley, Mrs. J. K. Redden, Mrs. David Breit, Mrs. W. T. Waters, Mrs. C. P. TenEyck and Mrs. E. R. Andrus.

Chairman of the club at North Elementary School is Mrs. R. R. O'Neil; Mrs. Charles Gibbs is secretary; Mrs. H. T. Brady, representative to the association; and Mrs. H. L. Huffman, organization chairman. Also enrolled in the Leaders Club are Mrs. William Maxwell, Mrs. C. H. Neuhardt, Mrs. J. C. Fogue, Mrs. Bill Glasscock, Mrs. Fred Wright, Mrs. R. E. L. Taylor, Mrs. A. T. Barrett, Mrs. Tommy Henderson, Mrs. Charles Gaylord, Mrs. W. E. Hofstra, Mrs. Velma Wright, Mrs. D. M. Aldridge, Mrs. R. C. Ruland, Mrs. Kurt Leiksch, Mrs. Bob Houghton and Mrs. C. C. Bowles.

South Elementary

Mrs. Fred Burleson is chairman of the South Elementary Leaders Club; Mrs. D. G. Dawkins, secretary; Mrs. C. O. Fredregill, association representative; and Mrs. Bill Roush, organization chairman. Others in the club are Mrs. Fred Brashers, Mrs. H. L. Helbert, Mrs. J. W. McKenzie, Mrs. F. W. Dyer, Mrs. Kirby Thompson, Mrs. L. D. Towry and Mrs. B. B. Leaton.

In the West Elementary Club, Mrs. Fred Speers is chairman; Mrs. Charles Horton, secretary; Mrs. R. L. Goss, association representative; and Mrs. Jack Moore, organization chairman. Members also on the list are Mrs. Howard McKoy, Mrs. J. C. Blackwood, Mrs. Allan Dorsey, Mrs. James P. Riggs, Mrs. Marvin Bryant, Mrs. Waldon Harrison, Mrs. Fred Rylee, Mrs. O. R. Sharpe, Mrs. R. C. Bowden, Mrs. George Peters, Mrs. W. L. Woolley, Mrs. H. G. Olson, Mrs. Ray T. Kelly, Mrs. Hal C. Peck and Mrs. Leiland Ball.

Leaders of the troops at Terminal include Mrs. Jack Maier, Mrs. A. J. Blount, Mrs. R. O. Counts, Mrs. Gene Everetts, Mrs. W. C. Daniel and Mrs. Leonard Porter.

Leaders of the four negro troops have their club, with Lula Suggs as chairman and Cecil Ligon as secretary. The other leaders are Mrs. J. B. York and Mary Price.

Court of Awards

More than 100 badges earned by the girls in various activities were presented in a Court of Awards on January 27, and a second court of awards is set for April 27. Annual observance of Girl Scout Birthday Week with parties in all the troops is scheduled for the week of March 12, and a late Spring pageant is planned to close the meeting year.

Senior Girl Scouts will participate in an area square dance festival at Kermit in March, and during that month the Brownie troops will do their annual volunteer work of folding Easter Seals to be mailed by the Children's Service League.

Intermediate and senior members folded Christmas Seals for the Midland County Tuberculosis Association and all troops participated in a collection of clothing for the Children's Service League and in observance of National Girl Scout Week, October 30-November 5.

With its varied program of activities and its large membership, the Girl Scout organization in Midland is not an old one. Girl Scouting actually started in 1936, and for three years there was only one troop, then a second was formed, and in 1941 the Girl Scout Council, which has become the Girl Scout Association, was set up and seven new troops were activated. Rapid growth has continued since that time.

School Enrollment Charts City Growth

Enrollment in Midland public schools has shown an increase of 267 students since the 1948-49 school year. The 1950 enrollment total of 4,252 is the largest in history.

A total of 3,820 currently is on the rolls of the white schools while 432 are attending the city's negro school. While enrollment increased by 253 students while the negro school showed an increase of 14.

Here are the figures of enrollment by years since 1930-31, as taken from Superintendent Frank Monroe's office:

School Year	White	Negro
1930-31	1,386	72
1931-32	1,553	64
1932-33	1,542	75
1933-34	1,561	132
1934-35	1,656	127
1935-36	1,817	98
1936-37	2,140	102
1937-38	2,406	136
1938-39	2,361	193
1939-40	2,515	192
1940-41	2,213	212
1941-42	2,629	255
1942-43	2,836	256
1943-44	2,485	269
1944-45	2,643	288
1945-46	2,908	320
1946-47	3,163	383
1948-49	3,567	418
1949-50	3,820	432

MASON-DIXON LINE

The Mason-Dixon line, forming the southern boundary of Pennsylvania, was so called from the two Englishmen who surveyed it, 1763-1767. The line subsequently was taken as the line of demarcation between free and slave states.

A Welcome Sight-The Paving Scene



During 1950 a 400-block paving project in Midland will be completed. A welcome sight in 1949 (shown above) was the paving scene and repeat performances are scheduled in 1950 until completion. Home owners are paying the lion's share of the paving cost with the City of Midland paying a part.

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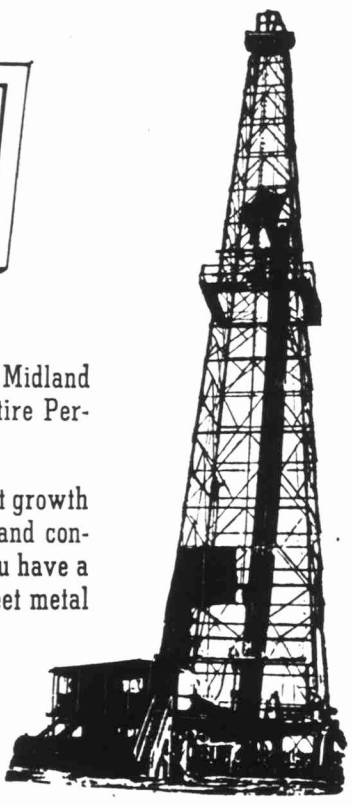
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If the geologist decides the area shows favorable signs for production, he will advise the company where to drill the initial test. When drilling operations begin the work is turned over to the production department but, the geological department is usually retained to aid and advise the operation.

If the well is brought in as a producer the geologist's work at that particular site is completed. However, he usually is consulted for locations of off-set wells and additional wells.

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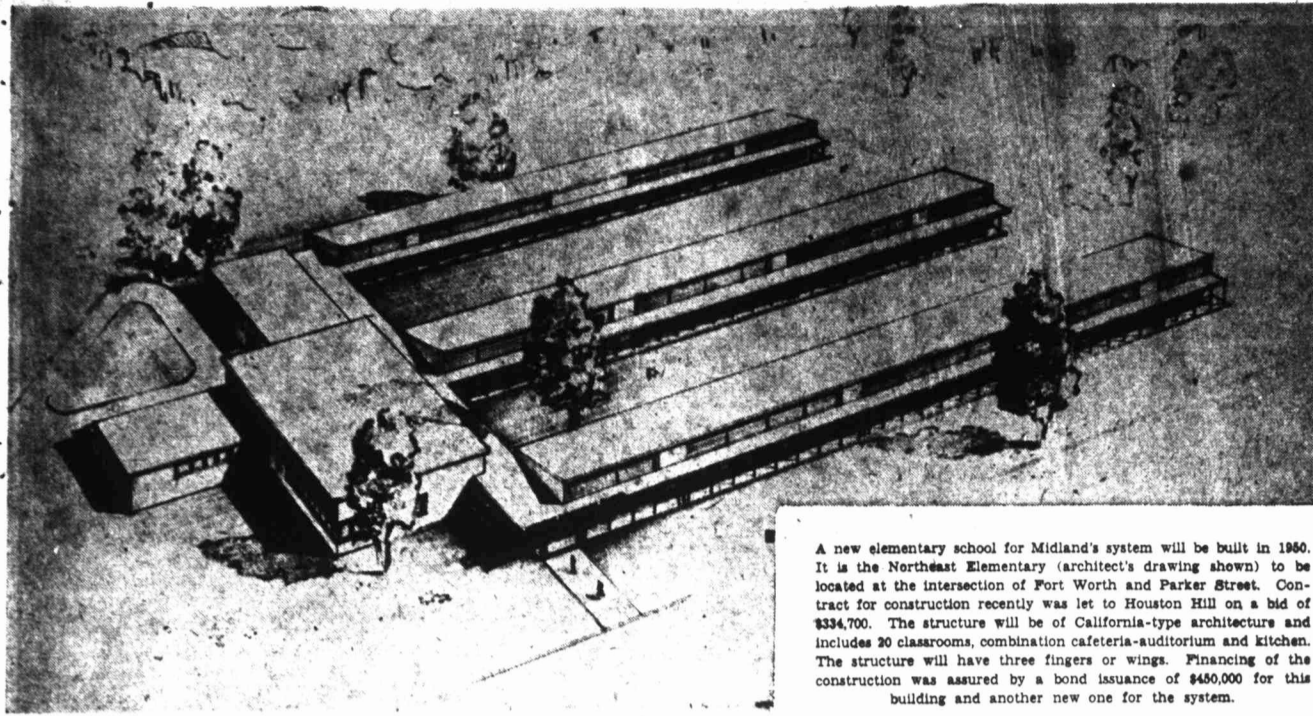
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New School Plant To Be Constructed In 1950



A new elementary school for Midland's system will be built in 1950. It is the Northeast Elementary (architect's drawing shown) to be located at the intersection of Fort Worth and Parker Street. Contract for construction recently was let to Houston Hill on a bid of \$334,700. The structure will be of California-type architecture and includes 20 classrooms, combination cafeteria-auditorium and kitchen. The structure will have three fingers or wings. Financing of the construction was assured by a bond issuance of \$450,000 for this building and another new one for the system.

Midlanders Will Have Several Occasions To Visit City's Four Polling Places In '50

Voters will make several trips during 1950 to the four polling places in Midland's voting precincts. For years, there were only two boxes in Midland to accommodate voters and with the increase of population there was a congestion at the polls in recent years. In 1948, the Commissioners Court acted to correct the situation by redefining election precincts No. 1 and No. 5 to create Precincts No. 6 and No. 7.

The new polling places were used for the first time last November 8 in a special election on two county issues and on 10 proposed constitutional amendments.

Elections Listed
During 1950, citizens will visit the four polling places to vote in the democratic primaries, general election, and city, county, school board and special elections.

Polling places in precincts No. 1 and No. 5 were not changed. They are the Courthouse and City-County Auditorium, respectively. Polling place for Precinct No. 6 is West Elementary School, and for No. 7, Junior High School.

Addition of the two polling precincts was another step in Midland's continued move to keep up with progress.

Midland Veterans Expect Dividends During Year 1950
Midland County veterans are expecting a sizeable share of the \$2,800,000.00 of insurance refund payments which are now being mailed by the Veterans Administration.

First checks were mailed in January and have been going out at the rate of 1,000,000 each week. Final payments are expected to be in the mail by June 30. About 18,000 veterans are eligible for the dividends.

Pipe Lines Move 750,000 Barrels Daily From Basin

It is estimated 750,000 barrels of petroleum are transported daily from the Permian Basin Empire through pipe lines. The oil travels through the lines from 800 to 900 miles.

More than 22,000 tank cars would be required to handle the oil moved out of the Basin through pipe lines. The pipe line system has been called the easiest and less expensive of any transporting system.

First pipeline for transportation in the United States was built in Pennsylvania in 1864. It could handle only 800 barrels of oil per day. The present-day Big Inch line extends about 1,250 miles and can move 210,000 barrels daily.

The largest pipeline to be constructed by private capital is the new Basin-Ozark line which extends from Jol, N. M., to Midland and on to Wichita Falls and Cushing, Okla., and to Wood River, Ill., a distance of about 900 miles. About 250,000 barrels of oil can be moved through the Basin-Ozark line daily.

Modern Study Club Follows Motto Toward Advancement

The only federated club in Midland to win Texas Federation of Women's Clubs awards in 1949 was the Modern Study, which is beginning the second half of the Twentieth Century by looking ahead and following its motto—"The World Advances—Advance With It."

The Penny Art Award for District Eight and third place for contributions to the Headquarters Library were received by the club at the state convention in Austin in November. Mrs. W. G. Epley, club member and assistant to state TFWC president, Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, received the honors in the club's name.

Although the Modern Club's course of study for this club year is "Thoughts for Our Times," much of its work has gone into the advancement of art. Members have had several guest speakers on subjects pertaining to art and a special program included an art exhibit furnished by the Texas Fine Arts Association. Nell Shaw of Midland, a trustee of the Association, spoke at this time.

Mrs. L. E. Dudley of Abilene, state chairman of Fine Arts of the

TFWC, was a guest speaker in November when the group entertained the Midland Woman's Club. A group discussion of the National Parks as a heritage of beauty is scheduled for the May 17 meeting, the last of the year.

Carrying out the course of study, Mrs. Judd A. Dettlerick of Las Vegas, N. M., president of the New Mexico Federation of Women's Clubs, was a guest of the group and gave a report on the New York Herald-Tribune Forum, which she had attended. The theme of the forum was "What Kind of Government Ahead?" Mrs. Dettlerick is the mother of Mrs. R. E. Morgan, club member.

The Modern Study Club also is taking an active interest in the proposed Women's Club Building and April 4, will have a "Bonnet Brunch," with the proceeds to be given to the Woman's Club Building Fund.

A book review for Texas Day and a program with "The Lives of Others" as its theme, will be given at the club's March meetings. "What Makes You Think" will be a three-member participation program in April and that month's other program will be on "Thoughts of Yesterday."

The May 3 program will be on "Footnotes to History" with a talk on medicine as the dominant part.

The 1949-1950 officers of the club are Mrs. F. R. Schenck, president; Mrs. Kenneth Slough and Mrs. John Casselman, vice president; Mrs. Harrie A. Smith, recording secretary; Mrs. C. H. Shepard, treasurer; Mrs. Lamar Lunt, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Carl Westlund, reporter.

Standing committees and their members are ways and means, Mrs. Slough, Mrs. Westlund and Mrs. Charles Sherwood; membership, Mrs. Casselman, Mrs. Lunt and Mrs. Smith; yearbook, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. C. C. Keith and Mrs. Ed Shakyly; social, Mrs. W. S. Nelson, Mrs. Earl A. Johnson and Mrs. Al Boring; and telephone, Mrs. J. W. Carroll and Mrs. G. C. Hughes.

Mrs. Casselman is the representative to the Midland Woman's Club. New members of the club this year are Mrs. R. E. Gillespie, Mrs. Brandon Roe, Mrs. J. W. Brown and Mrs. Bert Goodman.



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Road Improvement Projects Slated

Three Midland County road improvement projects, totaling \$945,500 in costs, have been announced for the beginning of the Golden Fifties.

The projects are included in a state wide, \$4,000,000 project to repair Texas highways in 1950.

Work ordered in Midland County includes State Highway 349, from Midland to Upton County line, 24.2 miles additional surfacing, \$57,000; State Highway 158, from Midland to Glasscock County line (sections), 13 miles, surfacing, \$34,000; and State Highway 349, from Midland Airport to three blocks north of Highway 80, two miles, additional surfacing and seal coat, \$3,500.

The entire statewide program includes the repair and construction of almost 3,000 miles of road surfacing in 156 counties.

Other counties in the area to receive improvements include Ector, Upton, Reeves and Jeff Davis.

University Lands Early Producer

University of Texas was one of the first benefactors of the Permian Basin oil fields.

A well, known as the Santa Rita No. 1 in Reagan County, was brought in as a producer in May, 1923. The well was on University of Texas designated land and was the second producer in the entire West Texas area.

Another early discovery on University of Texas lands was in 1926 when a well in Crane County was brought in as a producer. This well was located in the Church-Fields area now a part of McElroy field.

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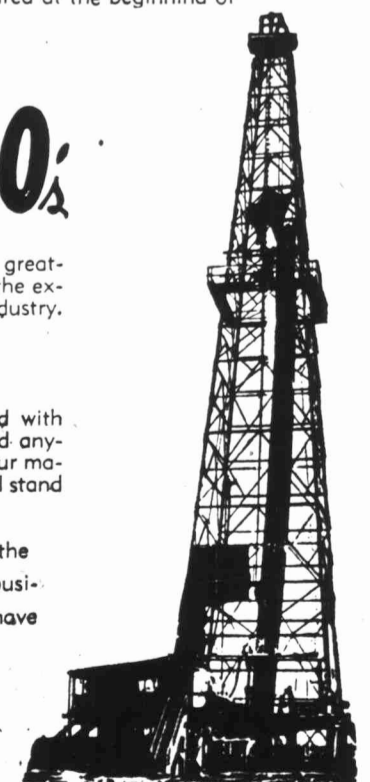
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Campaign Underway For Woman's Club Building And Civic Center Here

A dream last year, a definite plan this year and a reality of the near future—that is the apparent progress toward a Woman's Club Building for Midland at the threshold of a new half-century.

For years women of the city have had a vague hope for a building of their own, but it is only in recent months that the plans have taken shape and an actual campaign for obtaining the building has begun. Sparked by the Midland Woman's Club, with the American Association of University Women cooperating, a Building Plans Committee was formed last Winter and is functioning through its subcommittees on site, tentative plans of construction and finance.

The need for such a building is evident. Many clubs must limit their membership to a number which can be entertained in the average home; some, especially business women's organizations whose members do not all have their own homes, are handicapped seriously for lack of a regular meeting place; entertainment of conventions and presentation of public programs is difficult because there are no suitable auditoriums, committee rooms and dining facilities for many types of meetings.

Varied Meeting Places
Last year a district Federated Club convention held its business meetings in a church auditorium, and club dances sometimes are held in the concrete-floored City-County Auditorium.

Plans are being studied by the committee now in an attempt to design a building which will meet all these needs as far as possible. A site for the building, the first problem, was obtained when the City of Midland, acting on the request of the Woman's Club and several other organizations which also plan buildings, granted 20 acres of land adjoining Midland Airpark, north of the city, for a Civic Center, with a plot for each proposed building.

Basic needs are considered in the plans which have been presented to the committee, with allowances for adding to the building in the future. A finance committee has been formed recently to assist the planning committee. It will have members from each of the clubs interested in the building, and its duties will be to coordinate fund-raising plans.

Planning Committee
Mrs. Earl Johnson is chairman of the Building Planning Committee. Other members are Mrs. A. P. Shirey, Mrs. J. Howard Hodge, Mrs. W. G. Epley, Mrs. George Glass, Fannie Bess Taylor, Mrs. Neta Stovall, Mrs. Leonard Thomas, Mrs. Erma Mandell and the Woman's

Club president, Mrs. Charles M. Goldsmith.

The committee was supported by several other organizations of Midland when it requested the City of Midland to set aside a park plot for a Civic Center in the city-owned land just east of the airpark. O. H. Koch of the Dallas engineering firm of Koch and Fowler prepared the plans for the center after conferring with the committee.

It includes space for a Community Theater Building, an art center with workrooms and a display gallery in which the Midland Palette Club Art Center is interested, a garden center which the garden clubs of Midland hope to develop, a swimming pool, tennis courts and other recreational areas as well as adequate parking areas and a building which would be suitable for fairs and large exhibits.

Recent Development
Most of the definite planning for the Woman's Club Building has developed within the last year. Club members have talked of a building since the City Federation of Women's Clubs was started in 1930, later became the City-County Federation and then changed its name last year to Midland Woman's Club.

At first the federation felt that it was too small in membership to undertake a building project, then World War II intervened and the hopes, nebulous as they were, were shelved until materials which were not available in war years appeared on the markets again.

Now the federation comprises 18 clubs of Midland, representing the varied interests of the city's women, and it is joined by the American Association of University Women, with more than 100 members, for the project.

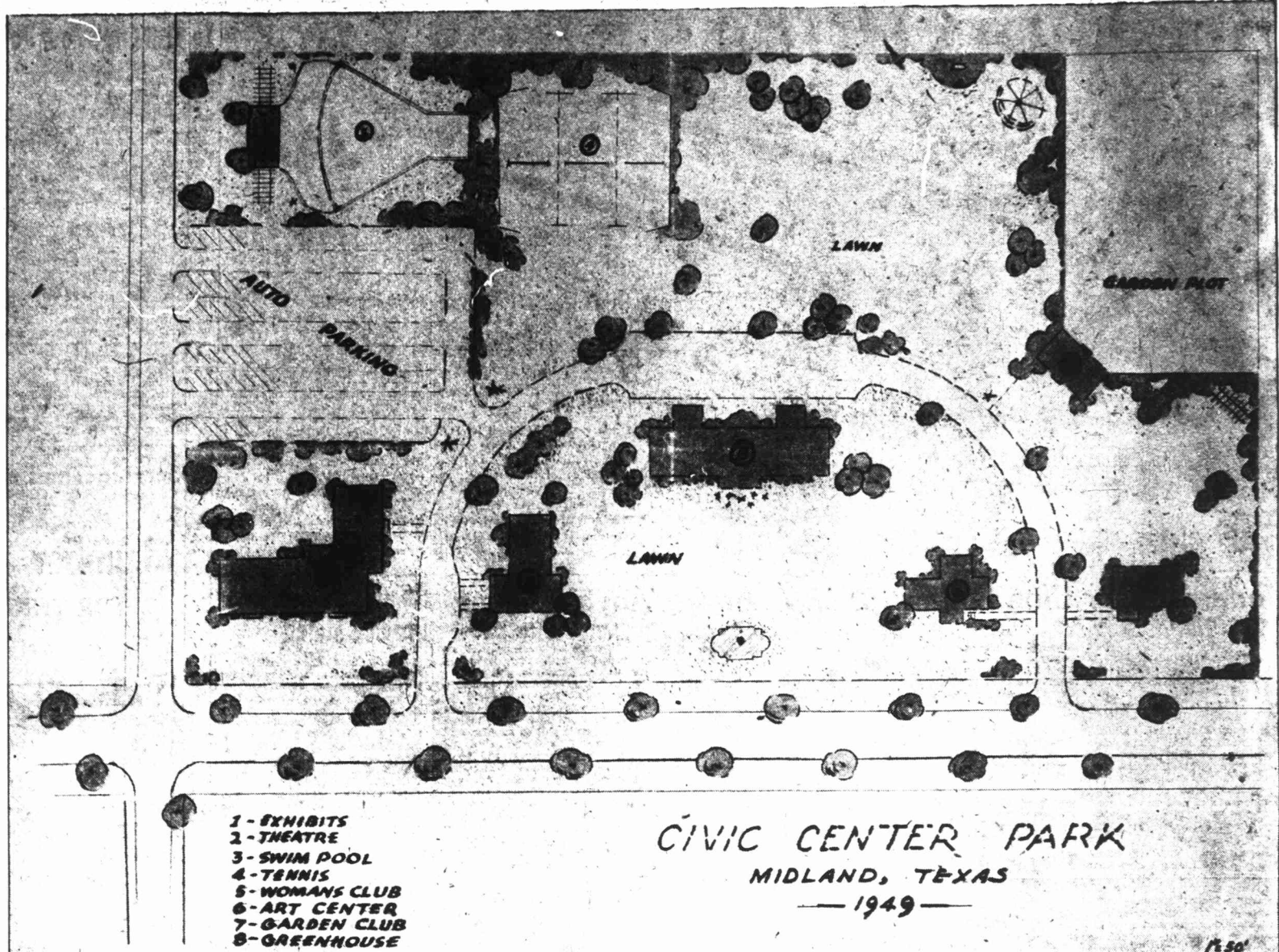
Adoption of a definite financial program will be the next step, and club women have high hopes of seeing at least the start of their own building in 1950.

Engineers Offer Civic Assistance

The Permian Basin Society of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers has pledged professional assistance to civic clubs and service organizations of Midland.

The first suggested project is to write the engineering report for a proposed Midland Civic Center. The society has appointed a Civic Affairs Committee.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says insects are the greatest single cause of forest destruction.



MOON MIXUP

The month of March, 1934, had two full moons, but February had none at all. A full moon occurred on January 30, the next on March 1, and the following on March 30.

TOTAL ECLIPSE COMING

Next total eclipse of the sun scheduled for observation in the United States will be that of June 30, 1954. Last total eclipse visible here was that of July 9, 1945.



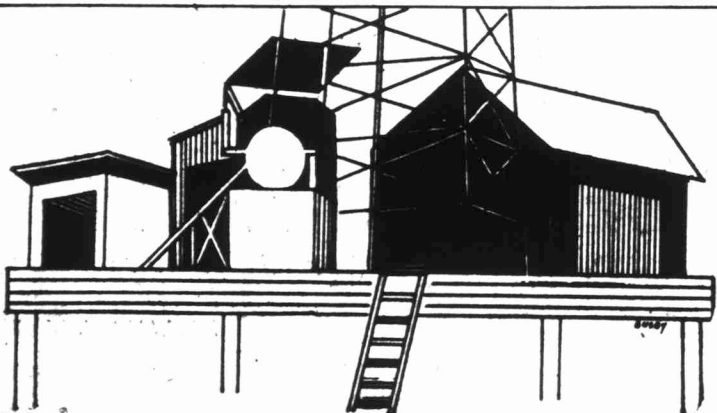
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PECOS—Blessed by a good geographical location—on U. S. Highway 80 and the Texas & Pacific railroad, and being situated between the Carlsbad Caverns on the north and the Big Bend National Park on the south—Pecos is enjoying a rapid growth and the citizens of this bustling little metropolis are looking to good times ahead.

The geographical location means a great deal to this city because of the hundreds of tourists who pass through here each month, many of them stopping for lodging, meals, gasoline, oil, tires and the like. However, Pecos has learned there are other sources of income and have taken full advantage of them.

For instance, agriculture, which is a comparative newcomer. Whereas Pecos always has been known as a "cotton roads cattle town," farmers changed that idea about two years ago when they learned the land southwest of Pecos would grow cotton abundantly when properly irrigated. Within a period of just a few years the number of cotton acres jumped from just a few thousand to more than 50,000. Further, last year's cotton crop amounted to more than 50,000 bales in this area, bringing in some eight million dollars of income.

The cotton is not the only income derived from the land boom. The persons who sold the land derived benefit from the influx of farmers from all sections of the state. The money brought in by the construction of the eight or ten farm equipment houses which have been established here also have brought new money to Pecos, as have the pump dealers and other kindred businesses.

Oil Mill Proposed

Because of the great increase in cotton acreage, Western Cotton Oil Company established district headquarters here and spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in the establishment of gins and a district headquarters, in building its own water system and in the construction of warehouses. The company has under consideration the construction of an oil mill here if future cotton production justifies such a move. Since coming to Pecos the firm has set up a regular network of gins and one of them—the one located in Pecos—ginned more than 18,000 bales of cotton during the 1949 season. The gin still is in operation. Incidentally, some farms in the county grew as much as two bales of cotton to the acre during the 1949 season.

The cotton industry brought several insecticide and fertilizer plants to the city, thus bringing more payroll to this area.

Crow Packing Company, a rapidly growing concern which is serving a large sector of the West Texas area this winter feeding out several hun-

Golden 50's Bring Success For Texas Aggies On Hardwood

COLLEGE STATION — Mentor Marty Karow of the Texas Aggies is wearing a smile as wide as the school's new memorial student center.

And no wonder! The Cadets have their best basketball team in 12 seasons—maybe their best club ever. That includes the 1919-20 championship quintet which was unbeaten in 19 games. That team didn't face Long Island, Arkansas and high scorers like Rice's Joe McDermott.

Since 1938, the Aggie cagers have finished sixth seven times in the conference race, fifth once, tied SMU for fifth twice and wound up in the cellar in 1944.

But this is the Golden 50's and the Aggies are looking up.

Currently, the Aggies are high in SWC play. No one in these parts can remember when an A&M basketball team won three conference games in January—the record of the present team.

Fans Turning Out

So it's easy to explain why happy patrons of the Bryan-College Station area are jamming DeWare Fieldhouse to its 3,600 capacity everytime the Aggies perform at home.

Cadet backers are not boasting that Karow's tall but young club is going to win the conference or even finish second. Five of A&M's remaining seven games are on the road—and visiting teams are not setting the world afire this season in SWC play.

However, Aggie fans are firm in their belief that at long last the upsurge of A&M basketball has begun. They've seen the team win six of its seven home games and have some good reasons for predicting the end of an era which saw Aggie quintets taking more beatings than the mules in "Mule Train."

The 1949-50 Aggie quintet defeated Arkansas for the first time in four seasons; conquered Rice for the first time three seasons ago and has a chance to finish ahead of several teams it has trailed for two decades in SWC play.

Player Favorites? Naturally, little Jewell McDermott is a crowd-pleaser with his long shooting ability plus his consistent defensive play. But plenty of the fans lean to lanky John DeWitt. Some favor Walter (Tap in) Davis, the 6-4 soph center who has been coming along rapidly of late. Tricky Mike Garcia is a favorite, too.

But nearly all the Aggie fans are becoming defense minded like the Cadet cagers who are stinging with points than any other SWC team.

Reeves County Has Tall Cotton



Alton Hughes, manager of the Pecos Chamber of Commerce, almost got lost last Summer while inspecting tall cotton in an irrigated field in Reeves County, near Pecos. Reeves County last year had by far the largest cotton crop in its history, bringing millions of dollars in added income to the county.

Texas & Pacific, a branch line of the Santa Fe, and the Pecos Valley Southern.

It also is served by the Greyhound Bus Lines, American Bus Lines and Bayless Lines. Nearest scheduled air service is at Fort Stockton but chartered plane service is obtainable at the local airport.

Pecos is the home of a Federal Court and right now it has one of the heaviest dockets of any Federal

Court in the state. That is because of the litigation arising from the oil fields within the 13-county jurisdiction of the Court.

Pecos also is district headquarters for the Community Public Service Company, Southern Union Gas Company, State Highway Patrol, serving a wide sector of West Texas; and the State Highway Department. The Border Patrol and the Texas Employment Commission maintain

important offices here, and a Texas Ranger makes Pecos his home most of the time.

The largest theater at the old air base was moved to the city and made into a city auditorium. It later was brick veneered. Some barracks were moved into town and converted into a Community Center, which houses the Chamber of Commerce, a banquet room, a teen-age room and an elegant federated club

room. A courthouse annex was constructed along the same plan, and school officials moved the Gymnasium into the city and converted it to the use of the schools.

Pecos River Commission

Pecos is the home of one of the members of the Pecos River Compact Commission—J. C. Wilson—and that organization has started a project to clear the river of thousands of water-thirsty salt cedars.

About 45 miles north of Pecos is one of the largest artificial lakes in the state—Red Bluff. That lake, lying along the Texas-New Mexico border, furnishes water for scores of farmers in seven districts along the Pecos River. Now that there are more than 105,000 acre-feet of water in the lake, prospects are bright for the cotton and alfalfa growers along the river.

Fishermen and others seeking recreation are smiling also because of the fact there is much water in Red Bluff Lake. City Councilman C. J. Anderson is manager of the Red Bluff Water Power Control District and is also one of the engineers for the Pecos River Compact Commission.

In writing of irrigation, the district of Balmorhea in the south part of the county shouldn't be overlooked. That district now is under the direction of the U. S. Reclamation Service. Water is obtained from Phantom Lake. Not as profitable but more famous is Balmorhea State Park, located near Balmorhea. It is visited by thousands of West Texans each Summer. Its swimming pool is said to be the largest of its kind and is fed by springs which gush forth millions of gallons of clear, cool water each day.

Pecos is the headquarters for a National Guard organization which covers West Texas. Col. Dick Slack, who also serves Reeves County as

Judge, is head of the organization which includes units in Pecos, Midland, Monahans, Odessa and Del Rio.

Fine Cantaloupes

This city is most famous, perhaps, for the fine cantaloupes that are grown here each Spring. Many carloads are shipped from here to points from Los Angeles to New York and from Canada to Mexico. In fact, some shipments go to Canada and to other foreign countries.

The melon is said to get its flavor from the peculiar type soil in which it is grown and from the fact the nights are cold and the days are hot in this area in the early Summer.

This bustling town is the home of some fine churches, some of which are now in new edifices. In fact, close to a quarter million dollars was spent in the construction of new churches and the improvement of old ones during 1948 and 1949. The Presbyterians have a completely new structure, the First Baptists have a new educational building and the West Park Baptists have improved their building and are planning more improvement.

The City Hall has been remodeled and the offices moved back into the structure.

Pecos is served by an excellent radio station—KJUN—which is managed by Jack Hawkins, who is co-owner with Barney Hubbs. Hubbs also is president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The city also is served by a weekly newspaper, The Enterprise, which is edited by Joe B. Pouns. Hubbs is also a co-owner in the publication. The newspaper just recently moved into a modern 50x50 tile building.

The Pecos Rodeo, always presented around July 4, has gained

fame far and wide as being the world's first and for the fact, it always has top performers. A fair is presented each year to give the farmers and ranchers an opportunity to show the world just what fine products are grown in this area.

Pecos has long been the home of the Camp Hospital. Its owner, Dr. Jim Camp, recently was honored at an "appreciation day" banquet. Dr. George Garrett owns a small hospital here.

"The city of opportunity" is an apt slogan for bustling Pecos—located just "West of the Pecos."

Drainage Problem Due To Be Handled In Golden 50's

Improvement of Midland's drainage system is another project which is expected to be handled early during the Golden Fifties.

One drainage program is expected to be accomplished in connection with the widening of U. S. Highway 80 in East Midland. This will relieve a drainage bottleneck in the city and eventually save the City of Midland a considerable sum of money, according to Mayor William B. Neely.

Decision to improve the drainage system came after the State Highway Department withdrew its plans for the widening of Highway 80, pending revision of plans and specifications by the city.

The new drainage work is designed to relieve a drainage problem in downtown Midland, and south of Wall Street in the western sector of the city.

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Health Unit Here Works For Your 'Good Health'

As Midland continues to grow in the Golden 50's, the Midland City-County Health Unit will keep pace with the city's growth. Since its beginning in 1942, the health unit, now directed by Dr. F. E. Sadler, has performed thousands of behind-the-scenes duties to protect the health and well-being of citizens of the area.

Dr. Sadler has promised that the health department will expand its activities as the city grows, to insure that Midlanders are protected.

Planned for the future, as milk production increases in the Permian Basin area, is the addition of another sanitarian to the staff of the unit, whose sole duties will be to check milk producers.

Further activity planned for the future is a wide-spread clean-up drive, concentrating on elimination of cesspools and outdoor toilet facilities. A general clean-up campaign—in cooperation with Midland Jaycees—is planned for the immediate future, with emphasis to be laid on cleaning up of downtown streets and alleys, Dr. Sadler said.

Dr. Sadler, director of the unit, is an experienced public health director. For 14 years, he was superintendent of a veteran's hospital in Oklahoma, the only one of its kind in the United States. It is state-supported and is located at Sulphur, Okla. His duties there as superintendent were administrative, but were closely related to public health matters. Following his service at the veteran's hospital, Dr. Sadler acted as public health department head in a South Texas city for three years.

He came to Midland with the health unit in 1942 as director of the Midland-Ector-Howard County Health Unit, as it is known officially. Regulations require that an M. D. be administrative head of state health units, and under a cooperative agreement between the three counties, Dr. Sadler was named to head the combined unit. Separate staffs are maintained at each of the three units.

Midland Is Headquarters
Two sanitarians are assigned to the Midland branch. They are E. Cass and M. E. Davis. Mrs. Ella Willingham is full-time public health nurse.

B&PW Club Has Served 13 Years

Oldest of the present organizations for business women in Midland is the Business and Professional Women's Club, which is closing 13 years of growth and activity. It has won recognition as a service club worthy of the name in Midland, and as one of the stronger clubs in the Texas Federation of Business and Professional Women.



Neta Stovall

In the past year it has sponsored a bloodtyping program and prepared a file of blood type records to be placed in the new Midland Memorial Hospital, made substantial contributions to the Children's Service League to assist underprivileged children of the county, and assisted other clubs of

the Eighth District to win first place in the state in contributions to the Minnie L. Maffett Fellowship Fund, which state clubs are building to aid women medical students in graduate study.

One of its members, Frances Carter, is serving in the present state B&PW administration as third vice president, and another, Fannie Bess Taylor, is a member of the state committee in charge of the Minnie L. Maffett Fund.

Neta Stovall is the club president this term, and Thelma Gardner is the president-elect who will take office in June. Flossie Vaughn is the vice president; Gustava Easley, secretary; Martha Greene, treasurer; and Laura Jesse, parliamentarian.

Eighty members were enrolled at the beginning of this club year and others have been added since September. The club has two meetings a month, one for business and the other a dinner with a program. It has entertained the Midland Woman's Club, with which it is affiliated, with a luncheon, and will be hostess for its annual "bosses' banquet" in April.

Chairmen of its standing committees for the year are Grace Wallace, finance; Helen Brasher, membership; Dorothy Thompson, legislation; Olive Walker, health and safety; Ruth Donnell, news service; Dick Looby, public affairs; Nettie Johnson, international relations; and Lillie Rose Metzger, radio.

The Midland Club was assigned an important part on the program of the annual Eighth District Conference in Pecos in the Fall, and retained the record of having the most members present of any club in the district. Evelyn Heard of Pecos was succeeded at the conference by Ruby Braly of McCombs, as district director, a post held previously by Iva Noyes of the Midland club.

Gain In Light Meters

Almost 6,000 light meters have been installed in Midland during the past 15 years. In 1934 the city had only 1,114 light connections. By the end of 1949 this figure had grown to 6,926.

An idea of the steady growth of Midland may be obtained from the following chart, recording light meter connections in the city since 1934.

Year	Meters
1934	1,114
1935	1,254
1936	1,390
1937	1,685
1938	1,881
1939	2,068
1940	2,259
1941	2,518
1942	2,672
1943	2,740
1944	3,086
1945	3,529
1946	4,005
1947	4,766
1948	5,925
1949	6,926

Guam, the American naval base in the Pacific, was weaker in 1941 than in 1920 because the United States observed the terms laid down at the Washington Naval Conference.

In regard to the sanitarians, Dr. Sadler pointed out that no city is able to guard its health properly without a public health program, and that sanitarians are the medium by which such protection is afforded, in a large measure.

The duties of the sanitarians' section of the health unit includes food inspection and control. Inspections are made of cafes, grocery stores, meat markets, schools, school cafeterias, slaughter houses, food manufacturers, and food plants to insure that adequate disease prevention measures are taken.

Permits are issued to satisfactory places. Vehicles hauling food and food products also are checked at regular intervals.

Water Supplies Checked
Water supplies—public and private—are checked frequently, and assistance is offered to make water safe if a dangerous condition is found. Plans for the construction of private sewage systems are available, and inspection during construction is conducted. In homes outside of city water system limits, septic tank installations must be approved by the health unit sanitarians before approval of FHA or GI loans.

Cass and Davis spend much of their time checking milk producers of the area. Inspection and grading of milk and milk products from each of the more than 80 milk producers in the Midland milkshed is accomplished from four to six times during each six-month period. Grade A milk standards must be maintained, since local ordinance forbids sale of lower grade milk. Bacteriological samples are taken from all producers, for laboratory analysis.

Mrs. Willingham, public health nurse, has many duties, including supervision of prenatal care, such as medical examinations, instruction in maternity hygiene and proper preparation for delivery. She also holds classes for mothers of pre-school children, instructing in home hygiene and care of the infant and pre-school child.

She also assists in securing birth registrations and in securing immunization against communicable diseases.

In the school health phase of her duties, Mrs. Willingham aids teachers in inspection programs and makes home visits to parents to get their cooperation in keeping sick children out of school.

Tuberculosis examinations are another of the nurse's responsibilities, and assistance in home care also is given.

Other duties include class instruction in home hygiene for adults, and instruction on care of the sick. Home supervision of the sick is given where necessary.

Mrs. Hiett, health unit secretary, maintains contact with the public from her front office post. She also is responsible for keeping records of all phases of the unit's activities. In addition, Mrs. Hiett keeps financial records, not only of Midland activities, but for the Ector and Howard County offices.

Laboratory Service
Laboratory service for a 17-county area is provided by the Midland unit, under an agreement with the State Bureau of Laboratories, to give quicker laboratory service to the Permian Basin area.

Work in the laboratory, under the direction of O. R. Cockerell, is in three fields—bacteriology, parasitology and serology.

Bacteriological tests are made for diagnosis of communicable disease, and analyses are made of milk, water and food.

Tests for diagnosis of blood and intestinal parasites are made in the parasitology classification. Serological tests are made as an aid in diagnosis of syphilis.



Office Building

Shell Expands With Industry

The Shell Oil Company, Inc., has been active in the Permian Basin area since 1924 and has expanded with the general industry since that time. Area offices are maintained here.

Shell first established offices in Midland in 1946 and has recorded continued growth since that time. The company has expanded and more than doubled its daily crude rate and has developed one of the greatest gas producing units in the Permian Basin.

Will Award \$5,000 In Scholarships

AUSTIN—Fifty worthy 1950 high school graduates will be awarded more than \$5,000 in Wilbur S. Davidson Freshman scholarships at the University of Texas for the 1950-51 Long Session.

Letters explaining the scholarships have been sent to almost 1,000 Texas high school principals with the request that they pass the information along to their senior students, William D. Blunk, University assistant dean of men and chairman of the scholarship committee, announced. Sample application blanks accompany the letters.

Funds for the freshman scholarships, offered for the first time in 1948, come from a bequest by the late Wilbur S. Davidson of Houston.

The scholarships usually are for \$100 each, but in some instances more than that amount is granted, although in no case is a Davidson scholarship given for more than \$200.

To be eligible, a high school senior must be graduated in the top half of his class and must furnish evidence of good character. Preference is given to Texas high school graduates.

Children's Service League Is Group With A Purpose

A group with a specialized purpose and a limited membership is the Children's Service League, which carries on through the year a program to supply food, clothing and medical care to children whose families are unable to provide what is needed.

All league members are active members, who do personal case work to investigate applications for aid, assist in operating the clothing room, contribute financially by yearly dues and give time for other voluntary services as the need arises.

Aid to crippled children is a major work of the league, financed through the sale of Easter Seals. This program is in cooperation with the Texas Society for Crippled Children, and it provides operations and hospital treatment when necessary, medicines and attention of physicians, and transportation of crippled children to clinics or hospitals.

Medical assistance is supplied to other children also and undernourished children are given milk or grocery orders in emergency cases. Clothing distributed by the league enables a number of children to attend school each year, keeps others well-clad and warm at home. The members also purchase and make layettes.

Clothing is collected for the league each year by Girl Scouts of the city. It is sorted, repaired when necessary and stored in a room in the Red Cross Building on

Illinois Street. The league asks for contributions of usable garments for children of 7" ages, at any time.

Mrs. C. H. Atchison is president of the league this year, Mrs. Fred Douglass is recording secretary; Mrs. W. A. Waldschmidt, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Dewey, treasurer of the crippled children's fund; and Mrs. C. P. Yador, reporter.

Mrs. Fred Cassidy is chairman of the Easter seal sale, which will get under way in March. Assistance of Girl Scouts from the Brownie troops is given the league in preparing the seals to mail.

Other present members of the league are Mrs. H. L. Beckmann, Mrs. Norris Creath, Mrs. John B. Coulter, Mrs. Robert Dewey, Mrs. C. H. Erwin, Mrs. Ralph Fitting, Jr., Mrs. Robert Fitting, Mrs. John M. Hills, Mrs. Cooper Hyde, Mrs. T. S. Jones, Mrs. Alan Leeper, Mrs. Vaughn Maley, Mrs. Coe Mills and Mrs. L. S. Page.

Mrs. Hyde was the first president of the league, when it was organized in the Fall of 1939. Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Ralph Fitting, Jr., are other charter members who are still in the organization.

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Sheriff's Posse Will Ride In 50's



Midland's Sheriff's Posse will ride again in 1950. An expanded program of activities is scheduled for this year. Posse headquarters are located at Midland Fair, Inc. rodeo grounds. Cal Boykin is captain. He succeeded L. M. Freels. The posse was reorganized two years ago. It is shown mounted. Officers, beside Boykin, include: Herb Franklin, Bob White, John Dublin, Jr., Jay Floyd, L. E. Cook, Charles Bush and Chuck Houston.

Forecast Industry Activity To Be High

TULSA, OKLA.—Activity in the oil industry will continue during the current year at close to the high levels of 1949, it is predicted in the annual review and forecast issue of The Oil and Gas Journal. Spending by the industry will remain at about the same total level, but with some changes in allocations among divisions of the industry.

Drilling will be down slightly in number of wells, but not in footage. However, there will be no decline in exploration and wildcatting for new fields. Production of crude and manufacture of refined products will be up appreciably. A decline in construction of new refineries will be offset by a huge pipe line for natural gas.

Domestic demand for petroleum products will increase. Exports will fall off, and there will be a further increase in imports. Further expansion is assured in the production and consumption of natural gas and liquefied petroleum gases.

Major Highlights

The Journal's surveys, based chiefly on confidential reports of the actual operating programs of large and small companies, reveals these highlights of the major factors in the petroleum industry:

Demand for all petroleum products in the United States last averaged 6,140,270 barrels daily, which was 0.2 per cent higher than in 1948. During 1950 demand will average 6,491,000 barrels per day, an increase of 5.7 per cent over 1949. The biggest increases in demand will be for domestic heating oils, kerosene, and distillate fuels, but gasoline consumption will increase four per cent during this year.

Crude-oil production in the United States averaged 5,043,000 barrels daily last year, a decrease of 8.5 per cent from the all-time record of 1948. During 1950 crude production will increase five per cent to average 5,340,500 barrels daily.

Drilling last year resulted in completion of 39,038 wells, a decrease of 1.8 per cent under the 1948 record high, but total footage drilled was 138,002,964 feet, the highest in history. During 1950 operators plan to drill 37,414 wells, a decrease of 4.3 per cent, but total footage will be 138,478,000 feet, an increase of 0.3 per cent, indicating that deeper formations will be sought.

Exploration for new oil fields will continue at the present rate with operators programming almost ex-

actly the same number of wildcats as the 7,294 drilled in 1949. This was an increase of six per cent over the 1948 wildcats. Last year 17.6 per cent of all wildcats discovered oil or gas, not quite as good as during the two preceding years but better than the 1946 success record.

High Reserve Ratio

Reserves of known recoverable oil in the ground are now at the highest level in history. The Journal's exclusive tabulation shows that on Jan. 1, 1950, proven reserves of crude, condensate, and other natural-gas liquids totaled 28,586 million barrels, an increase of 1,261 million barrels during 1949. As of this month the proven reserves of crude are 13.8 times the current annual production rate, compared with a ratio of 12.1 a year ago. This is the highest ratio in many years and refutes the suggestion that we are running out of oil.

Refinery construction last year added 400,000 barrels daily to the nation's refining capacity, bringing the total capacity to almost 7,000,000 barrels daily. Last year U. S. refineries processed an average of 5,324,000 barrels daily, a reduction of 4.8 per cent from the 1948 record high. The forecast for 1950 is an average of 5,548,000 barrels daily, an increase of six per cent.

Pipe line construction projects completed last year added 15,000 miles of pipe to the nation's transportation system, two-thirds of it for natural gas. Projects already scheduled for 1950 indicate that an even higher total mileage will be laid this year.

Humble Offices Are In Midland

The Humble Oil and Refining Company was only three years old when the discovery of oil in Mitchell County began to draw attention to West Texas.

In 1921 Humble began operating in the area and in November, 1946, had 11 producing wells in West Texas. Since that time the company has recorded remarkable growth.

Humble moved its offices to Midland in 1939 after having offices in McCamey for several years. The company now occupies offices in the new Midland Tower building.

Familiar Landman 'Buys' in Industry

An oil company landman's duties have been summed up as "buying the acreage his company desires at the price the company is willing to pay."

Most landmen working for oil firms in the Permian Basin are former oil scouts. They usually have worked in West Texas long enough to be familiar with the country, the people and the addresses of big land owners.

There's just one side to the duties of a landman. All he must do is buy. There practically never is a case where an oil company sells any land. But the methods used by landmen in purchasing new leases prove interesting.

An oil company may become interested in obtaining certain acreage after its geophysical and geological departments have made favorable recommendations on the prospects of oil in the area. First step of the company is to contact the landman and set him to work to buy the property.

The landman usually goes to the county seat of the county in which the land is located and checks public records to find out the owner. He is usually told by the company what to offer for the lease.

Then, the landman contacts the property owner and makes his offer. If the owner accepts, things are well underway.

Several methods in leasing land are used by oil companies. There is always the danger of competition from other companies. Sometimes the oil company uses lease brokers to buy the leases in order to keep other companies from knowing its action.

Sometimes leases are obtained in "checkerboard" fashion, the buying of small tracts of land scattered over an area which has favorable indications. In cases like this the leases usually aren't developed for several months and are sometimes bought as a protective measure in case some other company gets production on adjacent lands.

Journal Says Airmail Cachet Good Advertiser

The airmail cachet furnished by the Midland Chamber of Commerce and used on all outgoing airmail on the date of the dedication of the Midland Municipal Airport, Nov. 18, 1939, was selected by the Aero Dedicationist, journal of the Airport Historical Society, as one of the outstanding cachets of the year.

The Midland cachet was drawn for the Chamber of Commerce by Ralph Hickman, draftsman for the geological department of the Humble Oil and Refining Company here.

The journal wrote about the cachet:

"One of the finest examples of an advertising cachet this hobby has ever had is the cachet by the Chamber of Commerce of Midland, Texas, which is presented in this issue. The cachet shows the varied industries which are making Midland famous, suggesting as it does, the threat business and financial center the city is, as well as the great oil fields and livestock interests."

Cost of operating a television receiver is estimated on the average to run two fifths of a cent per clock hour where the rate for electric current is two cents per kilowatt hour.

Play Readers Discuss And Read Plays

With an emphasis on current and contemporary works, Play Readers Club members read and discuss plays during their meetings.

The group was organized in 1930 and two of the original members, Mrs. William Y. Penn and Mrs. E. H. Barron, still are active participants in the club's work.

All types of plays, from heavy physiological dramas to light musical comedies, are studied by the group and, although most of the works are modern, some are taken from classical writers such as Shakespeare.

Many of the customs established by the first members still are observed. The club still meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the homes of members, and membership still is limited to 20.

Mrs. Herd Is President

Mrs. J. Harvey Herd is president of the group. Other officers are Mrs. John Fitzgerald, vice president; Mrs. W. F. Pennbaker, secretary and reporter; Mrs. Wallace W. Irwin, treasurer; and Mrs. R. G. Gates, historian.

The membership list also includes Mrs. R. M. Barron, Mrs. J. E. Beakey, Mrs. Wilson Bryant, Mrs. DeLo Douglas, Mrs. Ray Howard, Mrs. Charles Klapproth, Mrs. James D. Martin, Mrs. C. E. Marsh, Mrs. M. Ellison Muldrow, Mrs. W. T. Schneider, Mrs. R. D. Scruggs and Mrs. Wilmer Stowe. Mrs. Wade Heath is the only new member to be elected to the club this year. She became a member in January.

Stanolind Boasts Good Safety Record

TULSA—Employees of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company have quite a safety record to shoot at in 1950 when compared with the new record set in 1949.

Last year the 7,004 employees worked a total of 14,924,486 hours with only 48 lost-time accidents during the year. This resulted in an accident frequency rate of 3.22, as compared with the company's previous record low of 3.39 which was established in 1948. The frequency rate indicates the number of disabling injuries for each million man-hours of work.

Angel Falls, in Venezuela, is the world's highest waterfall.

Study Is Daleth Purpose

Study is the primary purpose of the Delphian Society, and the Daleth Delphian Chapter, Midland unit of the national organization, is following this year a course on international affairs. This is the chapter's second year of a three-year study course.

Several earlier chapters, each organized for a definite period to complete a study program, preceded the present Delphian organization which was formed in the Summer of 1948. Mrs. Hal Peck was president for the first year, and has been succeeded by Mrs. Woodrow Campbell.

Other officers now are Mrs. C. W. Chancellor, vice president; Mrs. Harold Kelly, secretary; Mrs. Carl Barnhart, treasurer; and Mrs. O. F. Hedrick, seminar chairman.

Meeting Schedule

The society meets twice a month for morning programs in the Palmetto Club Studio, and in addition has special quarterly programs on subjects of current interest and an occasional social meeting. Its chief aim is educational, however, and the programs are outlined to give the members the equivalent of a college course in the subject they choose.

The organization had not been active in Midland since the early 1940's until the present chapter was formed. The first group was organized here in 1927 for a six-year course, then in 1936 a second chapter was formed, to be reorganized at the close of a three-year study period.

Members of the original chapter here who are enrolled in the present group are Mrs. E. W. Cowden and Mrs. R. M. Barron. Mrs. Peck served as president of a previous chapter in 1936-37.

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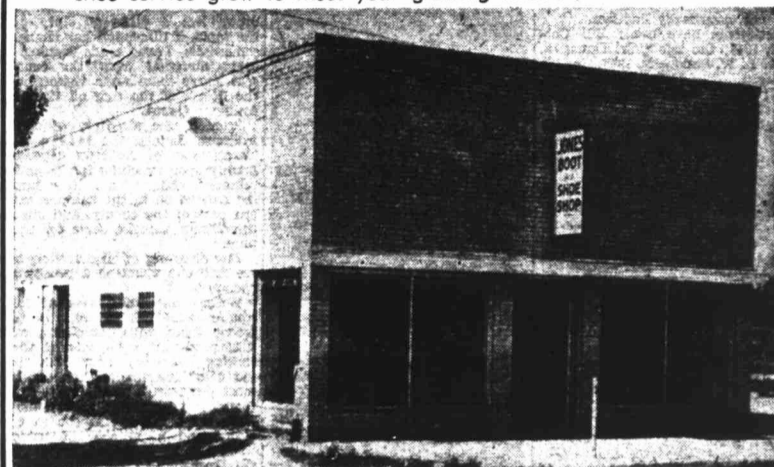
Turtle eggs and those of the iguana, a giant lizard, are often used for food by South Americans.

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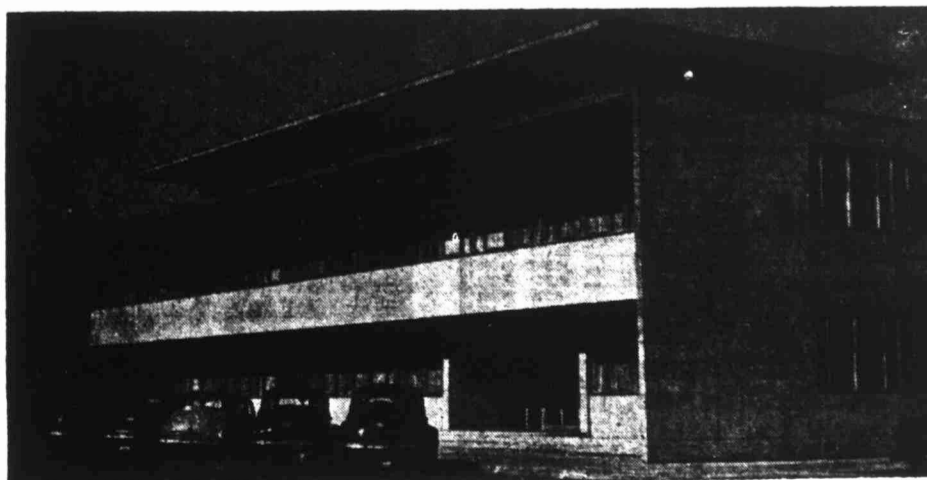
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Seven Midlanders Have Won Awards As "Man Of Year"

Seven Midlanders have been named "Outstanding Young Men of Midland" since inauguration of the award by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The award is made yearly. The honored man is selected by a secret committee whose members are not necessarily Jaycees. Recipients have been: Bill Collins, 1943; the late Clint Dunagan, 1944; L. W. Sandusky, 1945; John J. Redfern, Jr., 1946; Taylor Cole, 1947; Henry Schlichting, 1948, and Art Cole, 1949.



1943
Bill Collins



1944
The Late Clint Dunagan



1945
L. W. Sandusky



1946
John J. Redfern, Jr.

When You Drive In 50's Remember What Lines Are

Those bright, yellow lines you see on Texas highways are double indemnity devices, according to the state Department of Public Safety. It gives a flashy and obvious warning of danger to the motorist who wants to protect his own life and the lives of others, according to information received from the department.

In all states the color of the center stripes has been changed to yellow, which tests have shown is more visible in all kinds of weather than any other type of marking. Yellow is also used to impress the motorist that where yellow is seen on the road it must not be crossed.

Continental Creates Training Division

PONCA CITY, OKLA.—Creation of a training division within the industrial relations department of Continental Oil Company and the appointment of Fletcher B. Emerson as director, has been announced by L. F. McCollum, president.

Fitting into Continental's general movement of expansion and management decentralization, the new division will co-ordinate and broaden the training activities of the company, McCollum said.



1947
Taylor Cole



1948
Henry Schlichting



1949
Art Cole

Population-Gain Estimates To Be Checked By Census

The Federal census which is taken each decade is scheduled again in 1950. Great growths in population are expected in many Texas cities. The census will show how accurate are these estimated gains in populations indicated by the cities in a poll:

	1940	1949
Ablene	28,812	43,000
Amarillo	51,666	96,272
Austin	87,930	150,000
Beaumont	59,061	100,000
Big Spring	12,804	18,500
Borger	10,018	18,000
Childers	8,464	10,250
Colorado City	5,213	10,000
Corpus Christi	57,301	115,000
Dallas	294,734	485,492
El Paso	96,810	137,000
Fort Worth	177,662	274,869
Galveston	90,862	79,900
Houston	384,514	620,000
Kerrville	5,572	10,172
Kilgore	6,708	14,500
Lubbock	31,853	68,000
MIDLAND	9,935	27,700
Mineral Wells	6,303	10,000
Odessa	9,573	40,000
Pampa	12,896	21,153
Pecos	4,855	9,821
Perryton	2,325	4,600
Plainview	8,263	15,000
Port Arthur	46,140	75,000
San Antonio	243,854	392,000
San Angelo	25,802	55,000
Sweetwater	10,373	16,000
Tyler	28,279	48,800
Vernon	9,277	17,737
Waco	55,982	95,845
Wichita Falls	46,112	70,000

Progress Keynote Of Association

Sound financial progress, a steady growth in membership, and a splendid outlook for livestock and agriculture in the area were pointed out in a session of the Midland Production Credit Association on Feb. 2, 1942.

The annual meeting was held in Hotel Scharbauer with more than 85 persons attending from Andrews, Martin, Howard, Loving, Winkler, Ector, Glasscock, Ward, Crane, Upton, Reagan and Midland Counties. Leonard Proctor, Midland, president of the association, presided at the meeting.

Continued growth for livestock and agriculture enterprises in the Golden Fifties is the keynote, with the same foresight being shown by its leadership.

BOBY HEAT
The average person constantly gives off as much heat as a 100-watt electric bulb, or enough to evaporate one-third of a pint of water in an hour.

City Of Andrews Grows, Prospers As Result Of Petroleum Development

By MRS. PERCY E. MORRISON Andrews Correspondent For The Reporter-Telegram

ANDREWS—Ten years ago residents of Andrews would have taken their visitors out for a nice long ride across the sand hills and "shinners" to their ranch headquarters to display their herds of white-faced cattle—but today Andrews has a different story and the topic of discussion has changed somewhat. Paved roads, leading in every direction from the county seat, carry these same visitors into the hearts of the rich oil fields of Andrews County.

Prior to the discovery of oil in Andrews County, the little west Texas town of Andrews depended mainly upon ranching for its maintenance, along with a little farming carried on in the extreme eastern part of the county and during the winter months, some fur trapping.

The discovery of oil definitely has set Andrews apart as a prosperous "boom town."

Within this small area of 1,687 square miles lies at least 10 different fields with something over 2,000 producing wells, most of them flowing. Revenue from this "liquid gold" has made it one of the most progressive small towns to be found anywhere. At present many wells are being dug in proven territory and a number of wildcat wells are being drilled.

Oil Operator
The Humble, Magnolia, Gulf, Shell, Stanolind, Sinclair and Texas companies make up the major oil companies who have holdings in the county along with at least 15 or 20 independent companies.

Located in the heart of the Pullerton oil field, some 18 miles northwest of Andrews, is the Phillips gasoline plant, which has been operating since 1945. Just north of this plant, a quarter of a mile is located the 8,400 horsepower Paso Natural Gas Company compressor and treating plant, which handles 40,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day. This residue gas is received from the Phillips gasoline plant and, following treatment, is pumped to the company's main plant, located in Jal, N. M. From there it goes into a huge line and to sunny California, where it is used for repressuring wells and then into many homes where it is burned for fuel.

At present, Phillips is laying an 18-inch line from its plant to the Shafter Lake field where an addition is planned to increase the daily intake of flare gas, converting it into gasoline.

Within the next few weeks construction on a \$18,000,000 Stanolind gasoline plant and gathering system, located some three miles southwest of the Phillips plant, will be set into operation. Residue gas from this plant likewise will go to the El Paso gas station. A third gasoline plant belonging to the Pure Oil Company is under construction in the Dollarhide area, located 25 miles southwest of Andrews.

Housing Problem
The coming of the oil industry, even though the major companies and various plants have constructed their own camps, naturally has caused a tremendous housing shortage, and at least 100 more housing units could be used immediately with the opening of the two new gasoline plants.

The housing shortage springs from the fact that Andrews has outgrown its infancy. The population in 1940 was recorded as 616 in the city, with something like 1,000 in the county. A recent survey indicates the 1950 census will show close to 6,000 persons within the city and approximately 9,000 in the county.

During the last few years some

five or six hundred houses have been built in Andrews, but the shortage continues to be critical. Rental units are most needed. However, all residential structures, as well as commercial, are being erected of sound and lasting materials.

This oil boom town is turning into the second half of the twentieth century in good health, and boasts of many recent and spectacular achievements. The trend definitely is toward permanency.

Ultra-Modern Schools
Andrews is proudest, and justly so, of its ultra-modern school facilities. Thomas D. Hamilton, superintendent, places the value of the buildings and land at around \$1,600,000.

Newest unit of the school system in Andrews is the \$350,000 primary building. Also completed last Fall was the \$90,000 stadium, seating 5,000 persons, in Hamilton Field.

Major construction projects in the city limits are the \$85,000 agricultural building and community center, \$50,000 county library and the \$100,000 addition to the Andrews County Hospital. Also under construction is the downtown Underwood Building, which will house five businesses.

The county courthouse, First State Bank, county hospital, theater, five churches and numerous tourist courts and hotels are among the recent additions to the city.

A \$18,000 sewer system was built in 1948-49. Some streets have been paved and the city dads are working on a paving program.

Postal Receipts Gain
Mrs. Maggie Burkett, postmistress here for many years, cites another definite illustration in Andrews growth. In 1941, postal receipts were \$3,849.80. In 1949 they totaled \$21,288.13.

Besides the postal system in Mrs. Burkett's jurisdiction, two other post offices have been set up, one at Florey, 14 miles north of Andrews, and another at Frankel City in the Pullerton field. The approval of the fourth post office for Andrews County has been made by the postal inspector. There also is a star route out of Andrews which covers approximately 60 miles.

The citizens of Andrews also are exercising much pride along civic lines. Three study clubs, the Lions Club, Boy Scout and Girl Scouts and many other organizations are working for the good of the community and are planning all civic projects with an eye to the future.

Keynote Of Mayor's Speech Fulfilled

A. N. Hendrickson, speaking before the Rotary Club on November 18, 1943, predicted a bright future for Midland.

Hendrickson, who was mayor at the time, struck a keynote which has seen fulfillment when he said "Midland has the future and prospect of being the outstanding city of the Permian Basin. People in the oil business are trying to make a city out of Midland and they deserve the aid and support of the community."

Although Hendrickson's prediction of a bright future came true, Midlanders have not stopped in their effort to build an even greater city and the Golden Fifties promise a new era in expansion.

PULL OF GRAVITY

The gravity pull of the earth as it spins on its axis may be what gives the earth its magnetic field and makes compasses point to the north.

Veterans Organizations Due Golden 50's Growth

Prospects of record-breaking memberships and additional outstanding service to the area are forecast for Midland's various veterans organizations as they face the Golden Fifties.

The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans have all enjoyed outstanding progress since their organization.

The American Legion is the daddy of the local veterans units. It was in the formative stage as early as 1918 and became a permanent organization in 1919. The American Legion's first commander, Percy Mims, was elected before he had returned from overseas duty following World War I.

Named the Woods W. Lynch Post Number 19, in memory of Dr. W.

W. Lynch who lost his life in the first World War, the local group has grown steadily through the years and now faces the Golden Fifties with a \$90,000 building and one of its largest enrollments in history.

Named For Brothers Veterans of Foreign Wars Temple and Weldon Harris Post, is another top veteran club that has enjoyed success since its organization. Named for two Midland brothers who were killed in World War II, the VFW here has accomplished several worthy projects. A 1950 membership drive is in progress.

VFW operates the recreation building at Midland Air Terminal and has been instrumental in bringing several name bands

to the area, including Russ Morgan, Glen Gray, Ted Fio Rizo, Blue Barron, Dick Jergens, Bob Willis and others. The VFW also operates the swimming pool at Midland Air Terminal.

The Disabled American Veterans, comprising ex-servicemen who received disability during their service years, organized here in 1946 with Ben Stanley as its first commander. The DAV carries on for all the nation's disabled veterans and has helped secure several benefits for its members.

Petroleum Unit
Midland received nationwide publicity in 1948 for its organization of a Volunteer Petroleum Unit 8-1 which was the first group of its kind established in the petroleum industry. It is operated by the

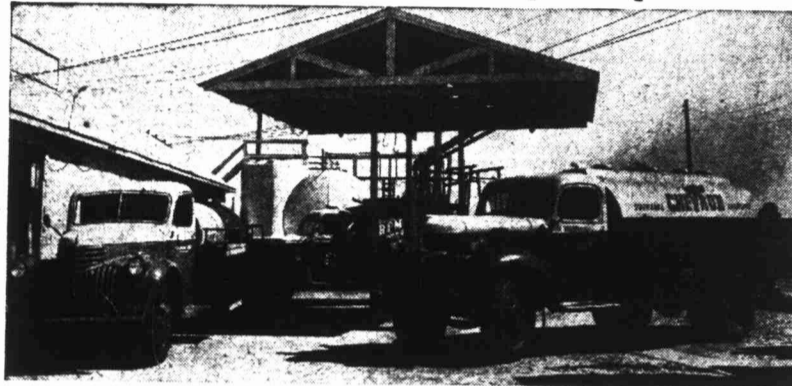
Navy in order to keep personnel trained who hold experience in the petroleum field.

The Reserve Officers Association maintains a club house at Midland Airport. The ROAS (Reserve Officers Naval Service) was organized in Midland in 1947.

Like other organizations in the Permian Basin, the various veterans groups have received tremendous boosts from the petroleum industry and count many persons of the oil profession as members.

Auxiliaries have been formed for the American Legion and the VFW and these groups have contributed outstanding work to the community, sometimes working hand-in-hand with the regular Legion and VFW units.

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Midland Fire Department To Grow Larger In Fifties

Probably no other organization of its kind in the United States has a more colorful history or greater plans for the future than does the Midland Fire Department.

The Golden 50's will bring a period of great expansion to MFD if current plans are carried out. Already the department is feeling the need for sub-stations and more equipment.

Considering the changes and improvements it has seen during the 1940's and knowing what is planned for the 50's, one can point out the Midland Fire Department as evidence of Midland's progress and growth.

Midland's Fire Department was organized in 1909 with J. A. Worthy as its first chief.

Equipment consisted of a hand-pumped cart upon which were mounted a few hose reels. When an alarm sounded — it could be heard all over town — volunteer firemen rushed to the station and tugged the cart to the fire.

As we look at the modern equipment the department now has, it would make 1909 seem even longer ago than it actually is.

Progress Made

But progress has been the watch word in the department.

John Winborn succeeded Worthy as chief. He was head of the department when the first piece of mechanized equipment was added in 1917.

That piece — an ancient type pumper now known as No. 1 — still stands ready for service.

Soon after the arrival of No. 1, Luther Tidwell took over as chief. He served in an active capacity more than 20 years and still is honorary chief.

Tidwell saw the Fire Department get larger and larger. New equipment was added, more volunteers joined, a regular fireman was added, a new station was constructed. The department grew up.

Finally Jim Walker was named chief in 1947 and still serves in that capacity. The job now is a full time proposition.

At Walker's command for use in protecting lives and property from fire are 14 full time firemen and a host of modern equipment.

Still Growing

Midland has grown as has its Fire Department. But now the city is just about to outgrow the department.

A survey conducted by engineers from the State Fire Commission last year resulted in recommendations for many improvements here.

The water supply was found adequate to serve the city in case of most fires but a study for increased supply in the future was recommended.

The distribution system is adequate because the city has kept step as it extended its lines into new areas. Fire plugs have been

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Want to leave Midland? Want to come home? There are plenty of ways.

A total of 55 buses, planes and passenger trains leave the city daily. And it's almost as easy to come back home. Fifty-three incoming schedules are operated.

Sixteen plane flights leave Midland daily via the three commercial airlines. Four trains leave the station each day and a total of 35 buses carry off passengers in every direction.

American Airlines sends two flights daily in two directions, east and west. Pioneer sends out six flights to the east and south, and Continental has six flights going north, south and east. It's easy to fly in the Permian Basin.

Texas and Pacific Railway Company operates two passenger east and two west, each day. Eastbound trains leave here at 8:43 a.m. and 9:32 p.m. Westbound trains leave at 4:14 p.m. and 6:22 a.m.

All Directions

Midland's bus services provide transportation in all directions. Greyhound Lines operate eight bus schedules east and the same number west. American Bus Lines send three in each direction.

Baynet Coaches operate seven buses through Midland daily, serving three south, two west and two north. Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma Lines send one north-bound bus to Hobbs daily.

In addition to the regular plane, train and bus service, the Midland-Odessa Bus Company affords 10 schedules daily, five in each direction. The buses from Midland to Odessa leave here at 8:05 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 3:10 p.m., 5:10 p.m., and 7 p.m. And Midland has city bus service.

Bowling, In New Home, Looks For Boom In 50's

Bowling—a sport every Jack, Joe and Annie can take part in—is due for a big boom in Midland in the Golden 50's. It always has been a big item in sports here but already steps have been taken to make it even bigger.

Plamor Lanes—formerly Plamor Palace—has moved to a new location and has increased its facilities to match any in the state.

The new layout includes 12 regulation lanes. All have been approved by the American Bowling Congress.

The expanded facilities will provide better service for Midland's more than 1,000 league bowlers and for the added hundreds who just bowl.

Nine Leagues

Nine leagues have been organized for this, the first year of the Golden 50's. That's an increase over the number of leagues operating at any other time in history.

Men and women from all walks of life will participate in league bowling this year.

The Ladies League, long a strong organization and one of the best in West Texas, bowls Monday nights.

An Automotive League for bowlers connected with the automobile business or its allied businesses also bowls on Monday nights.

The Shell and Atlantic Leagues bowl on Tuesday nights. Employees of the two oil companies participate.

Wednesday nights, the Humble League rolls. It is followed by the City Major League.

The 16-team Petroleum League, largest of all, takes up Thursday nights.

New City League

A newly-organized Civic-Fraternal League bowls on Friday nights. Service clubs and veterans' organizations have teams in the league.

Bowling had a good year in 1949. A State Class B championship team was produced under the banners of George E. Failing Supply Company, Jack Mashburn, Bob Boothe, Ernie Crites, Elton Lewis and "Scotty" Scott were members of the title winning outfit.

Several women bowlers also placed high in tournaments over the state.

Association Officers

The Midland City Bowling Association, with Jack Mashburn as president, is affiliated with the American Bowling Congress which sanctions men's leagues.

Bert Haag, secretary of the association, is one of Midland's veteran bowlers. He helped pioneer the game here and largely is responsible for its rapid growth and development.

Al Boring and Eddie Jones, operators of Plamor Lanes, forecast growth and increased activity for bowling during the Golden 50's.

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Joke At OPA Office In 1946 Is Recalled

Midlanders—some in a joking manner—looked toward an era of peace in the Golden 50's, as far back as 1946.

Indications of this look into the future came in incidents like the door black crane was hung on the door of the OPA office here in early November of 1946. That's when the OPA went out of business and Midlanders weren't hankerin' for any more rationing.

Midland Woman's Club Theme For 1950 Takes Up World Understanding

In addition to a building program that is of major interest, the Midland Woman's Club is presenting this year a series of discussions centered on the subject, "Education for World Understanding," at its monthly meetings. Guests from Midland and other cities are sharing places on the programs with members of the club.

The organization, formerly the City-County Federation of Women's Clubs, comprises 18 member clubs and a number of individual members. Its main efforts are benevolent, educational and recreational.

Clubs affiliated in the Woman's Club are the Woman's Wednesday Club, Fine Arts Club, Junior Woman's Wednesday Club, Modern Study Club, Progressive Study Club, Twentieth Century Club, Business and Professional Women's Club, the three Beta Sigma Phi Chapters of Midland, the Midland, Yucca, Texas, Perennial, Pyracontha and Senia Garden Clubs and the View Way Home Demonstration Club.

Each of the affiliated clubs names representatives to the Woman's Club. These representatives, officers, standing committee chairmen and the individual members of the club are entitled to vote. Other members of the affiliated clubs may attend all meetings of the club. Any member of an affiliated club who wishes to become an individual member, privileged to vote, may do so by paying the annual dues.

Membership in the club is open to all women in the county. The constitution states that "Women who are in sympathy with the object of the Midland Woman's Club shall be eligible to membership," and it states the object of the club "to bring the various clubs and organizations which are interested in the philanthropic, intellectual, physical and moral advancement of Midland County into closer and more effective communication as a means of furthering public and common interests."

'Grocery Checking' Is New Manual

AUSTIN—"Grocery Checking," a new training manual released by the University of Texas Extension Division, had final testing sessions in San Antonio.

Mrs. Pauline Burbrink, division retail grocery trade specialist, conducted classes for grocery checkers and store owners there early in February.



Mrs. C. M. Goldsmith is president of the club, serving the first year of a two-year term. Officers with her are Mrs. Lindsey Latham and Mrs. B. R. Schabrum, vice presidents; Mrs. Bert Goodman, recording secretary; Mrs. James O. Simmons, Jr., corresponding secretary; Mrs. B. R. Mathews, treasurer; Mrs. W. G. Epley, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Grace Wallace, auditor.

Jack Dempsey Got Into WT Oil Game In 1940; Leased

Jack Dempsey, voted the greatest fighter of the half century, got into the West Texas oil game in 1940.

He announced four men would acquire leases for him in then wildcat territory of north-central Gaines County. He reportedly put out \$100,000 for leases.

Dempsey previously had been in the oil game in East Texas.

Hockey Trio Marks Back 'Golden Days'

NEW YORK — The greatest hockey trio since the Golden Days! That's what the Detroit Red Wings hot threesome—Ted Lindsay, Sid Abel, and Gordon Howe—are labelled in a recent issue of *Quick* magazine.

Not since the days of the Rangers' great Cook brothers and Boucher have the National Hockey League's scoring records been so completely dominated by any group, says *Quick*, pointing out that Detroit has a stranglehold on the league lead. According to the NHL statistics, Lindsay, Abel and Howe rank first, second and sixth respectively in points scored.

Maybe Not So Many Fouls During 1950

Until this season, Bill Turnbow of the Texas A&M basketball team thought the only way he could avoid drawing a personal foul was to watch the entire game from the bench.

He'd played in some 350 games, drawing from one to five fouls in each. Then in late December he went the route against Stanford without being assessed a personal foul. A week later he repeated the stunt against TCU.

"My new style of play," grins Bill, "is a secret."

He hopes it will be better in the Golden 50's.

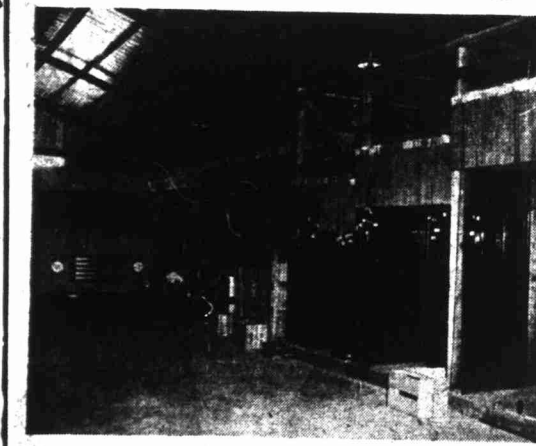
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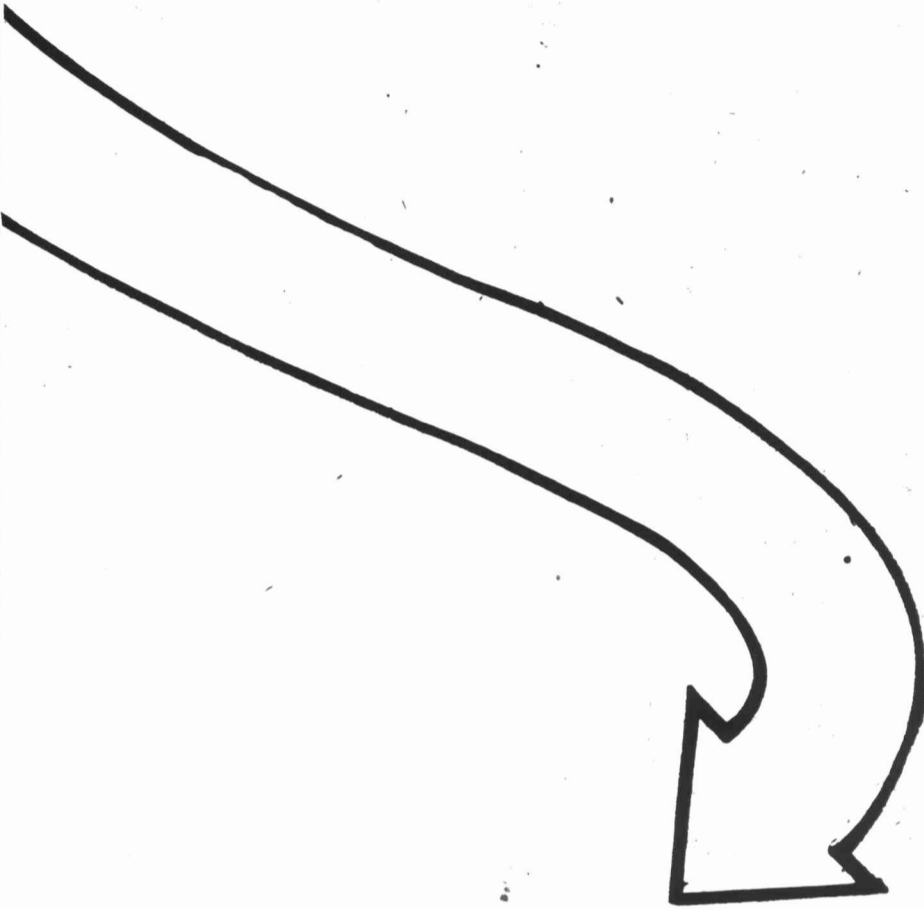
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