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Pair Jailed In Crane On Rape, Assault Charge

Mrs. Price's Mother Dies In Comanche

Commissioner and Mrs. W. J. Price were called to Comanche Thursday by the death of Mrs. Price's mother. Funeral services were to be held in Comanche on Friday.

Car Stolen Saturday Night In McCamey Is Recovered In Snyder

A 1946 Ford belonging to Mrs. Jack George was stolen from downtown McCamey Saturday night, and was recovered early Sunday morning by officers in Snyder on pick-up orders issued by the Upton County Sheriff's department.

Pete Geoske, about 31 and an ex-convict of Oklahoma, was found in possession of the vehicle in Snyder, and Sheriff H. E. "Gene" Eckols and Deputy Bob Schlaga returned the prisoner and car to Upton County Tuesday.

Geoske had been in and out of the McCamey area for the past year, and had recently lived in Snyder for awhile.

The car had not been damaged. Automobile theft charges have been filed, and will come before the 112th District Court grand jury to be convened on June 12.

Cars Heavily Damaged In Sideswipe Near Humble Saturday Night

No injuries were suffered, but heavy damages to a 1941 Plymouth belonging to Curtis R. Winfield of McCamey, and a 1936 Plymouth driven by Bobbie Joe Leonard of Rankin resulted when the cars sideswiped near the Humble intersection Saturday night about 11.

The car driven by Leonard was owned by J. C. Carroll of Rankin. No charges were filed in the accident. Upton County officers investigated.

Crane County Sheriff, M. E. Lear today announced the capture of Roy (Cowboy) Christmas, charged with rape in the alleged assault and beating of a 20-year old Odessa woman near here last week.

Christmas was captured in Texas after pickup orders had been issued along the route between here and there. Lear picked him up there yesterday and returned with him to Crane today.

Another man involved in the alleged attack, Elmer Vaughn, 26, of Colorado City, has been in jail here since last Wednesday. Lear captured him at his home there.

No bond has been set for either man as yet and District Attorney John Dennison told Lear that he is going to try to deny bond to both men. A preliminary hearing in the cases is due some time this week. The next Crane grand jury does not convene until July 3.

The 19-year old Christmas and Vaughn reportedly picked the woman up in Odessa and drove to the Cowden Ranch about four miles from here where the alleged assault took place.

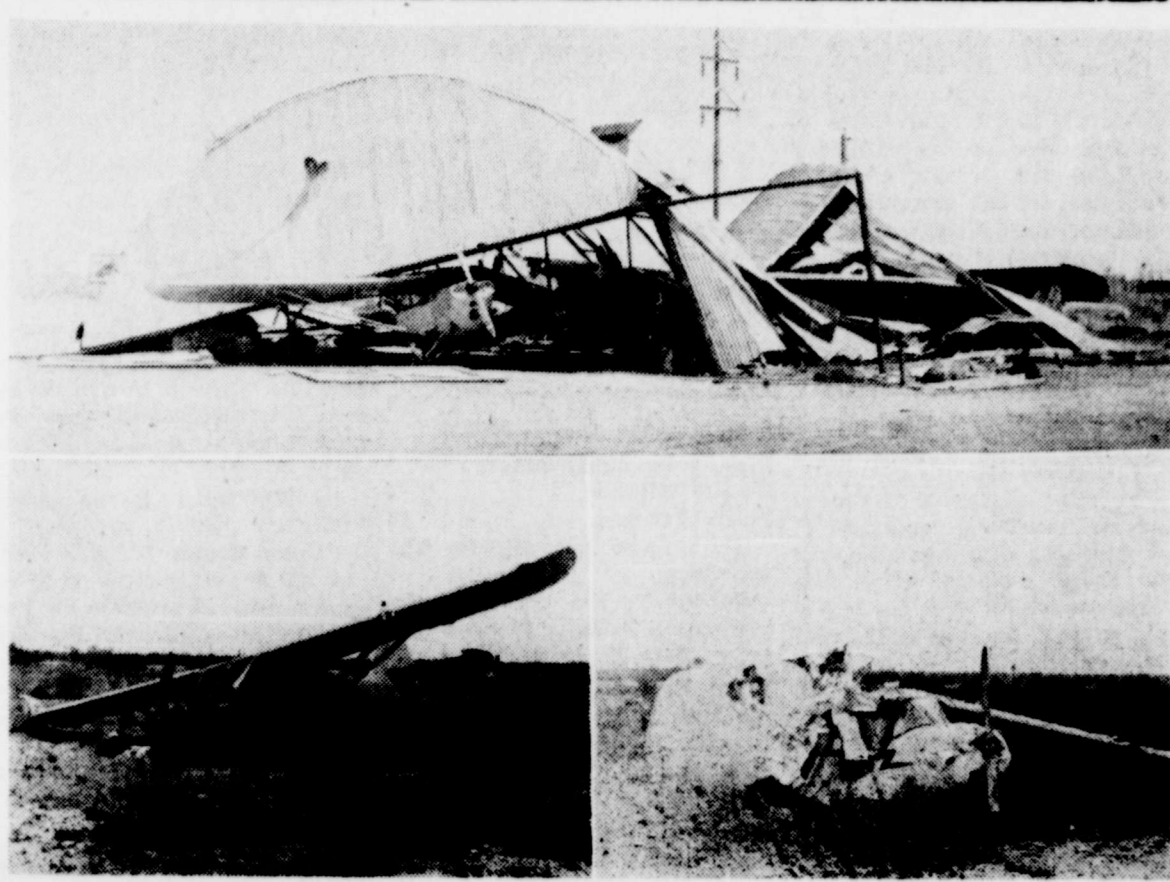
Before raping her, the men "thrashed her pretty thoroughly with a mesquite limb and boxed her jaws some" said Lear. After the beating, one of the men held her on the ground while the other assaulted her, she reported to Lear, and then the other attacked her while the second held her.

The woman told Ector County Sheriff Ernest Broughton, to whom she first reported the attack, that she would have never entered their car except that she had known them a long time.

Following the attack she was brought back to Odessa and let out of the car. She told authorities that the men threatened her life if she reported the attack.

When she talked to Broughton, he referred her to officials in Crane County where the offense was committed and she filed charges the next day. Broughton also said her legs were cut and bruised from the mesquite bush and that she had a large bump over one eye.

Both men are here in the County Jail awaiting their examining trial and it has not yet been set.



Plane owned by Wayne Karr and what was left of four other planes in the large hangar that was destroyed during the flash storm that hit Crane on last Thursday. Other planes shown are one owned by E. R. Tomlinson and one owned by Vernon Painter.—Photo By Darrell Tomlinson.

Upton 4-H Rifle Team Takes Second Place In District 6 Shoot

Members of the Upton County 4-H Club Rifle team entered the District 6 competition in Big Lake last Saturday and walked off with second place laurels to win their way to the state meet to be held at College Station on June 12.

This is the first year of participation for the Upton group. Martin County won first place with a score of 810 out of a possible 1200, while the Upton entry had a score of 735. Crockett County was third with 725.

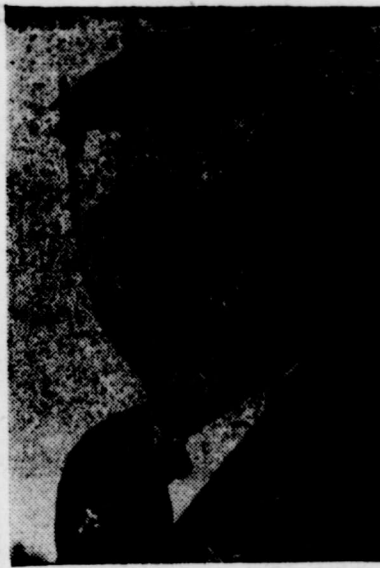
Members of the Upton team are Paul Brown, Dee Ann Gamblin, Scottie Howard and Lloyd Yocham.

Gamblin was third high on individual score with 290 of a possible 400.

Jim Miller is coach of the Upton team, and accompanied County Agent W. M. Day, Jr., with the team to Big Lake.



ROY BELL



THOMAS HALL

Roy Bell, Thomas Hall Get Degrees Tuesday At Schreiner Institute

KERRVILLE, Tex. — Roy Lee Bell and Thomas Edward Hall of Rankin were members of the graduating class of Schreiner Institute from the junior college department at commencement exercises held Tuesday afternoon, May 30, in Robbins-Lewis auditorium.

Nearly 100 candidates received certificates or diplomas at the exercises. Dr. James I. McCord, dean of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, delivered the baccalaureate sermon Sunday and the Rev. William Logan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Kerrville, delivered the commencement address.

McCamey Tigers To Meet Kermit Lobos Sunday at Park

The McCamey Tigers will be host to the Kermit Lobos in a baseball game to be played at the McCamey Softball Park Sunday afternoon.

The locals will carry a record of eleven wins and two losses into the game, and will be out to avenge a 6-5 loss to Kermit at their home park earlier this season.

The game is scheduled to begin at 3 p. m.

Roy Bell's Attend Son's Graduation At Schreiner Institute

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bell attended the graduation exercises at Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, the first of the week, when Roy Lee Bell graduated.

Roy Lee was one of the five honor students out of a class of approximately 100. He has accepted a position with the Plymouth Oil Company in Midland.

R. L. Bullard Killed In Auto Accident In Arkansas Last Week

Robert Lee Lowe, nephew of Mrs. C. C. Parks of McCamey, was killed instantly last Thursday near Ogden, Ark., when his car overturned while negotiating a curve. Investigating officers reported that he apparently went to sleep while driving.

Lowe lived in McCamey in 1933-34 and attended school here. While living with his aunt, he was known by the name of his foster parents, R. L. Bullard.

At the time of his death, he was residing in Grand Prairie with his family. He was employed by Youngs Rubber Corp. He is survived by his wife, and two children, Bobette, 5, and Robert Lee, Jr., 5 months old.

Mrs. Paul Hatley of Dallas is a cousin to the deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shipman of McCamey attended the funeral services held from the Guardian Funeral Home in Dallas Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Shipman is a cousin of Lowe.

Man Seriously Hurt When Car Overturns

A 52-year-old Cement, Okla., man was critically injured here late Saturday afternoon when his car overturned after smashing into a culvert fence on the Iran Highway, about four miles south of McCamey.

Everett Smart, recently employed by the John Greer Drilling Company of Ozona, suffered a concussion and possible neck injuries when he apparently lost control of his car and ran into a culvert.

Smart received treatment at McCamey and was then rushed to the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo by a Jacobsen Funeral Home ambulance.

Reports from San Angelo this week stated that the injured man's condition is "slightly improved."

Mrs. Bill Stahl of Ashland, Ohio, is visiting in the Tom Workman home. Mrs. Stahl and Mrs. Workman spent Tuesday with the Joe T. McComic's in Seminole.

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Lewis, Jr., of Marshall, Texas, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery.

Rankin Schools Close As Seniors Graduate

The Rankin Schools were officially closed with the High School graduation exercises. Miss Cleona Quiett played the professional and recessional music and the High School Choral Club sang three numbers: "Steel Away," "Go Down, Moses," and "Praise Of Our Alma Mater." The invocation and benediction were by Rev. W. L. Capps.

Dr. John A. Guinn, president of the San Angelo Junior College, made the principal address, his subject being "Growing Up." He was introduced by Salutatorian Joveta Yocham.

The Salutatorian's and Valedictorian's addresses were by Miss Yocham and Jimmy Workman.

The American Legion awards for scholarship, citizenship and leadership were presented by County Attorney John A. Menee to Shirley Broyles and Dell Gamblin of the eighth grade and to Joveta Yocham and Jimmy Workman of the graduating class.

Awards presented by Principal G. C. Fitzgerald for not being absent or tardy went to Sandra Cowan and Nina Pettit of the first grade, Bud Poage of the third grade, and Carl Moody 6th grade.

The Stanley Edens award, given in memory of their son, Phillip, to the first grade child voted most kind and most helpful to their fellow-students, went to Darlene Workman.

Athletic awards were presented by Fitzgerald to Imogene Sanders and Don Still, seniors, and medals for the highest averages for the year in the High School grades went to Freshman Bobby Wyatt, whose average was 91 per cent, Sophomore Jean Shaw, 92.5 per cent, Junior Bill Hurn, 91.5 per cent, and Senior Jimmy Workman, 95 per cent.

Joveta Yocham and Jimmy Workman received the Salutatorian's and Valedictorian's medals and certificates along with scholarships to denomination and State colleges.

A reception for the seniors, their parents and relatives and the school faculty was given in the high school dining room immediately following the graduation exercises by Mrs. Campbell White, Mrs. H. Still and Mrs. Tom Workman.

B. & P. W. Installation Changed To June 8th

Due to a conflict in dates with events scheduled by other local organizations, the B&PW Club's installation of officers for 1950-51 will be held at the regular luncheon of the club on June 8th instead of as originally announced. This announcement is made by the 1949-50 executive committee of the club.

Visits In Rankin

Miss Myrtle Brick, formerly of Rankin, visited here Monday. She had been visiting at the Prude Ranch near Fort Davis and was on her way to her home in Brownfield. Miss Brick taught in Kerrville this year.

Visits In Wichita Falls

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Anderson and Mary are visiting in Wichita Falls this week. Mrs. Anderson's parents will observe their Golden Wedding anniversary Saturday, June 3.

IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Tyson Midriff is a patient in a Midland hospital, having become ill Tuesday.

Bette Hines Is Honoree At A Miscellaneous Bridal Shower At Park Building On May 30th

Miss Bette Hines, bride-elect of Winston Holcomb, was honoree at a miscellaneous bridal shower at the Rankin Park Building on Tuesday afternoon between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock.

More than 50 guests registered. Mrs. Ted Hogan assisted with the serving, while Miss Neva Rae Taylor presided at the guest book.

The date for the wedding has been set for high noon on June 6 at the First Baptist Church in Rankin. Rev. Warren L. Capps will officiate at the ceremony.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mmes. Marvin Bell, Ralph H. Dauherty, W. M. Day, Jr., C. L. Keys, W. A. Hudson, C. G. Taylor, D. O. McKelvey, Tyson Midriff and A. D. Zachary.

Donkey Softball Game Pits C of C, Sheriff Posse

A hilarious evening is in store for McCamey next Monday night, June 8, when the Chamber of Commerce tangles with the rough-riding Upton County Sheriff's Posse in a Donkey softball game at the McCamey Softball Park.

The trained animals are brought to McCamey by Otto Strother of Cisco, and from all advance notices, the animals will be in to shape to help the local dren.

"talent" do their top performance this season.

It is admitted that some of the donkeys are lazy, some listless, some a little hesitant, but the few that are "full of life" will no doubt keep the cowpokes and the white collar boys plenty busy during the evening.

The game is scheduled to start at 8 p. m. with admission being 50c for adults and 25c for children.



MIDLAND RODEO AERIALIST—And he flies through the air with the greatest of ease—this cowboy after leaving his "comfortable" seat aboard one of the rugged broncs which will be seen in action at the 16th Annual World Championship Midland Rodeo, May 31-June 4. Night shows only will be presented Wednesday through Sunday at the Midland Rodeo Grounds on East Highway 80.



JUDGE MOSS BUYS FIRST POPPY—District Judge Paul Moss of Odessa is shown receiving the first buddy poppy sold by members of the Segura McDonald Post No. 5615 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in El Paso. Pinning the poppy on the judge's lapel is Miss Irene Sandoval, a member of one of the teen-age clubs sponsored by the Segura McDonald Post. Miss Sandoval told Judge Moss: "I am glad to sell you the first poppy, and I hope it brings you luck."

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ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Those who are bewildered by the fact that the Federal government can't seem to make both ends meet, no matter how great its tax revenues are, would do well to read—and reread—a piece in the May 1 issue of Newsweek called "Well, It's Only Money." It deals with Senator Paul Douglas' brave but wholly ineffectual effort to do something about a \$1,565,000,000 rivers and harbors bill.

These bills are the traditional pork-barrel measures. As Newsweek puts it, "The whole principle is: 'Don't ask questions. You vote for my project, and I'll vote for yours.'" Partisanship is forgotten as the bills are rushed through and every state is given its share of the pork. Senator Douglas, who was formerly a college professor and who made a distinguished record as a volunteer Marine combat officer when he was past 50, generally favors the philosophies that are associated with the "New Deal" and the "Fair Deal." However, Senator Douglas also hates waste, unbalanced budgets, and the kind of political cynicism which creates them.

As Newsweek says, "Douglas didn't ask the Senate to cut the pork from bill . . . All he requested was the elimination of the baloney." Even this would have reduced the appropriation by more than half. The Senator explained precisely why the projects he wanted to kill—including two in his own state of Illinois—were wasteful. And here is what resulted, again in Newsweek's words: "Each amendment was greeted with raucous laughter. Each was howled down, and some of the loudest shouts were from those Republican and Southern Democrats who moan most about economy between appropriations bills. Only one voice was raised in support of Douglas—by Democratic Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia, who pointed out that, unless whittled down, the rivers and harbors bill eventually would cost the nation \$30,000,000,000.

"While the Senate was laughing at Douglas, the House also demonstrated that in Congress economy is a word that rhymes with hypocrisy . . . The only savings effected were a ten percent reduction in the \$12,000,000 Federal contribution to the District of Columbia, which has no votes, and the elimination of a \$7,000,000 contract authorization for the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, for which there was no basic authorizing legislation anyway."

Newsweek went on to say that the 1951 Federal deficit is now likely to reach the incredible figure of \$7,300,000,000. It is a common political practice to claim that this is the result of such costly undertakings as the national defense, the rebuilding and rearming of Western Europe, and so on. But Congress' unbridled amusement when Senator Douglas attempted to take the baloney out of just one bill indicates how empty that claim is.

TOO BIG TO WHISTLE

In a recent address on the vital subject of Federal deficit financing, Dr. Edwin C. Nourse, who was formerly chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers but resigned because of his disagreement with certain Administration fiscal policies, said, "We all see the Mississippi steamboat owner who put on such a big whistle that the engine stopped when we blew it."

Senator Ferguson of Michigan told the same audience that deficit spending is "The secret weapon in the Moscow arsenal."

Industry is running in high gear. Employment is at near-record levels. Governmental income is huge. Yet this year there will be a budget deficit of about \$7,000,000,000, and perhaps more. If the government refuses to make both ends meet in good times, what would happen if even a minor depression occurred and revenues declined?

Soviet journalists and economists often say that in time capitalism, as exemplified by the United States, will collapse from within and that the communization of the world will then follow as a matter of course. They are right to the extent that in the long run there is no greater threat to freedom and opportunity and everything this nation stands for than to keep on running gigantic government deficits, to pile up the national debt until it reaches the insupportable point, and to bring on the ghastly tragedy of runaway inflation.

The whistle must not be allowed to stop the boat.

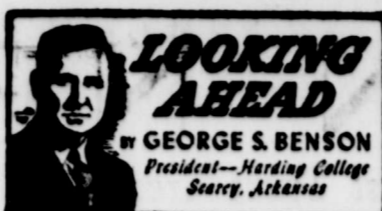
THE COUNTRY PRESS SAYS

BEAVERTON, OREGON, ENTERPRISE: "The post office curtailment will bring sharply home the dire effects of government reorganization and economy. For those who rise up in arms over lessening of mail deliveries, let them recognize fully that the wages of reorganization are economy, not mere governmental services."

NORWICH, N. Y., CHENANGO UNION: "It is a basic principle of democracy that might does not make right. When that principle is disregarded by any individual or group of individuals, whether it be a labor union or an association of employers or a political party, our system of liberty and justice for all is endangered."

DEARBORN, MICHIGAN, PRESS: "Debts of state and local governments have gone up in the last year, according to the Census Bureau, which reports that they reached an all-time high of \$20,875,000,000 last June 30. This looks like a large amount but it is nothing compared with the \$252,000,000,000 that the Federal government owes. The total, \$273,645,000,000, amounts to \$1,834 for every man, woman and child in the country."

AIKEN, S. C., STANDARD-REVIEW: "In England . . . more and more restrictions have been placed on the freedom of the workers . . . In that country men and women cannot change jobs without permission of the government and when such a condition exists there is no longer any free labor. Free labor and free enterprise go hand in hand. We cannot have one without the other."



The Appeal To Ignorance

An Arkansas newspaper has just published the fact that a card-carrying Communist student has been at work among the student body of the University of Arkansas that he established a small following or "cell" of undergraduates on the campus. The news story said the organizer had left the school to work with a small Communist group elsewhere in the state. The announcement, confirmed by an authoritative source raises again the question that has perplexed a great many people: What causes young Americans to be beguiled by Communism?

The basic answer to the question is: Ignorance. Ignorance of the facts about Communism and the facts about Capitalism (American style) provides a fertile ground for the half-truths and bewitching fallacies with which the Communist and Socialist crusaders make their converts. A youth who is ignorant of American history has no background of understanding against which to view the phony doctrines.

Ignorance, Says Bentley
 When Elizabeth Bentley, the recanted Communist, began working with Government agencies to thwart the Commies' underground conspiracy, she answered the question (why she became a Communist) thus: "I didn't learn enough about America when I was in school," she said, "I didn't get American history." She also said she wasn't taught the true facts about Communism. She attended a well-known women's college and one of the greatest American universities. She became a Communist, she said, while attending the university. She later was a Communist spy courier.

Had Elizabeth Bentley learned in high school and college the true facts of American history, it is unlikely that she would have been vulnerable to the canned attacks on American capitalism which are the stock-in-trade of the Communists and Socialists. The same probably would hold true for Judith Coplon and for the other thousands of young college and university students who have been lured into the Communist conspiracy or the equally fatal bog of Socialism.

Too Few Teach It

Benjamin Fine, education editor of the NEW YORK TIMES, has sent me results of a survey he conducted on the attitude of college and universities on the question of American history for students. The encouraging fact revealed is that twice as many colleges and universities today require students to study American history as did in 1942. Yet the number today is a mere 34 per cent. The schools replying to the TIMES questionnaire have an undergraduate enrollment of 1,626,571. Only 12 per cent of these students were enrolled in American history courses.

At Harding, we require every freshman student to study American history. In this way we are certain that every boy and girl gets the subject whether they stay in school the four years or not. In the TIMES survey, 62 per cent of the educators questioned favored making American history a required study for all undergraduates. But 66 per cent of all institutions of higher learning in the nation do not make it compulsory and about 73 per cent do not require high school graduates entering college to have had the subject.

Our Vulnerable Spot
 Though a comfortable majority of educators replying to the TIMES placed a high importance on adequate knowledge of American history, there are disturbing facts revealed by the survey. It is disturbing to be reminded by the TIMES that tens of thousands of American youths who graduate from college each June have no real understanding of their great American heritage. They do not know how it came to them and feel no obligation as free citizens should, to pass it on. Such students are perfect prey for the Socialists and Communists.

Replying to "with an adequate knowledge of American history, would students be less likely to turn to other ideologies?" officials of 69 important American colleges said "No." Editor Fine soundly concluded: "Though considerable progress has been made, much remains to be done before

our colleges and universities give the 2,500,000 men and women in the liberal colleges, professional schools, junior and teachers colleges an adequate grounding in American history." This situation is a challenge to citizens who want to do something for their country.

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Political Announcements

Charges for publication in this column of The Rankin News:
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Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election Saturday, July 22, 1950.

- For U. S. Representative, 16th Congressional District: PAUL MOSS, FRED HERVEY, KEN REGAN
- For District Judge, 112th District: GARLAND CASEBIER
- For County and District Clerk: RALPH H. DAUGHERTY (Re-Election)
- For County Judge: G. H. "Bud" FISHER
- For Sheriff, Tax Assessor, and Collector: H. E. "Gene" ECKOLS (Re-Election)
- For County Attorney: JOHN A. MENEFFEE (Re-Election)
- For County Treasurer: MRS. ELIZABETH RAINS (Re-Election)
- For Commissioner, Prec. 1: SAM HOLMES (Re-Election)
- For Commissioner, Prec. 2: W. J. PRICE (Re-Election)
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Colored Pair Arrested For Thefts In Rankin, McCamey Monday Night

Willie and Jim Perryman, colored, were arrested in Iraan in the early hours of Tuesday morning after burglaries in Rankin and McCamey. Pick-up of the pair was requested by Deputy John Gant and Constable Malcolm Reimers after discovery of the burglary of Nick's Drive-In late Monday night.

The McCamey officers had also learned of the robbery of the Gulf Service Station in Rankin earlier in the night prior to requesting the pick-up of the pair. The pair admitted the two burglaries, taking some \$10 in cash, a battery and a case of oil from the service station owned by R. D. McSpadden, but said they failed to find anything at Nick's.

Jim Perryman is on parole from San Quentin, according to the Upton County Sheriff's office, and Willie Perryman is on a five year suspended sentence for burglary in Reagan County. Burglary charges have been filed on the pair in Upton County by the Sheriff's office and will come before the 112th District Court. Both men resided in Iraan at the time of their arrest.

CHANDLER'S FISH AND PICNIC

Over the past week-end a lot of West Texas people were drawn for a little fishing and outing.

Those who caught the limit on bass were Mr. and Mrs. Garland O'Quinn and Mr. and Mrs. B. Humberson of Monahans; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spry and daughter of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith of Rankin; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Barbee of Iraan; and Mr. and Mrs. John Caruthers, Jr., of Sanderson.

My swimming pool is open to the public this year, and the picnic grounds are in fine shape for your convenience. I still have

my creek and river fishing for non-lake members.

Oh yes, I now have a grocery store for your convenience. An excellent place to spend the week-end, we're 30 miles south of Sheffield. We're looking forward to seeing you some week-end soon.
 (Signed) Joe Chandler (Pd. Adv.)

When a mine is mined continuously, it eventually gives out, practically ceases to exist as a wealth producer. But when a forest is properly cared for, it goes on forever and ever. As a wealth producer, the forest is immortal.

A moment of carelessness with a match or cigarette can destroy a forest that nature has been developing for a century.



This Little Piggy Is Cute — But Careless!

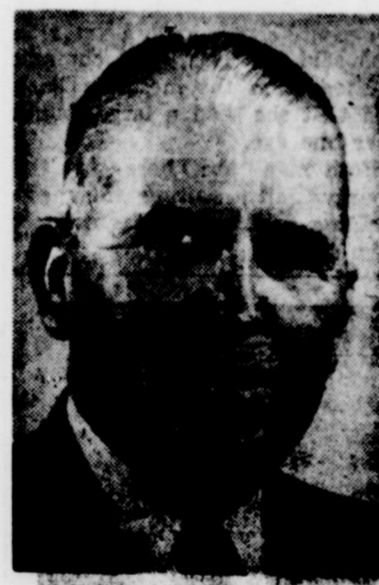
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Early West Texas Development Entwines Career Of Paul Moss

ODESSA.—Every so often during the past 20 years, West Texas newspapermen have traveled to Odessa to write what they almost invariably call "the success story" of Paul Moss.

But Judge Moss, who now is the midst of one of the most vigorous campaigns for Congress ever waged in this section of the nation, doesn't quite view his battle career in the same light. "I simply like to think that I grew up with West Texas," he explains.

And there can't be much doubt at he did.

When Paul Moss arrived here most 25 years ago, Odessa had a population of barely more than 100 persons. The Permian Basin oil deposits were yet to be discovered. West Texas had little at that time except possibilities of a great expansion.

Judge Moss, too, had little better possibilities. Equipped only with a college diploma, he moved into Odessa in an ancient Chevrolet sedan, pitched a tent on a vacant lot, and decided that was the place where he wanted to stay.

Today, West Texans—from El Paso to Ozona, from Odessa and Midland to Presidio—has grown to one of the most prosperous and promising sections of the United States.

And throughout its development has been entwined the name Paul Moss—cattleman, lawyer, judge, oilman, businessman, civic leader and author.

Paul Moss was born on a farm in Clay County, N. C., the son of Thaddeus and Amanda Moss. His grandfather, Howell Moss, had been pastor of the small church which was attended by his parents of the surrounding valleys.

As a boy, Paul Moss attended schools in the nearby town of Hayesville. His afternoons were devoted to work on the family farm. Later, he enrolled in Valparaiso University, where he passed an outstanding scholastic record and was awarded degrees in education, public speaking and law.

Moving westward, Paul Moss came to Texas and New Mexico. Then he practiced law for a short period in Greybull, Wyo., and Denver, Colo.

When the Panhandle city of Ogden went into a boom under the impact of oil discoveries, Paul Moss headed back to Texas. He passed through Borger, but decided not to stop. Continuing southward, he pulled into Poyote

It was from there that he went to Odessa—to stay.

The fact that his wallet was almost flat and he was living in a tent didn't bother Paul Moss. In characteristic style, he pitched right in to work.

Borrowing a law book from a new acquaintance, he set out after a legal practice. It wasn't long until he had an office of his own and a reputation as an attorney that reached as high as the U. S. Supreme Court.

One of Paul Moss' first tasks was to help his new-found home city to incorporate. He drew up the documents that enabled Odessa to become a full-fledged municipality, then laid the legal groundwork for an ambitious program of city improvements.

He was Odessa's first city attorney, holding the office from 1927 until 1934.

But that wasn't enough to satisfy a man of Paul Moss' energy. He helped found the Odessa Chamber of Commerce, was a charter member of the Odessa Rotary Club, and contributed both his legal and personal services to numerous other civic organizations.

He was first secretary, then president, of the Ector County Independent School District, Odessa's present multi-million dollar school system was begun under his administration.

It was these—and his many other activities—that led the Harper News Features Syndicate to include Paul Moss in its list of "Builders of Texas," in 1934.

All the while, Paul Moss was expanding his activities into other fields.

In 1932, he wrote "Shadow of the Potrock," the first of 11 books to come from under his pen. The same year, he was included on a list of "Eminent Lawyers of West Texas."

He also began acquiring ranching property—a large plot west of Odessa and several sections in the Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico.

Still, the oil boom hadn't reached Odessa. But it had caught Paul Moss' attention. Several large companies had moved into drill shallow wells. When they failed to make a discovery, they pulled out.

Without wavering, Paul Moss and several associates began plugging for oil. They found it where the big companies hadn't looked—deep. The result was the opening of one of the nation's richest oil reservoirs and the develop-

MIDLAND MARKET REPORT

Market on 875 head of cattle at Midland Livestock Auction Company sale Thursday was strong and active. Some classes of stockers sold for \$2.00 a hundred higher than the week before. One hundred and thirty-five choice quality hereford cow and calf pairs brought \$265 to \$290. Forty plain cow and cow pairs sold for \$175 to \$210.

Fat calves and yearlings were bid from \$23 to \$28; medium calves and yearlings, \$19 to \$23; fat cows, \$18 to \$20; medium cows, \$16 to \$18; canners and cutters, \$12.50 to \$16; bulls, \$18 to \$20.50.

Bidding was lively on stocker calves. Steer calves brought \$27 to \$30 cwt and a few choice quality went to \$32.50. Heifer calves sold for \$26 to \$33.50, the higher price going for a lot of 15 that averaged 245 pounds.

Buying and selling at the sale were D. F. Parker, McCamey, Clyde Teal, Iraan and W. L. Carroll, Rankin.

They have two children. A son, William, a graduate of Baylor University, is actively engaged in ranching. A daughter, Betty, attends Southern Methodist University.

Their brother-in-law and life-long friend is U. S. Senator Olin D. Johnston of South Carolina. The Senator married Mrs. Moss' sister.

Their daughter-in-law also is well known in her own right. She is the former Jane Withers, the girl screen star of a decade ago.

Last January, Paul Moss announced his candidacy for Congress from the 16th District of Texas.

Three months later, he formally opened his campaign with a speech that contained this statement:

"West Texas needs a congressman who is free to judge for himself without looking back over his shoulder for a nod from one of the special interests.

"You—all of the people—should be represented. Not just a select few. Not just old friends. Not just business associates. Not just people with enough money to contribute to a campaign fund.

"I have no selfish interests to serve. No personal ambition to satisfy. If you see fit to send me to Washington, my sole reward will be in serving you faithfully, equally, and with all the energy I possess."

The people who are best acquainted with Paul Moss know he will do exactly that.

'PETROLEUM' PEGGY SAYS

Every woman knows a hair comb is a pretty simple thing. It is urged day in and day out. Yet it is one of the few things in this jet-propelled world of ours with a history of more than just a few years. Combs have been used more than 9,000 years just about the same as they are today.

The ancient folk who worshipped Venus, the goddess of love, tried to please her with gifts of combs. The old Romans made them from ivory and the Chinese from tortoise shell. During the Middle Ages, Christians introduced combs into church ceremonials. Even today, women of an East Indian tribe wear fancy combs in the belief they keep illness away. Some have as many as 20 or 30—one for each illness.

In America, more than 400 million combs of all sizes, shapes and colors were made last year. Many were made in Leominster, Mass., a small town which is the unofficial comb capital of the country.

Unlike the ancients who used combs of ivory and wood, or celluloid, as did the dandies of the gay 90's, our modern combs are made of bright, inexpensive plastics. One of the raw materials for many of these plastics—something you wouldn't expect to associate with combs—is petroleum. Chemists in the oil and allied industries have discovered how to take the products of the oil wells and convert them into colorful, clean plastics.

In every hour of every calendar day the oil industry invests more than \$11,000—\$100 million a year—in the research which develops newer and better raw materials for the myriad objects which we use each day. Plastics, synthetic rubber, artificial glycerine for soaps—these and many other products are made by the wizardry of the chemist using the magic of petroleum.

Thinning to prevent overcrowding by too many trees is helpful and necessary in growing the best and largest timber crop per acre. You can't run a mill perpetually from forest capital any more than you can keep drawing money out of a bank without making deposits.

Fred Hervey Files In All 19 Counties In Congress Race

Fred Hervey of El Paso has formally filed for the election which will fill the 16th Congressional post for the State of Texas. Hervey's filing was done with county democratic chairman of

the 19 counties in the 16th Congressional District.

Hervey, who at 40, is the successful operator of a network of restaurants and grocery stores, is running on the slogan of a "Young Texan for West Texas who will work at the job and who is young enough to get ahead in Congress."

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SPORTS AFIELD
BY TED KESTING

The time to clean a gun is immediately after use, before any deterioration has taken place. This simple statement evidently requires emphasis, for we are told that 75 per cent of those purchasing new firearms do not also buy the necessary supplies to care for them.

The following methods for care of the bore are suggested by Col. Townsend Whelen, noted arms authority:

Use the same procedure exactly for shotgun, rifle or pistol. You need a cleaning rod, a brass brush, cut flannel patches, powder solvent, oil and gun grease. The ordinary shotgun jointed cleaning rod serves perfectly for that weapon. Rifle and pistol rods should be of tool or stainless steel.

Bolt-action and single-shot rifles and shotguns are easiest and best cleaned from the breech, resting the muzzle on a newspaper on the floor. Lever-action rifles should be cleaned from the muzzle. In cleaning the cylinder of a revolver, hold it by the cylinder, not the frame.

1. Use powder solvent or gun oil and swab the bore.

2. Swab the bore with four or five dry flannel patches to remove dirt loosened by operation. Then look through the bore against a strong light to see that it is perfectly clean. If not, or if smudges of dirt or lead are seen, or if the patches seem to stick slightly when running thru the bore, the cure is simple. Merely screw a brass wire bristle brush on the rod, dip it in powder solvent or oil and swab through the bore half a dozen times. Push the brush all the way through the bore and out the muzzle before pulling it back. Never use a steel bristle brush in any bore.

3. The bore being clean, saturate a patch with gun oil and use it as a swab. This protects the bore from rust for about a month. If the gun is to be set aside for a longer period, wipe the oil out next day and swab with a patch heavily saturated with good gun grease.

4. Before firing the weapon again, swab all oil or grease out of the bore, with several dry patches. Firing any gun with grease in the bore or chamber may cause the barrel to burst.

This is all the care that the bore requires. Simple, isn't it?

The haphazard cutting of trees with no plan or thought for the future invariably results in the deterioration of the woods, both in quality and value. Often only the rapid-growing, straight trees are cut because they have a high market value. Many of these should be left to develop into high grade timber. The less desirable trees should be cut.

There are over ten and a half million acres of forest land in East Texas at present better adapted to timber growing than any other

Hervey Hits Regan On Marshall Plan, Oleo Tax Repeal

EL PASO, Tex.—Fred Hervey of El Paso, candidate for Congress, this week asked Rep. Ken Regan of Midland how he would have voted in Congress on two major issues "if he had not been absent."

The 40-year-old El Pasoan, who is asking the District to elect a man "who will work at his job," questioned Congressman Regan on his view of the Marshall Plan and the Act to repeal the tax on oleomargarine. Hervey in his statement said:

"The Marshall Plan is described as the 'corner stone of American foreign policy,' and is one of the most important bills to be acted upon by Congress during the decade. Since the people of West Texas were not represented in the vote on this critically important matter—although you were elected to represent them—how would you have voted if you had not been absent?"

"The Act to repeal the tax on oleomargarine is one of the most important pieces of domestic legislation to be considered by this congress—not only for the importance of the tax itself, but for the great principle involved. Since the people of West Texas were not represented in the vote on this important matter—although you were elected to represent them—how would you have voted if you had not been absent?"

Hervey also stated his stand on two other issues and said that he would vote against repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act, although he added that modifications of the Act could be made; and also that he would vote for any bill similar to the Kerr Bill.

In reference to his support of such legislation as the Kerr Bill, Hervey said, "I believe that the federal government has encroached too far on matters of state and local concern and that Railroad Commission of Texas is capable of continuing to handle the matter of the regulation of prices received by the producers of natural gas."

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Donald O'Connor Hits New Comedy Heights In 'Francis'

Donald O'Connor, after seven years of song-and-dance type movies, tackled a film in which he hasn't one song or dance number and in addition has an animal to steal scenes from him, in Universal-International's "Francis," opening Sunday at the Grand Theatre in McCamey.

Few if any screen comedians ever have dared such an undertaking, but young O'Connor has no fears, nor had his studio bosses. They felt that Donald is good enough as a comic to stand up at such props as music and rhythm and to hold his own even in situations where a scene-stealing animal imperils him. The star's career was interrupted when he was inducted into the Air Force in 1944.

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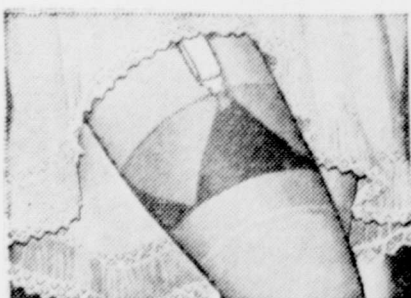
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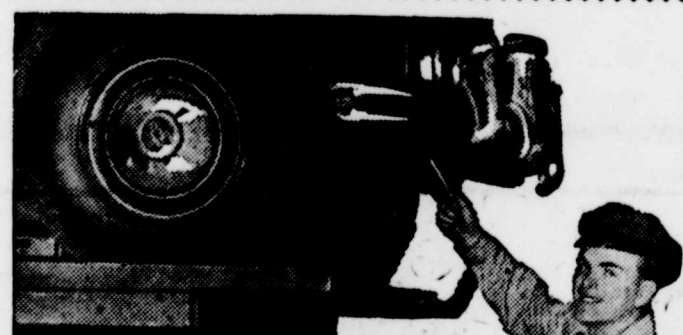
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