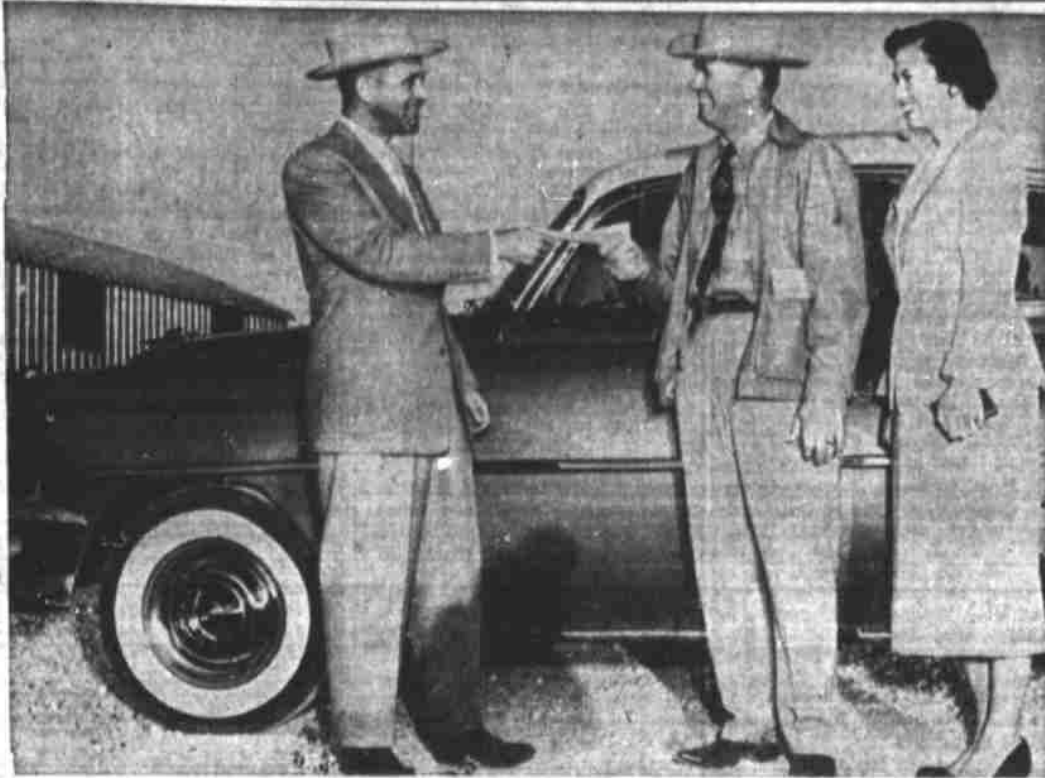


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'Winningest' County Agent Rewarded

Bill Cox, left, chairman of a Junior Chamber of Commerce Committee, presents the title to a new automobile (shown in background) to Howard County Agricultural Agent Durward H. Lewter. At right is Mrs. Lewter. Cox said friends of the farm agent contributed the automobile to show their appreciation for Lewter's amazing record as a 4-H club livestock feeding supervisor. (Staff photo by Keith McMillin)

New Automobile Awarded Farm Agent By JayCees

By WACIL McNAIR

"That's the first time I ever saw him stumped," commented one observer from the sidelines. And indeed it appeared for a moment that Howard County Agricultural Agent Durward H. Lewter was speechless. The Big Spring Junior Chamber of Commerce had just presented him with a new automobile—a 1954 Bel-Aire Chevrolet, loaded with extras. If it had been in a livestock show arena with hundreds looking on and he had been called upon to comment on a prize steers, the Howard County agent no doubt could have made an extemporaneous speech with the best of them. This time, however, the sur-

prise element caught him full force. "I wish I knew how to thank you," he murmured after a brief period of silence. "If I've done anything to deserve this, I only hope I can live up to it," he continued. Then the agent and Mrs. Lewter got in the new automobile and he started the engine and turned it around so that all of the spectators could get a good view. The presentation took place in front of the Howard County Fair buildings west of the city late Wednesday afternoon. Bill Cox, a past president of the JayCees and chairman of the committee which raised money to purchase the new car, presented the keys and title. "We think you have earned it and so do a lot of other local citizens," Cox declared. "It was impossible for us to get around to see all of your friends, but those we were able to contact made this little gift possible." Lewter then declared that any success he had attained had resulted in large part to cooperation and interest in the 4-H Club program had received from businessmen, farmers, ranchers, 4-H Club committees and organizations such as the JayCees. The presentation was made in recognition of Lewter's record as a supervisor for 4-H Club livestock feeding projects. His 4-H chubbies established what is believed to be a national record this year in major livestock

shows, climaxing their 1953 activities by showing the grand champion steer at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago last November. The International champion was shown by Sue White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd White of Big Spring. Over a period of years since World War II, Lewter's 4-H members have topped grand champion honors at such shows as Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Chicago, Baltimore, Kansas City, and a host of lesser events. The grand champion at Chicago this year was the second in three years for a Lewter-supervised entry, accounting for a record that was believed beyond reach previously. Lloyd Robinson of Knott is the grand champion there in 1950. But, even as the presentation was made, Lewter was preparing to seek more honors for his 4-H chubbies. As the new automobile was driven to the front of the Fair buildings, he was helping club members prepare a group of steers for transportation to the Arizona Livestock Show, where Howard County animals have been entered for the first time.

Shoulders Plans Fight In Court

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Former Police Lt. Louis Shoulders, a veteran officer who has survived investigations in the past, now is prepared to fight a federal perjury indictment in an aftermath of the Greenlease kidnaping. Shoulders, patient and smiling for photographers, posted \$10,000 bond here yesterday to remain free while awaiting a call to Kansas City by federal authorities. The bond was posted for Shoulders by a professional bondsman. The date of Shoulders' arraignment has not yet been announced, but his attorney, Henry G. Morris, told newsmen: "If it becomes necessary to enter a plea, it certainly will be one of not guilty."

It was Morris, too, who said Shoulders would fight the perjury charge "all the way" and will "meet the issues as they come." A Kansas City grand jury Tuesday charged in its indictment that the 55-year-old former St. Louis police officer gave false testimony in describing his handling of suitcases containing a portion of the record \$500,000 Greenlease ransom money. A little more than half of the ransom still is missing. Shoulders has stated the suitcases were brought to a district police station along with Carl Austin Hall—since executed with his accomplice, Bonnie Brown Heady, for the kidnap-slaying of 6-year-old Bobby Greenlease—shortly after his arrest on the night of Oct. 6. The jury, after studying testimony of other witnesses, alleged Shoulders' statement to be untrue.

Seven Hurt In Auto Crash Near Cleburne

CLEBURNE (AP)—Two cars collided 12 miles east of here yesterday, injuring seven persons. Hospitalized were James Walton, Mr. and Mrs. George Walton, Tom Hester and Edwin Mabry, all of Alvarado, and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Richardson of Fort Worth.

THE WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Fair and warmer this afternoon, tonight and Friday. High today 54, low tonight 30, high tomorrow 60. Highest temperature this date in 1953: 60; lowest this date in 1953: 12; maximum rainfall this date 0.31 inch.

WARMER

Tax Reductions Go Into Effect With New Year

By CHARLES F. BARRETT

WASHINGTON (AP)—Uncle Sam presents a New Year's gift tomorrow to more than 50 million individuals and 50,000 corporations—the first general tax cuts in five years.

Starting tomorrow, these three big changes will give a new look to the government's revenue structures:

1. Individual income tax rates will drop about 10 per cent for all except the highest brackets, chopping three billion dollars annually off federal revenue.
2. The excess profits tax on corporations will expire, reducing government income about two billion dollars annually.
3. The social security payroll tax, levied on both employees and employers, will go up from 1 to 2 per cent. It is collected on the first \$3,500 paid annually to a worker. That will increase income to the special social security trust fund by almost 1½ billions annually. Drives already have started on two fronts to give even bigger breaks to taxpayers during the congressional election year of 1954.

Individual, almost 60 million in total, income taxpayers will benefit from the 10 per cent reduction. But in the lowest income tax brackets, the social security tax increase will amount to more—leaving a net loss in take-home pay for about 10 million workers. Economists have been saying the income tax reductions should spur consumer buying and help ease threats of any business recession next year. And for corporations, death of the excess profits tax may pave the way for expansion—especially for newer and smaller firms, which can retain more of any expanded earnings.

The excess profits tax has been 30 per cent of income above a standard set by law. Filed on top of the regular 52 per cent corporate income tax, it has imposed a levy of 82 per cent on some corporate income. After tomorrow, the income tax payroll withholding rate will be reduced from 20 per cent to 18 per cent of income, after allowances for personal exemptions and dependents. Some 46 million workers are subject to withholding.

The increase in social security taxes also will be reflected in the first pay checks after tomorrow. It amounts to a maximum of \$18 a year on \$3,500 income. The "break even" point—where the two changes almost offset each other—is roughly as follows: A single man with no dependents, \$300 income; a married couple with one dependent, \$2,700; married couple with two dependents, \$3,600; married couple with three dependents, \$4,500.

Most taxpayers in those situations making more than those amounts will have a net increase in take-home pay. Below those figures, they will take a net loss unless and until Congress cancels the social security hike.

Business Firms Close Friday

Friday, Jan. 1, will be a general holiday in Big Spring, and the majority of business establishments here will be closed. All governmental offices, with the exception of law enforcement and fire departments, will shut down. City and county offices will be closed, as will the Big Spring Post Office. There will be no mail delivery Friday, and Federal offices in the post office building will be closed also. The school tax office and local banks will not be open. Normal business will resume Saturday, and all governmental agencies here will be open a half day Saturday. Normal garbage pick-up will be maintained Friday, it was reported.

Infant Killed, Four Injured In Collision

BEAUMONT (AP)—An infant was killed and four other persons injured when two pickup trucks collided on Highway 90 between here and Orange yesterday. The child was Kendall Ray Snelson, 6-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Snelson of Marshall. Mrs. Snelson's sister, Helva, 18 months old, and Moses Collier, 10 months old, of Orange, suffered cuts, bruises and shock. Collier was driving the other pickup.

Knowland, Eisenhower Disagree On Defense Contracts Program

WASHINGTON (AP)—Disagreement has broken out between President Eisenhower and his chief lieutenant in the Senate, Sen. Knowland of California, over a new Administration program to combat unemployment. Just a week before the opening of Congress next Wednesday, Knowland called the new policy a disappointment and said he would back legislation to modify it. He took that position in the face of Eisenhower's statement two days ago declaring "complete agreement" with the policy. Whether the disagreement would affect Knowland's attitude toward other White House policies could not be foretold. The policy is designed to steer some government defense contracts into areas plagued by large scale unemployment. Southern Democrats voiced bitter outcries of protest over the program, similar to one put into effect by the Truman Administration in 1952 and dropped last August. Sen. Knowland (D-CA) said in a statement today he would "introduce legislation the very first instance I can" to prevent the program from being carried out. But even if Congress should block or drastically curb the program, there remained the facts of Knowland's unequivocal opposition to it and the as yet unappraised effect the incident might have on Democratic support for Eisenhower's legislative program. Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala.) said the President seemed to be "doing everything in his power calculated to drive the Democrats away from giving him support on his program." Actually, a few Northern Democrats praised the unemployment move; the opposition was concentrated in the South. Knowland told a news conference late yesterday the order "needs curtailment" and "leaves the door open too wide" for government orders to be set aside from normal procurement methods and channeled into jobless areas. Last summer, during Senate debate on the issue, he favored an amendment which would have forbidden the letting of government contracts to anyone other than the lowest bidder. He did not say yesterday whether he would go that far now. Observers could not immediately recall an instance when a major

Lone Gunman Holds Up Bank, Swipes \$50,000

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Local Convict Seeks Release In Postal Case

TYLER (AP)—A 30-year-old convict is seeking to have his sentence set aside on grounds that two postal inspectors talked him into confessing post office burglaries he did not commit. U.S. Dist. Judge Joe W. Sheehy recessed the hearing yesterday for John Paul Harris of Big Spring until tomorrow. Harris' lawyers said that would give them time to produce documentary evidence proving he was in an El Paso hotel on Jan. 11, 1951. That was the day of a post office burglary at Sims, in northeast Texas, to which Harris pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to four years imprisonment at Leavenworth, Kan. Harris testified that while he was serving a 12½ year sentence at the Arizona State Prison in Florence, he was approached by Postal Inspectors George T. Hebert of Fort Worth and J. P. Johnson of Phoenix. He testified the inspectors told him they could get him out of the Arizona prison in 90 days and see that he got a light federal sentence if he would confess various post office burglaries in Texas. After several visits, Harris said, he agreed and finally confessed 11.

Texas Draftees To Have Reserve Time Curtailed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Draftees who get out of the Army in the next six months in six selected states will have time clipped off their obligatory reserve status because the Army wants to try an administrative experiment. Beginning tomorrow and extending through the first half of 1954, each draftee in six states who has completed two years of active duty will be handed a mobilization assignment to an active Army, a National Guard or a reserve organization. If another war comes during the next five years he will report immediately to his assigned unit. If it doesn't come, the draftee doesn't have to do anything, although the Army hopes he will join an organized reserve unit or the National Guard and take regular training, including summer training. But whether he joins an organized unit or doesn't, a draftee living in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Texas, Wisconsin or Washington will have one year cut off the six-year obligatory active reserve status required under the draft act. That doesn't apply to draftees in the other 42 states and the territories. The six states were picked by the commanders of the nation's six Army areas, each of which includes several military districts or states. What the Army wants to find out, primarily, is how the experimental system would work nationwide. Essentially, it is an exercise in mobilization administration. Secondly, the Army hopes that at least some of the released draftees actually will take interest and report for periodic training. If they don't there is no way the Army can compel them or any other ex-draftee to be active in the reserves. It is a problem the Army has attempted to solve by inducements and proposed legislation. The law specifies that each draftee, upon completion of active duty, must join an active reserve unit to keep up his military training. But there is no punishment provided if he does not. And all but a small percentage of those who have completed duty in the Army are ignoring the mandate. The Army has been hesitant about demanding that the draft law be changed to provide an enforcement penalty, action which could be politically unpopular.

70 Traffic Deaths

AUSTIN (AP)—State police today counted 70 dead in traffic accidents since midnight Dec. 23. That sent the Christmas-New Year violent death toll to 133.

LAST CALL

On The Herald BARGAIN RATE For your saving and convenience, mail your check TONIGHT

TEXANS READY FOR BIG TOOT

By The Associated Press
New Year's Eve, 1953.
New Year's Day, 1954.
In Texas, we do 'em both up brown, and just a little different. New Year's Eve is the big date in most places. You start about sundown and pretty well end the evening with "Auld Lang Syne" when the bells ring, the whistles bling and the fireworks go off at midnight. Not so in Texas. Here you do that, too, but you're just getting set for the grand toot on New Year's Day, whether it's the Cotton Bowl game in Dallas, a new night club show in Houston, or a rip-nortin' visit to Juarez from old El Paso. And black-eyed peas? There's a cab driver in Staunton, Va., who'll never forget the time he hauled a Texan through snow drifts most of New Year's Night so the Texan's wife could have black-eyed peas and cabbage with some hog jowl before the day was officially over. Folks in Staunton just didn't know what black-eyed peas were. Finally the Texan, snowed in by a Blue Ridge storm, found some from Athens, Tex., in his auto trunk. The bell hop and desk clerk at the hotel acted as though they thought he was just a little batty, but probably looked at the address on the register and excused it all. You eat black-eyed peas with cabbage and hog jowl on New Year's Day for good luck the rest of the year. Some say it works. And who can say his luck wouldn't have been worse during the year

BLACK-EYED PEAS, TOO

if he had not partaken of the East Texas delicacies made famous by former Rep. Lindley B. Beckworth and one Elmore Rural Tort? Torn, who professes to also eat grass, is perhaps the chief exponent of the black-eyed pea. But Beckworth, when he was a member of Congress, became known as "that black-eyed pea congressman" because he beseeched, long and loud, for the Army to serve more of 'em. The rest you can prove with cold statistics. Texans must drink a little more than most on New Year's . . . Eve and Day. Texans must drive a little faster, a little farther, and more of them must drive. They must live a little more dangerously than average Americans, and it's all reflected in the holiday death tolls. On the streets and highways, they die at a little faster rate. And the shooting scrapes, with nary a really slick gun-slinger in sight, are a little deadlier. Just ask the State Department of Public Safety. Check their figures. So . . . today, tonight and tomorrow, you'll remember you're a Texan. You'll probably have a little more fun than most. But you'll remember—maybe—the high holiday death toll. You'll be careful a little bit more on the sober side, and perhaps you'll live through it. And to top it off right, maybe you will eat some black-eyed peas, cabbage and hog jowl Friday for more good Texas luck. Happy New Year, Tex!

WINDY STORY, TOO

BURLINGTON, Wis. (AP)—Bee McIntyre, Richmond, Va., a liar with a penchant for detail, was named today by the Burlington Liars Club as World's Champion Liar for 1953. He won with this tall tale: "The strongest wind I ever heard hit our place last summer, along with a clam-bang thunderstorm. The wind was so strong that it picked up our cast-iron wash kettle (about three feet across and about two feet deep) and blew it out of the country. "And the wind blew that kettle so fast that while it was sailing across our front yard the lightning struck at it five times—and missed."

Virginian Tops Texan For U.S. Lying Honors

Another Texan, L. C. McRoberts of Kingsville, this year won honorable mention with this whopper: "During drought years on the south Texas coast, Baffin Bay becomes so salty that the fishermen use a bottle of fresh water, with a nipple on it, for bait." Ray Chitwood, Lost Creek, Wash., also rated honorable mention. He wrote: "Last fall I pretty near got shot while deer hunting. Coming around a bend in the trail I saw a large buck standing, looking away from me. "I shot the deer in the back of the head. He turned around so quick to see where the shot came from that the bullet came out between his eyes and went right back into the rifle barrel."

Houston Vault Hit In 'Smooth' Theft

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put them in this briefcase," Allen said. Allen said he put several of the bills in the briefcase. After the man grabbed the briefcase from Allen, he fled up the stairs and Allen pulled the burglary alarm. Immediately, a beat policeman rushed into the building but saw nothing that looked irregular. But he was the only officer there for a while. It was 18 minutes later that police got a report on the robbery. Assistant Police Chief George Seber said "the first we knew of it was from reporters covering the police station. Melvin Rouff, president of the bank, told Patrolman J. A. Robbins that he would "take full responsibility" for not reporting the robbery earlier. However, once police got the report, the bank was flooded with officers. Young Allen was immediately taken into an office of the bank by agents of the FBI in the hope that he could give them some clue on the case. The FBI has jurisdiction because the bank is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Bank officials also questioned the employe. It was speculated the bandit entered the bank through a side door on Franklin. The door leads into a corridor flanked by teller cages. An employe, Miss Mildred Quebe, who works with machines in that area, said it is office routine for bank employes to enter the building through the Franklin doorway. She said that she did not look up to see who was going in and out of the building there this morning. It is possible, police speculated, that the bandit unobtrusively slipped into the bank through that entrance and left the same way. Bank officials were reluctant to discuss the robbery with newsmen. The side entrance leads to the stairway down to the vault room—to which newsmen were refused admittance.

18,680 Railroad Men Over Nation Facing Layoffs

By The Associated Press
Recent and planned layoffs of employes in industry and railroads which employ nearly 20-million workers, total 53,000 a survey has disclosed. The nation's total unemployed, as of November, was 1,428,000, an increase of only 20,000 from November 1952. Of the 61,925,000 workers in all gainful occupations increase of only 15,711,000 were in manufacturing industries and 2,956,000 in railroads. The Associated Press survey showed that most of the 53,000 workers were laid off in the last few weeks or fall unemployment by the middle of January. Although most of the layoffs appeared to be of the long-term type, there appeared openings in other fields. Railroads and related industries appeared hardest hit by the recent layoffs. The Associated Press survey disclosed. At least 18,680 rail workers have lost their jobs or face unemployment in the near future.

Bright Sunshine Covers Wide Area

By The Associated Press
Bright sunshine helped moderate temperatures Thursday—last day of 1953—and by mid-afternoon most of Texas enjoyed comfortable weather. There was a threat of early morning frost in the Rio Grande Valley as the state's skies cleared and a protective cloud cover vanished. Two hours before sunrise the temperatures ranged from 17 at Salt Flat to 34 at Del Rio and a high of 46 at Brownsville. The Thursday morning freeze line extended slightly south of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Forecasts called for gently rising temperatures across the state and forecasters promised bright weather for New Year's Day.

EARLY DEADLINE ON CLASSIFIEDS

Because of the New Year holiday, The Herald will be issued earlier than usual Friday. Deadline on Classified ads for Friday will be 9 a.m. Please call your Classified information by that hour.

Boiling Oil Charged Used To Kill Husband

CATANIA, Sicily (AP) — Concetta Zarba, 60, was arrested today and charged with killing her husband with boiling oil.

Riding The GRUB LINE With Franklin Reynolds

As the world makes ready to move into the New Year the political pot starts boiling.

Throughout Howard and Martin counties the Grub Line Rider hears much talk of prospective candidates, and in neither county does anybody appear to be sure that any present officer holder plans a retirement.

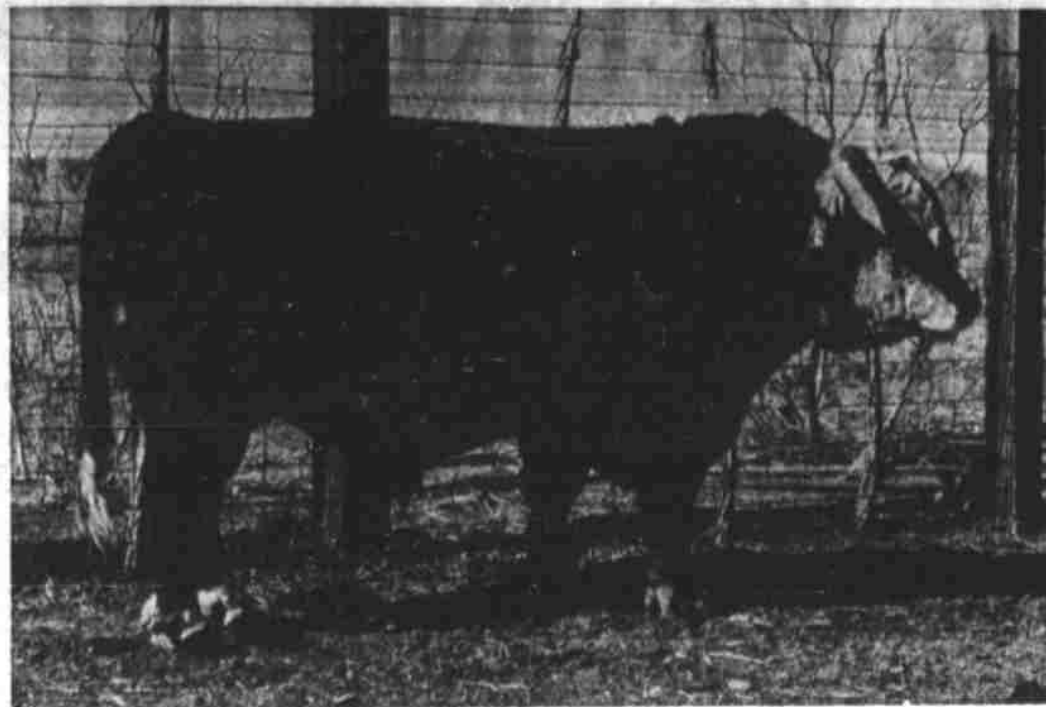
One or two Martin County announcements are expected next week, including one candidate for county judge. Some potential candidates indicate they will wait until just "a little later" to file.

And the shorter the campaign, we would remind them, the more furious it is likely to be. And another thing we've noticed is that some office holders don't like to be questioned just now on whether or not they'll be candidates for reelection.

The chances are that in both Howard and Martin counties there are going to be some rather warm races, from what we hear around the edges.

There comes a report from South Carolina about a Texas drought story that popped up at a Baptist convention at Charleston.

"This drought has been so bad," a Texas minister is said to have told the meeting, "that the Baptists are sprinkling, the Methodists are using a damp wash cloth, and the



A Proven Sire For The Sale

The oldest bull, and a proven sire, consigned to the Howard County-South Plains Hereford Sale in Big Spring, Jan. 7, is Domino Return E 1735th, consigned by Clyde Berry of Garden City.

Presbyterians are giving rain checks.

There is a bull going through the ring at the 10th annual auction of the Howard County-South Plains Hereford Association sale at Big Spring, Jan. 7, that is exactly what his name indicates.

This bull is True Mixer 258th, consigned by Loy Acuff, and he is truly a "true mixer" bull. More than this he is a bull with some age on him and one that is ready for service.

To produce this calf, Miss Mischief M 716th was mated with HG Proud Mixer 2035th, himself a son of the famous Old 21st.

This bull is just one of three, however, that Acuff is offering other breeders. The other two are Diamond Mixer 266th, calved Aug. 2, 1952, and Worthy Mixer, calved Nov. 18, 1952, both being sired, like the first bull mentioned, by HG Proud Mixer 2035th.

It is expected, by those who have seen them, that this trio of bulls will attract more than just a little share of attention at the sale, cattle for which will be judged that morning at 9 a. m. by Frank Jordan of Mason.

Mr. C. E. Crow, custodian of the Martin County Court House, is a man who is always on the job on time, but heretofore he hasn't ever been in a hurry to get away from his work, giving the county more than just a full day.

Now he says he is trying to get from the job on time, too. The reason is that as Christmas arrived Henry Louder, Stanton electrician and appliance dealer, called on Mr. Crow and informed him that he had been instructed by Mr. Crow's son to install a TV set for the father.

"Before I got that set," says Mr. Crow, "I'd go home and eat supper and read a couple of newspapers, and then because I didn't have anything else to do and no place else to go I'd go to bed. Then about two o'clock in the morning I'd be wide awake and it wasn't any time to be getting up."

Now he says he isn't in any hurry to go to bed and the best of it is that he doesn't wake up until a decent getting-up hour in the morning. He says that some nights Mrs. Crow stays up and watches the wrestling matches and western shows longer than he does.

County Agent Oliver West of Glascock says his 4-H Club boys were so enthusiastic about their recent turkey shoot, and that it was

Noisy Charivari Brings Out Law

MONCTON, N.B. (AP)—The noisiest wedding reception in the history of nearby College Point—14 nights of ear-splitting din touched off by an anti-social bridegroom—was in the hands of the law today.

The record charivari started the night Alfie Leblanc and his bride returned from their honeymoon. Long-standing custom in the district called for bridegroom to invite in for cake and tea any neighbors who happened by.

Fifteen to 20 persons duly arrived and made their presence known. But Alfie refused to open his door. A larger crowd gathered the next night, making still more noise, but Alfie remained obdurate.

Fourteen nights later, police said, the crowd had grown to more than 100, plentifully equipped with noisemakers of all kinds and making a terrific din. Cars jammed the highway and police were called.

A witness at a magistrate's hearing yesterday said one man was banging an iron pipe on a big circular saw blade.

Magistrate W. F. Lane said he would hand down a decision in the case Jan. 12.

so well attended by shooters, that they plan another in the spring and that will likely be a straw hat shoot—giving straw hats instead of turkeys to the high score men.

A South Texas rancher now in the service and stationed at Webb Air Force Base says he would like to promote a goat shoot. His plan is to charge \$3 a target and give

every shooter a goat whether he hits the target or not, or whether he wants a goat or not.

"That's the best way I can think of to sell some goats I have," he explains. A Hereford breeder told about the proposed goat shoot, commented: "That's a good idea. Maybe we'll have a Hereford shoot, too."

FRIENDLY PEOPLE Bells, Texas, Is Always Willing To Aid Distressed

BELLS, Tex. (AP)—This is a little town where everybody knows your business—and you're sort of glad. For example, there was a wandering man named Mike, lived here for a while. Everybody knew his business, which didn't amount to much.

But when he came back, the citizens of Bells found him a job. When he took sick, they sat with him in the hospital. And when he died, they gave him a funeral as

Nearly two score new patients were registered with the Midland Diagnostic Cancer Clinic during the past year.

These and other figures were reported in the annual progress report from the clinic designed to assist all underprivileged individuals regardless of race or creed.

Of the 37 who were registered during the year, 14 patients had malignant processes. Three were treated at the Midland hospital under auspices of the clinic. Four were referred to other hospitals for treatment. Five were sent back to referring physicians with diagnosis and recommendations for treatment. Two received terminal care and six indigent patients, where no malignancy was found, were provided with surgical care by the clinic.

During the year there were 46 clinic sessions with about five physicians present at each of the clinic sessions. Patients came from Midland, Martin, Ector, Scurry, Upton, Pecos and Dawson counties.

Two Scientists Seem To Support Lysenko Theory

BOSTON (AP)—Some new experiments with brewer's yeast pose questions about the validity of certain present-day concepts of heredity and evolution, two Southern Illinois University scientists said yesterday.

Researchers Carl D. Lindgren and David D. Pittman reported that tests on yeast cells have shown that a trait that is induced or "added" rather than inherent in a parent cell may be carried through successive generations.

This finding, they told the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science, is contrary to the contentions of modern geneticists who hold that:

Characteristics acquired by living organisms—such as man, animals and plants—because of environmental conditions, are not passed on to their offspring, except for some degenerative traits like those induced by radiation damage or certain poisons.

CARD OF THANKS Our sincere thanks to the kind friends, neighbors and relatives for expressions of sympathy, beautiful flowers and other courtesies extended to us during our recent loss of our son, Manuel Lauvano.

Mrs. P. Faras and Family

Tributes Paid Mrs. Roberts In Rites Here

Mrs. Dora Roberts was laid to final rest Wednesday in the land from which she wrested a living and finally great wealth.

She was committed with tributes as one who "loved God and was Christian in her dealings with her fellow man."

As Dr. Aislie Carleton, minister of the University Park Methodist Church in Dallas and her former pastor in Big Spring spoke briefly, there were scores upon scores of her friends and former associates in the audience.

Many of them were ranchers and members of pioneer families who could remember the days when she and her first husband, Andy Griffin, first staked their ranch claim. Repetitions from several Methodist colleges which she had befriended also were present.

"Mrs. Roberts was one who lived long, laughed often and loved much," said Dr. Carleton. "She was one of the most thoughtful, serious, conscientious, Christian characters I have ever known. She had the time and patience to hear and to help."

Alluding to her business acumen, he said that her greatest attribute, however, "was a beautiful Christian faith. She had a calm confidence and keen interest in Heaven. She had a great concern for young people, an underlying reason for her interest in the church and in its colleges. She meant much to ministers of the gospel—not alone Methodists but of all denominations."

The Rev. Jordan Grooms, pastor of the First Methodist Church, where last rites were held, had given thanks in his prayer for a life in which God's name was precious. Two of Mrs. Roberts' favorite hymns, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," were sung by a quartet composed of H. G. Keaton, Arnold Marshall, Mrs. Don Newman and Margy Keaton. Mrs. Champ Rainwater was at the organ console.

There were brief rites at the City Cemetery, where twice Mrs. Roberts had faced the ordeal of burying her husbands and turned away to rear a family and run a ranch.

It had been 90 years since her birth in Alabama, and 65—almost 66 years—since she had come first to this vicinity to establish a home; gain great wealth from oil and other holdings; and to win numerous friends who paid respects to her at the service and in a great blanket of beautiful flowers, which she loved.

OIL, GAS TRANSACTIONS

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'Operation Cocktail' Set By Police Unit SARANAC LAKE N. Y. (AP) — For the fifth year police tonight will conduct "Operation Cocktail"—a taxi service for New Year's Eve revelers.

Chief William Wallace says no New Year's Eve accidents have been recorded since he placed the village police car and a driver at the service of holiday celebrants.

Houston Phone Rate Feud Continues In Full Swing

HOUSTON (AP) — The telephone rate feud between the Houston city council and officials of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. continues in full swing.

These are the latest developments: 1. City Tax Collector Fred N. Ankenman refused to sign a receipt for \$952,671.43—in cash—as the company sought to settle its city tax bill.

2. Company officials say they lost 484 customers the first month after a 36 per cent rate hike became effective in early November.

3. The company has filed a "strict court motion seeking appointment of a master in chancery to assist in expediting a court settlement of the rate dispute.

An armored car carried the \$952,671.43—mostly in crisp \$100,000 and \$5,000 bills—to city hall yesterday.

Ankenman, with City Atty. Will Sears standing watchfully by, refused to sign the receipt because the tax bill submitted to the company totals \$1,654,109.

The company contends the bill is about \$700,000 too high. The city board of appraisal two weeks ago rejected the company request for a \$700,000 reduction. The city council by 6-1 vote, yesterday upheld the board.

A short time later company officials and a number of armed guards dumped the \$900,000 in cash on a table in Ankenman's office.

Ankenman offered to sign a receipt for a partial payment of the company's 1953 personal property taxes.

A company report filed under a city ordinance shows there were 5,439 telephone disconnections in November and 4,955 new telephones installed. J. B. White, director of the City Public Service Department, said the decline was caused by the higher rates.

The company posted the hikes after obtaining a temporary injunction setting aside the city ordinance setting telephone rates. The city council earlier had rejected a request for increases averaging 44 per cent.

The dispute is scheduled to be tried on its merits in district court next month.

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Completions Reported In Two Fields And In Spraberry Area

The Howard-Glasscock field, and the Spraberry Trend Area were reported today. Couden Petroleum Corporation has also announced the spotting of two projects in the Moore field.

C. W. Guthrie No. 1-A-C V. Hewett, was completed in the Moore field for a pumping potential of 165 barrels of oil per day.

Texas Crude's No. 1-48 R. S. Davenport has been re-completed in Glasscock County's Spraberry area for a flow potential of 74.55 barrels per day.

Texas Crude Company No. 1-48 R. S. Davenport, C SE SE, 46-37-46, T&P survey, has been re-completed in the Spraberry Trend Area for a flow potential of 74.55 barrels of oil per day.

Couden's new ventures are the No. 1 and 2 P. M. Dunagan, located about 5 1/2 miles southwest of Big Spring. Operations are to start at once.

Borden Texas Company No. 8-A Clayton, 662 from north and 2,002 from west lines, 32-32-41, T&P survey, is reported at 7,678 feet in shale.

Stanolind No. 1 Beal, C SW SE NE, 14-31-3n, T&P survey, got down to 8,322 feet in shale.

Skelly No. 1 J. D. Windham, C SE SE, 674-97-H&TC survey, bored to 2,885 feet in lime and shale.

Texas Crude No. 1-10 Modesta Simpson, C SE SE, 10-33-3n, T&P survey, bored to 8,800 feet in shale.

Dawson Carlton Beal No. 1 J. H. Adkins, C NW SE, 20-35-5n, T&P survey, will be drilled deeper following a drillstem test in the Upper Spraberry.

Mitchell Wellman, Weiner, and DeClea No. 1-39 Blasingame, C SE SW, 39-27-T&P survey, reached 5,310 feet in shale and lime.

Liedtke and Liedtke No. 1 Diton, C NE NE, 2-1A-H&TC survey, is reported at 5,932 feet in lime.

Vacancy Filled On Elbow School Board The Howard County School Board, in session here Wednesday, appointed Earnest Box to a vacancy on the board at Elbow.

Livestock Market Shows Some Gains The market was better across the board at the Big Spring Livestock Auction Company's sale Wednesday.

Special New Year's Services Planned Special services and celebrations have been planned by local churches for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Odessa School Job Goes To Local Firm A. P. Kasch & Sons of Big Spring have been awarded the heating and plumbing contract for the North Golder elementary school in Odessa.

Fishing Is Done Deep Freeze Style Supt. C. G. Parsons, Water Valley, and his sons, David and Norman, do their fishing in the deep freeze.

Child, 3, Is Under Treatment For Burns Henrietta Piper, 3, was reported in a satisfactory condition at a local hospital today where she was taken Monday for treatment of burns.

Collision Reported A minor automobile collision was reported at 8th and Gregg Streets about 2:55 p.m. Wednesday.

HER FIFTH, HIS FOURTH

Heiress, Latin Playboy Exchange Marriage Vows

NEW YORK (AP)—Heiress Barbara Hutton was married yesterday to Porfirio Rubirosa, international diplomat. It was her fifth marriage and his fourth.

A 10-minute civil ceremony, conducted in Spanish and English, ended several days of speculation that the marriage might be called off.

The slim, pale, 41-year-old bride was all smiles as the wedding rites began, but toward the end she became visibly nervous.

Rubirosa's best man was Maj. Gen. Rafael Trujillo Martinez, head of the Dominican air force and onetime brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

Rubirosa previously was married to Flor Trujillo, daughter of the Dominican Republic's first family; French actress Danielle Darrieux; and Doris Duke, heiress to a U.S. tobacco fortune.

Miss Hutton, known for more than 20 years as the dime-store heiress, formerly was married to the late Prince Alexis Mdivani; Count Kurt von Haugwitz-Reventlow; actor Gary Grant; and Prince Igor Troubetzkoy.

Miss Hutton became a citizen of the Dominican Republic Tuesday in order to go through the ceremony under Dominican law and invoking Rubirosa's diplomatic status as Dominican minister plenipotentiary to France.

At a hectic press conference in her Hotel Pierre suite prior to the wedding, Miss Hutton answered "certainly" to a query if her considerable fortune would remain in her own hands.

As for Rubirosa, she said: "What property she has is hers, and what property I have is mine."

During the interview Miss Hutton appeared distraught at times. Once she remarked: "Do you think anyone will give him credit for loving me because I'm myself?"

It was in France last July, they said, that their romance actually began, and Miss Hutton added: "I loved him from the moment I met him."

COFFEE TO BE LAST 'DRINK'

NAMPA, Idaho (AP)—New Year's Eve celebrants in Nampa taverns will get one for the road—a cup of coffee.

Members of the Nampa Tavern Assn. have figured out their own two-part plan to cut down the hazards of New Year's Eve traffic, secretary Ray Hill said today.

Part one is the cup of coffee. It's on the house.

Part two is for the drinker who doesn't want to finish with coffee. The tavern will serve him one last drink, if he insists—and if he hands over the keys to his car. He can get the keys back next morning.

Auto, Clothing Reported Stolen

Police received reports Wednesday that an automobile was stolen here and that a quantity of clothing was taken from another vehicle.

John McClaskey, 800 Main, reported that his automobile was stolen. He told police that he left the keys in the car and that it was taken between noon and 2 p.m.

It was a 1951 Chevrolet, he said, with license number CB-7422. Color was two-tone green.

Glenn Sawyer of Lubbock informed police that someone took some shirts and trousers from his car which was parked in front of the Top Hat Cafe on NW 4th. Theft occurred between 8:15 and 8:45 p.m. while he was eating, he reported.

Long Expects 'Break' In School Burglaries

Juvenile Officer A. E. Long said today he expects a "break" in the burglary of the Big Spring high school and junior high shortly.

Some 50 pencils, a youth's belt and Boy Scout cap were found along the Old San Angelo road southwest of Big Spring Wednesday.

The items were found in the area where pieces of a pencil vending machine were discovered earlier in the week. The vending machine was stolen from the high school during a burglary which occurred sometime during the Christmas weekend.

The junior high school also was entered over the weekend, and the high school again was entered Tuesday night, according to authorities.

\$2,310 Contributed To Fight Against TB

Contributions through the sale of Christmas Seals and TB bangles have mounted to \$2,310.53, officers of the Howard County Tuberculosis Association reported today.

The total includes \$2,023.55 from Christmas seals and \$107 from TB bangles, the latter purchased by students in Big Spring schools.

Thus far, some 1,500 Howard County citizens have contributed. The Christmas seals were mailed to 5,322 families early in December.

Odessa School Job Goes To Local Firm

A. P. Kasch & Sons of Big Spring have been awarded the heating and plumbing contract for the North Golder elementary school in Odessa.

The bid for this work was for \$48,220. General contract went to Cooper Construction of Odessa for \$288,751 with an alternate for glazed tile to add \$28,000.

Fishing Is Done Deep Freeze Style

Supt. C. G. Parsons, Water Valley, and his sons, David and Norman, do their fishing in the deep freeze.

During the holidays the boys were hiking along the banks of the Clear Fork of the Brazos on the place of their uncle, Lawrence Parsons. They spotted some fish frozen in the ice and with the help of their father, chiseled blocks out of the ice.

Among the fish they cut was a 12-in. yellow cat. Parsons is a former superintendent at Garden City.

Collision Reported

A minor automobile collision was reported at 8th and Gregg Streets about 2:55 p.m. Wednesday. Cars involved were driven by Ernest Eugene Coyle, 1309 East 6th, and Elmer E. Sorreys, 200 Mesquite.

Transfer Into New Courthouse Starts

The transfer of records and equipment into Howard County's new courthouse was getting under way ahead of schedule this morning.

District Judge Charlie Sullivan was the first to establish his office in the new structure. The 11th District Court reporter, Charles (Hap) Kee, was to follow suit during the afternoon.

Tax Collector Viola Robinson started moving tax forms and other material into new offices Wednesday afternoon. This morning some tax office furniture was being moved into the basement and Mrs. Robinson said she hopes to be able to accept poll tax payments, car registrations and handle a few other tax matters in the new building Monday.

County Clerk Pauline Petty continued to make preparations for the move, and was packing some records and other material this morning. The clerk's office probably will be moved Monday.

Also moving some equipment and records into new quarters today was the county agent, Durward Lewter.

Tiner Leaves For New Assignment

E. L. Tiner, district supervisor for Vocational Agriculture programs, left today for a new assignment in Houston.

He will fill a similar post in the Houston district. Tiner has been in charge of VA programs in the territory which extends from the South Plains through the Big Bend territory for the past two years.

Succeeding him here will be Lester Buford, now Vocational Agriculture teacher at Brownfield. Buford has his Master of Arts degree and has done some work toward his doctorate. In addition to his VA activities in Brownfield, he had been doing some advisory work in soils. He is expected to assume his new duties around Jan. 15 after he has completed the fall semester work at Brownfield.

Col. Dean To Have Open House Friday

Col Fred M. Dean, Webb Air Force Base commander, will hold open house in his home on the base Friday from 12 noon to 6 p.m. All Webb officers and their wives are invited to attend.

This New Year's Day party is an annual event at the base.

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(Continued From Page One) burglaries. He said he committed none of them.

Harris testified Heaberg told him he could be sprung from the Arizona prison in 90 days because Johnson was a personal friend of the governor. Actually, it took about a year, he said.

Both Heaberg and Johnson testified they had made no deal with Harris but had told him they would try to help him get his Arizona prison term reduced.

Harris said that Heaberg picked out various towns where posts of fences had been burglarized. From these, he said, he chose 11 burglaries in which no money had been taken and confessed them.

Harris has an extensive police record. One of his most serious difficulties resulted from a shooting scrape at San Angelo on Jan. 31, 1950 when J. R. Craig, 36, was killed. Harris and two other Big Spring men were charged but the grand jury at San Angelo took no action.

Subsequently, Harris and Charles Read, one of the others charged in the shooting, were arrested near Flagstaff, Ariz., and were charged and convicted of burglarizing a tourist hotel at Grand Canyon. Bert Brown, who had fled from the hotel basement, was fatally shot. Harris and Read, after running two road blocks, were captured while asleep under a tree five miles north of Flagstaff on July 16, 1951. Read and Brown had been booked on two counts of burglary only days before in Tahoka. Harris had been released a short time before by Lander, Wyo., authorities.

Commiss Hit In U.S. Order

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department today ordered the Romanian legion "to stop publication of a newspaper and other Communist publications in the United States immediately."

A Department statement said the action was taken as a result of the Romanian government's banning of a monthly publication issued by the American legion in Bucharest on Dec. 29. This publication, called "News From America" and printed in Romanian, was first issued last October with a circulation of about 1,600 copies, the State Department said.

Rep. Overton Brooks (D-La.) issued a statement this week protesting publication in the United States of the Romanian weekly periodical, called "The Romanian News."

A State Department spokesman said the banning of this paper was taken because of the Romanian prohibition of the American publication and was not related to Brooks' protest.

Veteran State Road Employe Dies At 67

BROWNWOOD (AP)—Leon Ehlinger, 67, who headed the first maintenance division of the Texas Highway Department, died yesterday after a heart attack.

HOSPITAL NOTES

BIG SPRING HOSPITAL Admissions — Jesse Gore, Cosburn; R. M. Zochron, 700 Holman; Cindy Howell, 1107 E. 4th; Barbara Meeks, 407 Nohn; Wanda Mason, 1003 Stadium; Millard Ferguson, Gen. Del.

Dismissals — R. L. Heston, Clyde; W. E. Parrish, Rt 1; Christine Groves, Vincent; Tommy Ledbetter, Stanton; Phillip Moore, Forsan; Angelia Guevara, Luther; L. B. Griffin, Forsan; Sam Vinton, Sterling City; Jimmy Lee Hogans, 106 Nolan; Mary Stone, 1513-A Sycamore; A. E. Walker, Box 961; G. L. Brooks, 609 George.

MARKETS

LEWISTON PORT WORTH (AP)—Cattle 1,501 calves 200; mostly steady. Good and choice slaughter steers 16.00-16.25; common and medium 15.00-15.50; best cows 18.00-19.00; good and choice slaughter calves 18.00-20.00; plain and medium 17.00-18.00; culls 9.00-10.00; stocker steer yearlings and calves 12.00-17.00.

Hog 300 80-cwt lower, medium and choice 17.50-18.50; butchers 20.00. Sheep 200; steady to 1.50 lower; good and choice wether slaughter lambs 18.00-19.00; choice wether slaughter lambs with No. 1 tails 18.00; cull slaughter ewes 6.50; medium and good feeder lambs 15.50-17.50.

WALL STREET NEW YORK (AP)—There was a higher auction today in the stock market with a broad mixture of gains and losses. Trading was fairly active. Preferred stock of block, 2,000 shares of 5% and among other blocks were Traction preferred 4.00 up to 4.50, American Airlines 2.00 up 1/8.

Prices moved small fractions either way with only a handful remaining unchanged. On the final day of the year, brokers anticipated rather quiet markets before the three-day holiday over New Year's.

The market rather quiet market before recovery movement after two days of declining prices.

THE WEATHER

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS: Fair, warmer through Friday. WEST TEXAS: Fair, warmer in Panhandle and South Plains and upper Pecos eastward Thursday, turning colder in Panhandle Friday.

TEMPERATURES

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"And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof." — Zach. 8:5. That was a bold hope for a city that was destroyed and its inhabitants in captivity, but it came true. Countless other greater cities once destroyed never rose again. This was more than a lucky guess. God needed Zion.

Gesture Made To Minority Forces But It Is Soft And Trifle Tardy

The section of the Constitution relating to the powers and responsibilities of the President says in section 3: "He shall from time to time give to the Congress Information of the State of the Union, and recommend to their Consideration such Measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."

party policies. The results of these conferences will be reflected, in part at least, in his message on January 7. Democrats complained that they were not invited to these meetings, and since they were in a sense a prelude to the fulfillment of a constitutional requirement, they should have been asked to sit in.

Decisions Affect Integrity of Courts And Of Statewide Import

Although not unexpected, the decision of Supreme Court Master D. B. Wood in upholding five of eight charges of unfitness in office against District Judge Woodrow Laughlin constitutes a damaging blow against the South Texas jurist.

the master is not in the 5-3 margin by which he sustained charges that Judge Laughlin's official conduct had made him unfit to hold the district judgeship, but it was in the character of the particular charges that were sustained. In these the master found no error in judgment, but deliberate attempts to circumvent or obstruct justice.

Washington Calling—Marquis Childs

Mississippi Making Belated Move To Improve Its Schools

EDITOR'S NOTE: Marquis Childs, regular columnist for The Herald, is on vacation. During his absence arrangements have been made for Thomas L. Stokes, whose columns are published in many of our country's newspapers, to provide a column for The Herald.

WASHINGTON — The State of Mississippi is in the process of making a confession. Through its legislature it is recognizing the sharp criticism by its own Governor, Hugh L. White, of its school facilities for Negro children.

Mississippi action is, of course, a direct result of something going on here before the United States Supreme Court. She was prompted to act by the several cases brought before the nation's highest tribunal, and supported by the Eisenhower Administration and its Justice Department, seeking to end segregation in public schools, and, with that, to put an end to the doctrine that "separate and equal" facilities meet the requirements of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution adopted just after the Civil War.

While the equalizing move represents, in effect, a promise, there is another move in the legislature that constitutes a threat. This would pave the way for a constitutional amendment similar to those made ready in South Carolina and Georgia which would abolish "public schools" as such if the Supreme Court upholds segregation and seek to get around the decision by making them "private schools," though still financed by grants from the state.

This Day In Texas

Death came on this day in 1867 to Alfred W. Arrington, one of Texas' earliest authors. Born in North Carolina in 1810, Arrington became a minister and for six years preached to congregations in Arkansas. Then he turned to law and was admitted to the bar in Missouri. He returned to Arkansas and served as a legislator before his trial led him to Texas in 1845.

This is an indication of how far some Southern political leaders are prepared to go. While the Supreme Court is, theoretically, an ivory tower sort of body, yet it has in the past proved itself conscious of the practicalities and of the possible effects of this or that finding affecting customs and manners. The Southern States and their lawyers have been working on the side of that "practical" ear.

How earnestly the Court is trying to find an answer in this most difficult case of many, many years is demonstrated by the numerous questions from the bench during the recent re-argument of the segregation cases which the Court itself had requested in order to get more information on certain points. The decision is not expected for some time. The Court cannot legislate, only asserts principles of law to which our people must accommodate themselves. It has been suggested that, if it rules out segregation, it might give the states where segregation exists a period of time in which to comply with the decision, if it should stand on the old "separate and equal" doctrine, then states which now do not provide equal facilities—some, in fact nothing approaching that—must do what Mississippi already has done, and that, too, will take time.

Song For Debut

NEW YORK (AP)—A recent Atlantic crossing of the Italian liner Conte Biancamano produced two births: a baby and a song. The baby, Bianca, was born to Mrs. Josephine Palmieri, of New Orleans. Passenger Domenico Savino, of New York, dashed off "Bianca's lullaby." He wrote, orchestrated and rehearsed the song with the ship's orchestra and gave it its world's premiere in a concert at sea within five days of the baby's birth.



'After You'

The World Today — James Marlow

Little Guy Wonders If He Is Getting Smarter Or Just Adding Years To Age

WASHINGTON (AP)—The little guy felt pretty good about it all. He was getting a little smarter, he thought. This was one New Year's Eve when he was going to stay home and go to bed early. "Hey, Mama," he said to his wife, who was shortening the sleeves on the plaid sport shirt she had bought him for Christmas. "You don't mind if we don't go out tonight?"

He knew she didn't. They had talked about it before and agreed they'd stay home. He just wanted to talk about it again. "No," she said. "I'm getting a little old for that hopping around." He told her: "It's not a matter of getting older. It's just a matter of getting a little smarter."

Notebook — Hal Boyle

Old-Time Vaudeville Had No Master Of Ceremonies

CHICAGO (AP)—In the several years that big time television has been with us TV has made many trips at depicting big time vaudeville as it was in its heyday. Thousands of dollars have gone into these efforts yet they turn up on the screen as basically: 1. A master of ceremonies; 2. A song and dance team with straw sailors, striped blazers and canes; 3. A pit band that has mislaid its mutes.

bulbs on each side of the proscenium arch. They quietly spelled out "A." The patron referred to "A" on his printed program and learned that Nick and Chris, acrobats, would be the first offering. The curtain rose and revealed Nick and Chris, handsome in white tights, already moving into a procession of handstands, quick tumbles and bounces.

Scientist Urges TV Relay Stations Moving In Space

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—Four television relay stations, high above the earth's surface, could blanket the world with TV waves, eliminating the need for present-day stations, a noted rocket expert and astronomer believes. Dr. H. R. J. Groesch of Cincinnati, former president of the American Rocket Society and a General Electric Corp. scientist, told the American Astronomical Society yesterday that space television stations might justify the huge cost necessary to build them.

Hallinan To Fight Disbarment Move

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Vincent Hallinan, 1952 Progressive party candidate for president, is fighting a recommendation that he be disbarred. He said he intends to run again for office. The State Bar of California recommended to the State Supreme Court that Hallinan be stripped of his right to practice because he had been found guilty of a crime involving moral turpitude—conviction last month of having evaded \$26,729 in income taxes.

Military Secret Made Public Means Better Battery For Car

The opinions contained in this and other articles in this column are solely those of the writers who sign them. They are not to be interpreted as necessarily reflecting the opinions of The Herald.—Editor's Note. A military secret finally has been told, and the general public should be benefiting from the information in about three or four months. The secret, closely guarded since 1949, is a new storage battery which will last from 10 to 20 years, does things the ordinary automobile battery can't do, and still is only about half as large as the standard unit.

It uses an alkaline solution instead of acid and requires only a few drops of water per year. The battery will function under temperatures as low as 65 degrees below zero and as high as 165 above. To demonstrate its "staying power" the developer used a battery which was frozen into a cake of ice, with cables threaded through the ice to an automobile motor. The battery repeatedly started the engine, without difficulty. The developer says it isn't affected by shock and vibration, won't over charge or reverse charge, and won't short circuit. It can be used in automobiles, motorboats, farm equipment, and all kinds of internal combustion engine units. The new battery sounds like the answer to the used car buyer's dream. It might even get our old relic started on a cold morning. —WAYLAND YATES

These Days—George Sokolsky

Shooting Slacked Off In '53, But U.S. World Position Slipped

This can be said for 1953: It was a year that ended without a shooting war, except in Indochina. In these troubled times, disturbances were abundant but not shooting. Korea remained a seat of disorder, but the prolonged truce talks continued throughout the year and led to nothing. The talk was plentiful; the results were trivial. The State Department has not yet learned that Soviet Russia uses even talk as a weapon of war.

Foot-soldiers despite new conditions. Should no shooting war occur in 1954, it ought to be possible to balance the budget, which could help to stabilize the dollar and lower taxes. It is even more important to stabilize the dollar than to lower taxes, because the advance of the value of the dollar can overcome a high tax rate. In 1953, the American dollar was worth about fifty cents. At the beginning of the Eisenhower Administration, George Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury, announced a sound fiscal program, which has not been able to carry through to any degree in 1953. It is hoped that he may achieve much of it during 1954, if the country can avoid a shooting war. If that is added a reduction in foreign aid and the elimination of waste in the Executive branch of government the value of the dollar may be sufficiently increased to restore confidence in its future. A happy, healthy, and thrifty New Year to all!

True, a slight outbreak occurred between the Jews and the Arabs, the Italians and the Yugoslavs, and the war in Indochina continues its desultory way; Kashmir remains a danger spot and the relations between India and Pakistan continue antagonistic. But in 1953, fewer people were killed in wars to most of which they were related without their direct consent. The United States lost in a measure its position of world leadership. The nations of the British Commonwealth, particularly Great Britain, Canada and India, asserted a greater degree of political independence, although Great Britain continued to accept financial and other economic aid from this country. In France and Italy and nearly every other Western European country, neutralist movements of massive dimensions developed as a response to the challenge of prospective war. Actually such movements were aimed more at the United States than at Soviet Russia as these countries were supposed to be allied to the United States and partly dependent upon its bounty.

'Coon Coats Needed' INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Doxie Moore, Indiana's conservation department director, would like to see raccoon coats return to the wardrobes of college men. Twenty-five years ago, when the shaggy coats were the rage, Indiana stocked its fields and woodlands with hundreds of the animals. Hunters kept the population in check. Now, Moore says, farmers are complaining of a big crop losses to packs of the hungry coons, virtually safe from harm since there's no market for their skins. To help solve the problem this year, Moore says the 'coon season will be lengthened so hunters can reduce the population.

In Latin America, neutralism became a serious menace. President Eisenhower sent his brother, Milton, on a trip to Latin America to study the situation first hand. It would appear that in some of these countries, particularly the Argentine, Milton Eisenhower's ministry was of value to the United States. The President also sent the vice president, Richard Nixon, on a trip to Asia. The results of Nixon's trip are not yet known.

Reporting Is Futile GREENSBORO, N. C. (AP)—For 25 years the Greensboro police department had kept its secret—the formula for the department's famous barbecue sauce. The Greensboro Record's woman police reporter was determined to get it. But no body among the cops would squeal. Finally somebody left the handwritten recipe where she could see—and copy it. Now she wonders what she'll do with it. It serves 2,000.

Uncle Ray's Corner

Eclipse To Follow A Dark Path

Yesterday I spoke about the total eclipse of the sun which will take place half a year from now—on the last day of June. People in Nebraska will need to get up early in the morning to see the eclipse, which will be total there at the time of sunrise. In the area of Minneapolis and St. Paul, the eclipse will be seen later in the morning. Near the western end of Lake Superior and in western Ontario, the time will be later still. The dark pathway will cross Ontario from Lake Superior to the southern end of James Bay, then will run northeastward. It will touch the southern end of Greenland, also southern parts of Norway and Sweden. People in a section of Russia will see the total eclipse during the afternoon, and it will be viewed in India shortly before sunset. The total phase of the eclipse will last

Lost Ring Is Found

BOWLING GREEN, Mo. (AP)—Twenty-eight years ago young James F. Donnelly searched frantically through the dust beside the railroad tracks near here for his mother's wedding ring. It had slipped from his finger while he was working on a Gulf, Mobile and Ohio train. No luck then. Recently workmen, installing a switch, turned it up and returned it to Donnelly, now a conductor.

Tree Fires Scarce

CHARLESTON, S. C. (AP)—Monkeys and cats who are up a tree here will stay that way from now on as far as the city fire department is concerned. The department has had enough of answering calls from distressed pet owners whose animals have climbed out of reach and refuse to descend. Hereafter, the firemen will refer such pleas to the Department of Public Safety, which has trucks and ladders — yet.

1953 A YEAR OF SPORTS IN PICTURES 1953



MEETING 'IMMOVABLE' OBJECT—The Yankees' Billy Martin, right, goes flying after Dodgers' catcher Roy Campanella, tags him at the plate for the final out of the fourth World Series game. Yankees lost this one but went on to win fifth straight world title.



BATTLING BASKETEERS—Indiana's Charles Kraak, 13, battles B. H. Born, 25, and Hal Patterson, 9, of Kansas for ball in March NCAA final at Kansas City. Indiana won 69-68.



SAMPLING ROCKY'S POWER—Challenger Roland LaStarza wins from a smashing left by heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano in fourth round of title bout in New York in September. Marciano scored a TKO in eleventh round in second successful defense of his title.



RECORD BREAKER—Jockey Willie Shoemaker was the nation's hottest rider as he easily outnumbered the record 190 winning races set last year by Tony DeSpirito.



ADDING ANOTHER TITLE—Ben Hogan chops from rough in second round of U. S. Open golf championship at Oakmont, Pa., in June. He took his fourth Open crown with a 283.



TRIPLE TITLIST—Tenley Albright of Boston raises three fingers at Hershey, Pa., in March to indicate she won the women's world, North American and U. S. figure skating titles.



PILING UP POINTS—Carl "Bobo" Olson bounces a left off head of Britain's Randy Turpin in 12th round of October world middleweight title bout in New York. Olson won.



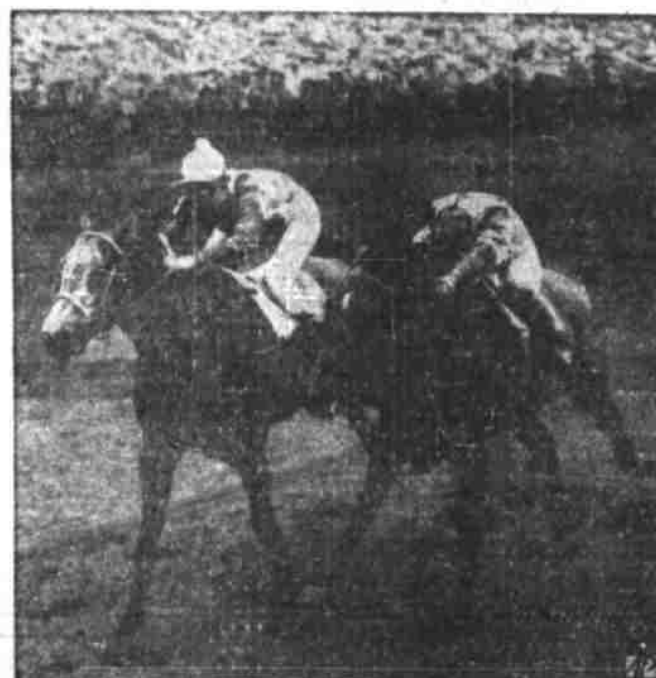
GOLF QUEEN—Mary Lena Faulk of Thomasville, Ga., holds the trophy after defeating Polly Riley for U. S. women's amateur golf title at West Barrington, R. I., in August.



CHAMPION RETURNS—Hayes Jenkins, Colorado Springs, Colo., and his mother arrive in New York from Europe where in February he won the men's world figure skating crown.



SINGLES KING—Tony Trabert of Cincinnati, O., won the national men's singles tennis crown by defeating Vic Seixas at Forest Hills, N. Y., in September.



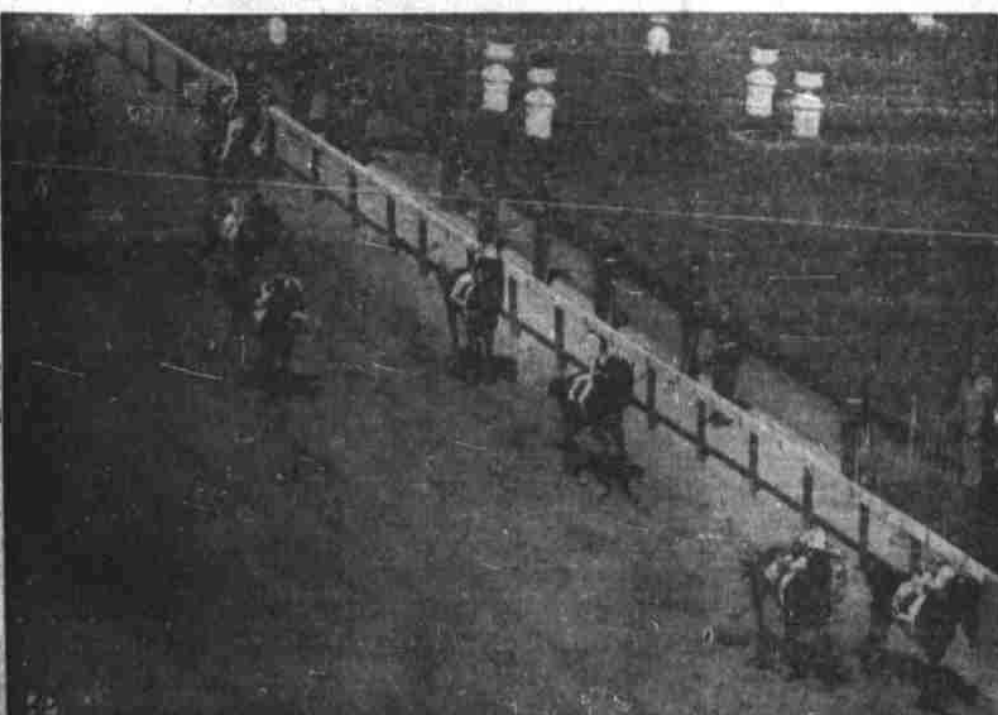
DANCER RAMBLES ON—Native Dancer, left, year's best three-year-old, Eric Guerin up, beats Jamie K., Eddie Arcaro aboard, in \$100,000 Belmont Stakes at New York in June.



NET CHAMP AGAIN—Maureen Connolly of San Diego, Cal., won the national women's singles tennis title at Forest Hills, N. Y., in September for the third straight year.



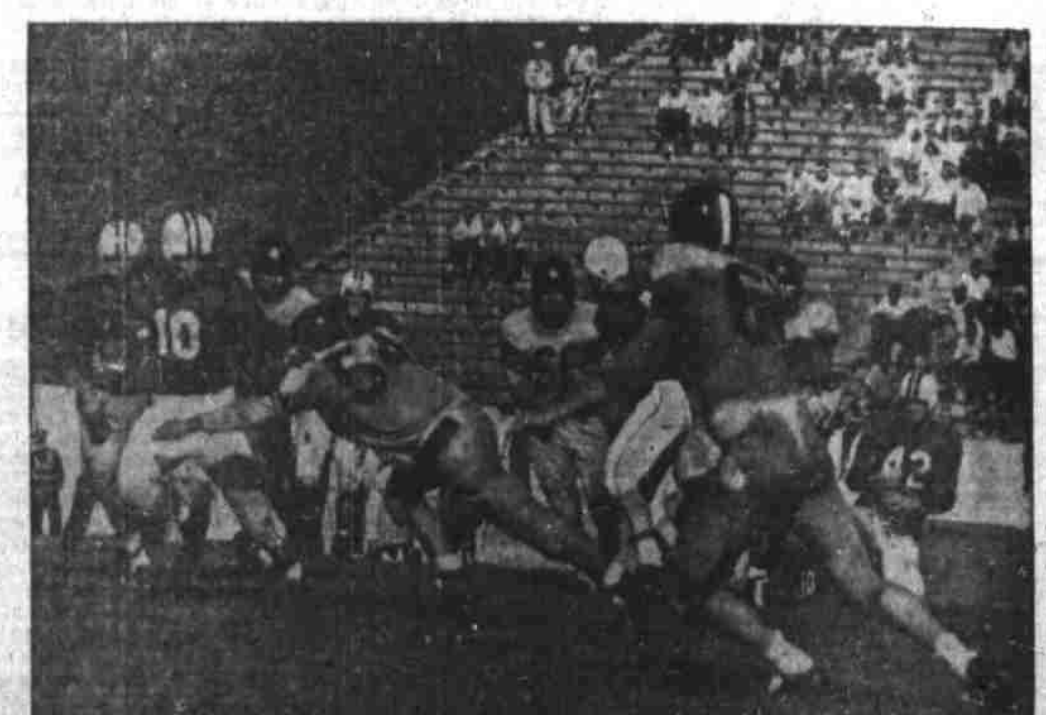
CUP AND A HUG—Gene Littler of LaJolla, Cal., and his happy wife pose with trophy in Oklahoma City, Okla., after he won the National Amateur golf championship in September.



DARK STAR TAKES THE ROSES—Dark Star, on rail, Hank Moreno up, crosses finish line to beat Native Dancer, Eric Guerin aboard, in 79th running of Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Ky., in May. Win was worth \$118,000 to Harry F. Guggenheim's Cain Hoy stable.



MOST VALUABLE—Roy Campanella, left, Dodgers' catcher, and Al Rosen, Indians' infielder, were chosen most valuable players in National and American Leagues respectively.



STARTING RUN TO TOP—Maryland's Bernie Faloney, 16, eludes Missouri tackler for sizable gain in game at Columbia, Mo. Maryland won this, its opener, 20-6, and went through ten-game schedule undefeated and untied to win rating as nation's best football team.

Phillips Truck Stop Offers Top Service 24 Hours A Day

One of the few establishments in Big Spring that can boast of good service 24 hours a day is the Phillips 66 Truck Stop and Cafe, located on the West Highway.

Employees of the firm are ready to help customers "fill up"—either themselves or their vehicles—at any hour of the day or night.

Specialties of the cafe are steaks, chicken and Mexican foods. An unusual practice at the cafe is the serving of breakfast at any hour.

Mrs. Rilla Medlin, who manages the cafe operation, says that breakfast is served on a 24-hour basis to accommodate the truck drivers who stop there. And she says practically all truck drivers passing through are considered their customers.

Many local people, however, find that food served at the Phillips Cafe is to their liking, and the number of Big Spring customers has increased tremendously. Special

merchant's lunches are served from 12 until 3 p.m. daily for local residents, and short orders are always prepared in minimum time.

The cafe will accommodate 65 people, and customers can take their choice of booths or counter. Mrs. Medlin points out that there is plenty of parking space available.

Orders will be prepared for individuals in advance of arrival if a call is made to the cafe. Phone number is 4-5091. "We try to do anything to accommodate the customer," Mrs. Medlin said.

The Truck Stop, which is just as well known for service as the cafe, is operated by Mrs. Medlin's husband, Ike. Although the title leaves the impression that the stop is for truckers exclusively, Medlin points out that automobile service is also excellent.

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Roy Cornelison proudly points to the huge window sign he had painted at his cleaning and pressing establishment to welcome the Big Spring football team home. As popular as they were throughout

the city, the Steers probably didn't have a more enthusiastic backer than Cornelison, who closed his business to make trips to Brownwood and Breckenridge to see the team in state play-off games.

Cornelison Provides Popular Service Here

Personnel of Cornelison Cleaners wish to express to the firm's many friends and patrons best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

And Roy Cornelison, owner and manager of the establishment, invites all residents of the city and area to "get a clean start" for 1954 by bringing clothing to Cornelison Cleaners, 10th and Johnson.

Friendly, thorough service is Cornelison's mark of distinction. Every garment is given careful individual attention through the cleaning process, pressing and delivery.

Cornelison also wishes to thank all his customers for their patronage of the past year—in fact, for the past quarter of a century during which Cornelison Cleaners has become one of the most popular dry cleaning firms in Big Spring.

Probably the most convincing means of becoming familiar with the all-around good service afforded by the concern is to try it out. Cornelison invites old and new customers to bring in those articles of clothing soiled or rumpled during the Christmas season.

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High Speed Blamed For Yule Road Deaths

By ROBERT GOLDENSTEIN
CHICAGO — Beware of the speed demon when you celebrate the coming of the new year. A survey by The Associated Press today indicated this type of motorist was responsible for roughly one third of the near-record 523 highway deaths that occurred on the nation's highways during this year's three-day Christmas weekend.

And not far behind was the highway daredevil. This was the driver who disobeyed regulations—crossing the center line, passing on hills and curves, and crowding the tail of the car ahead. This type caused another fifth of the deaths, the survey indicated.

In order of frequency, other major causes of traffic deaths during the Christmas weekend were: pedestrian carelessness, poor weather or road conditions, intoxication and disregarding traffic signals.

The speeder is a year around problem. Records of the National Safety Council show excessive speed was the greatest single cause of fatal traffic accidents during the year.

The AP survey of police records of Christmas accidents in each of the nation's geographical regions showed the high price paid for excessive speed was not limited to any single area.

Speeding was blamed officially for 9 of North Carolina's 22 traffic deaths, 4 of New Jersey's 23, 18 of California's 48, and 9 of Illinois' 27.

Excessive speed thus was the cause of 40 of the combined total of 120 traffic deaths in the four representative states.

Commenting on the findings in the AP survey, Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, which has forecast a possible 300 highway fatalities for the New Year's weekend, said:

"The old saying that the faster you go the harder you hit should be pasted on the dashboard of every automobile. Every driver should remember that his risk of death goes up as his foot goes down on the accelerator."

"The Associated Press survey shows that holiday accidents are not any different from everyday accidents. Speed is the most important driver violation in fatal accidents every day of the year. So, for this New Year's week end and for every day of the new year slow down and live."

The daredevil type who ignored regulations and warnings was blamed for 24 of the 120 Christmas traffic deaths in the four representative states.

Nineteen of the 120 deaths surveyed were attributed to pedestrian carelessness.

A sleet storm left most of Illinois' highways covered with a dangerous glaze, yet only 6 of that state's 27 deaths were attributed to dangerous road conditions. North Carolina blamed bad roads for 3 of its deaths but no such fatalities were reported in New Jersey or California.

Only 5 of the 120 fatalities were attributed directly to drunken driving, but officials pointed out that this cause often is left undetermined, especially if the intoxicated person is the victim or if the condition is not obvious.

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In-Law Squabble Wasn't So Deadly

CHICAGO — Edward Grenda, 29, dashed into the police station yesterday and shouted: "I've just shot my brother-in-law."

Police found Conrad Wisniskis, 39, standing dazed outside Grenda's apartment. "I'm waiting for the pain to start," he told police.

Both men, police said, were mistaken. The .38-caliber pistol bullet Grenda had fired through a doorway went over Wisniskis' head and lodged in the house next door.

Both men were locked up. Wisniskis' wife charged him with disorderly conduct. Grenda was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and for firing a gun within the city limits.

Galveston Won't Hold Mardi Gras In 1954

GALVESTON — Galveston won't have a Mardi Gras celebration next year.

Officials of the Texas Mardi Gras Assn. said yesterday the reason is lack of local interest and funds. The event was held here in 1952 and 1953.

for Young Women in White

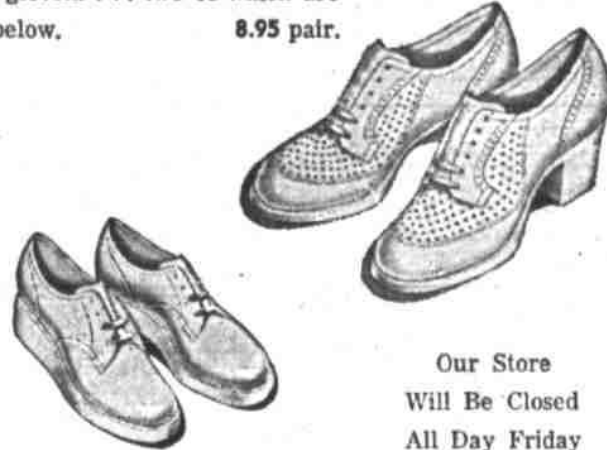
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Reds Claim Russia's Beggars, Churches Czardom's Survivals

Editor's Note — This is the fourth of a series of unmeasured and revealing stories by William L. Ryan, a Russian-speaking specialist who has just returned from a tour in the Soviet Union.

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
 AP Foreign News Analyst

Soviet Communists have a ready explanation for almost anything. They are all "professionals."

Are women doing the heaviest of toil? It's because they have "equal rights."

Are a surprising number of people going to the churches? Only old people really attend any more, and besides there is "freedom of religion."

But for the many beggars seen in the capitals of the Soviet Union, there is an unique explanation. They are all "professionals."

Some of these "professional" beggars looked miserable. A young mother in Stalinabad, capital of the Tadzhik republic, sat on a curb, nursing her baby. There was agony in her face as she cried for alms.

They gather pitifully few kopeks from passing crowds, even near the churches.

Communists insist all this represents only the remnants of the Czarist regime—which died away 36 years ago. The churches, too, are placed in that category.

Russians say there are 55 Orthodox churches in Moscow today. This would mean, on the basis of probable population, about one church for every 125,000 persons.

The churches invariably are overcrowded on church holidays. There are fairly large numbers of young people, middle-aged and well dressed people and even army

officers at the services. This held true throughout the provinces. But it is also true that in the main, those who attend the church services are old people and women. If there are children present, it is because the women brought them.

There are no young people at all to be found in what churches remain for sects other than the Russian Orthodox. The Roman Catholic Church, in the shadow of Lublanka prison in Moscow, has only old men and women in attendance at services conducted by a Lithuanian priest.

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U.S. Passes Second Year In Row With Lynchings Unknown

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — For the second year in a row, there were no lynchings in the United States in 1953, Tuskegee Institute announced yesterday.

But the famed Negro college said it is dropping its annual lynching report for a more realistic index of race relations.

Hereafter racial progress will be measured with a new formula using economic, political, educational and similar factors, said Dr. L. H. Foster, Tuskegee's president.

Dr. Foster said mob violence is no longer a valid index of race relations and that lynchings have lost their significance as a yardstick of race relations because of "changes in the status of the Negro and the development of other extra-legal means of control, such as bombings, incendiarism, threats and intimidation, etc."

The Tuskegee president said the study will compare white and Negro standards in four categories—income relationship, voter participation, education, and employment.

Although the death rate from mob action has steadily gone down through the years, the nation escaped only once before without lynch slaying. That was in 1952.

Mexico Finds Gas Areas Near Texas

MEXICO CITY — The discovery of eight new gas and oil fields, including three gas areas on the Texas border, was announced yesterday by the government oil industry.

The finds are a "nice New Year's present for Mexico," commented Antonio Bermudez, who heads the government company, Pemex. Seven new producing oil wells have also been brought in this week, he added.

The gas areas are near Chapul and Zacate in the Reynosa township and "18th of March" in the Matamoros township. Reynosa is across the Rio Grande from Hidalgo, Tex., and Matamoros lies across from Brownsville, Tex.

Fourteen Teen-Agers Admit Marijuana Use

OKLAHOMA CITY — Fourteen teen-agers arrested in a candy shop across the street from Central High School have confessed to smoking marijuana, police reported.

Admissions were made before their parents, officers said, and the mother and father of one youth were so upset they are "pulling up stakes and moving to another city to start all over." Officers said the father wept openly. There was one girl among the 14.

Festival Head Dies

BROWNSVILLE — H. C. (Lett) Appleton, 48, manager of the annual Charro Days Festival here, died yesterday of a heart attack. He had been preparing for the 1954 event in February. Appleton was a native of Collingsville, Ala.

Moonshine Smell No Mystery To Officer

IDABEL, Okla. — The sensitive nose of Police Chief Sam Sellers twitched to the odor of raw moonshine.

Chief Sellers and Patrolman H. A. Lockwood, parked in their cruiser on an Idabel Street yesterday, gave chase when a pickup went by, trailing 50¢ kilt — a tale smell familiar in the southeastern Oklahoma mountain area.

They stopped the truck and found a 50-gallon still plus a large quantity of corn whisky mash hidden in back. Two men were arrested.

Orange Bowl Parade Planned For Tonight

MIAMI, Fla. — The nation will have a look at Florida's most glamorous show tonight when the 20th annual King Orange Jamboree Parade moves through downtown Miami. It will be described over CBS radio and television from coast to coast.

The parade starts at 7 p.m., EST.

Injuries Are Fatal

WACO — Dr. Curtis Leon Ivey, 82, a retired veterinarian who moved here from San Marcos last year, died yesterday of injuries received in a car collision five miles south of Waco Dec. 23.



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We'd like to chime in with a cheery note to wish you all the best the New Year brings. May the coming year find its bright beginnings for your health, wealth and happiness this New Year's Day!



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