

Two American Officials Freed By Korean Reds

Communists Fail To Get Recognition From U. S. on Deal

SEOUL, Dec. 12. (AP)—Two emaciated American officials were back from North Korea today after 81 days confinement by Communists.

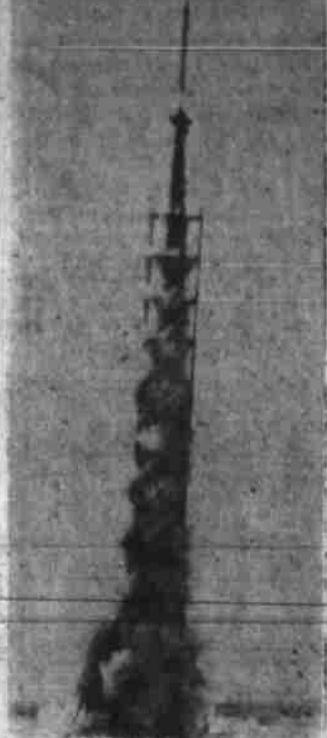
They were returned yesterday. The Soviet regime indicated it had given up on its apparent attempt to get some form of United States recognition in exchange for the economic co-operation administration aides, who were delivered to them by a muffled-ship's crew.

Albert E. Willis, 40, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Alfred T. Mescher, 28, of Kinderhook, N. Y., shocked Willis' blonde, little wife with their appearance.

Mrs. Beatrice Willis estimated her husband lost almost a pound a day and said it would take a lot of home cooking to undo the damage.

"My heart sank when I saw him," she told me today. "He looked like a human skeleton. Why his clothes almost fell off of him. He weighed 190 pounds when he left Pusan. He must have lost 60 pounds."

Mescher said the two men were reasonably fit—especially compared with the week before when the Communists started feeding them well in preparation for their return. They were not physically mistreated, he said.



60-MILE CLIMB—A U. S. Air Force super-atmosphere research rocket, the "Aerobee," shoots from its launching tower at Holoman Air Force base Alamogordo, N. M., air missile testing center. On this launching Dec. 2, the rocket went 60 miles above the earth. It has attained speeds of 3,000 miles an hour. It is 20 feet long and slightly more than one foot in diameter with three fins to provide stability. (AP Wirephoto).

Continental In-Fight To Retain Local Service

Continental Air Lines will continue to prosecute its case before the Civil Aeronautics Board in an effort to retain service to Big Spring.

This position was made clear Monday in a statement at Denver, Colo. by Robert F. Six, CAL president. Despite a recommendation by a CAB examiner that service here be discontinued, Six said that CAL would again present its case before the CAB in Washington at the earliest possible date.

"Continental will show that continued service to Big Spring by its company is in the greatest public interest and benefit to the people of this area of Texas," Six said in regard to the Big Spring case.

"Withdrawal of Continental service is contrary to progress of commercial air line development in Big Spring and will subject air travelers and citizens of Big Spring to undue and unnecessary hardships, inconvenience and limitations."

"Continental has served Big Spring for a half year and has enjoyed pleasant relations with the people of this community. We sincerely hope we may continue this service, uninterrupted, in order that Big Spring may further enjoy the community of interest with other cities on Continental's system in Texas and New Mexico that commercial air traffic has made possible."

C-C Aviation Group Meets Wednesday to Protest CAB Report

A meeting of the chamber of commerce has been called for 10 a. m. Wednesday to protest the CAB examiner's recommendation that Continental Airlines service be discontinued here, Jack Cook, chairman, announced this morning.

Rep. George Mahon is to meet with the group in the chamber of commerce conference room at the Settles, Cook stated. City officials and the chamber of commerce executive committee will be invited to attend the special session.

11 Die As Storms Lash U. S. Areas

34 Other Deaths Laid To Weather

By The Associated Press

Screeching tornadoes, a whistling blizzard and flashing lightning killed at least 11 persons in various parts of the nation over the week end.

The known deaths from other causes indirectly attributed to the weather had mounted to 34.

Property damage from the tornadoes which lashed North Central Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Illinois was high.

Central Arkansas alone estimated its damage might reach \$100,000. All the tornado dead are in Arkansas and Missouri. The twisters hammered six Arkansas communities Sunday, killed three persons and injured ten. Many escaped the fury by taking shelter in storm cellars.

The communities hit were Clinton, Beede, Velvet Ridge, Cross Roads, Providence and Bradford. Two were killed at Cross Roads, one at Providence.

Garland Robbins, 40, of Providence, described the twister as "black as midnight and roaring like hell." His store was destroyed.

Near Poplar Bluff, in southeastern Missouri, six persons were killed and 15 injured by a tornado which cut through 10 miles of farm area. Telephone lines were knocked down and some streets flooded in Poplar Bluff by a heavy rain which followed the twister.

Some farm buildings were unroofed in Madison County, in southern Illinois, by another twister but no one was injured. In Muskogee, Okla., a three-car garage lifted 30 feet from its foundation was the only known damage.

Hannibal, Mo., reported considerable property damage from high winds. Three persons were injured there.

Nine-year-old Junia Kay Loveless was killed by lightning at the steeple in the doorway of a smokehouse on the family's farm near Modesto, Ill. At Miles City, Mont., a 98-year-old retired stockman was found dead of exposure to a blizzard which had swept the Rocky Mountain area.

The blizzard had moved eastward with diminishing force today into northern Minnesota, but the entire Great Lakes region was buffeted by strong winds. Snow flurries were occurring in Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan and northern Iowa along with falling temperatures.

The storm had blown itself out in the Rockies where the mercury was on the climb. Denver had five inches of snow, Livingston, Mont., 10 inches.



SANTA ARRIVES AFTER SLIGHT HITCH—Santa arrived in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., by plane, parachuted down, but was slightly delayed by getting hung up in a power line. After dangling from the wires, while the kids both wept and cheered, he was rescued by a utility lineman who was watching the event. (AP Wirephoto).

County's Bank Balances Come To \$143,668.87

Howard county entered the month of December with balances on its various bank statements totaling \$143,668.87.

The general fund balance climbed from \$9,205.05 to \$36,513.84 and the special road and bridge fund increased from \$7,933 to \$19,057.93, according to the regular statement submitted to county commissioners this morning by Chester C. O'Brien, county auditor.

Other new receipts showed \$8,028 to the jury fund, \$24,509.28 to the regular road and bridge fund, \$4,573.51 to the officers salary fund, \$10,017 to the permanent improvement fund and \$10,500 to the road bond fund, series 1945.

Two transfers, \$12,934.08 from the lateral road fund and \$1,458.07 from the road machinery warrant fund, were made to the road and bridge fund, the first amount earmarked for the 75-25 county-state road program.

Largest expenditures were from the road and bridge fund, \$40,433.71, leaving a balance there of \$35,448.52.

Other end-of-the-month balances included \$10,930.07 in the jury fund, \$5,417.75 in the officers salary fund, \$12,641.35 in the permanent improvement fund, \$4,506.07 in the special road bond fund, \$14,726.83 in the road bond fund, series 1945, and \$4,513.45 in the library fund.

Contributions to the VFW Iron Lung Fund have approached \$1,700. Receipts of \$150 were announced today, bringing the total to \$1,696.65. Included in latest donors were an anonymous donation of \$100 and another for \$150; Temple Israel Silverwood and Earl Flew, \$5 each.

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Jack Gorman Dies Of Heart Attack On Hunting Trip

Jack Gorman, 46, resident state highway engineer at Snyder and who served Howard county on several projects, died of heart attack on the Thompson ranch near Colorado City Sunday noon.

Gorman, with three companions of Abilene, had been hunting on the C. C. Thompson ranch since about 8 a. m. Half an hour before he was stricken, he complained of indigestion or heart trouble before he collapsed. The group had walked several miles. Gorman was dead when an ambulance reached the ranch.



ELIZABETH TAYLOR DATES "GREAT LOVER"—The movies' Elizabeth Taylor and 19-year-old Bob Precht, voted the "Great Lover" of the UCLA student body, arrive at a movie theater at Hollywood, in a get-acquainted date. With his selection as the best campus romancer, Bob won the right to escort Elizabeth to the Junior Prom. (AP Wirephoto).

SNYDER JOINS CHIEF AT RESORT

Truman, Advisers Buckle Down To Budget, Economic Problems

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 12. (AP)—Bright young lawyers and research workers pooled their brain power today to help President Truman and the "fair deal" along.

They worked on the presidential yacht USS Williamsburg, and in Quarters L, a naval residence, in their usual anonymity but the sunshine of this Florida vacation spot reflected their activities.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder's arrival yesterday for a 24-hour stay—joining Budget Director Frank Pace—focused attention on taxes and spending, but the working force doing the spadework said basic decisions already have been made.

And both Snyder and Pace are returning to Washington today, weather permitting. They talked over the size of the budget and the prospects of raising additional revenue by new levies against corporation profits.

The "State of the Union" budget and economic messages will bring all the conclusions into the open and into the turmoil of congressional debate in a hectic election year.

Snyder's appearance by plane was disclosed, when he and the President appeared together at the Protestant divine services in the Navy chapel.

Presidential Press Secretary Charles G. Ross did not indicate any advance knowledge of Snyder's trip here.

Another arrival yesterday was not hailed in advance. It was a donkey, found tied to a beachhouse alongside the beach where the President swims.

The President didn't "give a darn" about the donkey being there—good Democrat that he is—but the Navy went diligently about the task of finding the culprit who smuggled the burro in.

Photographers helped clear up some of the mystery by disclosing they had been receiving telephone calls all day to photograph the animal, apparently with the idea of getting publicity for a bird farm. The photographers were unable to point out the connection between a donkey and a bird farm.

Father Wipes Out All Family

12. (AP)—A man described by neighbors as "a mild little guy who liked to play the guitar" wiped out his family of five, including three small children, with six bullets from a German luger pistol yesterday.

Police Chief Roland Kelley said Carl Amarella, 34-year-old interior decorator and upholsterer, killed his wife, Millie, 33; their children, Sandra, 6; Larry, 4 and Janet, one year old, while they slept and then took his own life.

Amarella put two bullets into little Janet's head. Each of the others was shot only once, according to Roy Mey, chief investigator of the Broward County sheriff's office.

He left a note written on three different sales slips, telling his attorney, G. H. Martin, how to dispose of everything and where to find his money and papers.

The note began: "I am sorry it ended this way," and concluded: "I guess that is all." It asked that as little publicity as possible be given the tragedy.

Cartoonist Dies

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 12. (AP)—James Henderson, 63, nationally-known cartoonist for the Providence Journal since 1919, died from a heart attack yesterday.

Hunted Negro Near Capture

WARSAW, Miss., Dec. 12. (AP)—A wounded Negro wanted for the slaying of a Luxora, Ark., woman and the critical wounding of two peace officers was believed cornered today.

Trails of blood led officers to the Pigeon Roost Bottoms four miles south of here where Eddie Hall is believed to have holed up, Deputy Sheriff Fred Fuqua of Byhalia, Miss., said last night.

Sheriff L. B. Slayden and another officer surprised Hall in bed Saturday night 14 miles south of Byhalia. Hall was wounded in an exchange of shots with the officers but escaped. Slayden said.

Fuqua said the officers are awaiting reinforcements before closing in on Hall, who is armed.

The intensive manhunt was touched off Friday night when Mrs. Joe McDaniel, wife of the Luxora city marshal, was slain.

The marshal and Ralph Williamson, 48, were critically wounded. The three were taking Hall, his wife and another Negro to the Osceola, Ark., jail when Hall opened fire from the back seat, Williamson said.

City Faces Even Colder Weather

Big Spring got a mild taste of winter Monday with prospect of sub-freezing temperatures before the current spell has passed.

Readings sagged to 33 degrees Monday morning, well above the 28 degrees forecast over the weekend. But the weather bureau said colder weather was due during the day and by Tuesday morning. Minimum temperature is expected to be 28 degrees.

Occasional light rains were predicted this afternoon and tonight. Skies were due to begin breaking Tuesday as the thermometer starts climbing.

Light snow (or sleet) pellets fell momentarily around midnight Sunday but the bureau registered it as only a trace. Two hours before skies had been clear. But as the cold front moved in rapidly, the peppering occurred.

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Drop In Department Store Sales Forecast

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. (AP)—Christmas shoppers may cross up the experts by spending a record total of dollars this year—but they'd better get started quickly.

Individual stores are setting some peak sales records, but others are far behind in the race for Christmas business.

Every year since 1938 there has been an increase in department store sales and in total retail sales. Last year was the all-time record.

This year the general guess of the experts is that sales will be lower than last year—by a margin of less than five per cent.

Christmas is the big spending season. Some merchants have been pulled out of the red at Christmas so many times they believe in Santa Claus.

Last year the unexpected happened. There was a final rush Christmas week that kicked the year to a record. It could happen again. Analysts agree, but those dollars are going to have to roll over faster.

The federal reserve reports department store dollar sales the week ended Dec. 5 were eight per cent under a year ago. Dues & Bradstreet says total retail sales for the week ended last Wednesday were only one to five per cent under a year ago. Another independent survey indicates retail sales for the year will be off only two per cent.

In Texas, department store sales are running below a year ago generally. But one big Dallas store sales last Thursday came to the highest total in its history.

The biggest factor in the decline is lower prices. They are off an average of three to four per cent. That means the physical volume of business is just about as good as last year, and people are getting more for their money.

Deathless Days 733 In Big Spring Traffic

CONSUL, PARTY BOARD EVACUATION SHIP

Ward's Treatment By Reds 'Hellish'

ABOARD LAKELAND VICTORY, OFF TIENTSIN, Dec. 12. (AP)—Consul General Angus Ward and his 19-member party boarded this evacuation ship today and declared he had suffered "hellish treatment" at the hands of Chinese Communists.

The United States official, who was caught at his consulate by the fall of Mukden to Chinese Reds more than a year ago, declared his final freedom had been felt just as one would "after St. Peter lets you in."

It was the first time in 13 months Ward had been able to move without an armed escort. And 28 days he was in a Chinese Communist jail, in a solitary confinement.

was kept in unheated, or underheated, quarters in freezing temperatures.

He lost 25 pounds. His jail menu was six slices of bread daily, . . . and hot water. "That's not a very strengthening or fattening diet," he quipped.

For all members of the party, included Mrs. Ward, several women and some children, it was the first time they had not been under Red surveillance since Nov. 20, 1948. Then the Reds closed the consulate and clamped such secrecy on their movements even the U. S. State Department knew virtually nothing about them.

Even their final departure, under Red deportation orders on phony charges, was delayed by Red tape. For some time today, only Ward

was permitted to board this ship. Before they would permit the other 19 to come up the gangway, the Communists demanded the consul general sign a statement that they boarded "safely and without molestation."

Ward balked: He said he wouldn't sign until all members of his party were brought onto the ship, but they were held on the tug on which they had been brought from Tientsin.

Finally, Ward signed and all 19 came aboard.

Capt. Paul Sexton of the Lakeland also was forced to sign a statement for the Reds. In it he "assumed full responsibility" for the entire group and their belongings.

Of his immediate plans, Ward said newsman

He will go to Kobe, Japan, on the Lakeland. (In Tokyo) today, the Far East Lines' agent, W. Evans, said the ship tentatively is due to leave Tokyo tomorrow. It is due at Kobe Friday.

Presumably, the Ward group will arrive Christmas in Tokyo. He is expected to confer there with Gen. MacArthur.

Leggins, canvas coat with sheepskin collar and a fur hat. He wore steel rim spectacles. Ward declared today that his indictment and conviction—basis for Red expulsion of his group—was a travesty. He was charged with beating a Chinese employe. Four sides were convicted of similar charges.

A Red radio broadcast said all five confessed.

Ward didn't even know on what charge he was jailed until "a poor English translation" of an indictment was read in court.

"No one ever got a confession out of me," Ward declared.

None of the accused members of his staff was physically manhandled or maltreated during their confinement or trial, Ward said.

However, he described his treatment by the Reds as "hellish."

Among the 18 members of his party was Walter S. Norman, clerk, Sealy, Tex.

ACREAGE CUTS PROTESTED

House Cotton Group May Alter New Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (AP)—How to patch the 1949 cotton act and satisfy a flood of protests from the South was the big question today before a hastily summoned session of the House cotton subcommittee.

Many fringe cotton growers are complaining that the new acreage allotment law will force them to take heavy cuts in their 1950 cotton acreage—cuts as much as 70 to 80 per cent.

These cuts, they protest, will force them out of business.

Headed by Rep. Pace (D-Ga.), the cotton subcommittee has summoned Agriculture Department officials for a huddle on how the rough spots can be smoothed out.

One question will be whether the law itself must be changed or whether revised administrative regulations can do the trick.

One House member who declined to be quoted by name, said there is some apprehension that fringe growers might turn down marketing quotas in next Thursday's cotton referendum. If more than one third of the growers vote against the proposal, there will be no marketing quotas for 1950.

Should the proposal be rejected, the government will support the cotton market at only 50 per cent of parity rather than at 60 per cent. The result, the representative said, would be a sharp break in the cotton market, loss to all growers and possibly a damaging blow to the country's economy.

To avoid this, he said, there is sentiment for congressional leaders to issue a statement reassuring growers present inequities will be eliminated by whatever means necessary.

The cotton act in general fixes the total 1950 cotton acreage at 21 million acres, a 25 per cent cut from the 1949 figure of 27,850,000 acres.

Shopping Days till Christmas

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Lufkin Industrialist Will Be Honored With Fete Wednesday

LUFKIN, Dec. 12 (AP)—Ernest L. Kurth is to be honored next Wednesday as probably no other Texan has.

His homecoming, joined by state and national leaders, have set the day aside in appreciation for his leadership in a community partnership that has done big things.

They intend to give the 64-year-old civic and industrial leader the biggest, longest testimonial ever held. The celebration will start early in the day with open house at all Angelina County industrial plants. In the afternoon they will line the streets for a "parade of industry." Then in the evening they will gather in the high school gym for a stately-dinnered dinner.

Texas' elder statesman, Sen. Tom Connally will make the keynote address. Gov. Allan Shivers and former Gov. William P. Hobby also will talk. Many other notables, including Jesse Jones and Sam Rayburn, will be present.

Miss Mona Paulse of the Metropolitan will fly down to sing. Texas A&M's 200-piece band will be on hand. Public schools will be closed.

A highlight of the banquet will be presentation of two outstanding awards. One will be by Dixie Business, Atlanta, Ga., magazine, which has named the genial Texas "the man of the South for 1948." The other will be by the Texas Manufacturers Assn., which will present him with a certificate of merit as the industrialist of the year.

Kurth started out in the lumber business, but his interests now are varied. He heads 16 different firms, ranging from an insurance agency to a chain of theatres. He is connected with dozens of others.

His efforts over the past 20 years have transformed Angelina County from a relatively obscure agricultural community into Texas' fifth largest industrial area.

He is recognized as an international authority on forest conservation.

One of his greatest undertakings was the big Southland Paper Mills, the first plant to turn out newsprint for newspapers in commercial quantity from yellow pine, plentiful in the South.

An associate in the venture was Dr. Charles H. Herty, a Savannah, Ga., chemist, who died a few months before the plant was completed. Before he died, Herty said, "Development of this industry is going to mean the elimination of the one-room homes, better food for those who are living on cornbread and better clothes for those in rags."

Kurth shared this viewpoint and channeled his energy and wealth into the project. He named the site of the plant Herty, Texas, after the chemist.

The Texan, characteristically, minimized his part in the undertaking.

"I took an \$8 million gamble and won," he said. "If I hadn't done it, somebody else would have."

Kurth stayed within shadow of his birthplace to become one of the state's biggest industrialists. He was born July 25, 1885, at Kurth Station near Corrigan in Polk County. His father had come from Bonn, Germany.

Kurth was the second of five boys. He and his four brothers were born in July. Four of their birthdays were on succeeding days. This was a problem for Mother Kurth. Four birthday cakes in a row were just too much. She solved the situation by plucking the biggest watermelon in the garden and throwing one huge birthday party on the lawn.

In his youth, Kurth loved to play in the woods and was a friend of wildlife. To this day he shudders if a rifle is aimed at a deer.

"They are too beautiful to die," he contends.

Kurth loves music. In his boyhood his mother picked him from her brood to study the piano. Every Saturday for 10 years he climbed aboard a train for Baker where he spent the day taking music lessons. "I was wicked, I guess, because I offered the least resistance," he said.

He attended Lufkin public schools and Southwestern University at Georgetown. During his college days he played football and sang in the glee club. He met a vivacious co-ed, Iola Kinoyling of Corsicana, who struck his fancy. Five years later, in 1905, he and the petite, au-hair-haired girl were wed.

Kurth's first job after college was in the Lufkin National Bank. Two years later he took a bookkeeping job with the Angelina County Lumber Co. By degrees he became president.

Kurth, white-haired, tall and heavy-set, spends most of his time in his offices taking care of the myriad of business and civic affairs that gravitate his way.

Associates frequently find him sitting at his desk with a dusty stevedore pushed back on his head. A wide grin usually flashes as soon as a set of black, penetrating eyes recognize callers.

It isn't uncommon to see freckles, his 10-year-old bird dog, curled up at his feet.

Kurth is a regular attendant at the small white Methodist church at nearby Herty which his parents founded.

Kurth got a tough break in 1943. It was a throat ailment which ended in an operation and impairment of his vocal organs. Once on the road to recovery, however, the determined patient began the difficult task of learning to talk by using the buccal method which utilizes the stomach muscles.

Kurth has served on many civic and state boards. He once was president of the East Texas Cham-

ber of Commerce. He served on the Texas Prison Board from 1939 to 1943. He is trustee of Southwestern University. He is a past president of the Southern Pine Assn. He is a trustee of the A&M College Research Foundation.

Asked once why he was content to live out his life in a small town, Kurth wrote:

"In trees there is truth, locked in perhaps. But once freed in the magic of manufacturing, that truth takes shape in paper, waiting for the keen mind and the kiss of the presser to give it life. That's all the glory I need. It's the greatest glory any man can ask."

Iron Lung for Navy Devised

DENVER, Dec. 12 (AP)—The U. S. Navy is sponsoring a pulsating chamber as a possible lifesaver for men wounded during sea battles.

The idea is to shove a man, close to dying of shock, into one of these chambers, with assurance that he will be kept alive almost automatically until surgeons can attend him.

Shock is one of the commonest causes of quick death from battle wounds. Flotsam escapes into tides and lowers blood pressure. Hearts may not get enough blood to pump and a man may faint because of lack of enough blood in his brain.

The chamber, known as the Thunberg apparatus, is like an iron lung. Studies are being made by Dr. Fred E. D'Armond and Dr. Donn L. Smith at the University of Denver.

Rita Exerting Baby This Week

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Dec. 12 (AP)—Prince Aly Khan's spokesman says he thinks Rita Hayworth may have her baby this week.

The spokesman, Claude Payot of the Lausanne tourist office, said he hadn't been taken into the complete confidence of the expectant couple. But, said he, he thinks the birth is imminent.

Rita, who married the prince May 27, has been awaiting the baby in Lausanne since Nov. 5. She has been living quietly and left her hotel suite yesterday for the first time in five days, to visit Prince Aly's half brother, Prince Sadru-

Robbi Rites Set

HOUSTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Last rites will be held tomorrow for Dr. Henry Barnston, 61, rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Israel and spiritual and civic leader here for almost 30 years. He died yesterday.

Succumbs to Burns

Mary Ethel Johnson, 34, died yesterday of burns received Nov. 3 when her clothing caught fire as she was burning trash.

She died on the outskirts of Lausanne. Payot said he thinks a date has been set for Rita to enter the hospital. But he said he hadn't been told the date.

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State Flower Not Blushing Violet

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD AP STAFF

"The state flower of Texas definitely is not the blushing violet," he says. W. Earl Hall, managing editor of the Mason City (Iowa) Globe-Gazette, who recently visited the Lone Star State and is still writing about what he saw here.

"The Texans bent for bragging seemingly knows no bounds," the handsome, silver-topped editor says. "They even boast about their corn down there by pointing out it would take a string of box cars longer than the distance from New York to San Francisco to move one year's crop. How much longer train it would take to handle an Iowa or Illinois crop, conveniently isn't mentioned."

"But," he concedes, "everything is big in Texas."

Hall said "a thing impressed upon me every time I visit Texas is that although its deep in the South, its people are more like midwesterners than like southerners. The explanation for this, no doubt, is that a very considerable proportion of those who now populate Texas had their origins in Iowa, Illinois and other states of this general area."

Here are some other things Editor Hall picked up:

Legion Official Asks 'Straight Thinking'

FORT WORTH, Dec. 12 (AP)—"Straight thinking" is an American Legion official's idea for solution of national problems.

D. H. Fletcher, St. Louis, national vice commander, spoke at the closing session yesterday of Texas post commanders and adjutants of the Legion.

Domestic Wool Output Inadequate

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Domestic wool production in 1950 will continue far short of domestic needs, the Agriculture Department has predicted.

Output is expected to be about the same as this year, 230 million pounds, the department estimated yesterday.

The agency also predicted: Slightly larger wool imports next year and a slight drop in price; wool supports may be a little higher than in 1949 but this year's prices have ranged above price supports.

"Texas is unique among the states in having had three declarations of independence — two of them before being admitted to the Union. Texas has more than its share of unusual geographical names. Without leaving Texas you can visit Holland, Malta, India, China, Ireland, Italy, Trinidad, Turkey, Crete, Wake, Palestine, Scotland and Egypt, not to mention Jerico, Liverpool, London, Macedonia, Moscow, Tokyo, Vienna, Warsaw, Athens, Stockholm, Edinburgh, Dublin and Cologne.

"But what will come as a surprise to you is that in Texas — not normally thought of as mountainous — there are five peaks higher than any east of the Mississippi River. Guadalupe Peak is the highest of these with its 9,900 feet."

Church Profits From Free Rides

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 12 (AP)—Attendance at the Stuart Street Christian Church Sunday night "happy hour" has increased since inauguration of free taxicab service.

The plan to give free cab service to persons desiring to attend the services was started two weeks ago. The attendance has increased by 80 each Sunday, said the Rev. Donald Finley.

Mr. Finley said the money spent on taxicab fares about equals the increase in offerings.

"We come out even on the cost," he said. "It's working fine and we're going to make it permanent."

Cars Damaged in Crash Near City

Two cars were damaged but no injuries resulted from a collision just outside the city limits on east highway 50 about 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

J. D. Fuller, Culbert and Horace Ivey, 302 Young street, Big Spring, were drivers of the two vehicles figuring in the mishap. Deputy Sheriff C. E. Kiser said, Side and fenders of both cars were badly damaged.

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New Quarrel Over Jerusalem Flares

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The United Nations decision to internationalize Jerusalem has brought new dissension to the simmering Middle East.

In one camp were the longtime battlefield opponents and present occupiers of the Holy City—Jewish Israel and Arab Hashemite Jordan now united in their defiance of the UN Assembly resolution adopted Friday night.

In the other line-up, accepting UN internationalization as a "lesser evil," were the remaining six members of the Arab League—Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Lebanon and Yemen. All voted in the UN Assembly to internationalize the Holy City.

There was no official indication of what action Israel or Jordan would take to prevent the proposed international regime from taking over. From both countries however, came threats even of armed action.

Cairo, Baha Eddin Toukan, said his government "does not accept internationalization" and has cabled UN Secy. Gen. Trygve Lie protesting the decision.

But Azam Pasha, secretary general of the Arab League, said the other Arab and Moslem states accepted the UN decision "with a feeling of satisfaction and relief" since Jerusalem "will not be under Jewish control."

In Tel Aviv, the Israeli capital, Jewish opinion appeared determined to block the international regime by any means short of armed force. Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion said no UN vote could alter "the historic fact that Jerusalem is an inseparable part of Israel and her eternal capital."

Little Betty Says She Feels Prayers Will Save Hand

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 12 (AP)—Betty Lou Marbury says thanks for your prayers.

The little 10-year-old Brownsville, Tenn., girl, who doctors say may lose her right hand, wrote the Memphis Commercial Appeal Saturday.

"I feel with the prayers from so many that the Lord will spare my body, also my hand."

In an earlier letter, Betty had asked everybody to pray that she wouldn't lose her hand. Doctors had told her mother and daddy it would have to be amputated, shortly after Christmas, if a highly malignant lesion of a finger doesn't respond to treatment.

The first letter brought prayers in churches of every faith in cities and villages all over the nation.

More than 6,000 consoling letters, also packages, swamped the Marbury home.

Betty's latest letter said: "Keep on praying for me and may the Lord bless each and everyone in my prayer. Go to church and Sunday school and have faith in God and the Lord will bless

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MAKES DEBUT WITH TWO TEETH—Jacqueline Joy Manzo opens her mouth wide to display her two front teeth as she is held in the arms of Nurse Winnie Crawford at St. Anthony's hospital in Chicago. The infant had the two teeth when she was born at the hospital recently. (AP Wirephoto).

Bulgarian Hero Paid Tribute By Comrades

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 12 (AP)—Bulgaria Communists today filed in homage before the embalmed body of their late premier, Georgi Dimitrov, which was placed on view yesterday in Sofia's Ninth of September square.

The body, like that of Nicolai Lenin in Moscow's Red Square, was embalmed by a secret Soviet process which the Russians said would preserve it indefinitely.

Dimitrov's body, encased in a glass coffin, lies atop a black marble podium, in a high-ceilinged room, 12 feet square. The body is dressed in black. A flesh-colored light glows above it.

Dimitrov, who fathered Bulgaria's postwar Communist government, died in Moscow of diabetes last July. He was 67.

The Bulgarian press said the secret embalming process preserves the body's freshness, color and features at ordinary temperatures.

The process used on Lenin, also a Soviet state secret, is said to include maintaining a constant degree of sterilized moisture working through the tissues at a pressure kept constant by an electrical pumping device connected inside the body, and by maintaining a constant temperature of about 60 degrees Fahrenheit inside the glass canopy over the body.

Goat Rancher Loses Battle With Lawmen

SEATTLE, Dec. 12 (AP)—A crazed and wounded goat rancher crawled from his tear-gas-filled house today and begged sheriff's deputies, with whom he had fought a losing gun battle, to "be sure and milk my goats."

Deputy Sheriff Elmo Hudgens said the man, Allen C. Finley, 39, had threatened his estranged wife with a shotgun and wounded a neighbor who tried to pacify him.

Robert E. Bundy, 49, the neighbor, was hit in the arm and attendants at a hospital said his condition was "only fair."

Mrs. Bundy summoned sheriff's officers, who fought Finley for four and a half hours. The surrounded man fired wildly through doors and windows, spraying the surrounding area with shotgun pellets. When he refused to surrender, even with the house full of tear gas, Hudgens poked a gun through a window and shot him in the arm and leg.

Mrs. Finley told officers she had gone to the house to prepare supper for Finley, from whom she had been separated for several months. Suddenly he threatened her with the shotgun, she said. After two hours of pleading she managed to escape and run to Bundy's house for help. Bundy was wounded as he approached the Finley house.

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Palomar Mirror Is Successful

PALOMAR, Calif., Dec. 12 (AP)—New photographs made with the 200-inch telescope at Palomar Observatory, the first since the huge mirror was re-polished, indicate it is "a thoroughly successful instrument," says Dr. Ira S. Bowen, director of Palomar and Mt. Wilson Observatories.

The mirror's full range will not be achieved, however, he said, until a correction lens has been installed. "This lens will give the Hale the same focal ratio as the 100-inch and we will then be able to get accurate comparable photographs," he said.

The Hale mirror was designed to see a billion light years into space, twice the range of the 100-inch on Mount Wilson.

High spots over an area of some 20 inches around the outside edge of the mirror's surface were removed by polishing last summer. The mirror then was given a new aluminum reflecting coat and replaced in the telescope. Study of the resulting photographs prompted Bowen's optimistic announcement, plus a promise that "it is going to do the work for which it was designed."

Eight Children Lose Lives In Cabin Fire

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 12 (AP)—An unemployed laborer and his wife remained in too critical a condition from burns today to give full details of a fire that brought death to eight children.

Bert Edkins, his wife, and a step-son, Edgar Cosgrove, 14, survived the fire that destroyed a two-story cabin Saturday night.

Those killed in the blaze — all children and step-children of Edkins — were Edward, 13, Henry, 12, Joseph, 11, Raymond, 9, Robert, 7, Phyllis Beverly, 5, Birtrias, 3, and Beatrice, 1.

A 15-year-old daughter was believed to have perished also, but later was found at a neighbor's home where she had been attending a party.

The small cabin at Cascade, Pa., was consumed by the flames in a matter of moments. Cascade is 18 miles northwest of Williamsport in Central Pennsylvania. The Cascade section has a number of such cabins, most of them used by hunters.

Carl L. Rosser, a deputy sheriff who lives in a cabin 500 yards from the Edkins home, said he was awakened by screams for help. The flames, however, "levelled the house in a matter of minutes," he said.

Charles S. Kline, an attendant at the nearby Keystone Pipeline pumping station, was driving past when he saw flames shooting from the windows of the Edkins' cabin. Kline said he saw a child outlined against a second floor window.

"I yelled 'Jump, jump,'" Kline said, "but the child replied 'I can't. I can't.' Moments later the child was swallowed up in the fire."

Mrs. Lina Butler, Ringhamton, N. Y., Edkins mother-in-law, said Edkins and his wife told her in the Williamsport Hospital that they believed an overheated wood-burning stove caused the tragedy.

Fire Chief Clinton Dawes of Trout Run, Pa., said Edkins told him: "I was awakened from my sleep and saw flames. I got out and then smashed a window to try to get the baby. But the flames came too fast."

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CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP)—Give kids Christmas gifts that will make them use their heads and hands, advises Miss Malba Reay instructor arts and crafts at George Williams College, Chicago.

"Because most toys are ready-made, children are learning to expect ready-made answers or printed instructions for all of life's problems, and never have a chance to develop the imaginative, creative spirit and skill that are so urgently needed in the adult world," she said. "Children need practice in executing their own ideas with their hands."

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Recommendations Of Examiner Both Illogical And Distressing

While the recommendations of the examiner to the Civil Aeronautics Board that American and Continental airlines suspend operations here is distressing, it does not represent the final word in the matter.

It is inconceivable that it will be accepted at its face value.

Prime interest of the CAB should be concerned with service, which is needed. There are other factors which make such action illogical.

American Airlines asked months ago that it be permitted to withdraw "temporarily" from Big Spring. Primarily, its plan was one of economy. In the case of Abilene, where a similar request was made, lack of adequate landing facilities was given as the reason. In both instances, the idea of duplication of services was advanced. The pattern was such as to indicate the carrier considered itself a trunk operator. Its protest against CAB show-stence action to suspend at Midland-Odes-

sa, however, made the term "trunk" elastic enough to apply to more lucrative points rather than arterial service.

The Continental case stems from another CAB show-stence action. Continental protested vigorously. It did not plead economy of operation. It wanted to continue the service. That leaves the conclusion that the examiner conceived its service here a duplication. Take away Continental service and north-south air connections out of here would be sheer sham. It would become necessary to make as many zig-zags as a section line road in order to get to destination. The public would be penalized and greatly inconvenienced.

Big Spring has a singular history in helping commercial aviation pioneer this area. The government has quite an investment in the municipal port. The people have a right to maximum service as opposed to the inconsistency of gutting routes to avoid competition.

New York Has Its Water Problems, Indicating Broad Action Needed

New York City, in the face of dwindling water supplies, has clapped a cease and desist order on car washings, tennis court floodings, and filling of pools for ice skating.

West Texans will understand that order. They know what it means. They have been through the mill. But New York? The great city was understood to have one of the best water systems in the world; it has spent hundreds of millions of dollars building it up. It lies in striking distance of one of the best-watered regions in the country.

Nevertheless, New York City has a Grade A water headache. A drought that would be piddling by West Texas standards has left the great city gasping for a drink and turned the thoughts of Father Knickerbocker to the development of additional supplies against future contingencies.

Well, it can happen in the best regulated cities, large and small. It isn't enough to have adequate water supplies for all visible needs; it is necessary to sense the unforeseeable, and build for that too.

The nation is expected to turn up 150 million people in 1950's census. Domestic water consumption has gone way up, and so has industrial usage. There must be an answer to the problem of adequate water supplies, and the sooner the problem is tackled on the broadest scale, the better for all.

One way is to build more and bigger reservoirs, but this is to stop the suicidal practice of stream-pollution, and make the water of our great rivers potable. It is ironic that New York City sits upon one of the great rivers of the world, and one of the worst polluted.

Ways must be found to supplement "pure" water resources by taking the bits out of mineral-polluted water, such as West Texas knows, and out of sea water itself. Methods have been developed for all this, but the process hasn't yet been brought down in cost to where it is a profitable and feasible operation. That must come in due time if the nation is to have plenty of water for all contingencies.

Capital Report-Doris Fleson

Truman May Back Vinson In '52 Unless He Makes Race Himself

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—President Truman personally telephoned Chief Justice Vinson to urge him to come to Key West, where the final round of argument over the new state of the union message is taking place.

Democrats here who have been in a position to note the President's continuing reliance upon "the chief" will take this as fresh evidence that if Mr. Truman does not run again in 1952, he can be expected to try to secure the nomination for Mr. Vinson.

That is still a big if. No one now regards the matter as settled one way or another, nor will it be for some time to come. Meanwhile, the polite fiction is maintained that of course the President must run. Circumstances—and most people in the administration family add, Mrs. Truman—will probably determine.

For most Democrats the transition to Mr. Vinson from Mr. Truman would be a painless one. This is true with respect to policy as well as personality; when important Truman policy has been framed, the chief justice has usually been there.

He has again been summoned to the intimate Key West circle. Last year he was a part of it, following the famous victory, and he is credited with a large contribution to the policy of conciliation within the party which emerged from that vacation.

The Chief Justice warned the President that it might be difficult for him to get away. The Supreme court is hearing important arguments both this week and next which members do not like to miss. It is also short a justice—associate jus-

lice Douglas—which makes the work of the eight on hand more burdensome. In addition, it has two freshmen who can't yet pull a heavy car—associate Justices Clark and Minton.

Justice Douglas writes that his doctors have set February 1 next as the date of his return but that he hopes to do much better than that. He is now in Arizona recovering from broken bones incurred when his favorite horse fell on him. This was a rather anticlimactic accident for Mr. Douglas, the westerner who had successfully raced over the desert in competition with the sheiks of Iran, but it was serious enough.

His friends hope it will teach him that mountain climbing and horse racing are rather hazardous avocations for a key figure in the effort to keep the Fair Deal on the statute books. Actually, the court liberals can only be sure of three votes on a given issue; in the effort to win over the swing men, the Douglas brain is practically indispensable. He is also a hard worker who writes a great many opinions.

The President's obvious regard for the chief justice by no means removes possible competition for the 1952 nomination should Mr. Truman choose not to run. The President's cabinet has at least one whose activities have landed him on the candidate roster—Secretary of Defense Johnson. There are also the governor—Stevenson of Illinois and Bowles of Connecticut, maybe a Roosevelt of California—and the usual "why not me?" crop of Senators.

Notebook-Hal Boyle

Spectre Of Black Market Water Raises Grim Head In New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—IF CLEANLINESS is next to godliness, then the average New Yorker today is a neighbor to heaven.

He's so spotless he shines. He's never been so clean before.

It's all because of the great water famine. City hall suddenly discovered that folks were using 1,300 million-gallons of water a day—more than '50 a person—ad metropolitan reservoirs were down to

34.7 per cent of normal capacity.

And the water level is shrinking. So Manhattan, surrounded by one ocean and three rivers, is wondering dismally if it is going to become a near-desert island.

Well, you know how it is when a thing gets in short supply.

Folks figure, "by golly, I ain't going to be cheated out of my share."

And people who once had to be driven, screaming in protest, to their weekly Saturday night scrubbing are now taking two baths a day—and slipping home at lunch for a shower.

It has been found that a faucet is only good to the last drop—and mama keeps turning the faucet on and off to be sure there are still a few drops left.

The situation has created a new medical problem—secret water drinkers. A man is afraid to leave a visitor alone in his room, for fear he will rush to the nearest tap and drink himself unconscious.

Of course, while the taps still run the shortage has its advantages. A host no longer has to worry about his Scotch or rye running out. "How about a highball of straight water?" he murmurs. "The real stuff!"

Any day now I expect some character in a tuxedo down hat and turned up collar to slide over and whisper out of the corner of his mouth, "wanta buy some black market water, Mac? We just smuggled some in from New Jersey on a fast ferry."

THE NEW MAN



Merry-Go-Round-Drew Pearson

Another Congressman Is In Need Of Little Justice Department Attention

WASHINGTON—Now that the case of Rep. Farnell Thomas has been disposed of, the Justice Department might take a look at another congressman, this one a Democrat. He is Victor Wickersham of Mangum, Okla., a likable gentleman, with considerable skill at manipulating the congressional payroll.

Rept. Wickersham states in his self-penned biography in the Congressional Record that he was "reared on cotton, wheat and Dairy farm near Mangum, Okla., and on wheat and poultry farm near Greensburg, Kan." For a farm boy, the congressman has come a long way: He now operates his own real estate business, not merely in Oklahoma, but right in the nation's capital, and has one real estate agent drawing money from the congressional payroll.

It is important to remember that congressional payrolls are not paid for by a member of Congress. They are paid by the taxpayers. And allotted to each member of Congress in order to help him run his office and perform services for the people of his district. Thus, when money voted for this purpose is diverted to run a real estate firm, it actually robs the people who send a congressman to Washington.

INTERESTING NAMES
The congressman from Oklahoma has two interesting names on his payroll:

1. James W. Taylor—Who does not work in the congressman's office at all, but is a salesman for the Herd Equipment Co. of Oklahoma City. He draws a \$7,720 a year from the congressman, plus another \$17.50 from the taxpayers each month in the form of an Army pension.

2. Lloyd Matthews—Who hasn't been around the congressman's office since last summer, but has been employed in the congressman's real estate firm at a salary of \$2,298—from the taxpayers.

Unique fact is that Wickersham's office, when queried, didn't even recognize Taylor's name. The secretary in charge, Aubrey Witt, scratched his head, finally recalled that the congressman knew a Jim Taylor in Hobart, Okla. Yet Taylor is highest on the office pay roster, presumably should be in Washington working hard for the folks back home.

Witt remembered Matthews without any trouble, but reported he was working in the congressman's real estate office. He hadn't been around the congressional office for months, Witt said.

This column then put through a call to Mr. Taylor in Hobart, Okla. Here is the transcript of the conversation:
Question: You used to be in the sheriff's office, didn't you, Mr. Taylor?
Taylor: That's right.

Q: Whom do you work for now?
A: The Herd Equipment Co.

Q: Do you also work for Congressman Wickersham?
A: Yes.

Q: What do you do for the congressman?
A: Oh, I work as a clerk.

Q: What kind of clerical work do you do?
A: Oh, I answer letters for

Q: Does the congressman get

many letters these days?
A: No, not many.

Q: You mean to say you get \$7,700 a year just to answer a few letters?
A: Yes.

Q: You ought to talk to the congressman about that.
A: Well, do you work full time for Mr. Wickersham?
A: Yes.

Q: I thought you said you worked for the Herd Equipment Company.
A: Well, I'm on contract with them. I work on contract.

Q: Do you kick back any part of your salary to Congressman Wickersham?
A: No, sir!

Q: Then how do you explain getting \$7,700 a year just for answering a few letters?
A: Well, I better call you back. I'll call you tomorrow.

Mr. Taylor did not call back.

REAL ESTATE EMPLOYE
This column also put through a call to the other secretary, Lloyd Matthews. Here is the transcript of the conversation:
Question: Do you work for Congressman Wickersham?
Matthews: Yes.

Q: In his congressional office?
A: No, I work for his real estate company.

Q: If you don't work in his congressional office, how do you account for the fact that you are on his congressional payroll?
A. (Pause) How do you know

I'm on his congressional payroll?
Q: There's no mistake about that. I saw it.

A: Well, when I say I don't work in his congressional office, that doesn't preclude the possibility that I work for him on the outside.

Q: I am aware that you work for the congressman in his real estate office. That's the point. Why should the taxpayers pay you for that?
A. I mean secretarial work.

Q: Do you do secretarial work on the outside for the congressman?
A: You will have to talk to Mr. Wickersham about that.

RUNS ELEVATOR
Rep. Wickersham, despite this diversion of congressional salaries, got his 72-year-old father, Frank Wickersham, a job instead running an elevator for the construction workers in the Capitol building. Previously, the elder Mr. Wickersham had been on the government payroll for seven years as a watchman at the Library of Congress.

During the war, the Oklahoma congressman also ran a used-car lot on the tax-free congressional parking lot. He sold cars to at least 12 other congressmen and helped automobile dealers from home to find scarce cars. Between sales, Wickersham kept his automobiles on the congressional parking lot.

Hollywood-Bob Thomas

New Charleston Craze Seen As Flash In Pan

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 12.—Is the Charleston coming back? Fred Astaire hopes not.

The famed and frenzied dance of the roaring '20's has been making a reappearance at college dances, society parties and in Broadway shows. It is part of a throwback to another postwar era, a trend which has also brought renewed interest in the racy con, ukulele, mah jong and the bobbed haircut.

Dance king Astaire thinks—and hopes—the new Charleston craze will be a flash in the pan.

"I suppose it's a novelty to youngsters who weren't even born when it was first danced," he commented. "It must look like fun to them. But I don't think it will make a comeback."

Astaire admitted to being a Charleston dancer himself. "My sister Adele and I danced it to a Gerahwin tune in 'Lady Be Good' in London," he recalled.

His chain of dancing schools

Thames Spending Furlough in City

Pvt. Wayne E. Thames is spending a furlough with his uncle, Oran Goolsby, 200 N. Gregg street.

Pvt. Thames has completed 14 weeks of basic military training at Camp Chafes, Ark., and is enroute to his first assignment with an anti-aircraft artillery unit at Fort Bliss. He is to report for duty Dec. 20.

Around The Rim-The Herald Staff

Soft Living Spoils House Cat Just As Quickly As Humankind

Undoubtedly, cats differ in temperament and personality in much the same way as people. Their likes and dislikes must offer as much contrast, too.

Tabbies are supposed to possess a remarkable appetite for mice, birds and fish and to harbor a massive dislike and fear for dogs.

All of them, however, don't fall into that pattern, at least not the ones who used to frequent our neighborhood.

Most of their number, if they ever had any penchant for chasing mice, soon lost it in the midst of easy living in our midst. They ate, and quite well most of the time, on scraps from our table plus any delicacies we might smuggle from the kitchen.

They started life in our midst as jesters, ready to chase their tails or lounge at a dancing string, for apparently they thought they had to 'dance for their supper'.

However, easy living told after too long. They stopped expending energy in such ways. They expected their food to be brought to them. And they slept most of the time. What's more, they took a

special liking to Pop's big chair and could usually be found there, or in the middle of the bed, when ever permitted in the house.

When the maternal parents ordered them put out for the night, they openly resented it and tried desperately to beg their way back. When all else failed, they set up a desperate wail that inspired vows among the parents to get rid of them the next morning.

They not only stopped chasing mice but sometimes refused to eat them when they were brought to them. Others energetic enough to match their wits and cunning against the rodents might do it only for the sport. That element was of the mind that it was more fun to catch them and the mice inevitably made good their escape.

Dogs seem to give them a bad time until they decided they had played the pursued long enough. Once they did elect to turn and fight, they struck with a fury that put the dog to rout and made one think they were not too far removed from their jungle ancestors.—TOMMY HART.

Affairs Of The World-DeWitt MacKenzie

British Leftists Encouraged By Their By-Election Victory

BRITISH SOCIALISM, HAVING JUST won another parliamentary by-election to the discomfort of the hopeful Conservatives, is just about set for the forthcoming general election which may eventuate by February.

This general election will determine whether the voters want to continue the experiment in socialism or to revert to conservatism under the leadership of Winston Churchill. Thus it bids fair to be one of the most momentous in British history.

If the Socialists are returned to power it likely will mean, as I see it, that they will govern the country not only for the normal five-year term but will remain in the saddle indefinitely. Because in that five years they will have completed their program of nationalization and other socialization.

IT WOULDN'T BE EASY TO REVERT to the capitalist system of private enterprise once the country had been socialized. The current by-election, which was held at South Bradford, wasn't in itself a matter of vast import. However, it was being watched intently by both leftists and rightists as the straw which would indicate which way the political wind was blowing. The Socialists, having won their 35th

straight by-election in South Bradford, figure the wind is set fair for their ship of state.

The Conservatives had taken considerable hope from the recent general election in New Zealand where a labor (Socialist) government was kicked out. However, I fail to see that the two situations are analogous. Britain is a heavily overpopulated industrial nation without any natural resources, while the dominion is largely a farming country, and a rich one at that. It's easier to see red when you are getting jostled about in crowded conditions.

BRITISH SOCIALISM IS GIVING THE voters a glowing picture of achievements claimed. For example: The number of unemployed in September, 1939, was 1,407,939 and in September, 1949, was 267,899; unemployment benefits, retirement pensions and health services have been inaugurated.

Of course, there are two sides to every argument. Opposition to the Socialist program was presented Friday by Cecil Palmer, British book publisher, in a speech before the National Association of Manufacturers in New York City. He declared the British governments nationalization of industry is the short cut to ruin that may lead his country into communism.

The Nation Today-By James Marlow

Soviet Propaganda Magazine Barred From American Schools

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—TWICE A MONTH the Soviet government issues in English here a magazine called the "USSR Information Bulletin."

Although the magazine is listed to sell for 10 cents, the Russians have been sending it free to American public schools. The distribution to the schools seems fairly wide.

In the latest issue there is a letter to "dear reader" in which the editors explain what a fine magazine they think it is. They say a lot of Americans would like to have it if they knew it.

And in the letter they say "teachers would have enjoyed a dozen pieces on education, on the role of the instructor, night schools, vocational training, and the growth of enrollment."

BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE A DIFFERENCE of opinion about this. Friday some school heads in this country announced they had banned the magazine from their schools.

For instance, the Washington public school officials have refused to let it be circulated among the students. Why?

School Superintendent Hobart M. Corning said the magazine was barred because the board of education, which decides what magazines it will let loose in the schools, hadn't approved this one.

(Asked if the Washington school system bars publications from other governments, Corning said he knew of no such publications from other governments arriving at the schools.)

At Columbus, Ohio, School Superintendent N. G. Fawcett said all six high schools had received the magazine but all copies are being seized.

Several Massachusetts schools have reported getting the magazine and one, at Fall River, has told the Russians to quit sending it.

The school heads seem to be taking a much sterner view of the magazine than the U. S. State Department which has received numerous letters asking about it or objecting to it.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT REPLIES there's no law here permitting the government to suppress the Russian publication. It adds that, as a matter of policy, the U. S. stands for a full and free international exchange of information.

The Russian's don't share the American government's belief in the importance of free exchange of information, as this will show:

This government distributes in Russia every month a magazine called "America." The U. S. government publishes "America." It's written in Russian by Russian-language experts employed by the U. S. government here.

It contains stories about life in America, such as the world series and the American capacity for hot dogs. But it contains no political articles. The Russian government sees to it

The pieces for "Amerika" are written here. Then, in unpublished form, they are sent to Moscow for approval or disapproval of the Russian government. The Russians can censor what they don't like.

Then the approved articles are returned here, published in the magazine, and "Amerika" is sent to Moscow for distribution.

ALTHOUGH THE RUSSIANS CENSOR "Amerika," this government doesn't censor the Russian information "bulletin" distributed here.

Does it contain Russian propaganda or political articles? You can judge for yourself from this partial list of articles in the latest issue.

"Soviet constitution gives people a vivid charter of freedom"; "Vyshinsky Proves U. S. Atom Control Plan Aids Monopoly, Not Peace"; "Another Tito Spy Outted"; "Tito Sells Refugee Children"; "Socialism Ended Mass Joblessness for Western Byelorussians."

And there are a number of pictures showing the brighter side of Russian life.

The Russian magazine is put into English by three American citizens here. They are registered as Soviet agents because, under American law, people doing that kind of work must be so registered.

Origin Of Radio Tube

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The radio vacuum tube in its present-day guise is the result of the work of many scientists. But in its early history three names stand out.

They are Thomas A. Edison, who in 1883 discovered the basic principle of the tube; John Ambrose Fleming of England, first to develop the detector tube; and Dr. Lee DeForest, who in 1906 improved the tube to the stage that opened the development of the modern radio and television systems.

Today's Birthday

EDWARD G. ROBINSON, born Dec. 12, 1893, as Emanuel Goldenberg in Bucharest, Romania, son of a housebuilder. Millions of movie goers know him for his portrayal of tough gangster roles.

But his acting, both on and off stage and screen has covered a much wider range. His memorable screen roles include the forceful managing editor in "Five Star Final" and the patient scientist in "Dr. Ehrlich's Magic Bullet."

Robinson immigrated to America with his parents at 10, and lived in a New York tenement, paper, took part in plays and declamations. At school he was editor of the school newspaper and dreamed of being a rabbi. At 20 he went on the stage. He has a famous collection of modern art.



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Christmas Concerts Include Local Band

Presenting the second concert to be presented by the Big Spring High school music department this week, the municipal high school band will make this semester's first formal concert appearance on Thursday evening in the municipal auditorium. The first concert of the week is scheduled for tonight at 7:30 o'clock with the high school choral department featuring two groups of singers. Both concerts will feature Christmas music. The band concert will begin at 8 p.m. and will be open to the public.

Featured on the concert will be seasonal music including such favorites as "White Christmas," "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town," "Noel," a Christmas medley and a modern version of "Jingle Bells." "The Toy Trumpet," a musical parody for the drum and bugle corps by Raymond Scott, will feature trumpets and drums, with the rest of the band coming in at times to reinforce these instruments on well-known bugle calls and drum beats, at times, off-key and dissonant to represent the toy trumpet idea.

Traditional marches will be included on the concert, including "Under The Double Eagle" and "American Legion." The classical "Egmont Overture" by Ludwig Van Beethoven, will be a feature of the first part of the program.

Although this is the band's first formal concert appearance of the school year, it has been a very active organization. Activities have included 11 football games, an almost equal number of pep rallies, Centennial week activities assembly programs and several

parades. The organization was described as "one of the most active" in the September edition of the Texas Music Educators Association magazine, which carried a two page story on the band.

Big Springers Receive Honors At State Meet

Big Spring delegates have returned from the Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y state meeting held in Austin Friday through Sunday.

During the sessions, which emphasized state government, three Big Springers were named to committee posts. Dolores Franklin was named secretary of the state of affairs committee. Woody Wood was named chairman of the traffic and highway safety committee and Jeff Hanna was secretary of the committee.

The local delegates presented two legislative bills. One concerned a required test for all drivers every five years. There were several similar bills presented and the ideas combined one bill and passed in the Senate. The other bill concerned state controlled liquor stores and was tabled in the committee on state of affairs.

Knott Highlights Include Visits, Lodge Meeting

KNOTT, Dec. 12 (Sp1)—Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burks were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill R. Fowler of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Burks, Ronnie and Carol Ann of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Burks, Charles and Nadine.

Sunday guests of Mrs. Ora Richards were her grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tidwell.

The IOOF lodge met Tuesday night at the hall.

Members present were: Porter Motley, Miller Nichols, J. G. Nichols, O. B. Gaskins, Milton Gaskins, R. H. Unger, J. S. Clay, P. P. Coker, Judge J. E. Brown, Artis Easley, Jim Pardue and C. O. Jones.

Following the meeting, a district school of instruction for Rebekahs and IOOF members was held. Cecelia Holman of Lubbock, directed the Rebekah school and Holman, the IOOF.

Approximately 22 persons from the John A. Kee Lodge No. 123, Big Spring, Lubbock and Knott, attended the school. Supper was served in the school cafeteria.

C. A. Jones made a business trip to Eastland Thursday.

Mrs. Sam Coffey has returned to her home in Midland, after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Coker visited Coker's brother in Odessa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Coker spent the weekend with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dalby of Aspermont.

Mrs. Carl Hogue has returned to her home in Klondike, after being employed in the Harrell Grocery for the past six weeks.

Thursday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Smith were Mrs. C. O. Jones, Mrs. J. B. Sample, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roman.

Mrs. W. A. Jackson is receiving medical treatment at a Big Spring hospital.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Herndon spent the week in the E. G. Newcomer home.

Mid-Week Prayer Services Are Set

Announcement is made concerning mid-week prayer services to be held in the State Street Baptist church Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Two persons united with the church Sunday morning. The Rev. Everett M. Ward spoke at both services. His morning sermon was entitled, "What One Man Can Do," and his evening sermon, "The Choice That Moses Made."

Forum Tea Set

Mrs. D. C. Sadler, 807 Rannels, will be hostess to the Christmas tea for the Modern Woman's Forum Thursday at 3 p. m. The tea was originally scheduled for Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Adams and son, Vernon, of DeLeon, have returned home after visiting in the home of Adams brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams, 1007 West St.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Colpepper spent the weekend in Fort Worth visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Robertson. They also did some Christmas shopping and purchased a new car.

RIBBON RAMBLINGS

By Mildred Young

We're writing today to the people who in some manner recognize Christian faith. For a long time, we have wondered about a certain question. It might be stated like this: "If this life is the end, is Christian faith worthwhile anyway?" In our thinking, we've decided it is. Our reason why begins with a story.

During the war, there was a motion picture concerning a group of Air Corps men who had become very good friends. During the course of a conversation in which they were talking about one of the group when someone remarked that "if nothing else good comes out of this conflict, just look at the people we've met."

For those who can't or won't believe in Christianity, we always felt that the believers should have some other value other than its teaching of eternal life. There are too many, even a few Christian believers, who would never believe in that.

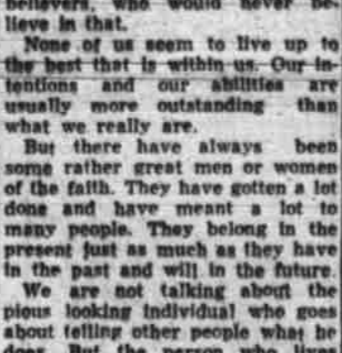
None of us seem to live up to the best that is within us. Our intentions and our abilities are usually more outstanding than what we really are.

But there have always been some rather great men or women of the faith. They have gotten a lot done and have meant a lot to many people. They belong in the past and will in the future.

We are not talking about the pious looking individual who goes about telling other people what he does. But the person who lives in such a way that his actions not his words tell people what he believes. We're thinking of the person who makes people glad he's around.

You have met some of these good-to-know people and know what they can mean and don't you agree that if this life is the end, that Christianity would be worthwhile just because of some of the people we've met?

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Hyperion Club Hears Program In Coffey Home

"Communist Leaders in China," was the program topic for a regular meeting of the 1905 Hyperion club held in the home of Mrs. J. A. Coffey, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Larson Lloyd and Mrs. K. H. McGibbon presented the program.

Announcement was made concerning a bake sale to be held next Saturday. Meeting time was changed from Saturday to the first and third Wednesdays.

As a Christmas project, the club voted to present books to the West-side nursery.

Those present were Mrs. Lee Hanson, Mrs. Charles Watson, Mrs. James Little, Mrs. J. Gordon Britton, Mrs. Cliff Wiley, Mrs. J. D. Young, Mrs. Robert Currie, Mrs. V. VanGleason, Mrs. K. H. McGibbon, Mrs. J. A. Coffey and Mrs. Larson Lloyd.

Vealmoor P-TA Names Committee

VEALMOOR, Dec. 12—Mrs. Porter Hanft was in charge of the Vealmoor P-TA when Mrs. Ann Burt, Mrs. Ellis Iden and Mr. Ed Edwards were named as a committee to buy Christmas gifts for the students and teachers.

It was decided to buy a coffee maker for the P-TA from regular funds. Announcement was made concerning the next regular meeting to be held on the night of January 12th. The meeting is open to all members and friends of the organization.

Following a spelling match, refreshments were served to approximately 33 guests.

Program Is Set

Big Spring High School's Girls Chorus and a Cappella Choir will present a public Christmas musical program at the municipal auditorium tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Proceeds from the program will go to the choral department's robe fund. Mary Jane Hamilton is the choral director.

Officers Elected

Mrs. John Foster was named president of the St. Paul's Lutheran Concordia Ladies Aid at a program and business session held at the church Sunday afternoon. Other 1950 officers elected were Mrs. M. W. Rupp, vice president; Mrs. Ad Hoyer, secretary; Mrs. F. G. L. Snow, treasurer; and Mrs. Harold Wakehouse, reporter.

After the meeting was opened by the president and the scripture Luke 1:46-55 was read by the Rev. Ad Hoyer, Mrs. F. G. L. Snow gave a talk entitled "Reverence in The House of God." She presented several scriptural foundations for reverence. She told the story of Christ driving the money changers from the temple and said that in the present day people are still required to be reverent as based on Luke 10:16. She called attention to the verse concerning the idea that wherever two or three are gathered together there God can be also.

Announcement was made con-

cerning a home & Sunday school convention which will be held in January. The Ladies Aid members will serve as hostesses.

Mrs. Ad Hoyer gave a report on the Lutheran Women's Missionary League of one & held in Menard.

It was announced that the Christmas social will be held in the home of Mrs. Albert Roberts, 2010 Rannels, at 2:30 p. m. next Sunday.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Those present were Mrs. John Foster, Mrs. Albert Roberts, Mrs. M. W. Rupp, Mrs. Henry Fehler, Mrs. F. G. L. Snow, Mrs. W. C. Heckler, Mrs. Harold H. Wakehouse and the Rev. and Mrs. Ad H. Hoyer.

Party Is Set

Announcement is made concerning a Christmas party to be held by the Friendship Bridge Club Friday at 8 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Lewis Murdock, 808 East 17th.

To Be Hostess

Mrs. Jack Irons, 04 Mill Road will be hostess to a luncheon for the Junior Woman's Forum Friday at 1 p. m.

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THE ONE WAY MILLIONS ASK FOR ASPIRIN AT ITS BEST IS

St. Joseph

Alsie Carleton Addresses P-TA; Music Featured

"Teamwork between the home, church and school must begin now; it cannot be put off," said the Rev. Alsie H. Carleton in his address on "Teamwork Between the Church, Home and School," at the meeting of the College Heights Parent-Teacher association Thursday.

In concluding his address, the Rev. Carleton gave four pointers in getting along with our fellowmen. They are "learn to think without confusion clearly; love our fellowman sincerely; act from honest motives purely and trust in God and heaven securely."

Members of the fifth grade class under the direction of Mrs. Prater sang the selections, "Winter Wonderland," and "White Christmas." The songs were illustrated with drawings by the children.

Omar Pitman, Jr. played the violin solo, "To A Wild Rose," accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Omar Pitman, Sr. at the piano.

Mrs. J. C. Lane, city council president, gave a short talk. Mrs. Clyde E. Thomas, Jr. reported on the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers held in Waco in November.

The fifth grade class won the room count.

Refreshments were served. Those attending were Mrs. Earl C. Evans, Mrs. Grady McCrary, Mrs. Mary Louise Koger, Mrs. Frank Taylor, Mrs. Howard Stephens, Mrs. June Bailey, Mrs. B. F. Coffey, Mrs. J. C. Lane, Mrs. H. L. Williams, Mrs. Espette Goires, Mrs. J. T. Grantham, Mrs. Helene Jones, Mrs. Marguerite Morgan, Mrs. Inez Truman, Mrs. Bill Henley, Mrs. J. C. Rogers, Mrs. H. L. Autry, Mrs. R. F. Bluhm, Mrs. George White, Mrs. W. C. Henley, Mrs. Ted Garby, Mrs. B. F. Holding, Mrs. Clyde Johnston, Mrs. J. E. Hozan, Mrs. Edith West, Mrs. Norman Spencer, Mrs. Maurice Rupp, Mrs. J. W. Croan, Mrs. Martin Denton, Mrs. Alfred Collins and Betty Collins.

Funeral Rites For Mrs. Biffle To Be Held Today At Rule

Rites were to be held at 4 p. m. today at Rule for Mrs. Annie Catherine Biffle, 71, who died in a hospital here at 2:45 p. m. Sunday.

She had been ill for three weeks and seriously ill for the past 12 days. Remains were taken overland Monday morning in an Eberley coach to Rule.

Surviving Mrs. Biffle are four daughters, Mrs. Lillian Shadle, Aspermont, Mrs. C. J. Russell and Mrs. Percy Eva Webb, Big Spring, and Mrs. Beulah Kines, Manhattan Beach, Calif.; and two sons, Floyd Biffle, Aspermont, and Leon Biffle, Canyon.

She also leaves three sisters, Mrs. A. M. Everett, Lubbock; Mrs. Roscoe Brown, Whittarral; and Mrs. Mary Brown, Austin; two brothers, John Hies, Arkansas, and Ben Hies, Amarillo; 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

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THE NERVE OF THAT NOBARD HE'S GETTING INTO MY CAR.

HEY! THAT'S DEL RIO!

HALT! STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP!

NANCY

HELLO, NANCY—WHERE ARE YA GOIN'?

I DON'T KNOW

YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YER GOIN'?

NOPE

I HAVEN'T THE FAINTEST IDEA

MEAD'S fine BREAD

LIL' ABNER

WHY DID YOU TAKE IT OVER THERE? I'M ASKING YOU TO COME INTO LITTLE ABNER'S ROOM, WALLY!

THAT'S A CHANCE HE WONT?

IF HE GOES STRAIGHT DOWN IT—BUT IF HE GOES ONE INCH T'N LEFT, HIS BRULL WILL GET STOVE IN—AN IF HE GOES A HALF INCH T'N RIGHT, BOTH HIS LAMBS AN HIS BUCKE WILL SHAD LIKE MATCHSTICKS!

BUT—IF TH' IMPOSSIBLE HAPPEN—IF THINGS GO EXACTLY ACCORDIN' T' WALLY'S HOOKS PLAN—HE'LL BE SAFE—HELPLESS—AN' PINE!

EKK!—SOMETHIN' WENT WRONG!

BLONDIE

MRS. WOODEY IS NOT AT HOME—MAY I LEAVE THIS PACKAGE FOR HER, WITH YOU?

SURE—I'LL TAKE IT OVER WHEN SHE GETS HOME

WELL, MY GOODNESS, WHAT'S THIS?

THE COAT IS SIMPLY BEAUTIFUL, DEAR—THANK YOU FOR THE WONDERFUL SURPRISE!

GREAT SCOTT! WONT MRS. WOODEY EVER COME HOME?

ANNIE ROONEY

THERE'S NO DOUBT ANNIE SAVED THAT DEPUTY SHERIFF FROM SERIOUS INJURY—MAYBE DEATH—YESTERDAY WHEN SHE—

HONEST, MR. PARLOCK—I DIDN'T DO NOTHIN' 'CEPT HOLLER FOR ZERO AN BOUNCER TO MAKE THAT CRAZY COW STOP CHASIN' HIM—

HELL SURELY SAY A GOOD WORD IN ANNIE'S FAVOR—

YOU MEAN THE SHERIFF WONT CHASE ME ANY MORE?

WELL, IF HE'S HUMAN, HE WILL HAVE A KINDLY FEELING TOWARD YOU—

GLORYOSKY! NOW I HAVE A KINDLY FEELIN' FOR THAT POOR COW—EVEN IF IT DOES ACT KINDA GOOFY—

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SCORCHY SMITH

THERE'S QUITE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE DRESS WHO DAMAGED THE INSPECTOR'S CAR AND TRIED TO PURSUE HIM AND THE SAME CHATTY ELLIS SCORCHY AND THE CHEEP ARE QUZZENING NOW, BUT STRANGE THINGS ON HAPPEN IN OLD CARO.

DO YOU OFTEN HAVE THESE SEVERE HEADACHES, MISS ELLIS?

YES, AND I WAS AT DR. ZOOB'S OFFICE ALL AFTERNOON FOR A TREATMENT. THEN, AS I LEFT, I SAW MY NUKED ONE HAD BEEN DAMAGED!

AND MR. SMITH HAS JUST BEEN CLAIMING I RAN INTO HIM CAR. I'M SORRY BUT IF YOU HAVE NO MORE QUESTIONS...

THANKS, NO MORE QUESTIONS. I'LL TRY TO ADJUST OUR LITTLE PROBLEM...

BUT IT WASN'T SMITH'S CAR, MISS ELLIS! IT WAS MINE!

SNUFFY SMITH

HOW ON AIRTH DID THEM CONVINIUM COBBS FIND OUT MY PAPPY WUZ CAUGHT STEALIN' CHICKENS AS'IN, TVLER?

HE SLIPPED 'EM THIS NOTE THROUGH TH' JAILHOUSE BARS FER YE, SNUFFY

WHAT DO IT SAY, SNUFFY?

BALLS O' FIRE!! PAPPY SEZ FER ME TO GIT HOME THIS VERY INSTANCE!!

My cell # mzzz X

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MISS RENE!

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PLENTY!—SO MUCH THAT I HARDLY KNOW WHERE TO START—BUT FIRST—

I WANT TO GET RID OF THIS!

DICKIE DARE

DAN, WHEN I FIRST GOT OUT HERE IN THIS TINY BOAT—

YOU WERE SCARED! SO WAS I!

BUT SHE CAN TAKE IT—AN I CAN TAKE A PLATE OF HOT CHOW—

BRING IT ON— I'M ALL SET TO TRAVEL ON MY STOMACH, TOO!

DAN—SOMETHING HORRIBLE—AWFUL—THAT CARTON OF GROCERIES—CLERY GAVE US WRONG ONE! NOTHING IN IT BUT—

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THAT WAS SLICK KICK, OAKY!

OW!

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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Sprites
4. Small cup used in cutting diamonds
5. Small herring form
11. New comb
12. Feminine name
13. Tropical Amer. loan animal
15. Oriental dwelling
16. One to whom matter is directed
18. Potential energy
20. Sand hill
21. Stainer
22. Inside inform
26. Luke warm
27. Lift
28. Matter
29. Vocalist
30. Silver; Scotch
31. Air in Switzerland and France
32. Three-spot
33. Branches of learning
41. Profit
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Eagles And Rams Collide Sunday In Title Joust

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By FRED HAYDEN
AP STAFF

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Philadelphia Eagles and Los Angeles Rams will bump helmets next Sunday for the National League title, plus a seat next to the Cleveland Browns of the All-America Conference as co-champions of 1949 football.

The Browns, by routing the San Francisco 49ers, 21-7, in their play-off final in Cleveland as co-champions of the now defunct AAC since its inception in 1946. Their four-year reign is a pro grid record.

The Rams had to go right down to the last game of the regular season to clinch the Western Division title in the NFL. They blasted Washington Redskins, 53-27, before 44,899 coast admirers. The triumph assured them of meeting the Eastern Division winners, the Eagles, in the titular playoff in Los Angeles.

Chicago Bears, who had to win while the Rams were losing in order to overtake Los Angeles, did their part by battering the Chicago Cardinals, 52-21.

The Eagles, who locked up their third consecutive Eastern Division title two weeks ago and now seek a second straight NFL championship. Merely made their 1949 record more impressive (11-1-0) by dusting off the New York Giants, 17-3.

The Pittsburgh Steelers ousted the Giants from second place in the Eastern Section by blanking the weak New York Bulldogs, 27-0.

The Green Bay Packers, National League kingpins in three straight years from 1929 through 1931, again afforded evidence of how the mighty have fallen. They lost their finale to Detroit, 21-7, winding up the campaign with a 2-10 record.

Next Sunday's NFL final will come just one day before the official merger of that league and the AAC into a newly formed 13-club organization to be known as the National American Football League.

Bob Waterfield and Rookie Norm van Brocklin of the Rams fired six touchdown passes as Los Angeles won its first western title. Van Brocklin pitched four.

End Bob Shaw caught four of the touchdown passes. Another end, Tom Fears, grabbed 10 passes for a season total of 77. That shattered a league record of 74 set by Don Hutson of Green Bay in 1942.

The Rams this season won eight games, lost two and tied two. The 49ers never got started on the muddy field against Cleveland. The Browns scored 14 points before the visitors could click in front of 22,550 paying customers.

The champs outgained the invaders on the ground, 217 yards to 122, and in the air, 128 to 108.

Marion Motley, Cleveland's huge fullback, made the most electrifying run of the afternoon, going 63 yards off tackle to score.

Johnny Lujack had his biggest day in leading the Bears to their easy conquest over the Cardinals before 50,101 Chicago fans. He connected for six touchdown passes and set a NFL mark for one game by passing for 469 yards.

Argentines Lick Americans 11-5

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Argentina's international polo season was over today with Argentina's Venado Tuerto team claiming the long trek back to the United States.

The season's climax came yesterday when Argentina's national champions won an 11-5 victory over Meadow Brook, Mexico, third entrant, was eliminated earlier.

Al Beals, star end of the San Francisco 49ers of the All-America Conference, owns and operates the coast city's largest automobile agencies.



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A. D. (Shadow) Ensey, that ubiquitous feather merchant who calls Odessa home, is still at it.

According to dispatches from his home town, Adelbert Deuch was seeking an audience with George Trautman, the minor baseball league czar, at the Baltimore, Md., annual party of bush leagues in which he was to ask the high fliers to slap a ban on Cuban athletes populating rosters of professional clubs in this country.

Ensey isn't concerned about problems of the also-rans in the Mountain States or the Western International leagues. He would however, discriminate against Big Spring, which finds its help, with the assistance of Papa Joe Cambris, in and around Havana.

A. D. has long since given up trying to compete with the Broncs. He admits he has the greatest manager in the game. The greatest infield, the greatest outfield, is deep in pitching and owns the contract of the craftiest and hard-hitting catcher in all organized baseball, uncontested facts which are backed up by the Fourth Estate in his community. Still and all, his team has been able to finish in the first division but once in three years trying and then proceeded to palm off four decisions in a row to its first round opponent.

So, seeking to legislate against the Cubans, Ensey, by the same token, is admitting defeat. He wants Trautman to take action, "in order to allow more American youngsters to break into the game."

Trautman apparently has hinted to Ensey on more than one occasion he can't exclude the Cubans but Ensey obviously is as hard to discourage as Vishinsky at a UN chiefest. He keeps going back for more. Apparently Trautman will have to resort to mule skinner's language to get rid of him.

ROSWELL BALL CLUB MAY EXCHANGE HANDS

According to Harry Gilstrap of the Amarillo paper, the Roswell club of the Lophorn league may be sold before next season. The franchise is now owned by Berger interests, but Roswell men apparently want a home owned outfit.

Gilstrap also reports there is more talk about moving the Sweetwater franchise to Carlsbad, N. M. Cy Faucett, who owns the Sweetwater club, will make the final decision. Cy wasn't any too happy about his investment in Sweetwater last season. He claims he lost money, in fact, to the extent of \$20,000. Still and all, he drew 33,000 paid admissions, which isn't bad for a second division outfit that never has any real hope of climbing into the first division.

The Sweetwater fans would probably rally behind the club if Faucett would supply them with a real contender rather than send them a bunch of castoffs who couldn't make his own Albuquerque team.

Hack Miller, who functioned as the Lubbock skipper when Big Spring was a member of the WT-NM league, is lined up to pilot Wichita Falls of the Big State league in 1950.

Jess Landrum Amarillo manager early last season who went his way when the wolves started baying, is all set to manage the Port Arthur team in Howard Green's new Gulf Coast league.

Green, by the way, is temporary president of that circuit but, no doubt, will be named permanent prey in the near future.

Amarillo Junior college's basketball team, no doubt, will be the team to beat in Zone play this season.

Prior to licking Weber JC the other night, the Badgers had measured El Reno JC, Oklahoma, 66-34, and Sayre, Okla., 50-33. Sayre spanked the Badgers handily a year ago. Later, they lost to Hutchinson, Kansas, however, 58-32.

All-Star Squad For Houston Charity Football Game Saturday Is Completed

HOUSTON, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Five San Francisco 49ers today completed the 23-man all-star squad which meets the Cleveland Browns here Saturday in the Shamrock Charity Bowl football game.

The All-Star squad was selected from the six squads which Cleveland outdistanced in successfully defending its All-America Professional Conference championship.

Quarterback Frankie Albert leads the group of San Francisco players who are to report to All-Star Coach Norman (Red) Strader today or tomorrow.

Other San Francisco players include John Woudeberg, tackle, Vico Grigich, guard, Joe Perry, fullback, and Jim Cason, halfback.

Selection of Cason means at least 11 Texas natives will play in the game.

Three of them are on the Cleveland team—Guard Weldon Humble, former All-America at Rice Institute, Darrell Palmer, tackle from Texas Christian, and Forrest Grigg, Longview, Tex., tackle who played at Tulsa University.

The All-Star roster includes: Bruce Alford, Texas Christian; Jack Russell, Baylor, and Alton Baldwin, Arkansas, ends; Martin Ruby, Texas A&M, tackle; Pete Layden and Tom Landry, University of Texas, and Cason, Victoria, Tex., Louisiana State, halfbacks, and Y. A. Tittle, Marshall, Tex., Louisiana State quarterback.

Yearlings Head For S'Angelo

The Eighth and Ninth grade basketball teams will invade San Angelo this afternoon for two games with quintets of the Concho City.

Coach Roy Baird was to accompany the Yearlings south. The Yearlings have been working out for a couple of weeks.

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TEXAS THREAT — Long Tom Hamilton, perhaps better known for his feats as a baseball player, is one of the reasons the University of Texas basketball team may be a factor in the Southwest Conference race. He's an All-American diamond performer.

Longhorns Host Midland Quint Tuesday Night

Larry McCulloch's Big Spring Steers wind up preparations today for their basketball game here Tuesday night with the Midland Bulldogs, starting time of which is down for 8 o'clock.

Neither team has been successful in practice tilts to date. Sweetwater has twice stiffened the Midland team the last time by a 24-25 count in Midland.

Later, Crane upset the Midland clan, 37-25.

Big Spring dropped a five point decision to Lamesa in opening its season last Tuesday and then was waylaid by a mighty Lubbock team on Friday night, 36-31.

Though nothing will be at stake in the contest, the debate is due to be lively. There is a lot of rivalry between the two schools.

The local club is reported in good shape for the encounter and will field an all-letterman outfit.

Big Spring will take part in the Midland Invitational tournament next weekend.

Coast Circuit To Stand Pat

DALLAS, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—The Gulf Coast Conference decided today against admitting any more members "at this time."

There had been no formal applications for admission to the conference. But there were rumors that some schools, including the Oklahoma City University, wished to become members.

"It looks now as if there will be no expansion for at least another year," Bill Mahan, conference secretary-treasurer, said after today's conference meeting.

The conference awarded the spring sports program—track and field, tennis, and golf—to North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, to be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the second week of May.

At that time the next meeting of the conference will be held in Denton.

The conference decided to put the freshman rule into effect with the 1951 season. Thus next season will be the last in which freshmen will be allowed to play in varsity competition.

Hamilton, Haas Meet For Title

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Bob Hamilton and Freddy Haas, Jr., meet today in an 18-hole playoff for first money in Miami's 26th annual \$10,000 open golf tournament.

Each carded five under par 65 in the final round yesterday to deadlock for a record-shattering 264.

They were 16 strokes under par for the 72 holes and slashed three strokes off the tournament record established in 1937 by Sammy Snead and equaled by Henry Picard in 1944 and Jimmy Demaret in 1947.

If young Haas hadn't called a penalty stroke on himself during the second round—a penalty many thought unnecessary—he would have won the tournament yesterday.

On his second shot going into the 9th green, the New Orleans pro soled his club in back of the ball. He did not touch the ball with the club head, but the ball moved a fraction of an inch and he called a penalty stroke on himself.

A newcomer to the play for pay ranks, Tommy Bolt of Houston, Tex., equalled the tournament record with 267 and picked up an \$800 check.

The nickname for Texas Christian University varsity athletic teams is Horned Frogs, and the freshman squads are called Polliwogs.

TCU BAYLOR TOPS Southwest Cage Teams Face Rugged Schedule This Week

By WILBUR MARTIN
Associated Press Staff

Southwest Conference basketball teams face a stiff 20-game schedule this week, 13 of them inter-sectional tilts.

The surprising Texas Christian University Horned Frogs and the not so surprising Baylor Bears are setting the pace in non-conference play.

TCU has won four straight games and Baylor three. Last year, Baylor shared the title with Arkansas and Rice.

A&M is the only team that hasn't won. The Aggies' ambitious early season schedule against top Eastern and midwestern teams has proven too tough. They dropped decisions to St. Louis and Oklahoma A&M last week.

Joe McDermott of Rice sets the early scoring pace with 69 points. Jack Brown of Southern Methodist is next with 65. Ten points more than George McLeod of Texas Christian.

Last week's results include Baylor 59, North Texas State 37; Texas Christian 61, Howard Payne 31; Rice 57, Texas Tech 45; St. Louis 55, Texas A&M 51; Texas Wesleyan 38, Texas A&M 34; City College of New York 67, Southern Methodist 53; Baylor 53, Texas Tech 37; Texas Christian 65, Abilene Christian College 57; Tulane 68, Rice 56; Louisiana State 62, Arkansas 46; Texas 54, North Texas State 51; Baylor 57, Stephen F. Austin 41; Louisiana State 49, Rice 44; Niagara 55, Southern Methodist 47; Texas 64, North Texas State 47.

This week's schedule: Tonight — Texas A&M vs Abilene Christian College at College Station, Texas Christian vs Missouri at Columbia, Mo.

Tomorrow — Texas A&M vs Abilene Christian College at College Station, Baylor vs Texas Wesleyan at Waco, Rice vs Sam Houston State at Houston, Texas vs West Texas State at Austin, Texas Christian vs Missouri at Columbia, Mo.

Wednesday — Southern Methodist vs Arkansas at Dallas, Arkansas vs Illinois at Champaign, Ill.

Thursday — Arkansas vs Indiana at Bloomington, Ind., Texas Christian vs Bradley at Peoria, Ill.

Friday — Baylor vs Kansas State at Manhattan, Kan.; Texas A&M vs Arizona at San Antonio, Rice vs Southwestern Louisiana Institute at Houston, Texas vs Trinity at San Antonio.

Saturday — Baylor vs Nebraska at Lincoln, Neb.; Texas A&M vs Trinity at San Antonio, Southern Methodist vs Colorado at Boulder, Colo., Texas vs Arizona at San Antonio, Texas Christian vs St. Louis at St. Louis.

SESSION OPENS
FORT WORTH, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—The Texas Junior College Athletic Association opens its annual business session today. About 75 delegates representing the 24 junior colleges are expected.

State A, AA Finalists Will Be Determined In Weekend Games

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
AP Sports Editor

Four schools that have tasted state championship glory and four brash newcomers to title play make up the semi-final brackets of Class AA and Class A schoolboy football this week.

All of the Class AA teams in the penultimate round are former champions. They are Port Arthur, which has won one crown and tied for another; Wichita Falls, Austin and Highland Park (Dallas), which shared the title with Waco in 1948.

In Class A, they're all new — Mexico, Uvalde, Garland and Littlefield.

Three games Friday and one Saturday will produce finalists in both divisions. Wichita Falls and Port Arthur are favored in Class A.

The semi-finals schedule: Class AA—Austin at Port Arthur, Friday, 3 p.m.; Highland Park at Wichita Falls, Saturday, 2 p.m.

Baylor Board Ponders Move

WACO, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—The Baylor University Board of Trustees is to meet today to consider the events of the past three days that swept out most of the athletic department.

Head Football Coach Bob Woodruff resigned Friday night because of friction with Athletic Director Ralph Wolf. Saturday Wolf handed in his resignation "to clear the atmosphere" for Dr. W. R. White, university president, and the board of trustees "to reorganize the athletic department."

The athletic committee of the university had worked out a compromise in the internal squabble but Woodruff declined to accept it, thus stepping out of a coaching job that starting next year would pay him \$12,000 a year.

Just what the differences between Woodruff and Wolf were was not explained, but it was reported to have been over the scheduling of football games and related subjects.

Woodruff said last night when contacted at his home here that he had no idea what his future course would be and jokingly said "I might go to the farm." He would not comment on reports that he was likely to go to Arkansas where a reorganization of the athletic department is planned by Head Coach and Athletic Director John Barnhill, Woodruff's former coach at Tennessee.

Tarheels, Rice Exchange Films

DALLAS, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Rice and North Carolina's Cotton Bowl films—did not have a chance to meet each other during the regular season but that little matter is being taken care of in an exchange of motion pictures.

Rice has received prints of the Tarheels' games with Wake Forest and Louisiana State while North Carolina got pictures of the Texas-Rice and Southern Methodist-Rice contests.

North Carolina already has done some work with the pictures, having been back at practice for a week. Rice starts next Monday while the Tarheels take the week off for school examinations.

Reports from Chapel Hill show that Charlie Justice, All-American back, who has been in and out all year with injuries is gradually coming back and will be ready for heavy duty against Rice.

Jersey Native Bowling Champ

CHICAGO, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—James (Junie) McMahon, 37-year-old Chicago-bowling instructor, is 1949 national all-star individual match game bowling champion.

McMahon, a native of Passaic, N. J., won the title last night by finishing the 86-game round robin schedule with a record of 44 1-3 victories and 19 1-2 defeats. His collected 15,712 pins for 218.27 points under the Petersen scoring system.

Ralph Smith of Los Angeles finished second with 207.17 points. Lee Jougla, 28, Detroit, was third with 204.32 points.

Highland Park, however, was not exactly impotent in beating Abilene 30-4. The Coyotes licked Abilene 38-7 in early season and every indication is a close-to-the-crest battle at Wichita Falls Saturday.

Port Arthur, on a comparative score basis, has it all over Austin. The Yellow Jackets crushed San Jacinto of Houston 416 and that team held Austin to a 14-8 victory. Austin beat Corpus Christi 27-7. Port Arthur licked Corpus Christi 33-0.

In less A Mexico showed what it takes to win a state title in topping mighty New Braunfels 36-4.

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Uvalde whammed El Campo 59-13, with little trouble.

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GIRL'S BODY FOUND IN ROOMING HOUSE

Iowa University Student Is Charged In Death Of Co-Ed

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 12. (AP)—A beautiful University of Iowa coed was found strangled in a men's rooming house yesterday and a senior student who said he was in love with the girl is charged with murdering her.

Robert Emil Bednasek, 24, was to be arraigned late today on the charge. The coed was Margaret Ann (Gee-Gee) Jackson, 20, of Burlington, Iowa.

Dr. George D. Callahan, Johnson County coroner, said after an autopsy that death was "murder caused by strangulation."

In his jail cell last night, Bednasek denied to newsmen that he murdered the girl.

Pacing nervously, he said: "She was completely in love with me, and I with her. I did not murder her. I have never been capable of murder."

The girl's father, William E. Jackson, an attorney and member of the Iowa parole board, denied his daughter was in love with Bednasek. He said the girl was involved in a "one-sided romance" with Bednasek.

Miss Jackson's sorority sisters said she had been "pinned" (engaged) to Bednasek last spring but sent his fraternity pin back to him last summer.

Rescuers said the jutting rock broke free because a six-hour campfire heated it following the intense cold of the early morning.

The court issued an order for Sauer's arraignment so that when found he can be put in custody to assure his being in court when the case is called to trial on Jan. 16.

Sheriff Albert J. Murphy said he was holding a diary found in Bednasek's room. He said authorities would study it, but it was written "in abbreviations" and would be hard to decipher.

Bednasek said her husky 175-pound man told her when she asked him yesterday if he killed the girl: "I must have. I was the only one in the room. I don't know how it happened because my mind is a blank."

Bednasek said Margaret had told him many times she loved him and that she could never marry anyone else. He said she told him Saturday night she loved him.

At Cedar Rapids her son and Miss Jackson planned to be married in about four years," after Bednasek completed graduate work in psychology.

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"I just remember her lying on the floor," he said. "I picked her up, I guess. I don't remember

much about it—just talked to her—thought she had passed out. I tried to wake her up. Then intuition, I guess, made me sense something was wrong—all hazy."

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Sandra's Trial Date Uncertain

BRADY, Dec. 12. (AP)—Will Sandra Petersen be tried for murder? She's old enough now, 18. But officers aren't sure when she'll be tried for the murder of a Brady man who on Aug. 25 gave Sandra and a girl companion hitchhiker a lift.

Yesterday, in a cell on the top floor of Brady's jail, Sandra celebrated her 18th birthday. There were no visitors.

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Occupants Escape Injury In Auto Mishaps Near Here

Two automobile wrecks of minor consequence occurred near here over the weekend.

Damage to the machines was extensive, however. Officers said the accident happened when Fuller pulled away from the Casino club, directly into the path of the Ivey car, which was headed east.

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Tarheels Must Deal With Joe Watson Jan. 2

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Dec. 12.—There is a ray of hope for North Carolina's Tar Heels in the Cotton Bowl, but they have some big obstacles to overcome before they can win, and Rice is rightfully the favorite, according to the studies of veteran expert Norman Sper, Sr., of Hollywood and Chicago.

Sper is the originator of the Chicago Tribune's All-Players All-America team and organizes and issues that selection each year. He is here visiting his son, Norman, Jr., the University's celebrated head cheerleader.

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EVERYTHING IS HAPPENING TO THIS POOR GUY

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Labor Party of Australia Takes Severe Beating

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CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY FOR LITTLE JIMMY, WHO MAY DIE BEFORE 25th

TARENTUM, Pa., Dec. 12. (AP)—Santa Claus brushed aside the veil of time for a sick, little boy but not even the Christmas saint could bring the gift of life itself.

Doctors say five-year-old Jimmy Pochon has cancer of the chest and may not live until Dec. 25.



UN AMBASSADOR — Ernest A. Green, Assistant Secretary of State, has been nominated by President Truman as Deputy U.S. representative to UN with rank of Ambassador.

At the University of Illinois, scientists have used a machine known as a betatron with some success in treating cancer patients.

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Official Asks Legislation To Curb Sex Crimes

AUSTIN, Dec. 12. (AP)—Acting Lt. Gov. G. C. Morris Saturday called on Senate members of the Criminal Code Committee to recommend legislation designed to curtail "the wave of sex crimes in our state."

Morris, who appointed the Senate members, said he did not want to be in a position of seeming to dictate but he felt it would be wise for the senators to consider such legislation.

"As you probably know, considerable agitation from the public has been manifested and many press releases have been issued from various groups suggesting the need for such legislation," Morris wrote.

The acting lieutenant governor said he had no suggestion to make as to what should be done as he does not practice criminal law. He expressed confidence that the committee could "find the answer to this problem through several agencies both non-governmental and governmental, who, I understand, are now making a study of this problem."

Morris said some of these agencies had assured him they would be glad to serve in an advisory capacity.

He said he was hopeful the subject of sex crime legislation might be submitted at the special session of the legislature to be called by Gov. Allan Shivers in late January or early February.

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Company Requests Pipeline Expansion

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (AP)—Texas Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of Chicago has filed an amended application with the Federal Power Commission to expand its Texas-to-Illinois natural gas pipeline system.

The project as amended calls for a 1,254-mile main line of 30-inch and 24-inch pipe from near Houston to the Joliet, Ill., area. The company also plans a 55-mile, 20-inch line from Joliet to Volo, Ill.

Both lines would connect at their northern terminals with the system of Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America.

In addition, the project now includes plans for a 26-inch lateral line from the Little Rock, Ark. area to a connection with a pipeline proposed by Piedmont Natural Gas Corp., probably for Greenville, Miss.

Teams Should Have Met in Neutral Gym

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12. (AP)—Somewhere between Munhall and Jeannette buses carrying the basketball teams of the two small Pennsylvania towns' high schools passed each other Friday night.

They never met.

On Munhall's schedule, the game was scheduled to be played at Jeannette. Jeannette's card listed the contest at Munhall.

Ambassador Douglas Undergoes Operation

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. (AP)—Lewis W. Douglas, U. S. Ambassador to Britain, was operated on at doctors' hospital today for relief of a vein condition in both legs.

The hospital said Douglas was resting "very comfortably" and that the operation was a success. Its exact nature was not disclosed.

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