

College Heights Delegates Named To P-TA Meeting

The members of the College Heights Parent Teacher association met for a business session Thursday at the school, and the meeting was opened with the reading of the P-TA collect.

West Ward P-TA Has Fathers Night, Selects Mrs. Johnson 1946 President

At a night meeting honoring fathers of the school, West Ward P-TA met Thursday evening and during the short business meeting the nominating committee made its report, which selected Mrs. C. E. Johnson as president.

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Rev. Caraway, Guest Preacher At Knott Church

KNOTT, March 14. (Sp)—Rev. A. D. Caraway, a graduate of the Baptist Theological seminary at Fort Worth, preached at the Missionary Baptist church Sunday. His family accompanied him here.

Mrs. B. Lamun WSCS Hostess

Mrs. Bernard Lamun was hostess to Circle Two of the First Methodist WSCS Wednesday afternoon for a lesson from the study book.

Mrs. Bill Barber Honored at Party

A pink and blue shower was given Thursday honoring Mrs. Bill Barber in the home of Mrs. Marvin Hayworth. Hostesses were Mrs. Carl Lockhart and Mrs. Hayworth.

Wesley Methodist To Have Singing

The regular third Sunday singing at the Wesley Methodist church, 12th and Owens streets will be held Sunday at 3 p. m.

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Mrs. George Thomas Has Merry Wives Meeting Thursday

Mrs. George Thomas entertained the Merry Wives bridge club at their regular meeting Thursday evening in her home.

Mexico To Intervene In Telephone Strike

MEXICO CITY, March 15 (AP)—Government intervention in the strike of 1,900 employees of the Mexican Telephone company, a subsidiary of the International Telephone and Telegraph company, appeared today to be a definite possibility.

ANNIVERSARY - The anniversary of the fourth year together as pastor and church will be observed at the First Presbyterian church Sunday. The board of deacons has sent out letters to the membership of the church calling attention to the occasion, and has extended friends of the church and minister an invitation to participate in the 10:55 a. m. service when the minister, the Rev. James E. Moore, above, speaks on "An Ancient Remedy for a Modern Disease."

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Spring Cosmetics Show Little Change, Fewer Creations

The sudden bloom on the peach and plum trees in West Texas makes the West Texas lady realize that the bloom on her cheek is not quite what it should be.

Jewish Will Observe 'Feast of the Lots'

Sunday is to be observed as Purim, "The Feast of Lots," in Jewish services. According to the commission on information about Judaism, March 17 (the 14th of Adar) the Jews of Persia were saved from annihilation through the intervention of Mordecai and Esther, the Queen of Ahasuerus.

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Colorado City Club Has Dinner Party, Hears Witten Speak

COLORADO CITY, March 15—Members of the education committee, Beth Gullledge, Mrs. Chester Hart, and Mrs. W. E. Charters, were hosts here Tuesday evening to the March dinner party and program for the Business and Professional Women's club.



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Church of the Nazarene

4th & Austin. W. R. McClure, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. N.Y.P.S. 6:15 p. m. Preaching 7:00 p. m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. 1401 MAIN STREET. Herbert L. Newman, Minister. PLAIN GOSPEL SERVICES. SUNDAY SERMON SUBJECTS: 10:45 a. m.—"How God Now Speaks To Men" 7:30 p. m.—"The Impartial God"

YESTERDAY. The Master of men walked the dusty roads of Galilee, Judeah and Samaria doing good to all who would respond to His gracious ministry. He healed the sick, made the lame to walk, the blind to see, the deaf to hear and even raised the dead and gave them back to distracted loved ones. He taught the multitudes an infinitely better way of life. TODAY. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit and the people who believe on Him and serve Him, He comforts the sorrowing, counsels the wayward, saves the lost, forgives the erring and brings peace to the souls of men. He knocks at every heart door asking for admittance that He may have fellowship with His creatures, and bring His blessings into otherwise empty lives. The churches preach His gospel, sing His praises and offer Him to mankind as its all sufficient Lord and saviour. TOMORROW. He will continue to march majestically and triumphantly on in spite of wars and rumors of wars, the rise and fall of nations, and the general confusion of the world. He is the one unchangeable principle in a universe characterized by change and confusion. So, we subscribe to the words of the writer of Hebrews: "JESUS CHRIST, THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY AND FOREVER!" Big Spring Pastors Association

Churchill Editorial Opinion Worldwide

LONDON, March 15. (AP)—A Pravda editorial broadcast by the Moscow radio declared today that any "author of new race theories" would suffer the same fate as that which befell the Nazis if the Soviet Union is threatened.

Emphasizing Generalissimo Stalin's attack Wednesday on Winston Churchill for advocating what Stalin termed Hitler-like race theories, the Communist party organ asserted:

"The German Fascists who chose as their ideological weapon one hated by men — race theory —

were totally crushed in war. A similar fate will befall the author of new race theories if they dare raise their sword against the freedom and independence of our country."

Meanwhile, the London Daily Herald, Labor party organ, urged in a front page editorial that Churchill "confine his eloquence to harmless themes" in his broadcast tonight in New York.

"If the British people had wanted him as their spokesman in peace time they would have voted for him in July, 1945," the paper said.

The Madrid radio last night came to Churchill's defense with a broadcast denial that the former British prime minister had "uttered any threat against Moscow" in his March 5 speech at Fulton, Mo.

"Russia not only terrorizes the small nations but also seriously menaces the great powers," the broadcast said.

In Capetown, South Africa, Prime Minister Jan Christian Smuts told the South African parliament he had no intention of defending Churchill's speech but expressed doubt that it could lead to a new war.

In Poland, food prices rose from 50 to 100 percent in Warsaw markets and Polish newspapers blamed the increases on "foolish gossip," but took note of talk of a "new war," which they blamed on Churchill's Fulton speech.



TOOTH BRUSH TIME—Hippo Bebe, 3,400 pounds of femininity, sets her teeth cleaned after a meal at Brookfield... at Chicago by 200 attendant Clifford Jones.

Weather Forecast

Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY—Continued cloudy with showers this afternoon; mostly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Continued cooler. High today 55, low tonight 35. High tomorrow 55.

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight, cooler tonight except in Panhandle, Saturday fair.

EAST TEXAS—Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Saturday; not so warm tonight and in east and south portions Saturday. Fresh to occasionally strong westerly winds on the coast.

Extended forecast for the period 7:30 p. m. tonight through 7:30 p. m. March 20:

TEXAS WEST OF GULF PLAINS: Temperatures near normal; mild Saturday and Sunday, cooler Monday then little trend; precipitation light except moderate east of Pecos valley and in east portion Panhandle and south plains, occurring as showers Sunday.

| City | Max. | Min. |
|------------|------|------|
| Abilene | 88 | 46 |
| Amarillo | 68 | 30 |
| BIG SPRING | 79 | 41 |
| Chicago | 56 | 45 |
| Denver | 63 | 32 |
| El Paso | 49 | 37 |
| Fort Worth | 72 | 55 |
| Galveston | 70 | 64 |
| New York | 75 | 51 |
| St. Louis | 64 | 48 |

Sunset today 6:54 p. m.; sunrise tomorrow 6:55 a. m.

Local Men Attend Garden City Show

A sizeable number of Big Spring men, with buying money in their pockets, left Friday morning for Garden City to attend the annual Glascock county livestock show.

Reports from Garden City indicated a small group of calves and a large number of lambs would be judged and then auctioned.

Another of the mutton barbecue dinners for which Garden City is famous was in prospect for those attending. Harry Hurt and R. V. Middleton took a car load of Big Spring men; T. S. Currie had another two others; Darrell Douglass took two others; and Elmo Wasson, chairman of the chamber of commerce Good Will Committee and man behind the trip, had a car of passengers for the trip.

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Motion Picture Short

"People on Paper," a motion picture short about the men who make the comic strips for newspapers, is on the Ritz billing today. Among those shown is Chic Young, creator of "Blondie." The short also contains some brief animations of comic characters.

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Revealing War Secrets

Member Of Canadian Parliament Accused

OTTAWA, March 15. (AP)—Canada accused a member of its parliament today of violating the official secrets act and charged four government scientific workers with transmitting confidential war secrets to Russia, including details of a super-explosive known as "RDX."

Fred Rose, known as the only Communist ever elected to the Canadian House of Commons, was arrested after a parliament session last night and formally charged today. Rose belongs to Labor Progressive party, which absorbed the Communist party when it was banned in wartime. The Montreal labor leader had held Communist offices in Canada and had spent six months in Russia, lecturing youth groups.

Supt. Josephat Brunet of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police said in Montreal that charges against Rose "most definitely" were connected with the espionage case.

The royal commission, in a second interim report depicting Soviet agents as trying to ferret the war secrets of Canada and the United States, said Dr. Raymond Boyer, assistant professor of chemistry at McGill University, had admitted giving Russia full information on his secret work with "RDX."

"He said that with this information, competent persons would be in a position to design a plant to produce the material in quantity," the commission said. Boyer was accused of transmitting his secrets early in 1942 and into 1944, while Russia and Canada were allied in the death struggle against Germany.

They Had 'Em, But Theft Trio Got Away

Thieves who made off with George Gardner's automobile here last month treated the equipment roughly and were hauled into court for it but later released.

Three men who apparently pilfered the vehicle here the night of Feb. 6 wrecked the machine near Price, Utah, and reported for questioning at the Price police station after officers had investigated the accident. They were not booked.

Gardner was informed the car was almost a total loss. Utah police are conducting a search for the trio.

Final Action On Waco Airfield Undecided

WASHINGTON, March 15. (AP)—Final action on the disposal of Waco Army Air Field has not been decided upon. D. Y. McDaniell, McClennan (Tex.) county judge revealed here after discussing the matter with war department officials yesterday.

"We don't know just what the final action will be, but I am sure the county itself is not going into the airfield business," he said.

Scotsman Arrested For Illegal Entry

DALLAS, March 15. (AP)—Robert Stewart Marshall, 26, of Scotland was remanded to the county jail yesterday afternoon upon failure to post \$2,000 bond when arraigned before US Commissioner William Madden Hill.

Marshall, who was arrested at Ranger by immigration authorities, was charged with entering this country illegally from Canada.

New Complaint To Be Filed In Theft Case

WACO, March 15. (AP)—District Attorney Stansell Bryan has announced that another complaint would be filed against Freddie White, whose 10-year sentence for theft was reversed by the court of criminal appeals because the word "dollars" was omitted from the indictment.

The original indictment as recorded read that the appellant "did then and there unlawfully and fraudulently take seventy-two in money."

Scout Group Confers

Boy Scout district committeemen at Colorado City Thursday evening heard reports from various committees and mapped plans for the spring. Harry Ratliff, district chairman, presided over the meeting which attracted 11 men. H. D. Norris, Big Spring, district field executive, sat in on the session which was held in the Colorado City chamber of commerce office.

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Earthquakes In California

LOS ANGELES, March 15. (AP)—Earthquake shocks felt over southern and central California early today caused earth slides which broke the Los Angeles aqueduct in San Canyon, in the Owens Valley, the city bureau of water and power reported today.

The bureau reported shocks still were continuing at a late hour this morning, causing huge boulders to roll down the mountainside over an area about 10 miles long.

Youth Confined

A 16-year-old youth, picked up here Thursday on a charge of trying to cash a \$20-bogus check, has been confined to the juvenile detention ward pending action on the case.

The arrest was made by Juvenile Officer Jake Bruton.

Von Model Took Own Life Last Year, British Say

HERFORD, Germany, March 15. (AP)—Field Marshal Walter von Model, who had been hunted since his army was crushed in the Ruhr trap a year ago, took his own life with a revolver, April 21, 1945, British intelligence officers said today.

They said he feared that if he surrendered himself to the western Allies he would be turned over to the Russians as a war criminal.

Von Model, who was group commander on the Russian front prior to being transferred to the western front, was among the German officers accused by Russia of being responsible for deaths of 577,000 persons in concentration camps in Latvia and the deportation of 175,000 others as slave laborers.

The accusations were contained in a report last April 9 by a Soviet investigating committee.

The report said that "German fiends" under Von Model "spared no one. They murdered men and women, healthy and sick, children and old people" in mass extermination camps near Riga.

The officers said that a description of the death was given by the field marshal's own chief of intelligence, Lieut. Col. Michael, who was taken into custody recently.

The officers quoted Michael as saying:

"On April 21, 1945, Field Marshal Model shot himself in my presence in a wood near Duisburg. I buried him and am, as far as I know, the only person who knows where his grave is. He chose death because he had been accused of

Spence Visits Here On Water Inspection

E. V. Spence, member of the state board of water engineers, and Simon Freese, consultant, visited here briefly Thursday.

They had been to a reclamation district meeting at Balmorhea and also visited other points west of here. Spence said they were to make stops in Snyder and Abilene before he returned to Austin and Freese to his home in Fort Worth.

Spence is former city manager here and Freese, together with Marvin Nichols, was consulting engineer on two major water projects for the City of Big Spring.

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Bone Of My Bones

NEW ORLEANS, March 14.—The line from Genesis, "This is now bone of my bones," has a literal meaning for Mrs. Albert Gussman, 31, of Morgan City, La.

Mrs. Gussman is recovering from an operation performed on her right leg at Charity hospital here to provide bone for the left leg of her 15-month-old son Wade, so that he might walk.

"Wade was born with a cyst on his leg," Mrs. Gussman related. "We brought him to Charity hospital about seven months ago. Doctors said that he might be cured if bone could be grafted on his leg."

Because she was so frail, doctors at first suggested that her husband give bone from his leg.

"I wanted to do it because we are poor people and my husband has to work in the shipyard to take care of me and the six children," she continued.

A 10-inch scar now remains on Mrs. Gussman's leg, and she walks with a limp, which doctors say will disappear. Her blue-eyed son's left leg is still in a cast.



FIRE PRECAUTIONS NOT NECESSARY

CHICAGO, March 15 (AP)—Four fire engines, two trucks, a rescue squad, a pressure truck, a water tower and Chief Edward D. Walsh of the 25th battalion responded to an alarm of fire at Seventh Street and Wabash Avenue in the Loop.

One fireman took care of the business at hand. He took a hand pump and extinguished a fire under the hood of a taxicab.

Miller Cage Official

KANSAS CITY, MO., March 14 (AP)—Gus Miller, West Texas State Canyon, was elected Fourth Vice President at the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball at the association's meeting here.

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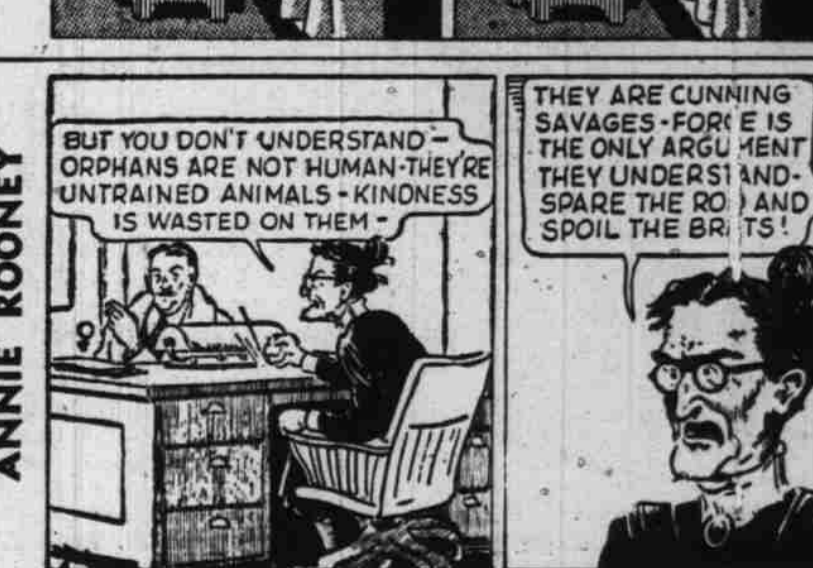
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8:15 Raymond Swing.
8:30 Sports Cast.
8:35 Texas News.
8:45 Dance Hour.
9:00 Woody Herman Show.
9:30 This Is Your F. B. I.
8:00 Gabriel Heater.
8:15 King Harvey.
8:30 The Sheriff.
8:55 Story Teller.
9:00 Fights.
10:00 Tomorrow's Headlines.
10:15 Relax with Cal Tinney.
10:30 Your Land and Mine.
10:45 Sign Off.

Saturday Morning
6:00 Town & Country Time.
6:30 Bandwagon.
6:55 Texas Blues Boy.
7:00 Your Exchange.
7:15 Round Up.
7:30 News.
7:45 Rhythm Ramble.
8:00 Wake Up and Smile.
9:00 1500 Club.
9:30 Teen Town.
10:00 Harry Kogen Orch.
10:15 Bible Messages.
10:30 Musical Merry Go Round.
10:45 Notes From a Diary.
11:00 House of Mystery.
11:30 Downtown Shopper.
Saturday Afternoon

12:00 Man on the Street.
12:15 Bing Sings.
12:30 News.
12:45 Waltz Time.
1:00 Metropolitan Opera.
4:00 Duke Ellington.
4:45 Charles Jordan Sings.
5:00 Opera House Matinee.
5:30 Bandwagon.
5:45 Labor USA.

Saturday Evening
6:00 It's Your Business.
6:15 Correspondents Abroad.
6:30 Sports Cast.
6:35 Texas News.
6:45 Dance Hour.
7:00 Dick Tracy.
7:30 Famous Jury Trials.
8:00 Gangbusters.
8:30 Boston Symphony.
9:30 Hayloft Hoedown.
10:00 Tomorrow's Headlines.
10:15 Chez Parée Orch.
10:30 Sign Off.

LAND TO BE DIVIDED
MISSION March 15 (P)— A portion of land purchased for \$1,500,000 from the estate of the late John S. Shary, "Citrus King" of the Rio Grande Valley, will be subdivided into small farms and sold, the firm which bought the land has announced.

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The Nation Today—

Suits, Shorts, Shirts For Men May or May Not Be Available

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON, March 15. (AP)—What about suits, shorts and shirts for men? Will the stores have them soon? If so, will they keep getting them?

There's just one honest answer: Let's hope so. No one, inside or outside government, can speak positively.

We've heard rosy stories about those things before and were disappointed. We may be again.

Who's to blame for the shortages? The manufacturers? OPA? CPA (the Civilian Production Administration)? Or all three?

It would take a congressional investigation to find out.

Last April OPA boss Chester Bowles happily predicted men's clothing, generally, would drop five to six per cent in price. Instead, since then it's gone up at least five per cent. This figure

is from the government's bureau of labor statistics.

Take suits first. What caused the shortage in them? Here are some reasons:

1. By war's end, little weaving of men's suits was being done.
2. When the war ended, time was needed for retooling machines.
3. Army and Navy men, rapidly discharged, needed suits. They bought what they could, put a dent in the stores' scanty supplies.
4. Manufacturers complained of OPA price controls, said they couldn't turn out suits at OPA prices.
5. Manufacturers gave wage increases. Then they cried louder for better OPA prices.
6. It seems apparent, government and clothing industry men say, that manufacturers hoarded some suits, keeping them for better OPA prices.

What's the remedy?

OPA eased up on prices last weekend, says this generally won't mean higher prices, just higher prices in some lines, lower in others.

Meanwhile the government (CPA) turned over to the suitmakers enough cloth for 3,000,000 medium-priced suits in the first three months of 1946.

A flow of suits to the stores is expected in the very near future. Because of OPA's recent price easing. As to the more distant future? Who can guess?

Now take shorts and dress shirts. Why the shortage there? Here are some reasons:

1. The cloth that went into the shorts and dress shirts was the kind the military used. The military took the bulk of it.
2. When the war ended, the shorts and shirts weren't made because the makers could get a better profit making more expensive stuff.
3. The government, which during the war forced the mills to turn out a certain percentage of these low-priced shorts and shirts, removed that order after the war. The manufacturers then did what they pleased.

What's the remedy?

OPA is giving some price relief and the government (CPA) is forcing the makers to start turning out cloth for low-priced shorts and shirts.

Result?

They hope that the low-priced stuff will start appearing, costing perhaps 10 or 15 cents more. For instance: a shirt which ordinarily sold at \$2.50 may cost \$2.65.

Severe Wind Causes Damage In El Paso

EL PASO, March 15. (AP)—A 60-mile-per-hour wind blew down power lines, disrupted telephone service, uprooted trees and damaged buildings in El Paso yesterday.

The wind, which equaled in velocity the record set in 1859, also covered the city with dust and brought snow and rain.

Electric service in the eastern part of the city and Fort Bliss was interrupted for 45 minutes.

A cold wave accompanying the high wind sent the mercury to a low of 37 in the early afternoon. Snow, which fell in gusty swirls also in the afternoon, melted as it touched the ground.

Johnson Foresees Big Enrollment At Texas

WASHINGTON, March 15. (AP)—Rep. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex) foresees an enrollment of at least 24,000 students at the University of Texas and has suggested a program for enlarging housing facilities at Austin to take care of the increase. The university now has approximately 12,000 students.

In a letter to Dr. T. S. Painter, acting president of the university, Johnson explained that some housing could be obtained under veterans benefit laws and through the use of war facilities in the area.

Verdict Of Suicide Returned On Oil Man

ELECTRA, March 15. (AP)—Justice of the Peace Thomas Haynie rendered a verdict of suicide last night in the death of S. C. Messersmith, 52, retired oil operator.

Messersmith, who as a member of the crew that drilled the Playco Company wild cat well, April 11, 1911, opening the northwest Texas oil field, was found dead at home yesterday afternoon by his wife.

ATOMIC RESEARCH

MOSCOW, March 15. (AP)—Pravda said today that atomic energy research would play a huge role in Russia's new five year plan.

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Texas Today—

KEN MCCLURE ON RADIO FRIENDS EVEN WITH NEWSPAPER PEOPLE

By JACK RUTLEDGE
Associate Press Staff

Ken McClure of San Antonio's radio station WOAI telephoned the other day and said there was a horse in his studio. Nearby was a man chained to a piano madly battling out new tunes.

Therein lies a tale. Not about the horse and musician, which was just another publicity gag, but about McClure.

He started as a news announcer in 1932 and says he is the first

of the clan in the south.

When radio was young and you didn't expect much besides canned music and static, he and another man secured and broadcast the confession of a murderer, setting off one of the worst riots in a Louisiana city's history. He said it taught him a lesson.

He was taken for a ride by Chicago hoodlums. He lived, probably because he managed to convince the gangsters it was a case of mistaken identity. He says today that he just looked like another criminal.

He went to England, kidded the British and had his cables censored.

He gets along with newsmen better than most radio news announcers and editors because when he has a good yarn he calls the papers, then goes to work on it himself. He says news has no business being exclusive.

Bobby-eyed, long-faced and with curly red hair, he is known as the dean of Texas commentators. He is also known for his gags.

Remember the barking spiders? An Eagle Pass dentist wrote Ken that barking spiders were keeping him awake at night. Ken had some shipped to San Antonio.

The spiders wouldn't bark for him, although he followed the doctor's orders, kept them in the dark and all. Ken's relatives said they could hear the barking, all right, so he took a spider to the studio, put it on a microphone, turned out the lights and had a wide audience gasping for what might happen next. Nothing did.

Scientists heard of it and began coming to Alamo City to investigate. Ken says humor and science got all messed up and he was glad to drop the matter. However, the scientists said the spider was a new specie.

Ken is still going strong. You don't know what to expect next. He's working on two books, some short stories, hatching new promotion stunts, and for relaxation writes poetry which he admits is slightly on the shady side and for friends only.

His radio style is all his own—he just talks. He says a dog standing watch over a sewer drain in Denton is more interesting to Texas listeners than a war in Manchuria. He usually winds up a newscast with something about dogs or sunsets or the price of yardies in Africa.

He says it's corny, but fun.

In these days of standardized newscasts there's just one Ken McClure.

Thank goodness.

Saturday Deadline For City Candidates

Although candidates have until Sunday to file for places in the city election ballot according to the city statutes, Saturday at 1 p. m. will be the actual deadline this year, prospective office-seekers were reminded today.

At that hour the city offices are closed for the weekend.

No new names have been added to the ballot this week, the city secretary's office reported today, leaving three candidates in the race for three approaching vacancies on the city commission.

FPC Sets Hearings On Proposed Pipeline

WASHINGTON, March 15. (AP)—The Federal Power Commission has set further hearings on applications to construct a pipe line from Texas to California for April 8 in Los Angeles, Calif.

Hearings began here in February. Applications for permission to construct a natural gas pipeline are the El Paso Natural Gas Company, Southern California Gas Company and the Southern Counties Gas Company of California.

Shed Workers Asking For Social Security

MCCALLEN, March 15. (AP)—The CIO is asking that social security benefits be made available to packing shedworkers as they were prior to 1939 according to Mrs. Bernice Hughes of Alamo, who testified last week in Washington in favor of such legislation.

Mrs. Hughes said she represented Local 35 of the Texas Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union (CIO) at a March 8 hearing before the House Ways and Means Committee in Washington, of which Rep. Milton H. West of Brownsville is a member.

Washy-Washy But In The Running

CROWN POINT, Ind., March 15. (AP)—Walter M. Oleksa of Hobart changed his mind twice in one day but remained firm on one point — he's in politics.

Clerk Walter Myback said Oleksa withdrew his declaration of candidacy for trustee of Hobart township on the Republican ticket and filed another — for justice of the peace — but on the Democratic ticket.

A typewriter small enough to fit into a waistcoat pocket has just recently been patented.

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