



POTATO PEAK—A new mountain grows at Fort Fairfield, Me., in the heart of the potato farming region as thousands of bushels of surplus potatoes are dumped in a huge mound. Workers atop the mountain of spuds are dwarfed by the size of the dump. (AP Wirephoto).

Marshall, Bevin Declare Soviet Charge 'Not True'

Bill To Prohibit Picketing Public Utilities Passes

AUSTIN, March 18. (AP)—A resolution proposing a vote of the people on a constitutional amendment outlawing the closed shop in Texas fell 14 votes short of final passage in the House today.

AUSTIN, March 18. (AP)—The Senate today passed a bill prohibiting the picketing of public utility premises.

The measure, by Sen. Ben Ramsey of San Augustine, was passed by voice vote, with no audible dissent.

Ramsey's bill applies to light, gas, and water companies and similar state agencies. It does not apply to telephone companies.

It would make it unlawful to picket plants to an extent where service is disrupted.

The measure would also make it unlawful to willfully damage property, providing a two-to-five year sentence for such offense.

Ramsey said his bill is "not a limitation on the right of an individual to quit work."

Sen. T. C. Chastek of Quitman abstained from voting. He explained that as a member of the Wood County Rural Electric Cooperative he would be voting on a matter in which he held a direct interest.

"If I were voting, I would vote for the bill," he stated.

The bill was engrossed by 24 to 1 vote, Sen. W. R. Cousins Jr. of Beaumont dissenting.

The Senate adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Earlier it had passed and sent to the House a bill completely recodifying Texas traffic laws, bringing the traffic code up-to-date.

The measure, by Sen. Fred Harris of Dallas, is a companion bill to one in the House by Rep. Joe Kilgore of McAllen. It was approved without debate.

WHEAT HITS TOP PRICE IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, March 18. (AP)—Three dollar wheat appeared on the Chicago Board of Trade today for the second time in the 99 year history of futures trading here.

March wheat reached \$3.01 to \$3.05 a bushel at the start of trading, an advance of as much as 8 1/2 cents, as brokers with short March delivery commitments continued their almost frantic efforts to cover them. In the face of this heavy demand, little March wheat was offered for sale.

At the opening of trading yesterday there were short contracts totaling 690,000 bushels outstanding. There isn't that much wheat in Chicago. Result: the shorts must get wheat somewhere or cancel their commitments by buying in a soaring market.

Many of the shorts, unable to obtain actual grain, have bought futures, causing a spectacular upturn in March wheat.

Since Feb. 1 March wheat has advanced to more than 80 cents a bushel. Traders say only two upturns in a similar period of time are comparable—before the first World War in 1917 and after the start of the Spanish-American war in 1898. The top price was \$3.25 in 1917.

Trading ends in March futures at the close of March 22. The shorts have until then to cover commitments by making purchases. After that, they've got to deliver the actual grain by March 31.

Cash wheat sold as high as \$3.03 1/4 at Minneapolis and \$3 at Omaha yesterday.

The situation in March wheat at Chicago resembles an old-fashioned corner, although grain experts said it differs from such an operation in that there is no clique attempting to manipulate prices.

Atmosphere 'Cool' At Session Today

MOSCOW, March 18. (AP)—U.S. Secretary of State Marshall today coldly rejected the Soviet Union's bid for \$10,000,000,000 reparations from Germany.

In one of the most rigid sessions of the Council of Foreign Ministers thus far, the American secretary and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin also sharply rebuked the Soviet minister for his charges that Britain, the United States and France had taken \$10,000,000,000 in reparations from current production in the western zones.

Bevin reported that Molotov's statements "are not true."

Marshall declared that Big Three agreements at Potsdam superseded those of Yalta.

and told the Soviet minister firmly that "we will not follow the retreat of Mr. Molotov from Berlin to Yalta."

Molotov claimed yesterday that at Yalta the Big Three had agreed on the \$10,000,000,000 figure for reparations to be paid Russia by Germany.

The eighth session was one of the coolest of the conference to date. The charged atmosphere among the Big Four, which thus far had been most friendly, developed after French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault made a statement on France's demands for separation of the Ruhr, the Rhineland and the Saar from Germany.

Bidault told the council that Allied controls must be retained over Germany long after a peace settlement is concluded and the present occupation is ended.

Bidault, who conferred last night with Prime Minister Stalin, laid down the basic French policy on the defeated enemy, calling primarily for rigid limitations of the coal and steel industries. He suggested that France replace Germany as the great steel-producing nation of Europe.

Bidault withheld France's agreement to American, British and Soviet proposals for raising the level of German industry. He said the French view depended upon what other controls were set up. He rejected outright the American-sponsored plan to set up central administrative agencies run by the Germans, pending decisions on Germany's frontiers. He evidently meant that decisions on the Ruhr, the Rhineland and the Saar must be reached first.

The French minister said economic unity in Germany could be achieved with French approval prior to fixing the frontier, by creating administrative agencies run by the Allied powers for such matters as transport, communications and trade.

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Senator Says Bi-Partisan Policy May 'Die In Revolt'

WASHINGTON, March 18. (AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) said today that bi-partisan foreign policy will "die in revolt" if Americans yield to the political dictates of "party managers" on proposed aid to Greece and Turkey.

The chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee stepped down from the rostrum of the Senate's presiding officer to criticize from the floor a proposal made last night by Earl Warren, executive director of the Democratic national committee, to Carroll Reece, Republican chairman.

Sullivan called on Reece to join in a two-party statement endorsing President Truman's policy of combatting communism and helping Greece and Turkey. Vandenberg predicted Reece will refuse, and said:

"When bi-partisan foreign policy gets into the rival hands of partisan national committees it is in grave danger of losing its precious character."

Simultaneously:

1. Rep. Eaton (R-N.J.), chairman

of the House foreign affairs committee, made public the administration bill to carry out Mr. Truman's new foreign program. It would give the President broad powers for using \$400,000,000 and sending military and civilian personnel to those nations bordering the Soviet sphere.

2. Eaton set tomorrow for starting hearings on the legislation.

3. Secretary of the Navy Forrestal said that unification of the armed services will supply "the integration of foreign policy with national policy" and the power to back up that foreign policy. He testified before the Senate armed

services committee on legislation to unify the army and navy.

The administration bill for aiding the two Mediterranean nations would empower Mr. Truman to (A) give "financial aid in the form of loans, credits, grants or otherwise"; (B) detail federal employees to assist Greece and Turkey; (C) detail "a limited number" of military personnel to act "in an advisory capacity only"; (D) supply materials, services and information, and train Greek and Turkish personnel.

The measure instructs the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make an initial advance of up to \$100,000,000 to get the aid program quickly under way.

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Highway Chase Ends In Crash

A damaged pick-up truck reported stolen from Midland was recovered by Big Spring police early Tuesday morning after a chase on West Third street which was climaxed by a crash in front of the Crawford hotel.

A Latin-American who was driving the pick-up was carried to a hospital for treatment after the vehicle plowed into two parked cars near the Crawford, officers said.

A police patrol car had pursued the pick-up from the west city limits and officers fired shots at the machine's rear tires.

Officers on the patrol car said the pickup went out of control when it hit a dip in the street at Third and Scurry and crashed into two parked vehicles, one belonging to Mrs. Dickie Valch of Big Spring and another owned by Patrick Henry Managan of Dallas. The cars were damaged extensively, police said.

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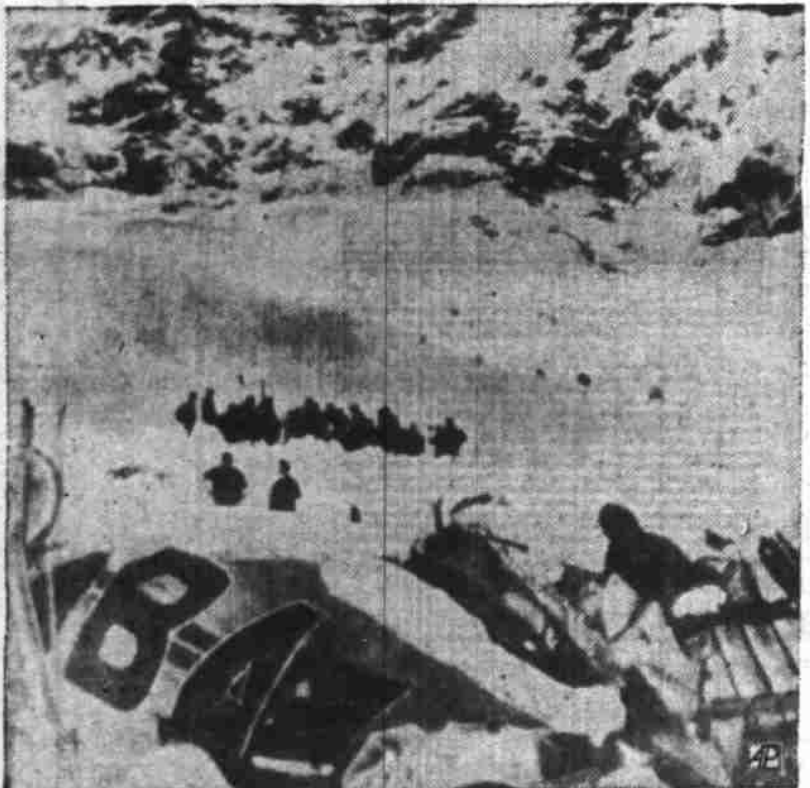
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RESCUERS REACH FRENCH CRASH—Wreckage of Air France plane lies in snow in foreground as a rescue party (background) arrives at the cliff into which it crashed, March 14, southwest of Grenoble, France, with 23 persons on board. The peak of Mouche-rolle rises sharply in the distance. The 18 passengers and 5 crewmen were all dead. (AP Wirephoto via Radio from Paris).

Japan Fears Loss Of Aid From US

TOKYO, March 18. (AP)—Japanese today acclaimed General MacArthur's press conference declaration as the strongest, most detailed expression of Japan's present position the world has heard.

But many of them voiced fear of being cut off from United States financial aid and of losing the stabilizing influence of American military power.

The supreme commander told American correspondents in a luncheon yesterday that a peace treaty with Japan should be made soon, the occupation terminated and future guidance of the country turned over to the United Nations.

All newspapers printed MacArthur's statement in full, without editorial comment. It was the major topic of conversation.

The supreme commander's main points coincided with hopes which government officials have long expressed — an early peace, end of military occupation, prompt determination of reparations and more permanent economic assistance.

Some young intellectuals were concerned lest withdrawal of American occupation forces would stimulate stronger political activity by extremists and checkmate the growth of democracy.

These Japanese commented that a civilian administration might not have the same restraining influence on communist elements that MacArthur and the occupation army have had.

EXPROPRIATION FETED — MEXICO CITY, March 18. (AP)—Mexico today celebrates the ninth anniversary of the expropriation of foreign-owned petroleum properties with officially sponsored demonstrations in the oil fields and here.

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Mayor Indicted In Bribery Case

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 18. (AP)—Leo P. McLaughlin, who will retire next month after 20 years as Hot Springs' mayor, has been indicted by a special Garland county grand jury on charges of bribery and conversion of city funds.

The grand jury last night returned seven indictments against McLaughlin, whose political faction controlled city and county offices for two decades.

Four of the indictments charged "bribery" but did not elaborate. Two other indictments charged conversion of city funds. A seventh charged the mayor with failure to file a city financial report.

Indicted with the mayor were his brother, George McLaughlin, an investigator for the mayor's office, on a charge of conversion of city funds; Elmer Walters, city "utility man" on a similar charge; and Mayor McLaughlin's secretary, Hazel Marsh, on a charge of first degree perjury before the grand jury.

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Rain To Help Crops, More Showers Slated

Farmers and ranchers Tuesday were entitled to sing "Pennies (they make dollars) from Heaven" as an average of an inch of rain fell over the area.

The best rain of the year and most beneficial since last autumn began falling here around 2:30 a. m. and kept at it slowly but steadily until past 1:30 p. m. Better still, the forecast was for more of the same.

Stockmen and farmers agreed that it was worth twice as much as a brisk rain, for virtually all moisture falling penetrated the thirsty soil, fluffed by an abnormal winter snowfall.

Immediate effect of the precipitation was to brighten wheat and other small grain prospects. With wheat at \$3 a bushel, there was every indication that many would soon remove it from pasture and make a try for a harvest. Howard county has something like 11,000 to 12,000 acres in wheat, twice as much as in recent years. Most of it is in good condition, although it has been retarded by cold weather and winds.

The US Experiment Farm showed .65 of an inch at 8 a. m. and had no measurement since, while the US Weather Bureau reported .83 of an inch at 11:30 a. m. and by 1 p. m. it probably was near an inch.

Heaviest rain in the area was the inch and a half reported at Midland. Stanton and all of Martin county welcomed rainfall, estimated at an inch. Here small grains were revived and prospects enhanced.

Garden City had .61 of an inch

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H. Smith Files For School Post

H. W. Smith filed Monday afternoon as a candidate for trustee on the Big Spring Independent School district board.

In submitting his application for a place on the ballot to Ira L. Thurman, secretary of the board, Smith made no formal statement, indicating it would be made subsequently.

A resident of Big Spring for well over a decade, Smith is bulk agent for an oil company. Is a past president of the Ki

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Cotton Seed Delinting Plant Looks For Normal Run This Year

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Despite the drouth conditions of last year, outlook for a steady run of seed is good, according to W. S. Satterwhite, manager. Already the plant, located on the oil mill road, has processed 140,000 pounds for the Von Roeder farms at Knappe in southeastern Borden county. They are the major seed breeders in this area.

Part of the volume still comes

from the Pecos Valley although some of the seed in that area moves to a plant in Artesia, N.M. On the north a Lubbock plant is handling seed, but the bulk of the run here still comes from Dawson county.

Volume from the Winters, Ballinger, Abilene, San Angelo and Colorado City sections is on the increase.

The plant, operating on a 10-hour shift, is booked to April 20. More seed could be handled before that date, however, by longer shifts. Few seed will be handled after that date because it will be nearing planting time if rains come.

Process used at the plant is an acid gas type, giving dry delintation. Seed also are treated with ceresan against fungus and immature seed are sifted out. Many producers and breeders prefer the delinted seed because of quicker germination, more uniformity, easier planting.

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Scouts May Take Up Option On Little Aguja Area

Between now and April 12, the Buffalo Trail Council for the Boy Scouts of America may make downpayment on a permanent area camping site.

The council, representing 15 counties from Fisher and Nolan on the east to Reeves on the west, has option on 6,000 acres in which is located Little Aguja canyon, in the heart of the Davis Mountain country. Option calls for the spread at \$12 per acre, and with \$10,000 to be paid by April 12 to seal the deal.

Little Aguja is off the beaten path, virtually shut off from both ends by deep canyon walls so that it is said to be sort of a Shangri-La. Through it courses a stream of clear mountain water and the floor of the canyon widens within the extremities with ample level terrain capable of handling up to 1,000 campers, according to council officials. Altitude ranges from

5,000 to 7,500 feet. The valley is timbered.

The site gets its name from the "aguja," Indian word for needle, after the monolithic rock spire eroded by centuries of wind and water and which rises out of the floor of the canyon. Situated in Jeff Davis county, the tract is 65 miles southwest of Pecos and 24 miles from Balmorhea.

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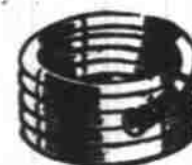
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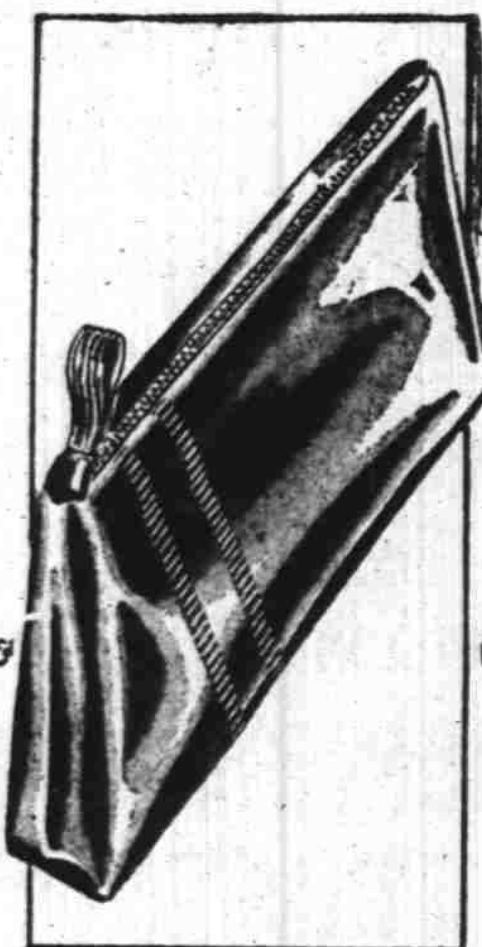
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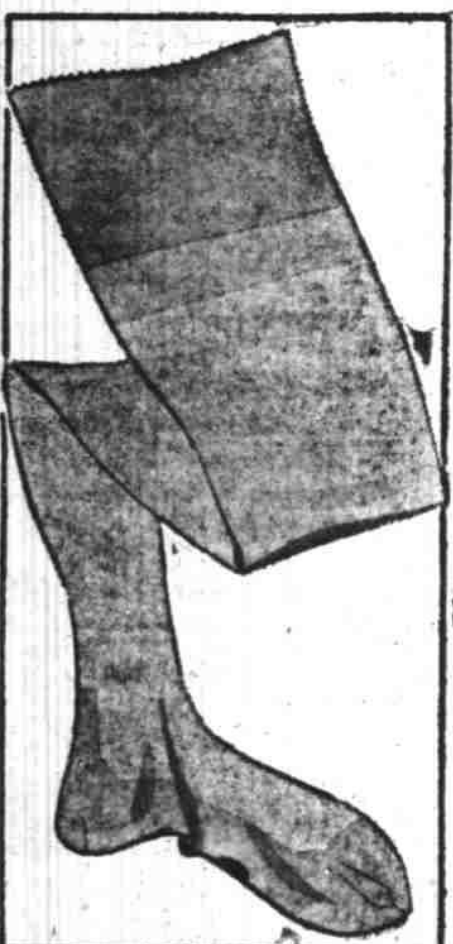
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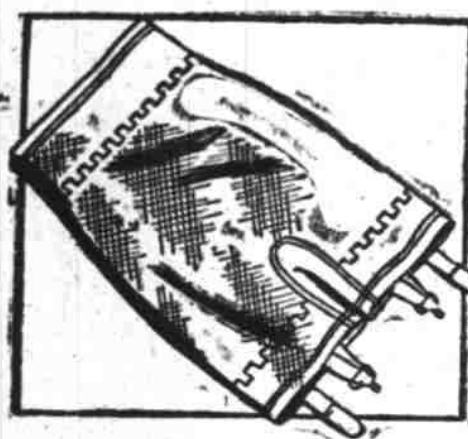
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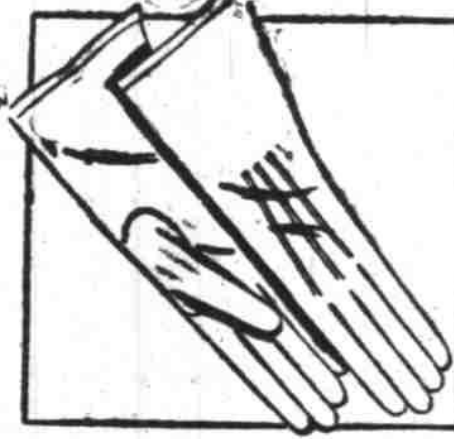
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Details Of Coming Conference Discussed At Group Meetings Of Methodist WSCS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service held group meetings Monday afternoon to continue with preparations for the annual WSCS conference which will be held in Big Spring Tuesday through Thursday of next week.

Program for the annual Methodist meeting will be based on the theme, "His Spirit Is Power," and among outstanding speakers will be Dr. Prem Nath Dass, president of Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow, India.

The McMurry Chanters will present a musical program and pageant Tuesday evening and conference officers will discuss programs and achievements of the organization.

Around 200 delegates are expected to attend the parley which will be held at the First Methodist church. Visitors will be entertained in local homes.

Details of the convention are being worked out by the various WSCS circles of the local church which will entertain with a tea and other socials during the meeting.

Group One met with Mrs. A. C. Moore for a lesson on "Christian Motives In Stewardship," brought by Mrs. Clyde Thomas, Sr., and to plan for the meeting next week.

Mrs. Robert Hill presided over the business session and refreshments were served.

Those attending were Mrs. A. J. Haynes, Mrs. H. J. Whittington, Mrs. M. A. Cook, Mrs. W. L. Vaughn, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. M. E. Perry, Mrs. H. F. Howie, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. J. R. Chaney, Mrs. Frank Powell and Mrs. Moore.

Mrs. Bernard Lamun was Monday hostess to Group Three which met in her home at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Roy Satterwhite presided over the business session in the

absence of the president, Mrs. B. E. Winterrowd and Mrs. Lamun announced plans for a tea which will be given during the conference for visiting delegates.

Mrs. L. E. Eddy brought a paper on "Stewardship of Wealth — Giving," and Mrs. Clyde Johnston discussed, "Christianity Meeting the World's Needs."

The group voted to have a covered dish luncheon in the A. C. Bass home April 14 at 1 p.m.

Those attending were Mrs. H. M. Rowe, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. L. E. Maddux, Mrs. N. W. McCleskey, Mrs. Cecil Collings, Mrs. Zed Erwin, Mrs. A. F. Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Bass, Mrs. C. R. McCleary, Mrs. H. F. Taylor, Mrs. L. E. Eddy, Mrs. C. R. Moad, Mrs. Satterwhite and the hostess.

Group Five met with Mrs. C. A. Long for a program which opened with prayer by the hostess.

Devotional was given by Mrs. C. C. Williamson and Mrs. Long and Mrs. Jim Boswell brought the lesson.

Mrs. H. G. Keaton, WSCS president, attended the meeting and discussed plans for the coming convention.

Refreshments were served and those attending were Mrs. L. G. Byah, Mrs. A. E. Ashley, Mrs. C. C. Williamson and Mrs. Long.

New members welcomed were

Mrs. J. W. Radanoff, Mrs. Stanley Cameron, Mrs. W. K. McFall and Mrs. Chester Hill.

Mrs. Ashley will be the next hostess.

A joint meeting of Groups Two and Four was held in the Bob Eubank home with Mrs. W. D. McDonald as co-hostess.

Mrs. Joe Pickle and Mrs. W. F. Cook gave the lessons from the study on stewardship, and Mrs. Albert Smith brought the devotional.

During a short business session plans were made for the WSCS conference, and the group sang "Bless Be The Tie That Binds."

Closing prayer was offered by Mrs. K. H. McGibbon Sr., and refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Those present were Mrs. J. B. Sloan, Mrs. W. A. Miller, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mrs. B. M. Williams, Mrs. R. L. Warren, Mrs. Jim Terry, Mrs. W. A. Laswell, Mrs. Joe Pickle, Mrs. G. W. Chowns, Mrs. McElhannon, Mrs. Joe Faucett, Mrs. Bob Eubanks, Mrs. W. F. Cook, Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. C. E. Talbot, Mrs. O. M. Waters, Mrs. C. Y. Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Hart, Mrs. A. Bowden, Mrs. W. D. McDonald, Mrs. H. N. Robinson, Mrs. McGibbon, Mrs. Abbie Anderson and Mrs. G. C. Graves.

Bluebonnet Class Has St. Patrick's Day Party

Green and white sandwiches, iced cake squares topped with shamrocks and Irish plate favors were featured decorations at a St. Patrick's Day party held in the Bill Bonner home Monday evening by the Bluebonnet class of the First Christian church.

Mrs. Justin Holmes was co-hostess for the party which was held in connection with a regular class meeting.

Cut flowers were placed at vantage points about the entertaining rooms, and speed tea and Irish

mints was served with other refreshments.

Mrs. J. E. Bronson sang two Irish numbers, and Mrs. J. T. Allen presided over the business session which opened with prayer by Mrs. F. M. Purser.

Attendance goal was set for Easter Sunday and the group sang the class song, "You Can Smile." Games were played and a sing song conducted.

Those attending were Mrs. Harvey Clay, Mrs. James Wilcox, Mrs. Tom Rosson, Mrs. W. B. Martin, Mrs. H. L. Bohannon, Mrs. Deason, Georgia Bond, Mrs. Lois Fuqua, Mrs. J. T. Allen, Mrs. F. M. Purser, Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, Betty Johnson, Mrs. Ray Shaw, Miss Zaida Brown, Mrs. John Bronson, Mrs. Ed Hall, Mrs. A. A. Marchant, Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Bonner.

Miss Ona J. Alley And Ned R. Hale Are Married

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brigner have announced the marriage of their daughter, Ona Jay Alley, to Ned R. Hale, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hale.

The couple was married by Dr. C. A. Long Saturday afternoon at 6 p.m. in the First Methodist parsonage.

The bride was attired in a navy blue dress and wore a white hat. Her corsage was of white carnations.

Attending the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Hale, the bridegroom's parents; his sister, Ray Nell Hale; Mrs. H. S. Starr, the bride's grandmother; and Mrs. C. L. Brigner, the bride's mother.

The bride was a student at the Big Spring high school, and Hale, a graduate of the Coahoma high school, has been attending the Howard County Junior college. He is now employed by the Coltex Refinery of Colorado City where the couple will be at home.

Children And Church Discussed By WSCS

"Children And Their Church," was the subject of discussion Monday when the WSCS met at the Wesley Methodist church.

Mrs. J. E. Duggan was in charge of the yearbook program and she opened with the devotional on "Thou Art Our Father."

Prayer was offered by Mrs. W. W. Coleman and a short business session was conducted by Mrs. Cecil Nabors.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. W. B. Ayers, and those attending were Mrs. J. B. King, Mrs. Albert McGuffey, Mrs. E. R. Cawthron, Mrs. W. L. Porterfield, Mrs. Tommy Lovelace and Mrs. W. D. Lovelace.

Mrs. Floyd Hostess To Circle No. One

Circle One of the East Fourth Street Baptist Woman's Missionary Union met with Mrs. Paul Floyd Monday afternoon for an election of officers.

Mrs. Dick Lytle was named missions chairman; Mrs. R. W. Darrow, education chairman; Mrs. Allen Higgins, missions study and Mrs. Garrett Patton periodicals.

Mrs. H. Reeves gave the devotional using "Faith," as the subject of discussion, and it was announced that the next meeting will be held at the church Monday.

Members present were Mrs. Lee Nuckles, Mrs. W. W. Bennett, Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. R. O. Mothershead, Mrs. Dick Lytle, Mrs. A. Gilliland and the hostess, Mrs. Floyd.

Mrs. Mary Varner of Baird was a week-end guest in the C. R. Moad home.

First Baptist Woman's Missionary Society Conducts Circle Meetings

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church held circle meetings Monday afternoon for prayer services, inspirational mission programs and religious study.

The Christine Coffee Circle met at the church for a program which opened with prayer by Mrs. J. E. Montieth. The 12th Chapter of John was the basis of a devotional brought by Mrs. G. H. Hayward, and a review of the book on "Home Missions In The New World," was given by Mrs. Hayward and Mrs. H. E. Choate.

Miss Minnie Moore was included as a visitor, and others present were Mrs. J. E. Montieth, Mrs. Alton Underwood, Mrs. A. L. Hobbs, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. Skiles, Mrs. George Melear, Mrs. Choate.

Mrs. J. E. Hardesty was the Monday hostess to the Mary Willis

circle when members met in her home for mission study.

The program opened with prayer by Mrs. W. E. Mann and Mrs. Ernest Hock gave the devotional from the 23rd psalm, "Forty Years In The Land Of Tomorrow," by Dr. A. B. Deter, was reviewed by Mrs. R. D. Ulrey, and the meeting closed with sentence prayer.

A social hour followed and refreshments were served to Mrs. Theo Andrews, Mrs. W. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Cora Holmes, Mrs. Ulrey, Mrs. C. T. Clay, Mrs. Hock, Mrs. Mann and the hostess.

Visitors included Mrs. P. C. Leatherwood and Ernest Hock.

Auxiliary Reports Given At Final Meeting Of Year

Final meeting of the regular church year was held at the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon by the Woman's Auxiliary.

Reports for the year were given by auxiliary officers and Mrs. Dalton Mitchell gave an account of the state meeting of church women held recently in Austin.

"What Is Ahead For Our Church," was discussed by Mrs. L. B. Edwards during an inspirational portion of the program which opened with the group singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

A formal installation of officers to serve during the coming church year will be held at the church next Monday when Auxiliary members meet in all-day session with a covered dish luncheon at noon.

Those attending were Mrs. Sam Baker, Mrs. J. B. Mull, Mrs. Steve Tamsitt, Mrs. G. A. Barnett, Mrs. A. B. Brown, Mrs. R. Gage Lloyd, Mrs. A. Ruhpr, Mrs. D. T. Evans, Mrs. J. G. Potter, Mrs. George Neill, Mrs. Raymond Dunigan, Mrs. A. A. Porter, Mrs. Neill Hilliard, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Dalton Mitchell.

The Boots and Bustle Club To Have Two Meetings At YMCA

The Boots and Bustle club will hold two meetings this week at the YMCA with sessions scheduled Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

The meetings have been called by Jack Haines, sponsor, to practice square dancing for a program to be presented soon for a local service club.

The club is still open to new members of the high school age group from 15-18, and a cordial invitation is extended to take part in activities.

Colorful costumes for the square dancers will also be planned at the meetings, and all members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Benson Gives Review At Meeting

A review of the book, "Our Country In India," was given by Mrs. J. D. Benson Monday afternoon when the Woman's Council met at the First Christian church.

Mrs. Benson opened the program with prayer, and those attending were Mrs. G. W. Dabney, Mrs. A. A. Marchant, Mrs. H. L. Bohannon, Mrs. Shelby Hall, Mrs. Harry Lees, Mrs. S. A. Peterson and Mrs. C. M. Shaw.

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New Patients Rarely Truthful With Doctor, Clinic Meet Told

DALLAS, March 18. (AP)—A new patient rarely is truthful with his doctor, Dr. John C. Whitehorn, professor of psychiatry at Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, says.

Whitehorn, speaking at the 16th annual conference of the Southern Clinical Society, said yesterday that "young doctors often are astonished when they realize patients are telling them bare-faced lies."

"But it is uncommon for patients to be 100 per cent honest with their physician at the start. You might say they are being untruthful as a defense measure. They exaggerate symptoms to be absolutely certain the doctor will take careful heed of their condition. They complain about pains they no longer feel — they limp a little longer than is necessary. Some individuals hide important symptoms from their doctor — afraid of what those symptoms might mean."

"I think it is a good thing for a physician to pretend to believe their untruthful patients — for a while at least. In so doing he can get a valuable insight into their mental attitudes and problems."

"All physicians are familiar with two types of patients. One category, when giving their case history, are garrulous — they talk and talk and never reveal anything. The other is the cagey variety. 'What seems to be wrong?' you ask him. 'Well, Doc,' he replies. 'That's for you to find out.'"

Too many doctors do not make the most of the initial meeting with the patient in which the case history is gotten. Too often, the history jotted down by the physician is an incomplete report. Securing of the case history should not be a routine thing — it should be an interview in which patient and doctor enjoy a social relationship.

"If conducted correctly, the physician should learn during the interview what sort of person he is dealing with, what the patient's attitude is toward his illness, toward the doctor, toward possible hospitalization and what the patient expects from the doctor."

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Cattle Raisers' Group Meeting
FORT WORTH, March 18. (AP)—The 17th annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association was scheduled to open officially here today.

Directors of the association met yesterday, with C. E. Weymouth, Amarillo, announcing that an agreement has been reached between the Agriculture Department of the United States and Mexico for control of Mexico's foot and mouth disease outbreak.

Weymouth said he was told of the agreement by Sen. Tom Connally and Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson.

Connally, in a telegram to Weymouth, thanked the association and its members for their interest and cooperation in working out the agreement.

Three days of the week have the names of heavenly bodies, Saturday (Saturn's day), Monday (moon day) and Sunday (sun day).

Quota For Methodist Centers Is Filled
DALLAS, March 18. (AP)—Three conferences have contributed \$213,000 toward a \$440,000 fund for Methodist student centers at state colleges, it was announced yesterday by Rev. Glenn Flinn, state director of the campaign.

Flinn said that North Texas had filled its quota of \$78,000, Northwest Texas \$85,000 and Central Texas \$50,000. He said the Texas and Southwest conferences would conduct their campaigns during the conference year beginning in June.

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'Lass O'Galway' Played At Grave

READING, Pa., March 18. (AP)—For the 50th consecutive year (and for possibly the last time), a coronist played "Lass O'Galway" and other Irish tunes over the grave of Tom Hannahoe as the clock struck midnight on St. Patrick's Day.

But Alvan Schaeffer, the man who made the strange pact for the yearly tryst in old Catholic Cemetery on Neversink Mountain, wasn't present for the memorial ceremonies. He died a week ago and was buried yesterday.

Schaeffer promised Hannahoe, self-styled "Mayor of Irishtown," he would play "Lass O'Galway" and "Nearer My God to Thee" over the innkeeper's grave as long as he lived. Hannahoe had vowed to keep Schaeffer's grave green if the latter had died first.

As the strains of the Irish melodies ended, three musicians played "Auld Lang Syne" in tribute to both men.

C-C Committee Reports Heard

Reports from various committees, including the ball park site committee, were heard at the regular meeting of the chamber of commerce Monday noon.

At the same time, resignation of Cecil Edwards as assistant manager of the chamber was announced. Edwards, who has been with the chamber approximately three months, has accepted a position with the public relations department of US Steel in Dallas. He expressed appreciation to the board and Manager J. H. Greene for the experience in being associated with the organization in Big Spring.

The ball park site committee reported on its survey and conferred further immediately following the board meeting.

H. W. Whitney reported on a conference he and Greene had in Fort Worth with War Assets Administration officials, expressing hope that the city would obtain buildings along the "line" (the concrete apron of the bombardier school) and perhaps most of the buildings sought by local units for various purposes. He also said plans were shaping for the annual spring clean-up campaign and hoped to launch it early in April.

W. S. Morrison reported on contacts made at Austin last week and Harold Steck urged directors to attend the meeting Saturday evening when Paul Griffith, national commander of the American Legion, visits the post here. K. H. McGibbon named Joe Pickle, D. E. Drum, Jake Douglass, V. A. Merrick, Leonard Coker, H. W. Smith, J. L. LeBlau, Harold Homan, Ben McCullough, and Dr. R. C. Trueblood to the International 87 Highway committee.

Mexican Company Gets Plane Rights
MEXICO CITY, March 18. (AP)—A Mexican aviation company has been granted a concession to operate a hydroplane passenger and freight service between Mexican Gulf ports and Galveston, New Orleans, Bermuda, and later with Central and South American points the Navy Department said yesterday.

The Navy declined to name the company but said service would be inaugurated in April with two four-motored hydroplanes. It said the Mexican base will be located at Frontera, Tabasco State, on the Yucatan peninsula.

EVALUATING SCHOOLS
MISSION, March 18. (AP)—A delegation of 23 Texas and Valley educators were engaged in an evaluation survey of local schools. Such surveys are made each five years for the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. Dr. J. G. Umstadt, of the University of Texas, headed the group.

Manufacturers predict early marketing of coin-operated gasoline pumps.

KEYS made at Johnny Griffin's

Field Service Jobs Open In Social Security

Examinations for jobs in the field service of the Social Security administration, to be filled in 30 offices in Louisiana, Texas and New Mexico, were announced today by the US civil service commission. Beginning salary for the positions, designated as field assistant and claims assistant, is \$2,394 per year.

Application cards and copies of the official announcement may be obtained from the regional director, 14th US civil service region, 210 South Harwood Street, Dallas 1, Texas, or any first- or second-class post office; or from the Board of US civil service examiners for the Social Security administration, 912 Maverick Building, San Antonio 5, Texas.

These are key entrance jobs in the social insurance program because of their direct contact with wage earners, claimants, employers, and the public. Successful performance in these positions is excellent preparation for advancement in the service.

Applications for the examination must be filed with the Board of US civil service examiners for the Social Security administration, 912 Maverick Building, San Antonio 5, Texas, not later than March 31, 1947.

A story carried recently on extension of benefits to dependents of veterans, not protected by the Veterans Administration, contained a line indicating Social Security benefits might be available to families of men not honorably discharged. This is in error, for all benefits under special amendments are contingent upon honorable discharges. Information may be had from the SS office in San Angelo.

Amarillo Building Hit By Dispute
AMARILLO, March 18. (AP)—All new construction here was stopped yesterday in a climax to a building dispute which flared openly March 6.

The dispute grew out of the refusal of the general contractors and home builders to recognize a small group of unskilled workers as a bona fide bargaining unit.

Work on 350 new homes and 440 commercial construction jobs was halted. About 1,800 builders tradesmen and laborers were affected.

J. E. Nicholson, secretary of the Building Trades Council, is seeking a closed shop on all Amarillo construction jobs. Contractors and home builders have stated they will not recognize common labor.

FM Station Asked
WASHINGTON, March 18. (AP)—Permission to operate an FM broadcasting station at Tyler was asked yesterday of the Federal Communication Commission, by Rose Capital Broadcasting Co., of Tyler.

Netherlands Trolley Workers Get Loan

NEW YORK, March 18. (AP)—The International Ladies Garment Workers Union (AFL), has loaned the Netherlands Trolley and Railway Workers Union \$100,000 for the purchase of overalls, shoes and other work clothes.

David Dubinsky, ILGWU president, handed the check for the three-year, interest-free loan to Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands ambassador to the United States, yesterday.

Truck Driver Hanged

LONDON, March 18. (AP)—Sidney Sinclair, 48-year-old truck driver, was hanged in Wandsworth Prison today for the murder of Miss Dagmar Petryzewska, 45 found strangled near her home last Nov. 8.

Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands ambassador to the United States, yesterday.

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Bendix washing machines can be delivered on notice from the floor

and Roper gas ranges are coming through. Maytag washers are sold by the store as well as Maytag's new gas ranges.

Delta power tools are moving faster and customers are taking advantage of the post-war marvel, the never-lift Proctor iron, available at the Big Spring Hardware and the conventional Proctor models.

T. B. Atkins, manager, has announced plans for the store's annual true value sale which will be coming up soon. Available will be a variety of merchandise at greatly reduced prices.

Magie Air conditioners will be featured by the store which will have available a good supply of conditioners to see local residents through the summer months.

The Big Spring Hardware will feature American Central steel kitchen cabinets and complete units for post-war home builders. Reports are that chromium plumber fixtures are now available, and paint and building supplies are arriving in greater quantities and in better qualities.

MATTRESS CONCERN HAS SUPPLY OF MATERIALS FOR RENOVATING

Adequate supplies for manufacturing and renovating mattresses of all types are now available at the Big Spring Mattress Co., 811 West Third, T. J. Mitchell, manager of the company, announced this week.

Mitchell said he had been able to secure quantities of box springs, ticking, innersprings and other materials, and workmen at the firm are prepared to take care of the householder's every need in the mattress line.

The Big Spring Mattress Co. offers customers a free pick-up and delivery service. Anyone needing

mattresses renovated or repaired is invited to call 1764, and the company will send a representative to make a free cost estimate. The free estimate entails no obligation, Mitchell added.

The Big Spring Mattress company now is handling an increasing amount of custom work. They have equipment and experienced personnel capable of making attractive cushions for window seats, etc., as well as new mattresses.

A specialty of the firm is the construction of new mattresses. They manufacture mattresses to any specifications of the customer.

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Thus, Big Spring Tractor company, headed by C. C. Worrell, is in a position to give farmers invaluable service.

Since the first week in November, Big Spring Tractor company has been engaged in carrying out its part of a nation-wide "on-the-farm" service program in order to save farmers precious time. As dealer distributor for the Ford-Ferguson system, Worrell has effected a policy of visiting farms in Howard, Martin, Glasscock and Borden counties served by Big Spring Tractor, offering checks by experienced servicemen and repairs, when indicated, "on-the-spot."

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MEXICO CITY, March 18. (P) — Appointment of Erain Dominguez as consul at Dallas was announced yesterday by the Foreign Office. Dominguez is currently acting consul at Fort Worth. Previously he had been stationed in Laredo and Galveston.

Union Vote Delayed

GALVESTON, March 18. (P) — A meeting of management and union representatives to make arrangements for an election to determine the collective bargaining agent for some 1,700 Todd-Galveston Dry Docks, Inc., employees, has been rescheduled from March 19 to March 25.

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Coordination Needed To Attack Issue

Several years ago when Marc Connally's historic "Green Pastures" played here, Big Spring got national publicity. "Green Pastures" played to the smallest gross in its entire history, a long glorious one, incidentally, when staged here. Recent events haven't helped our reputation. About the only instance we can recall with a really creditable performance drawing was the first Rubinoff concert. This year Rubinoff appeared again, and to half a house. Within the past two weeks Emanuel Mansfield, widely acclaimed Negro tenor, sang to a paltry house of about 75 people. "Shining Light," a Broadway success, drew 51 paid admissions for a refreshing presentation. The Texas Tech concert band, one of the finest such organizations in the world and capable of symphonic standing with the addition of strings, grossed only about \$400 for a wonderful program. The turnout for the Breden-Savoy productions of "HMS Pinafore" and "The Mikado," excellent entertainment by any standard, had embarrassingly small crowds.

Now, what is the matter with us? The most popular answer is that the city auditorium has a hex on it. This is such a silly response that it does not really warrant answer. The auditorium is as fine a plant for entertainments of all types as you will find. Visiting companies and artists are constantly amazed by its utility and fineness. It has been packed for light-billy forms of entertainment, notably light-billy concerts, stock companies, etc., so it must be in our tastes rather than in any "hex."

We certainly have no quarrel with those who like or even prefer light-billy music or tent-show productions. We do believe, however, that many of them would develop a taste for types of music and entertainment which have been more widely accepted.

What is the answer? Shall we give up? Those who have sought valiantly to establish varied and even higher quality entertainment here are entitled to resignation and despair in the face of almost disgustingly low response. But nothing can be accomplished by giving up. Thus, it seems to us that we have a job of education to do.

Our people are not fundamentally different. It is true that we have a more diverse community with emphasis on the

middle and laboring brackets. However, they are entertainment minded, as witness the support of six motion picture theatres, wrestling matches, various sports, amateur programs, etc. By the same token that one usually must develop a taste for olives, etc., taste must be developed for better entertainment. It is a long-range program and thus must be attacked on the widest possible base to get maximum participation. As someone has said, "you have to get people under the tent before they can see the show."

How can this be attained? Frankly, we don't know and it has us worried. These thoughts occur, however: That those interested in whipping this situation must coordinate their activities more closely than ever before. They must recognize the necessity of a long-range educational program. They may have to resort to the civic music association (or some such organization) theory despite some discouraging results in the past. They must concentrate on a few major offerings a year, selecting at first those which would not be too heavy and which would have the widest popular appeal. They might follow the underwriting procedure, not for financial reasons but to insure much greater salesmanship and participation. They might explore the idea of large blocks of tickets to students at nominal figures not only to provide a bulk (nothing succeeds like success) to audiences but because long-range education must certainly include our youth. They might give up the fallacious and dangerous notion that "publicity" (we sometimes think The Herald has been too liberal to a damaging fault in this respect) will put over anything. Widespread personal participation and not mere press notices do the job; and depending on publicity is to invite discouragement.

Finally, through a coordinated program, our many civic organizations might be encouraged to paint a realistic picture to rosy-eyed agents and not fall for the high-pressure talk that every production is a sure-fire money maker.

If enough people get concerned about this flaw in our being, we can get together for a cold, dispassionate diagnosis of our case. Then we can set about treating it, and, we believe, with hope of eventually good results.

AT THE CROSSROADS—AGAIN—



Hal Boyle's Notebook

Gambling Sermon

ABOARD A BUS IN FLORIDA. (P)—I have met a number of men who lived happily on their wives' money, but today for the first time I met one who had been supported for more than sixty years by racehorses. No minister ever preached a sterner sermon against gambling than this elderly tout, a neatly dressed dried up little character who was crowding 80 years.

"Going out to the track?" he asked me as he sat down.

"No."

"Good. Anybody that plays horses is crazy," he snarled. "It's a losing game. Been doing it for sixty years. Managed to keep even myself. But I know horses. Made a lot of gamblers rich in my time."

"Took \$1,500 out of Hialeah the last week. Probably lose it up north next month. Yep, I follow them the year round. It's a nice hobby for an old man with nothing else to do."

"Had a good time in Florida?"

"Now, I hate Florida. Had aches and pains in my legs for the first time in my life when I started coming here. Wouldn't come here if it wasn't for horses. Hate the people. Worst in the world."

"They'd take your teeth, these people—if they could. Well, they're beginning to close up the big hotels now. People starting north again. Now these crackers will have to go back to living on fish for the summer. I wouldn't throw them a sardine."

"The sun is the only real thing here. Everything else is a racket."

The old tout grumbled contentedly against Florida for another ten miles, then began snarling again when I asked if he were married.

"Another racket," he exploded. "No, I stayed single harness

all the way. Never worked at a regular job in my life either. Never will. All my brothers did. Are they any happier?"

The old man brooded.

"Son," he said, "the whole world is nuts. They try to justify the racketeers here by saying they help pay old age pensions. That's crazy, too."

We rolled to a brief halt before the racetrack entrance.

Before starting down the aisle the sharp-faced old man turned to me and said:

"Son, without that dollar you're nobody in this world. Remember that. I always keep \$1,000 in my pocket, and nobody pushes me around."

WORD-A-DAY

By MICKEY BACH

CULMINATION
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THE ATTAINMENT OF THE HIGHEST POINT; SUMMIT; ACME; CONSUMMATION

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Kind of "r" 25. Wondering tear
2. Arctic 26. Discover
3. Male cat 27. Trappings
4. Exist 28. Occupancy seat
5. Sun and 29. Malt beverage
6. Adult form 30. Sun and
7. An insect 31. The turner
8. Monkey 32. Golf instructor
9. Possessed 33. This
10. Citrus fruits 34. Purpose
11. Mistrustful 35. Inside covering
12. Salubrious 36. Title of a knight
13. Aerial railway 37. Large sea bird
14. Spider's trap 38. June bug
15. Devoiced 39. Samuel's mentor
16. Toward 40. Before
17. Lick up 41. Cluster of
18. Impelled 42. Fibers in wool
19. Nourished 43. Town in Delaware
20. Asiatic country 44. Roman numeral

DOWN

1. Snail-like fence 2. Asiatic nomad
3. Aardvark 4. Steered
5. Slip 5. Hilt hard
6. Eons 6. Tinted
7. Tinted 7. Tinted
8. Flavor 8. Flavor
9. Marine fish 9. Marine fish
10. One of an ancient race
11. Bovine animal 11. Bovine animal
12. Night before a holiday
13. Leheng's wife
14. Not professional
15. Ill-mannered child
16. Declare
17. Canva shelter
18. Probabilities
19. Moccasin
20. Be indebted
21. Excellent
22. Watered
23. Appearance
24. Criminal
25. Implement
26. Branch of the service
27. Gone up
28. Old womanish
29. Make amends
30. Level
31. Heavy breathing in sleep
32. Mythical monster
33. Journey
34. Notion
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Washington Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

Intentions Good, But Friends Bad

WASHINGTON. — Harry Truman will probably be known to posterity as a president having the best intentions in the world and the worst friends. Unfortunately some of those friends are now muddying the water in regard to the President's all-important program for Turkey and Greece.

Every administration has its hangers-on, who love to bask in the limelight focusing on the White House. But one of the weirdest satellites seen in Washington since the Harding administration is a Greek-born ex-boatblack from Kansas City named John Maragon, who despite an interesting police record bobs in and out of the White House like a shuttlecock and even enjoyed the unique privilege of traveling to the famed Potsdam conference.

Possibly more significant in view of the current Greek crisis, Maragon also was sent on a special mission to Greece. And because of his passionate devotion to the King of Greece and the unique position he enjoys around the executive offices, this so-called "Greek adviser" is arousing a lot of congressional curiosity.

In more ways than one, his history is unique.

It was less than an hour after Franklin Roosevelt died that John Maragon arrived at the White House to console and congratulate his old friend, Harry Truman. Thereafter he was given a special White House pass, plus a reserved parking place for his car just outside the executive offices. He accompanied the Roosevelt funeral train to Hyde Park, and shortly thereafter turned up in Potsdam along with Truman, Jimmie Byrnes, Churchill and Joe Stalin.

How he got there has baffled many people. Obviously he could not have made Potsdam without the blessing of the President of the United States. For transportation and housing was so tight that some members of the state department and the Pauley reparations mission were left behind in Paris.

Maragon not only got to Potsdam, however, but he came back with a pocketful of diamonds, presumably bought on the black market. Since then he has taken two other junkets to Europe, one to France to buy up French perfumes and the other to his native Greece where he got himself made an official member of the Allied mission for observing Greek elections. In this capacity, however, he got into trouble and was suddenly yanked home.

POLICE RECORD

The most interesting thing about Mr. Maragon is how he happens to be tolerated around the White House in view of his record.

It began back in Missouri as an agent for the FBI when William J. Burns was operating that agency. The narcotics racket at that time centered around Leavenworth, Kans., and Maragon was taken on to help track down the racketeers. He was shortly dropped from the FBI, however, for unexplained reasons, and later drifted to Washington where he became a bad-debt collector and credit investigator for several banks.

District of Columbia police records show that he once pleaded guilty of transporting liquor illegally (7-17-20), was three times arrested for disorderly conduct but never prosecuted, once as recently as last Nov. 20, and got into a brawl in the locker room of the Washington Senators where some of the ball players beat him up. Most interesting part of the police file pertains to the death of Police Detective Arthur Scrivener, Oct. 13, 1926, one of Washington's most mysterious homicide cases.

The Associated Press of that date carried the following story: "Detective Sergeant Arthur B. Scrivener, regarded as the most efficient operative in the Washington police department, was 'the happiest man in the world' because of his impending marriage this afternoon to Miss Helen Barnes Parker of McLean, Va. . . . But there will be no wedding, for thirty minutes after he had characterized himself as 'the happiest man,' he was shot and killed by an unknown assailant who escaped in the darkness."

Maragon was questioned regarding the death but established an alibi. Scrivener was finally declared a suicide. Maragon married the girl who was about to marry Scrivener.

SOCIAL WHIRL

Eventually, Maragon went to work for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad where he was contact with Congress and renewed his acquaintance with Harry Truman, then senator from Missouri. Maragon's job was to arrange funeral trains for deceased congressmen, and other special transportation. Salary: \$3,000.

Came Truman's sudden elevation upward. Suddenly Maragon's income zoomed to \$15,000, paid by perfume importer Dave Bennett.

Maragon was now in big-time society. Bennett's yacht was placed at his disposal, and one party aboard it even included Truman himself. Another famous Maragon entertainment was a "perfume party" at which a group of Washington socialites and wives of the "Little Cabinet" waited at the airport for the arrival of a TWA constellation carrying a consignment of perfume back from France. Bottles were passed out to the ladies present.

Secret service operatives charged with guarding the President at this time had objected to Maragon's constant presence around the White House, but it did no good. He continued to use his White House pass and his special parking place. Furthermore he flabbergasted the admirals by turning up with Truman on the Presidential destroyer during the Navy Day Fleet review in New York. He even sat next to the President's box with White House military aide Gen. Harry Vaughan during the Army-Navy game, and had enough influence to get a compartment for himself on the special train which carried the President to Philadelphia.

Last summer Maragon was one of the insiders participating in the rather delicate job of raising money for the President's hand-picked congressional candidate in Kansas City, Enos Artell, and collected, among others, from several Greeks.

Maragon is an intimate friend of the Reverend Thomas Daniel and Archbishop Athenagoras, the two Greek royalists who conferred with the President not long ago. He is reported to have helped arrange for their White House appointment.

Of late, the influence of this amazing individual is reported to be on the downgrade as far as the President is concerned. But it is not on the downgrade with Truman's military aide. Maragon is frequently seen riding in Vaughan's car and entertains the general in the swank Carlton hotel apartment which is now Maragon's headquarters.

It's a unique team — Vaughan and Maragon — and if a congressional committee ever probed deeply enough, it might find some highly interesting things, all the way from Greece to the war department, in which this pair have had their hands.

The President's congressional friends only hope that if aid to Greece is really important — and it is — he will be ultra-careful about the Greeks around him who may be seen bending gifts.

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The Nation Today—James Marlow—

'Stitch In Time' Might Help

WASHINGTON, (P)— This country faces some big questions in its new foreign policy. That policy, at this time, is to stop the spread of communism by giving help to the present governments to Greece and Turkey.

Greek communists are trying to overthrow the government there, and Turkey is under steady pressure from her neighbor, Russia.

If we don't try to stop the spread of communism right now, here's the most extreme thing which could happen:

All Europe and the rest of the world might go communist and we'd stand alone, the last refuge of capitalism.

We, then, could hardly hope to lick the world. But we're strong now and perhaps could whip any nation, including Russia, that got in our way.

So, by acting now, we might

save ourselves from being overwhelmed later.

President Truman wants to stop the spread now. He's asked Congress for \$400,000,000 for Greece and Turkey.

— And right there comes the No. 1 question:

When we've helped Greece and Turkey, do we stop right there in efforts to halt the spread of communism?

Or is this just the start? Do we go on from there, helping every country which seems in danger of falling under Russia's thumb?

(The President told Congress: "The free peoples of the world look to us for support in maintaining their freedom.")

Congress seems sure to give the President the money he asked for Greece and Turkey.

To do otherwise would discredit him and our foreign relations.

How long can we go on handing out supplies and money? Can we go on indefinitely like that without having war with Russia? That question is being asked in the Senate now.

So far Russia hasn't said anything official about Mr. Truman's new foreign policy. It isn't likely to remain quiet forever, and for this, if no other reason:

In stepping into the internal affairs of Greece, this country is ignoring the United Nations which we helped create to solve international problems.

Mr. Truman said the time is too pressing to wait for action by the United Nations. But would we permit Russia to make that excuse if she openly wanted to do something for the same kind?

Once we do it, Russia may feel free to do likewise. Then what happens to the United Nations?

Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

Soviet May Pull Up Drawbridge

Thus far Russia's public reaction to America's new policy for halting aggressive Communism hasn't been as explosive as many expected, and while there still is plenty of time for the lid to blow off, it isn't a foregone conclusion that it will.

This is no time for hasty predictions, but one of the possibilities certainly is that the Muscovites—having blasted Uncle Sam with hot words—may retire to their castle, raise the drawbridge behind them and leave the next move to him. Let's examine that situation from the standpoint of such a tactical move and see what it would mean.

First off, it's a fair assumption that Moscow already has achieved far more in the way of communization and extension of domination in Europe and Asia than it had expected to accomplish by this time, as noted in this column last week, even before the second world war broke out European observers credited Stalin with expecting that the second conflict was coming and that it would produce a widespread chaos in which the

Soviet Union would be able to spread Communism. However, while your columnist doesn't profess to be a mind reader, it's hard to believe that the Generalissimo anticipated so much success with so little opposition.

Of course much of the new Communist empire in Eastern Europe was created while the war was on. Country after country came under Moscow's control as the Red Army advanced. While this was a matter of concern for the Western Allies they offered no troublesome opposition. Those were the days when America and Britain carefully avoided words or incidents which might injure Big Three relations and so hurt the war effort.

As things stand, both Greece and Turkey are up againsts, the borders of Balkan States already absorbed by Russia. It's certain that the Communists in Yugoslavia and Bulgaria won't cease their efforts to cause a Red revolution in these neighboring countries. Moscow could turn its back to this and know full well that business was going on

at the old stand.

Then look at other phases of the situation: Wherever Russian troops are in occupation—Hungary, Austria, Germany, Korea—the Redism will continue to be the passport for the population. In China civil war rages between the Nationalist government and the Chinese Communists. In important western countries like France and Italy the Communists are so well organized as to be able to carry on without intervention by Moscow.

Thus, we see that the problem of combatting Communism can't be solved by the fairly simple expedient of giving aid to helpless states like Greece. Every country which has relations with Moscow is filled not only with diplomatic and consular agents of the Soviet Union but with the representatives of Russia's satellites, all of whom take orders from Moscow. The United States is host to a veritable army of Red representatives of one sort or another.

Meantime Russia is under no pressure to make a counter-offensive.

In Hollywood—Bob Thomas

Jane Russell Dislikes Camera Lens

HOLLYWOOD, (P)— Jane Russell has taken to the air like a Capistrano swallow and if she had her way, she might give up the peering camera lens for the more kindly radio microphone.

The 25-year-old victim of "The Outlaw" is contracted for 13 weeks as singer on the Kay Kyser show and, judging from the reaction of the band and public, she's likely to be a permanent attraction with the Ole Professor.

"Yes, I like radio much better

than making pictures," she told me. "It takes a thousand years to make a movie. And there's so much baloney connected with it."

As I watched her rehearse, one thought occurred: Jane is the foremost reason for hurrying up television. She prefers rhythmic, jump tunes and she puts her all (and that is plenty) into them.

Jane and her husband, Bob Waterfield, are thoroughly fed up with her initial film and she

has an oral agreement with Kyser that no mention of it or the usual "Jane Russell" gags will be made on the show.

Out in the San Fernando Valley, the California sun shines warmly on an intrepid little band of movie makers who are fighting the last stand of film slapstick. The troupe is headed by the Three Stooges, who for 13 years have been staging their mock battles for Columbia Pictures with all the banana cream pies, breakaway chairs and elusive blondes they can muster.

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Texas Today—Jack Rutledge

Rodeo Clowning Is Tough Life

Tens of thousands of Texans have just finished roaring with laughter at the antics of four clowns who enlivened the rodeos at the Fort Worth Exposition and Fat Stock Show.

"What a life," we heard one man say. "Just get out there and have a good time."

It isn't as simple as that. In fact, it isn't simple at all. It's pretty rough.

The clowns are George Mills, John Lindsey, Jasbo Fulkerson and Frank Knapp. They have showmanship—and courage. It takes both.

Jasbo Fulkerson, of Fort Worth, was hooked by a horn during the 1946 show, and went to the hospital with a gouged-out left eye. A bull hooked his barrel. But he was back in action last June, was tops during the March 5-16 show in Fort Worth.

George Mills, tallest of the stair-step clowns, has had his legs and feet broken and a chest bone fractured. Once he was the national bareback bronc riding champion.

John Lindsey was raised in Springtown, lives in Wichita Falls, and has seen most of the Fort Worth shows since 1924.

This was his first year as a Fort Worth clown, although he has been in the business for 21 years. For years he, also, was a bull riding, calf roping and bull-dogging contestant.

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Poland Buying Argentine Hides

WARSAW (P)— Poland, facing an acute leather shortage, is preparing to import over 5,000,000 pounds of raw hides from Argentina and Mexico.

First shipments are expected shortly under an agreement signed by the Central Administration of the Leather Industry with those countries.

It is estimated the raw materials will be sufficient for the manufacture of 2,500,000 pairs of shoes.

Ship's Captain Directs Picture

CHARLESTON, S.C. (P)— Photographers with the USS Little Rock on a training cruise for naval reservists found Capt. H. H. Smith-Hutton a good director.

The photographers were making group pictures by cities of the 300 reservists aboard.

Capt. Smith-Hutton noticed that the wind and spray made most of the men squint. He had the course of the ship altered to improve the pictures.

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Mickey Vernon May Wind Up With Yanks, Harris Hints

(NY) speculation was renewed today over the possibility of Mickey Vernon, American League batting champion and his hard-hitting Washington Senator teammate outfielder Stan Spence, being traded to the New York Yankees.

Manager Bucky Harris of the Yanks announced that he would confer with President Clark Griffith of the Nats within a few days.

During the winter, Griffith stated emphatically and often that Vernon, who batted .353, would not be traded under any circumstances but the "Old Fox" has changed his

mind in the past after equally emphatic statements when the right kind of a deal was offered.

It is believed that the Yanks are willing to part with Billy Johnson, Johnny Lindell, Steve Souchock or Jack Phillips and perhaps a pitcher in an effort to land Vernon for the Senators.

Other training camp notes: Fort Lauderdale, Fla. — After watching his scrubs take a 8-7 setback from their Milwaukee farmhands yesterday, Boston Brave manager Billy Southworth will whip his regulars back into action for today's tilt with the Philadelphia Athletics.

Lakeland, Fla. — Ted Williams, Johnny Pesky, Dom Dimaggio and Bobby Doerr, all slowed down by twinges, will remain behind today when the Boston Red Sox clash with the Detroit Tigers.

Lakeland, Fla. — The Detroit Tigers, who used five hurlers yesterday in dropping a 14-in-

ning decision to the New York Yankees, had to scrape for pitchers to send against the Boston Red Sox today. Freddie Hutchinson, who has complained recently of a sore arm, drew the starting assignment against the Sox.

Tampa, Fla. — Manager Johnny Neun of the Cincinnati Reds named two of his most promising rookies, Kent Peterson and Eddie Erault for mound duty against the Washington Senators today.

St. Petersburg, Fla. — Rookie Tommy Glaviano, subbing at third for veteran Whitey Kurowski who is still recuperating from an arm operation, has been playing a stellar role in the Cards' conquest of the exhibition circuit. His spectacular stop and long throw on Al Lakeman's grounder in the eighth inning with two out and a runner on third prevented Cincinnati from tying the score as the Red Birds defeated the Reds, 6-3 yesterday. Glaviano also started a Card at-

tack with a double to right center. Miami Beach, Fla. — Ellis Linsey, Nelson Potter and Jim Blibrey will pitch for the St. Louis Browns against Pittsburgh today.

Pasadena, Calif. — Manager Charley Grimm and General Manager Jim Gallagher of the Chicago Cubs have scheduled a meeting within the next two days for a discussion of the entire club personnel. They will decide who is doomed to the minors and those whose fate still is to be determined on future performance.

Panama City — Jackie Robinson, negro infielder playing for the Brooklyn Dodgers' Montreal farm club, continues his bid for a major league berth. The 27-year-old royal star, whose chances of making the grade at second or third with the Dodgers are practically nil, played first base against the Brooks yesterday and handled 13 chances without a miscue and collected two of the Royals' six hits as the two teams battled to a 1-1 tie.

Louis To Fight Once This Year

NEW YORK, March 18. (AP)— Joe Louis will make the 24th defense of his world heavyweight title on June 26 in Yankee Stadium but who the party of the second part will be was still a big question today.

Joe's managers, Marshall Miles and John Roxborough, announced plans yesterday for the Brown Bomber's third postwar championship engagement and at the same time emphasized that this will be the only time he will lay the crown on the line this year.

They virtually ruled out all other potential challengers except the survivor of the oft-postponed meeting between Bruce Woodcock, The British Empire champion, and Joe Baksi, the Kulpont, Pa. coal mine, now scheduled for April 15.

Sports circles in England generally agreed that it is doubtful that Woodcock will meet Louis. Both Woodcock and his manager, Tom Hurst, hedged when asked whether Bruce would make himself available if he got past Baksi.

"I don't know," was Woodcock's reply to a question concerning a Louis bout, after his 15-round victory over Stephen Olek of France at Manchester last night. "It's up to my manager."

Hurst said only "I haven't decided," but it was recalled that he had indicated previously he wanted Woodcock to get more experience against top-flight American heavyweights before taking on Joe Louis.

Texas Gets Chance At Nat'l Basketball Title This Week

Herd To Tangle With Wyoming

DALLAS, March 18. (AP)— The University of Texas, rated by many as the best college basketball team ever produced in the Southwest, has a chance to bring this section unprecedented glory this week in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament at Kansas City.

There's no use trying to convince yourself or anyone else that the Southwest is equal to other areas in basketball quality. The records won't bear that out. But this season Texas gave the first inkling that the Southwest is approaching that point. The Longhorns won six while losing one in inter-sectional play and among their victims were such worthies as Long Island U., Canisius and Oklahoma.

Southern Methodist helped by winning five against four losses in inter-sectional warfare and Arkansas broke even with six and six. But Texas Christian, Texas A&M and Baylor didn't help at all. A&M's 83-18 defeat by Kentucky is a huge blot. The Aggies claimed they were travel weary but it's hard to explain such a beating as that in any way except that the opposition was greatly superior. Baylor also tumbled before Kentucky and the score was 75-34.

But it's a shame Texas didn't get to match field goals with Radolph Rupp's great team. For the season the Southwest won 25 games and lost 37 in inter-sectional play. That's a poor record for the best all-around basketball conference ever had.

Longhorn Schedule Short Two Games

One of the first jobs confronting Pat Murphy, named recently to succeed Johnny Dibrell as high school football mentor here, will be to find two games to complete the 1947 Longhorn schedule.

An Autumn card of ten games was lined up late last year by Dibrell but school officials were informed that both Lubbock and North Side of Fort Worth would not be able to fulfill their commitments.

Big Spring was to have met Lubbock, a District 1AA power, on Sept. 26 and North Side on Oct. 31. Both games were to have been away from home.

Murphy revealed that a contract had all but been signed with a team to fill the Oct. 31 date. He said he preferred not to make an announcement as to the identity of the team until the game was assured.

Sept. 26, however, is wide open and the coach stated he would talk turkey with any Class AA team within traveling distance. The Steers would be in a position to either play here or the opposition's home field.

The Longhorns' present schedule calls for games with Cisco and Brownfield in addition to six 3AA opponents.

Murphy said Monday the Longhorn gridders would begin their initial spring workouts on Monday, April 14. That means the locals will work until about May 12.

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The public is invited to attend the Kiwanis banquet being given for Johnny Malaise and the high school basketball team, Walter Reed said this morning.

Plates to the annual dinner, which will be staged at the Settles hotel at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, are selling for \$1.50 each. Tickets are being sold through Reed at the high school and other members of the service club.

All members of the basketball club and all coaches, including Pat Murphy, who officially takes over as football coach next September, will be honor guests at the social. Something like 20 players make up the squad.

T. B. Atkins, president of the club, will act as master of ceremonies. A speaker for the event was to be named today.

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WITH TOMMY HART
Betty Blissard, the smooth-working cagerette who was the only player in the state high school girls basketball tournament selected unanimously by a jury of 12 judges for the all-tournament team, is a resident of Howard county.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blissard of the Lomax community, Betty learned the sport at Center Point under the watchful eye of County Supt. Walker Bailey, who was a teacher in that school at the time.

One of the reasons Betty elected to go to classes in Stanton instead of coming here, no doubt, was because the Martin county school has always emphasized both boys' and girls' athletics, whereas participation in sports is frowned on here.

An honor student, Betty is but 15 years of age. Her return next year, along with three other first stringers assures Coach H. G. Hambrick of another great team there.

Observers who saw the Hillsboro show last weekend say Betty turned in one of the greatest over-all performances ever seen in the nine-year old meet. Before the convention became history, sideliners were referring to her as the "Aerial Bomber." After the meet, several scouts from independent teams in Dallas tried to hire her to play there.

Professor Hambrick, incidentally, had nothing but the highest praise for East Chambers, the team that vanquished the Stanton girls in the finals. He says the sextet from Southeast Texas specialized in co-ordination and proved so difficult to corral because it featured no one player.

Glenn Redfield, track coach at San Angelo high school, probably did the smart thing by taking his Bobcats to the Comanche Relays at Fort Stockton last weekend. Redfield had been invited here but declined the offer.

The Felines rang up a total of 38 points in Fort Stockton to pace the field. In comparing the records compiled at the two meets, the Angelenos would have been lucky to tally ten points had they completed here.

As an example, Bobby Bauman of Amarillo won the 440-Yard run in exactly six seconds less than did Carlisle of Angelo in winning the Comanche quarter-mile. Had Carlisle run here, he probably would not have been able to place.

This month's West Texas Pro-Amateur golf tournament will be held at Odessa on Thursday, March 25, instead of Tuesday, March 27, instead of Tuesday, according to Shirley Robbins of the Big Spring country club.

A large local delegation will probably make the trip to the event, Robbins says.

High School cage coach Johnny Malaise didn't let a little thing like an automobile accident cheat him out of his golf game last weekend.

John suffered a badly battered lip in a Saturday evening mishap

but was out Sunday with Mule Stockton, shooting for record.

Bobby Feller, the Cleveland million dollar baseballer, will take his barnstorming baseball team to Tokyo, Japan, next fall. Robin made a mint of money out of the venture last year, should do even better this time out.

ISAACS PLANS FOR CAMPAIGN
High school baseball workouts will begin as soon as the weather permits, Coach Conn Isaacs has announced.

Isaacs said the team will undergo body conditioning drills at the high school football stadium until the baseball park is ready.

Most of the equipment needed to outfit the team is already on hand and will be distributed to the candidates this week, according to the mentor.

District 3AA baseball chieftains and its athletic executive committee are expected to meet shortly to discuss a conference schedule. It has also been revealed that Lubbock is seeking admittance into the league's baseball setup and will probably have a representative at the session.

The committee was supposed to go into conference here last Saturday but the parley was postponed due to cold weather.

Sterling Track Meet Rained Out
STERLING CITY, March 18.— Coach Chesney McDonald announced this morning that the Sterling City invitational track and field meet, which was to have been run off this afternoon, had been indefinitely postponed because of rain.

McDonald said there was a possibility the games would be staged Thursday but, of course, all plans depended on the weather.

Five teams, including the host clubs, were to have taken part in the meet.

LOBOS DRILLS
ALPINE, March 18. (AP)— A squad of 48 candidates turned out for the start of spring football training at Sul Ross college here yesterday. Among the group reporting to Coach Paul Pierce were 21 lettermen.

Toughies Foul Out At BSAC

Last night's clambake at the Big Spring Athletic club turned into quite a taffy-pull.

Pat O'Dowdy's referee, who was to come in from Amarillo, failed to show and the promoter had to enlist the help of his journeyman wrestlers. That proved a mistake, especially when Patrick elected to hire the ring toughies — Buck Lipscomb and Floyd Hanson and Kenny Mayne and he gave Hanson the business, disqualifying the Idaho hot potato for fouling.

Hanson then returned as the umpire in Lipscomb's setto with Ace Abbott and fixed the Hoosier's wagon, thumbing him to the sidelines for trying the rough stuff on the Abilene lad.

It must be said of the substitutes that they tried to run their show, while they were in there as the third man. Hanson got away with mayhem for a time, winning the first fall from Mayne in 19 minutes with a simple pin after softening up his foe with body blows.

Mayne, however, pulled even with a Japanese crab hold in 7½ minutes and had endured nearly ten minutes of agony in the deciding heat with Lipscomb called a halt and told Hanson to hit the road.

Abbott employed a jackknife or arm scissors to win the opening fall of his debate with Lipscomb but Bucko dipped deep into his bag of fiendish tricks to even matters. His mania for putting Abbott's lights out cost him the decision, however. He booted Ace viciously after Hanson had tapped him on the back and Hanson disqualified him.

BAYLOR WINS, 4-2
WACO, March 18. (AP)— Two freshman pitchers, Rickey Rowe and Fred Copeland, held the Brook army medical center nine of San Antonio to four hits yesterday as Baylor took a 4-2 victory.

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Housewife Unable To Eat Meal After Careful Preparation

One lady recently stated that she used to throw her own dinner to the dog most of the time. It made her sick just to look at anything to eat. She was swollen with gas, full of bloated, had headaches, felt worn out and was badly constipated. Finally she got INNER-AID and says she now eats everything in sight and digests it perfectly. Bowels are regular and normal. She is enjoying life once more and feels like "some other woman," since taking this New Compound.
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**Mechanic Gets 25
Years For Rape**

SAN ANTONIO, March 18. (AP)—A criminal district court jury yesterday assessed a 25-year penitentiary sentence against Homer Stubbs, 51, automobile mechanic, who pleaded guilty to a charge of rape of a 15-year-old girl.

Judge W. W. McCrory also assessed Stubbs a 25-year term when a second charge was reduced to assault with intent to rape.

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Allis-Chalmers Strike Is Probed

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 18. (AP)—The long, costly strike at the Allis-Chalmers plant, in Milwaukee occupied attention of leaders of the CIO United Auto Workers today, even as a congressional subcommittee continued its probe into affairs of the Allis-Chalmers U-AW local.

President Robert Buse of Local 248, which has been strike-bound since last April, headed a four-man delegation that appeared before the union's international executive board to make a full report on events that preceded the congressional inquiry.

Buse and Harold Christoffel, honorary president of the local, are being investigated by the congressional group to determine whether the two UAW officials perjured themselves when they denied they were Communists.

Included in the four-man group with Buse were Fred McStroul and Joseph Dombek, officers of the local, and Albert E. Glenn, international representative of the local.

Kleberg Improving

WASHINGTON, March 18. (AP)—Former Representative Robert Kleberg, of Corpus Christi, was reported to have had a very comfortable evening yesterday in a Washington hospital. He was admitted to the hospital several days ago for treatment of a heart ailment.

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New US Ambassador In Britain Prepares To Present Credentials

LONDON, March 18. (AP)—This was "settling in" day at the American Embassy for smiling Lewis W. Douglas, the United States' new envoy to the Court of St. James'.

The ambassador, who arrived by plane Sunday, quietly inspected his office and met his staff at the big Buff Building fronting famous Grosvenor Square, the Mayfair Green spot now being cleared for erection of a statue of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Sometime today the wheels of diplomatic protocol will turn out the timetable ritual that will make Douglas' position official. The British will fix the hour for the ambassador's first formal call at the foreign office and his subsequent presentation at court. His credentials probably will be received by the Duke of Gloucester, acting for King George VI, now touring South Africa with the Royal family.

George Wilson British bicycle

manufacturer, hearing that Douglas was an ardent cyclist but had not brought his own machine with him, asked the new ambassador to accept a Wilson model as a gift.

The new ambassador began his duties amid a growing press controversy over President Truman's plan to aid Greece and Turkey. Douglas himself did not comment on the question on his arrival yesterday, limiting himself to a brief expression of confidence in British-American relations.

"The relationships between America and Britain are stronger now than they have ever been," Douglas told reporters when his plane landed at a London airport. "I hope that during my term of office they will become even stronger." Earlier he told newsmen who met him during a stop-over at Shannon, Eire.

"There's a tremendous sympathy in the United States for Britain's present economic predicament, coming as it does after seven bitter years of war," he said.

Grain Movements Here Respond To National Market Increases

market increases, grain movements have flared here within the past fortnight.

Buyers, however, agreed that it was a flicker, at best, for comparatively little grain is left from last year's short crop.

Estimates Monday were that 15 carloads have cleared here since March 1, part of it coming out of buyer storage and a major portion

out of private storage in the rural areas. In all, something better than 600 tons have been moved to market.

One buyer estimated that half of his volume went to the chicken feed mills, processing for South Texas demands. The balance went to the government's foreign purchase program with the grain destined for overseas relief.

Since March 15 the market on No. 2 milo has jumped by 50 to 60 cents here, with an even greater rise noted since the forepart of February. Buying for foreign delivery is credited with contributing largely to the steady rise.

Buyers felt that there is comparatively little grain left in this vicinity beyond planting and home feeding needs. It is probable that another 400 tons will wrap up the movement for the season.

Booth Operated By Blind Opens

A concession booth, set up under the supervision of the State Commission for the Blind, opened for business in the lobby of the post office building yesterday.

The stand, 32nd of its kind installed in Texas by the commission, is under the management of Charles Boland, who is partially blind. Boland recently moved here from Dallas.

Boland's initial merchandise was paid for through funds allotted by the state. Furniture for the booth, which was specially designed to match the postoffice wood work was made by a San Antonio concern.

Eugene Tyler of Austin, stand supervisor for the commission, assisted Boland in setting up the booth and helped him move in his stock.

Disabled veterans are ordinarily given first choice if they apply for such a booth through the commission but Boland's application was favorably considered when no handicapped ex-serviceman asked to be considered.

Fire Claims Lives Of Five Brothers

TEWKSBURY, Mass., March 18. (AP)—Fire, which swept the bedroom of a Tewksbury dwelling, had claimed the lives of five tiny brothers today.

One of the tots was found dead in the ruins yesterday by firemen and four others died during the day and night at the Tewksbury State Hospital.

Timothy Fallon, one, was beyond aid when firemen reached him in the charred ruins of the bedroom of the family home. His brothers, Jeffrey, four; Michael, two; Lynne, three, and William, five, died at the hospital despite long vigils by doctors in an effort to save them.

Physicians said all suffered burns over most of their bodies that failed to respond to the latest types of treatment.

Neighbors reported an explosion preceded the fire which broke out while the father, William, was at work and their mother was visiting a sick neighbor.

NEW RAILWAY AGENT
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E. Daubenspeck Will Confer On N-S Road Here

Edwin A. Daubenspeck, formerly secretary of the Shelby, Montana chamber, has been named as field representative of the International 87 Highway association and is expected to confer here soon with chamber of commerce officials concerning promotion of the north-south international route.

The representative is covering the length of the association, from Dawson Creek in British Columbia to the southern terminus in Texas. Among other objectives, the International 87 Highway association proposes to handle traffic from the Alaskan highway through the United States over 87 to Laredo where it would connect with the Mexican section of the Pan-American highway.

L. A. Wilke, manager of the Sweetwater board of city development, he called a meeting of representatives from cities along US 80 from Marshall to El Paso and US 67 from Texarkana to Dallas. Purpose of the party, set for April 5 at Sweetwater, is to hear and discuss plans for development of an interregional highway along the route. Wilke said that Fred Kneisch and Fred Wemple of the state highway commission and D. C. Greer, state highway engineer, were scheduled to be at the meeting. Among others to be on the program are Chris Fox and C. E. M. Pooley, El Paso, Charles Cotten, Fort Worth, R. M. Cliff, Dallas.

British Royalty To Get Texas Fruit

HARLINGEN, March 18. (AP)—The British Royal Family will soon be sent ten boxes of fancy Texas citrus fruit.

The gift of the Texas Citrus and Vegetable Growers and Shippers Association will be included in the 50,000-box cargo to be loaded at Brownsville March 25 aboard the freighter Chippewa. This shipment will be the last of several to be exported to England this season.

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California's Oil Output Increases

TULSA, Okla., March 18. (AP)—California's daily crude oil production for the week ended March 15 averaged 914,000 barrels, an increase of 14,500 barrels over the previous week's figures and a new peace-time high for the state, the Oil & Gas Journal reported today.

The national average daily production was 4,853,940 barrels, an increase for the week of 7,065 barrels.

Other states which showed noteworthy gains were Kansas, up 5,150 barrels to 260,700; Oklahoma, 1,050 barrels to 367,450; and Louisiana, 900 to 414,050.

Mississippi had the biggest production decline, down 3,850 barrels to 83,345. The Eastern area was 3,500 lower to 57,500. Illinois dropped 3,100 to 190,500, and Michigan declined 1,250 to 42,155.

Texas' output was unchanged at 2,129,750 barrels.

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