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Chaos In France, Italy Watched By Big Four

Command Performance



Film star Loretta Young curtsies before Queen Elizabeth, right, at the command performance of an American motion picture at the Odeon Theater in London. The star's husband, Thomas H. Lewis, center, smiles. (NEA Radio-Telephoto).

RIVIERA PREPARING FOR GALA SEASON AT NICE

By Fernand D'Ainville
United Press Staff Correspondent
NICE, France (UP) — Despite Europe's ever tightening control of foreign exchange for tourist purposes, this Riviera capital is preparing a gala season.

Plans for the famous carnival and for international sports, jazz and beauty festivals are going ahead on a pre-war scale.

The carnival will begin Jan. 29 with an official welcome to His Majesty, King Charles LXIII. The traditional grand parade is scheduled for Feb. 1, and city authorities promise more floats than last year.

The theme of this year's carnival—dedicated to Lilliput—is built around the fact that electric trolley wires along the Avenue of Victory, the route it will follow, are too low to allow for the usual towering floats. The floats will be limited in height but will be broader and longer than in the past.

The first in the famous series of "Battles of the Flowers" will take place Feb. 5. Fireworks and opera galas also will be a feature of the festival.

Prior to the carnival, operas will be held throughout January. Singers from Paris, the Scala in Milan, and Vienna will take part. An international basketball tourney is scheduled for Jan. 1-4.

The most famous bands in the world will take part in the international jazz festival set for Feb. 18-26. Six nations will be represented. A representative of the French government's radio is currently in the United States to sign up important orchestras. The last evening of the festival will be broadcast all over the world.

Leading French couturiers will send their most beautiful models here for the grand gala of Paris fashion March 6 at the Hotel Negresco.

Internationally known tennis stars will play in a tennis tournament March 21-29.

The international horse show, scheduled for April 15-28, has special significance this season, preceding as it does by a few months the Olympic Games, which will be held in England next summer. Fifteen foreign teams have already signed up, more than ever before in Nice history.

The international automobile "Grand Prix" will take place April 4.

"Queen Venus of the Sea" will be crowned the week of Aug. 13-17. Beauty queens from all over the world will be invited to take part.

Seventy-one per cent of the earth's surface is covered with water, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

2 Fathers Unaware That Boy Met Girl

MILWAUKEE (UP) — John Dehring and Sam Takernan worked side by side at a foundry for several months.

Then they met at a church wedding one day, and each asked the other, "What are you doing here?"

They discovered John's daughter, Martha, was to marry Sam's son, Jack.

It was the men's first knowledge of their new relationship.

It's A Wonderful Sight



Otto Horst, Birmingham, Alabama farmer and florist, who has just regained his sight after 32 years of almost total blindness, points out the beauties of his 25-acre farm to his granddaughter, Betty Joyce Adkins, and his faithful dog, "Rabbit," both of whom he saw recently for the first time. A surgical operation restored the sight of one eye; he had been blinded by a premature dynamite explosion. (NEA Telephoto).

WEATHERFORD DOWNS RANGER BY 32 TO 0

In the final conference game of 1947 played in Ranger Thursday afternoon the Ranger Bulldogs bowed to the Weatherford Kangaroos to the tune of 32 to 0.

Though the Bulldogs went into the game scheduled to lose, they played one of the best games of the season but were never able to make the final push. The Bulldogs' closest threat was made when they carried to Weatherford's 10 yard line but were penalized and the ball went over on downs.

Weatherford kicked off to Ranger with Lanier receiving. After the Bulldogs failed to gain a first down they kicked to Weatherford. Lynch returned the kick to Ranger's 20 yard line. On four more plays with Lynch carrying each time, the last time from the 6 inch line, he went over for the first score of the game. The Kangaroos were penalized on the try for extra point play and the ball carried back 15 yards. The kick for the extra point failed.

As play was resumed, Williams on a hand-off play carried 30 yards but again a penalty stopped their chances. Ranger's short punt from the 5 yard line rebounded and Weatherford took over on Ranger's 5 yard line. On a quick play the Kangaroos went over for another score and the kick was good for the extra point, making the score 13 to 0.

Though the Bulldogs were unable to score in the second quarter they held the Kangaroos to a scoreless quarter. The ball passed from one team to the other on punts and the half ended with the Bulldogs deep in Kangaroo territory. Lanier, Williams, Townzen, Imholz, Gray and Deaton did outstanding work for the Bulldogs in the first half.

On the opening kick of the second half Weatherford returned to the 32 yard line but met a stone wall on the following plays. They kicked to Ranger, Williams taking the kick on his own 31 and from there returned to the 46. Here the Bulldogs showed their greatest drive of the game stacking up three first downs in a row. Still unable to drive over they kicked to Weatherford's 31. Again the Kangaroos were goal line bound and Lynch carried over. McCauley converted the extra point making the score 20 to 0.

Townzen made a nice return on the kick to Ranger and on a hand-off from Gray, Townzen picked up 15 more yards but the play was called back on a penalty. An exchange of punts followed and early in the fourth quarter Johnson ran 60 yards for another Kangaroo marker but the extra point kick was no good. The final score of the game was made on a long pass from Moughon to Taylor who was standing in the end zone. The try for extra point failed.

Game At A Glance	
Ranger	Weatherford
10 First Downs	8
154 Yds. Rushing	191
39 Yds. Passing	89
7 for 179 Punts	3 for 70
6 of 10 Passes Comp.	4 of 8
6 for 50 Penalties	5 for 55

Whale Hunters Find Radar Doesn't Work

PORTLAND, Ore. (UP) — Whale hunters along the west coast say that war-developed submarine detectors don't help much in spotting the silent mammals.

The gadgets, including radar and airplane spotters, didn't work out as well as the old crows-nest "Thar she blows" method. Fathometers actually frightened the whales away.

However, surplus naval mine sweepers are being used with a deadly effect as killer boats. They are equipped with muzzle-loading harpoon guns and 80-pound harpoons with an exploding head.

The modern Capt. Ahabs can knock off a whale at a hundred yards. If it's a clean kill, they tow it in tail first. Otherwise, they have to play the whale as sportsmen play salmon, sometimes for several hours.

HARRIMAN TESTIFIES ON PRICES

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman told Congress today that the administration hopes to roll back the prices of meat, steel and lumber under its anti-inflation program.

Above all, he said, the administration seeks to halt the upward trend of prices.

Harriman made the statements before the joint Congressional economic committee which is considering President Truman's 10-point anti-inflation program.

Harriman testified under questioning that rationing and price control of such important items as meat is one of the matters of the program contemplates dealing with.

He suggested that the committee ask Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson about exact plans for a roll-back in meat prices. But he reminded the committee that there would be less meat next year than now.

Mr. Truman, in his message to the emergency session of Congress Nov. 17, asked standby rationing and price control powers early on scarce, basic cost of living items, which would be used only if needed.

HEARING HELD ON BUSLINE'S EXTENSION

Hearing on an application by the West Texas Transportation Company of Eastland for a permit to extend its services from Post to Lubbock, was held in Eastland this week before Examiner Bassett of the State Railroad Commission. The application is being opposed by the Texas, Oklahoma & New Mexico buses, with headquarters in Lubbock. Johnny Aaron of Eastland is owner of West Texas Transportation Co.

The Eastland concern was represented by Attorneys Jack Frost of Eastland, B. L. Templeton of Abilene and Herbert Smith of Austin.

Between 80 and 90 witnesses were offered and examined at the Eastland meeting which was held on the Connellie Hotel Roof Garden and lasted two days.

The hearing was adjourned to be continued in Lubbock on January 7 and 8 when the opposition will be heard.

Wednesday night following the hearing Mr. and Mrs. Aaron gave a venison supper for the attorneys, including Amos Felts of Austin and V. T. Seaberry of Eastland, representing the Lubbock concern; the examiner for the Railroad Commission and his reporter, Mr. Dickie, and a number of others. The supper was on the roof garden of the Connellie.

The Flowers That Bloom In The Fall Tra-La

ROCK ISLAND, Ill. (UP) — Violets were blooming on the sunny side of the street in Rock Island a day before Halloween.

Mrs. Russell E. Parker thought her four year old son was seeing things.

"Please, mother, can't I pick the little blue flowers?"

"Why, Johnny," she replied "there aren't any flowers like that at this time of year."

But when she investigated, a bouquet of blue violets sat on the breakfast table. They were picked from a patch Johnny discovered on the south side of their yard.

Angler's Haul Mixed Up
INDIANAPOLIS (UP) — Leonard Brammer went fishing for bass at night. He caught a 15-inch one and then landed another catch—a hoot owl with a wing spread of nearly 45 inches.

New York State's poultry population averages about 12,000,000 birds. Chickens are found on approximately 107,000 farms in the state.

TAFT AGAIN CHALLENGES POWER REQUEST

WASHINGTON — Sen. Robert A. Taft, R. O., today challenged the "good faith" of an administration request for limited revival of the wartime system of allocating industrial materials.

Taft, chairman of the House-Senate economic committee, clashed with Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman over whether the administration was asking for unlimited or limited powers. He insisted that the request called for unrestricted authority.

Harriman appeared before the committee for further questioning on testimony he gave two days ago. The committee is considering President Truman's anti-inflation proposals. Harriman was asked what materials might be subject to controls besides steel, which he mentioned previously.

As he named them, emphasizing that "limited" use would be made of the proposed powers, Taft interrupted to ask—

"What's this about limited authority. It seems to me you're asking for complete authority."

Harriman insisted the administration merely wanted power to issue priority orders and orders to limit use of scarce commodities affecting the cost of living and industrial production.

Rotarians Hear Plans For Three County Show

James P. Morris was in charge of the program for Rotary Club at the regular meeting held Wednesday at noon at the Gholson Hotel and presented R. B. Thomas, Jr. who discussed plans for the tri-county livestock show to be held in Ranger in the spring.

Thomas explained that livestock men and FFA and 4-H Club boys in Eastland, Palo Pinto and Stephens counties will be invited to place entries in the show. Cash prizes totaling \$500 will be given for winners in the boys' division of the show and ribbons will be given in the adult exhibits. He also told something of the West Cross Timbers Sheep and Goat Raisers Association shows which will be held here in 1948 and 1949.

Morris announced plans for the completion of the show barn at the Ranger rodeo grounds.

Roscoe Hopper was inducted into the club with C. E. May, Sr. in charge of the ceremony. Dr. Claude P. Jones gave a report on the sale of tickets for the home talent musical on December 16.

Guests at the meeting were George I. Lane, Raymond Harris and Mr. Curtis of Eastland, Bill Lawson of Haskell and J. W. Slaughter of Cisco.

Final Rites For Sam Maxwell Held Thursday P. M.

Funeral services for Sam Maxwell, 59, who died Wednesday morning in a hospital at Gorman, were held Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at Hamner Funeral Home in Eastland. Rev. Lee Fields, Baptist minister of Carbon, officiated. Interment, with Hamner's of Eastland in charge, was in the cemetery at Carbon.

The deceased, a bachelor, had resided on a farm just west of Carbon for the past 30 years or more. He is survived by several brothers including D. and Walter Maxwell of Carbon.

One Use For It
ALBANY, N. Y. (UP) — The War Assets Administration sold one of its surplus barrage balloons to a nearby tavern keeper. He said he would use it for a flying advertisement to inform the public that his establishment was "500 feet ahead."

Nature has provided polar bears with hair on the soles of their feet so they won't skid on ice.

ITALY ORDERS ARMY TO TAKE OVER MILAN

ROME — The government today ordered Italian military authorities to take over control of the key northern industrial city of Milan where Leftist demonstrators and Partisans have taken over the federal building and called a 12-hour general strike.

Whether the government's order to the army means that troops would make a forcible attempt to drive the Left-wing adherents from the federal prefecture in Milan was not immediately known.

However, the government order said that "military authorities" had been directed to assume all civil and military power in Milan at 3 p. m.—12 noon CST.

Milan police headquarters was advised of the order which was believed to be a preliminary to declaration of a state of martial law in the turbulent northern metropolis.

The general strike and occupation of the Milan prefecture was decreed by the Left-Wingers in protest against the ouster of the Milan by the rightist government in Rome.

The prefecture was occupied as the climax to a march by thousands of Leftists on public buildings in Milan. Partisans and workers were bivouacked in the prefecture courtyard, eating lunches sent from communal kitchens.

Three leaders of the demonstration entered the offices of the federal building. Only half a dozen of the regular civil officers remained.

Jo Anne Deaton Presented As 1947 Sweetheart

In a colorful half-time ceremony Thursday afternoon at the Ranger Weatherford football game Jo Anne Deaton was presented as the 1947 Bulldog Sweetheart.

Miss Deaton was escorted to the center of the playing field by Co-Captain Bobby Williams. There she was met by Misses Pat Wallace and Joyce Cole, cheerleaders, escorted by Co-Captain Bob Balch who gave Miss Deaton the Sweetheart's bouquet of white mums tied with maroon ribbons.

The Ranger High School band created a colorful background for the presentation by forming a heart around the group and playing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

Miss Deaton, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deaton and a senior in Ranger High School, was elected Sweetheart by the members of the football squad, but her identity was kept secret until the presentation at the final game of the season.

Eastland Boy Is Elected A Member Honorary Society

Charles Freyschlag, a senior student in Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, has been elected as a member of the social committee of Alpha Chi, honorary student society, it was announced this week.

Freyschlag is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Freyschlag of 1207 Mulberry, Eastland. To qualify for membership in Alpha Chi a student must have maintained a high scholastic standing for his first two years in college, show a good record for attendance, and have a good reputation.

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Calves 1100. Mostly steady clean up trade. Few good and choice fat calves 1900-2250, odd head higher.

Hogs 400. Slow. About steady with Wednesday's average. Few good and choice butchers over 200 lbs 2575, the top.

Cardinals Sold



Sam Brendon, owner of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team, as he made true the recent strong rumor that he was selling the St. Louis Cardinals to former Postmaster General Robert Hannegan and his partner, Fred Saigh, Jr., for an undisclosed amount. (NEA Telephoto).

Transient Negro Fined In County Court For Theft

Willie Jackson, 62 year old negro, was arrested by Eastland officers at the Greyhound bus station in Eastland and charged with the theft of more than \$5.00 and less than \$25.00 in value from the bus station in Ranger. He entered a plea of guilty before Judge P. L. Crenshaw and was sentenced to 30 days in the Eastland county jail and to pay a fine of \$25.00 and cost.

Jackson, according to the officers, admitted that he was just out of the Florida State penitentiary. He also told officers that his home was in Oregon and that he was en route there.

Olden Hornets Lose To Putnam Panthers By Score of 20-7

The Putnam Panthers outplayed the Olden Hornets by a score of 20 to 7 at Maverick Field, Eastland, Wednesday afternoon. The game determined which of the two teams remained in second position in final district 14-B standing.

Happy Family



Mr. and Mrs. Bleriot H. Lamare and their dog "Lucky" as they received reporters in their Dayton, Ohio, home. Mrs. Lamare has threatened a slander suit against Maj. General Bennett Meyers who swore to Senate investigators that a clandestine affair with her inspired him to set up the Dayton firm with her husband as president. (NEA Telephoto).

MAY HALT ANY SETTLEMENT OF VITAL GERMAN ISSUE

LONDON — The Big Four foreign ministers council today was confronted by the prospect that Communist-inspired chaos in France and Italy may preclude the negotiation of any compromise on the vital issue of Germany.

Before the ministers met for their fourth session Secretary of State George C. Marshall conferred at length with Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and received a pessimistic first-hand report on the political and economic difficulties which already have half paralyzed France.

High American officials suggested that the United States would be "foolhardy" to make any compromise agreements on Germany before ascertaining how the test of Communist strength in France—and also in Italy will end.

Marshall was understood to have promised Bidault every possible aid to combat both the Communists and the Right Wing movement of Gen. Charles De Gaulle.

However, it was believed that Marshall probably conceded to Bidault that if the United States had to choose between the Communists and De Gaulle, America would have to support the former Free France leader rather than see France go by default to the Communists.

While American quarters saw no prospect of any explosion at the London conference which would produce an irrevocable split between east and west, they also conceded that the critical situations in France and Italy probably would prevent the ministers from arriving at any agreement on Germany.

Bidault told Marshall today that he considered that a general discussion on Germany was still the question of Germany's frontiers is settled. However, Russia equally is insistent that the frontier question be put aside until an agreement is reached on the future government of Germany.

France Recalls About 80,000 Military Men

PARIS — The new French government, grappling with a nation wide strike of 2,000,000 workers and fresh out breaks of violence today recalled for army service about 80,000 men of last years military class.

Premier Robert Schumann's cabinet, meeting for four hours in emergency session, was reported to have discussed the mobilization of striking dockers, miners and railway men. It did not reach a decision.

The minister of armed forces also suspended special classifications for members of the class of 1947. The official journal said all men who had been permitted to defer military service as students or in some other category were ordered to report for training.

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The Eastland County Sheriff's office has issued warning to merchants and other business people of this County that they have been advised by the F.B.I. that a forger of certified checks is working in this area and that people accepting checks should exercise the greatest caution where they do not personally know the parties offering them, even though the checks are certified.

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 wanted it a bill at a time.

P. A. Fries, the proprietor,
 looked at the leveled weapon and
 started dishing it out just that
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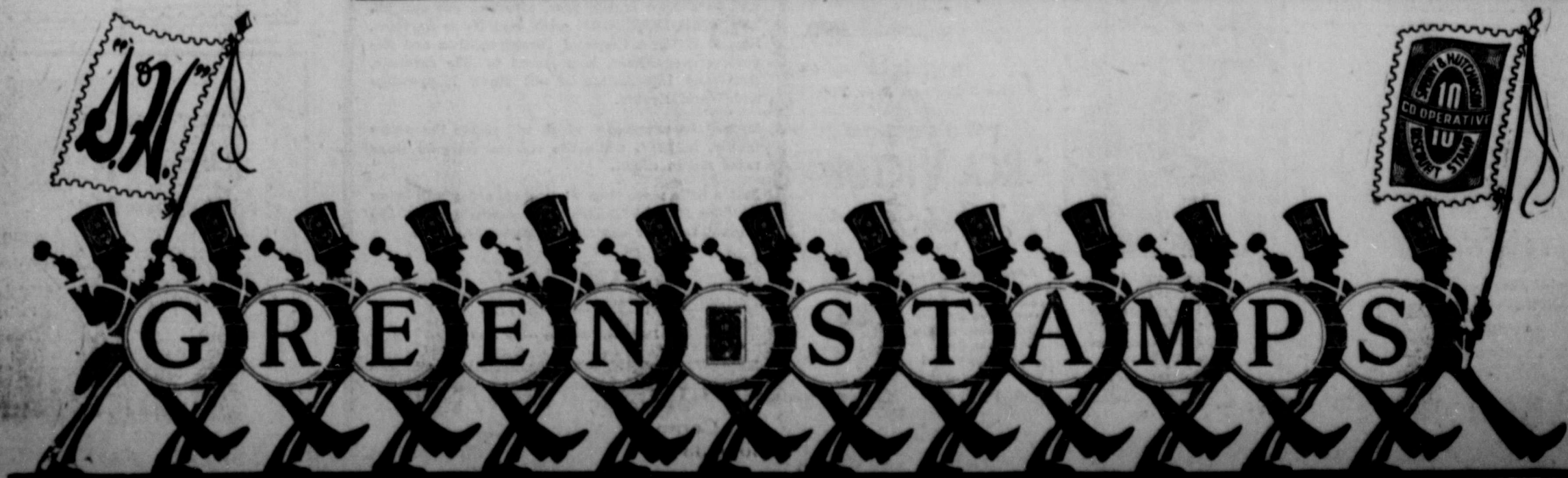
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Personals

Bob Hunt, who is attending the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Oklahoma, is home to spend the holiday week-end with his mother, Mrs. Susan Hunt.

Misses Katherine Adams and

Lynn Pearson of Cleburne are spending the holidays with their parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Calvert have had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boswell of Bastrop.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Knox are spending the week-end in Dallas.

Mrs. J. H. Clemmer is seriously ill at her home west of Ranger. Among those here to be with her are her daughters, Mrs. J. H. Myrick of Cisco and Mrs. Oscar Stiffler of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. King had as their guests for Thanksgiving, Mrs. King's mother, Mrs. T. B. Bass of Abilene and her brother, T. J. Bass and Mrs. Bass and sons, Tommie and Billie of Olney.

Mrs. F. S. Neal has returned from a visit in Cameron, West Virginia. She with her son, R. F. Neal, flew from Pittsburgh to Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond of Cisco were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell and daughter, Carol, of Hugo, Oklahoma visited her mother, Mrs. W. S. Adamson over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Suffody and daughter spent Thanksgiving with his parents in Sulphur, Oklahoma.

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Mr. and Mrs. Grady King visited her parents in Durant, Oklahoma over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler of Austin, and Miss Ann Matthews, a student of Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., are here for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hickey and son, Jackie, spent Thanksgiving day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hickey, in Mineral Wells.

SOCIETY

Susannah Wesley Circle Meets Mon.

The Susannah Wesley Circle of the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. A. W. Brazda with Mrs. J. T. Killingsworth as co-hostess.

Mrs. Brazda, circle chairman, presided over the business meeting and thanked officers and members for their cooperation during the past year.

Mrs. J. S. McDowell presented the council program and gave the devotional "Let Us Search And Try Our Ways." Scripture readings were given by Mrs. Tom Stewart, Mrs. T. C. Wylie, and Mrs. G. D. Nicholson. Mrs. Joe Scott discussed "This is An Orderly World For Children."

Mrs. Arthur Deffebach was elected to represent the circle for life membership. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Hightower.

Hostesses served refreshments to the following members and visitors: Meses. G. C. Boswell, Emerson Carney, E. Hightower, R. E. Johnson, H. W. Imholz, J. A. Bates, J. S. McDowell, Lee Dockery, Tom Wilson, M. H. Hagaman, G. D. Nicholson, T. C. Wylie, T. D. Stewart, Arthur Deffebach, J. A. Knox, Joe B. Scott and Shelene Scott.

New Era Club Has Annual Dinner Monday

The New Era Club held its annual Thanksgiving dinner Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Wolford with husbands of club members as guests.

The house was attractively decorated with autumn flowers. A centerpiece for the piano was cleverly made of a large Thanksgiving turkey with real tail feathers, surrounded by autumn leaves, orange candles, berries and giant orange mums. Place cards in the shape of tiny Pilgrim hats marked the places of guests.

The Thanksgiving dinner was served by members of the entertainment and hospitality committees. Following the dinner, games of forty-two were played with Mrs. Ross Richards winning high score for ladies and Paul MacDonald for the men.

Those attending were Meses. and Meses. V. V. Cooper, Jr., L. L. Bruce, W. F. Creager, Paul MacDonald, Vernon Deffebach, Arthur Deffebach, Jim Turner, E. R. Green, W. W. Mitchell, Ross Richards, Edwin George, George Robinson, A. W. Warford, B. S. Dudley and Meses. Evis Landers, Lorene Rutledge and the host and hostess.

United States mints made more than 500,000,000 coins last year for the governments of Columbia, Cuba, Ecuador, Ethiopia, the Netherlands Indies, Philippines, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela.

FORMER TIMES SOCIETY EDITOR WRITES OF CALIFORNIA TRIP

The following article was written by Mrs. Rena Conway, the first society editor of the Ranger Daily Times, and later a member of the staff of the Mineral Wells Index. The story specifically for the Index is an account of a recent trip to California which Mrs. Conway won in a radio contest.

Lots of folks have been to California and seen and done more cultural things, I am sure, than I did on my recent bus trip to the Pacific Coast. But I did what I wanted to do and that is something. For years I have listened to broadcasts and whetted my wits against those who were lucky enough to be on programs so I made up my mind that if ever I got to Hollywood, I'd get on a radio quiz program.

I did. I made eight of them in two weeks, went down in defeat on two programs for the wrong answers, which took a crimp or to out of my ego, but had a lot of fun and gathered some "loot" on those I was fortunate enough to be on.

I did a few cultural things also. For instance the very first Sunday morning I was in Los Angeles I sat across from a pleasant looking woman at Clifton's beautiful cafeteria and in the course of conversation remarked I'd like to go to church. She very nicely invited me to go with her to her church which was the Congregationalist Church. A beautiful and stately structure, with services conducted with the pomp and ceremony one expects in a cathedral. Dr. F. Field, who is on the radio often is the minister. He, and the choir wore lovely robes and the ushers and deacons, wore long tailed coats and white carnation buttonhole bouquets. The deacons sat on each side of the altar and the choir in the rear. All most impressive. The large number of old people in the audience impressed me and I am inclined to think that California is a mecca for them. One thing the old age pension is much larger than in most places.

In company with Louise Buchanan, former resident, who to me is one of the most outstanding characters I have ever known, I saw the planetarium. The subject was comets as of September 1946. It was awesome and a revelation to me of the workings of the solar system.

Through Forest Lawn
I went thru beautiful Forest Lawn, that temple of the dead which also serves the living. It was my sweet privilege to see the "Last Supper," a perfect reproduction in stained glass of de Vinci's marvelous painting. To look on the face and figure of the Christ made me feel I wanted to fall on my knees. Louise sobbed audibly. Stanley and Edna O'Dell, former residents here, now reestablishing in Long Beach, were our hosts for the day. We wound up at Knott's Berry Hill Farm, a unique place featuring boysenberry pie, fried chicken, hot biscuits and "Ghost Town."

Wandering down the streets of Ghost Town, I looked into the window of the jailhouse and apparently from the sin-blasted looking dummy prisoner, I heard my name called. "Oh, hello Rena Conway of Mineral Wells. Hear you are having a fine time in Hollywood and making a lot of quiz programs. How's old Bob and Mary Bonner?" Stanley, for a small price had given this information to the man at the mike. It was a surprise and a thrill.

As most of you know I won the trip to Los Angeles by naming the greatest number of song titles correct on Stewart Weaver's "Tunes or Trips" contest, over station KQRC. I went via American bus lines and had a very fine trip out. It was a bit more difficult coming back, but then I was tired and naturally not in as exuberant spirits as when I started out. It's a fine way to travel, if you are not to old and cranky to take it. I wasn't.

In Long Beach, where I spent several days with the O'Dells, I met several former Mineral Wells citizens, and also saw the Index often as the O'Dells can't get along without it. They pass it on to others. Mel Stanfield and his wife the former Ann Hodges were at the O'Dells one night. He is a real estate broker and is doing fine. Also met Mr. and Mrs. Noble, she formerly lived here and when she told me goodbye she put her arms around me and said "Tell the folks back home hello for me." I didn't see the former Jean Thompson but I saw pictures of her, her baby and her husband. They live at Arrowhead Springs and are happy and doing fine.

I really had to break into Hollywood as I had no tickets to broadcasts but I soon found that the word Texas is an open sesame, as it were, on most any program. I got on several programs by informing the Emcee that I was from the Lone Star state. They detect it, however the moment one opens one's mouth. I don't see why.

I was on eight programs, sometimes just announcing, several times participating. I wasn't as smart as I thought I was for I muffed two questions that would have put me in the running. One was on Noah Webster Says, which is a most cultural program. The announcer Haven M'Cory asked how many in the audience knew the meaning of the word "Platonic." I stood up, passed that OK, then how many knew the meaning of the word Uxorious. I knew that, then he asked how many had studied Latin. I continued standing. "What does Rex" mean, I knew that; What does regnum mean, I was still on my feet when a silly thing unfought me. "What is the masculine for witch? I couldn't even think of goblin—however it was wizard. I had never given it a thought. I sat down.

On Quiz Programs
If I could have gone before the mike on several broadcasts, such as Take It or Leave It, as I was on the stage, and got the pen and pencil set, I could have brought home some real money. The most money I got was on Darts For Dough. Sixteen dollars. But I had a million dollars

worth of fun. I found folks awfully nice, most of them travelers, seeing Hollywood for the first time. It's a great game. Gets into one's blood just like gambling. Each day I'd think, I won't go out to Radio City today—but there was always a chance of getting on "Queen For the Day." Double or Nothing. "House Party." "Meet the Ladies," or others, and I'd find myself on the Sunset car, getting off at Vine and Hollywood.

Clothes have nothing to do with getting on programs. I saw some that looked frumpier than I felt. You just have to make the Emcee take notice of you by some hook or crook. Turn on the old charm, if any. You have to have plenty of stand-up and take-it stamina as whether you have tickets or not, you stand in line and wait to get into the various shows.

In addition to the Quiz Shows I saw several broadcasts, such as the Frank Morgan's Show, Ozie and Harriet, Hubert Marshall in Mr. Hollywood Barn Dance, and Kay Kyser twice. It's all free. A lot of wonderful entertainment provided by the sponsors for the entertainment of those visiting in the studio as well as those listening on the air.

It was a wonderful experience. I only hope I get another chance to make a bus trip free—and instead of my theme song being "California Here I Come" it will be "Hello Broadway." A woman said who had been to New York that she just cleaned up on radio shows there. Come spring, I hope to go "bussing" again—thanks to Stewart Weaver, the American Bus Company and station KQRC.

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Houston will be site of the Rice-Baylor match, with broadcast time at 2:20 p.m. Charlie Jordan will describe the grid play, while Jerry Doggett will fill in the color spots. The game will be heard over stations KXYZ, Houston; WRR, Dallas; KFJZ, Ft. Worth; W A C O, Waco; KNOW, Austin; KABC, San Antonio; KBST, Big Spring; KGKL, San Angelo; KGVJ, Greenville; and KFRO, Longview.

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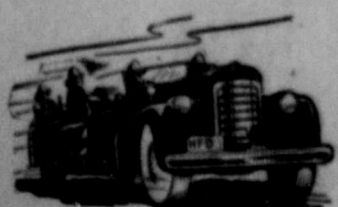
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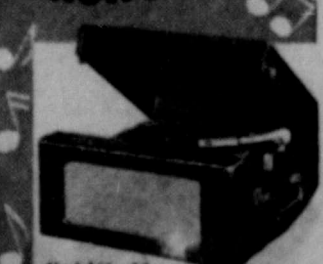
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