

Benson Says Farm Prices Drop Ending

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON (U)—Secretary of Agriculture Benson said today that the long sag in farm income "is largely behind us" and called on Congress to adopt President Eisenhower's "middle-of-the-road" farm program.

Benson told the Senate-House Economic Committee, which is exploring measures to avert recession, that greater consumption of farm products under flexible and

gradually lowered price supports would bolster farmers' income.

"The road to economic growth is through expanded production—production that finds its way into consumption and not into warehouses," Benson declared. "The President's proposals on the agricultural programs will help economic growth in this nation."

Even though the price support level for basic crops under the administration proposals would be governed by supply, rather than by high and rigid government supports, the support price would be close to present levels, Benson predicted.

This would be true, he said, because adoption of Eisenhower's plan to set aside, or "freeze" from commercial channels, 2½ billion dollars worth of government-held stocks would relieve the market of much of the overhanging surplus which now depresses the market.

"The latest price report of the department issued last Friday showed a widespread improvement averaging 4 per cent from mid-November to mid-January," Benson told the legislators.

"There is much reason to believe that the agricultural price adjustment to peacetime conditions is largely behind us, providing that a high level of economic activity is maintained in this nation."

"For 1954, we believe that agricultural prices and agricultural income will be maintained fairly close to those of 1953."

The rigid, high-level price supports in effect since the war, the secretary said, have abnormally stimulated output of some crops, hurt consumption of some products because of "unrealistic" high prices, damaged farm exports, and attracted lower-priced imports and thus necessitated trade barriers against friendly nations.

If this program continues, it "could offend our populace to such a point as to discredit all forms of direct aid to agriculture," he said.

Meanwhile, Secretary of the Treasury Fred Vinson kept alive the issue Democrats have been hammering on—whether individual taxpayers are getting enough consideration in the proposed tax changes.

Humphrey, who defended administration-backed proposals before the committee Tuesday, declared last night on an NBC radio program that "strictly relief provisions for individuals" would amount to about 600 million dollars of the 1½-billion-dollar tax reduction envisaged.

He said that if the tax cuts that went into effect Jan. 1 were considered together with those proposed, "strictly individual relief will be about three-fourths and about one-fourth of the relief will be to stimulate business."

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WAGON MARE FARES BETTER THAN DRIVER

EATON RAPIDS, Mich. (U)—Mollie the mare and her milk wagon driver, Leslie Davis, 47, have their adventures.

With a tire iron and a screw driver, Davis rescued Mollie last week when her shoe caught in a railroad track and a train was coming along. Davis pried her loose.

Presently Davis is laid up with a broken leg. An automobile hit Mollie's wagon. The worst Mollie suffered was the loss of her harness.

Mitchell Report Probable Friday

COLORADO CITY.—The Mitchell County Grand Jury may wind up its investigation today, but District Attorney Eldon Mahon said this morning he is sure the jury won't make its report before Friday.

This was the jury's fourth day of inquiry into the case of David Leach who was wounded in a gun battle which followed a chase and car wreck here Jan. 16.

Leach went before the grand jury Wednesday. Witnesses this morning included Dr. Melvin Crymes, Jack Doss, Sheriff R. E. (Dick) Gregory, and L. E. Robinson Jr. of the police department. Mahon said.

Other witnesses questioned Wednesday were Dick Hickman, former police chief who was in the car with Leach at the time of the wreck; Tom Keeling, another passenger in the car; Bob McGuire, John Plummer, and W. L. Claxton, all sheriff's deputies; Mose Allen, constable; Joe Boatright, Doyle Kiker, Juanita Schaffer, and Mollie Washington.

Leach, Hickman and Keeling were in Hickman's car when it was chased by Colorado City policemen early on Jan. 16. The car overturned and Leach was wounded in a gun battle with Police Sgt. Henry Yeager. He escaped but was later captured at the home of Mollie Washington.

He has been charged with assault with intent to murder.

Grand Jury Is Back At Work

The Howard County Grand Jury went back into session this morning and it was reported the group intended to consider the recent series of school burglaries.

District Attorney Ellison Gilliland said the jury scheduled today's session at the close of three days of work which started on Jan. 25. He said he understood the grand jurors wanted to study the school burglaries.

Big Spring High School, the school tax office and other buildings have been broken into recently. One on occasion, Supt. W. C. Blankenship surprised a prowler in his office.

The grand jury also was expected to question David O. Parker who has been charged with theft of merchandise from a service station. Parker was arrested in Midland and was transferred to Big Spring this morning by Deputy Sheriff Miller Harris and Constable W. O. Leonard.

Judge Refuses Railroad Ban On Benefits Dispute

CHICAGO (U)—A federal judge today turned down a request by the nation's railroads for a judgment to bar unions from seeking health and other fringe benefits under the Railway Labor Act.

The railroads had asked for a declaratory judgment to ban demands for "extraneous" benefits. But Judge Win G. Knoch ruled that the railroads cannot proceed under the declaratory judgment act. He then dismissed the railroads' suit.

The railroads, in a suit filed Nov. 4, contended the Railway Labor Act requires the railroads to negotiate with their employees only on questions of wages, rules and working conditions.

Counsel for the 15 non-operating rail unions had asked the judge to dismiss the suit, claiming that the issue could be settled only by mediation or arbitration.

The non-operating unions, representing more than one million workers, have threatened to strike to back up their demands.

They have no pending wage increase requests, but seek a number of health-welfare and other benefits. These include life insurance to be paid by the railroads; hospital, sickness and disability benefits for employees and their families; and greater free pass and vacation benefits.

President Eisenhower has set up a three-man emergency fact-finding board to hold hearings on the dispute. The sessions were begun here last month, but are in recess until Feb. 15.

The non-operating unions, made up of clerks and others who do not work on moving trains, made their demands under the Railway Labor Act.

The railroads' suit was, in effect, a request for a court interpretation of the 27-year-old act in the light of the current trend toward demands for so-called fringe benefits.

Turncoats Attend New Year's Party At Commie Center

PANMUNJOM (U)—Twenty "one Americans who spurned their homeland for communism attended a Chinese New Year's party last night at Kaesong.

Communist correspondent Wilfred Burchett said a number of Korean and Chinese girls attended the party, and there was plenty of Chinese wine.

"I think they will be leaving soon" for Red China, Burchett said.

Fifteen anti-Communist Koreans were turned back to the Allies today by the Indian command. They presumably will be handed to South Korea. They had wanted to go to America but the Indian command ruled out their request because the United States was a belligerent in the Korean War.

There still are 12 Chinese and 74 North Koreans in Indian custody who do not want to go to the Communists or the Allies. There also are two pro-Communist South Koreans who want to go to neutral states.

Eisenhower Sends Up 272 Names For Postal Vacancies

WASHINGTON (U)—President Eisenhower today sent to the Senate the names of 272 nominees for postmasterhips in as many communities in a total of 40 states.

It was one of the largest blocs of postal nominations since the President took office.

In response to questions as to whether all of the nominees are Republicans, presidential press secretary James C. Hagerty replied that all of the selections were recommended by Republican members of Congress and were approved by the Republican National Committee.

Hagerty added that in congressional districts represented by Democrats, the choices were approved by local GOP organizations and by the national committee.

Ambassador Hurries Back To Guatemala

WASHINGTON (U)—Ambassador John Peurifoy hurries back today to his post in Guatemala, where the U. S. State Department says it fears a hold Communist plan to disturb Western Hemisphere relations is brewing.

THE WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy with light rain tonight and Friday. High today 72, low tonight 48. High tomorrow 70.

Highest temperature 80 in 1911; lowest 28 in 1911; record high 95 in 1905; record low 10 in 1905.

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Laughlin Charges Jury To Question Shepperd



Here's How

Aviation Cadet Robert Curtis Green of Webb AFB demonstrated Thursday morning for the photographer the fine points of parachute jumping from a T-28 trainer. He ought to know. Wednesday night he parachuted to safety near Colorado City when his trainer motor failed completely. (USAF Photo).

Webb Cadet Parachutes To Safety From Stalled Plane

A-C Robert Curtis Green, 21, Webb AFB, parachuted to safety when his propeller-driven trainer sustained complete motor failure east of Colorado City at 10 p.m. Wednesday.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Green, 118 Virginia, Norfolk, Va.

Green was making his first solo night navigation flight when the incident occurred, said Col. Fred M. Dean, commander of Webb AFB. En route to Webb AFB after a flight to Abilene, Green's T-28 trainer experienced complete motor failure. He gave a distress signal at 8,000 feet while vainly attempting to restart his engine.

A Webb AFB flight instructor, 1st Lt. Wesley I. Mattonen, who was flying nearby on a similar mission, instructed Green to "bail out" if his engine was not running by the time he descended to 6,000 feet. Failing to start the engine, Green jumped from the airplane over open farm land.

Both Green and the airplane landed north of U. S. Highway 80 in an open field, approximately five miles east of Colorado City. The airplane was heavily damaged, but Green was unhurt. He walked to the nearest road and hailed a passerby who drove him to Colorado City to report his successful bailout.

"Aviation Cadet Green's cool-headed handling of the emergency, making sure his airplane was headed away from a populated area before using his parachute, is a fine example of utilizing standard emergency procedures and flight safety equipment to avoid a possible serious mishap," said Col. Dean.

Green is a member of Pilot Class 54-J which entered training at Webb Air Force Base, in the basic flight school phase, in January. He

Texas Farm Income Gain Is Announced

AUSTIN (U)—A four-point gain in the mid-January index of prices received by Texas farmers was reported by the U. S. Department of Agriculture today.

The increase over mid-December brought the index to 267 per cent of the 1910-14 base.

Higher prices were recorded for all meat animals, potatoes and sweet potatoes, commercial vegetables and most grains and hay. All other items averaged lower in price than a month earlier.

The index of livestock and livestock product prices rose 9 points to 305. The meat animal index advanced 28 points but was partially offset by price declines for dairy products, poultry, eggs and wool.

Hogs gained \$1.70, advancing to \$23.90 per hundredweight, the highest mid-month price since last July. Beef cattle at \$13.50 were up \$1.40 and calves at \$15.20 were up \$1.20, the highest mid-month price for both last May.

Labor Department Closing Bracero Plan

WASHINGTON (U)—The Labor Department said today it is closing down tomorrow its temporary program for bringing Mexican farm workers to this country.

A spokesman, in making the announcement, said the action was taken because of an administrative ruling that the program is no longer legal without specific authorization from Congress and because funds have run out.

Panel Told To Get Duval 'Lowdown'

ALICE (U)—Seventy-ninth District Court Judge C. Woodrow Laughlin told a grand jury to ask Texas attorney general to come and tell what he knows about law violations in Duval County, stormy hot-spot of Texas politics.

He also charged the Duval County Grand Jury to make a full probe into county affairs and of the Benavides Independent School District.

Investigations of state and federal agencies already were probing deep into the affairs of this oil-rich, desolate county of South Texas where George B. Parr has long been the dominant political power.

Gov. Allen Shivers said yesterday he was going to "clean up the mess in Duval County."

Laughlin today gave reporters copies of his charge to the Duval County Grand Jury at nearby San Diego, yesterday. San Diego is the county seat of Duval.

"There have been lots of accusations made," Laughlin's charge said in part. "The court feels that you should investigate these accusations and give these people as free with their language as to Duval County the opportunity to present evidence to you for your consideration."

It said, too, that "I further charge to you to extend to the attorney general of Texas and x x x other state and government officials an invitation to appear before you and present any evidence of any law violation occurring in Duval County to their knowledge x x x."

Laughlin said in his charge that grand jury should make a full investigation and that if it found any law violations take the necessary steps to indict any person the grand jury found to have violated the law.

He ordered the grand jury to make a report of its investigation. Laughlin noted in the charge that he had never been asked to aid in any investigation and that District Attorney Raeburn Norris said he had never been asked.

Laughlin said he had read in the newspapers of certain investigations allegedly being made in Duval County by state and federal agencies.

Duval is part of the four-county 79th District, along with Jim Wells, Starr and Brooks counties.

Eleven attorneys who practice in the district requested the State Supreme Court to remove Laughlin from office. They allege he is unfit to hold office.

The supreme court has under consideration a recommendation by the judge who conducted an investigation that he be removed. Laughlin, supported by Parr in 1952, defeated Sam G. Reams for the judgeship.

Yesterday, fast-break developments swirled around Duval County. These were the developments that broke around Duval County, where George B. Parr has long

been the dominant political power: 1. A threat by Gov. Allen Shivers yesterday to declare martial law or send "five or fifty" Texas Rangers to Duval County to crush what he called "political thieves and bail-out gangsters."

2. Investigations by the state attorney general, federal internal revenue department and postal inspectors.

3. A probe by the Duval County grand jury.

4. The indictment here by a Jim Wells County Grand Jury of two Texas Rangers on charges of assault to murder Parr. The charges grew out of a courthouse scuffle. The governor yesterday promised a San Antonio women's club he would "clean up the mess in Duval County."

The grand jury of Duval County, which adjourns Jim Wells, questioned a former acting secretary of an independent school district. The grand jury recessed at 9:15 last night after questioning Diego Heras, former school district official.

Jack Donahue, Houston Press newspaperman who is writing a series on stormy Duval County politics, was told to be on hand at this afternoon's session.

An assistant to State Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd—Frank Pineda—sat in with the grand jury in yesterday's and last night's sessions. Pineda said he had been working "on this case for over a year."

Shepperd announced earlier this week that the use of state school, public welfare and highway funds in Duval County had been under investigation by several agencies for a year.

The indicted Rangers, Capt. Alfred Allen and Joe Bridge, were released on bonds of \$2,000 each. As he sipped his coffee, Parr told a reporter the indictments were a surprise to him.

Shivers Asks U.S. Warrant Issuance For Accused Killer

AUSTIN (U)—Gov. Allan Shivers has asked the U. S. Department of Justice to issue a fugitive warrant to speed extradition of Alfredo Cervantes.

Cervantes is a Mexican national whom the state has charged as the alleged "trigger man" in the mistake slaying of Jacob S. Floyd Jr., of Allen. He has never been apprehended and was reported to be in Mexico.

Jacob S. Floyd Sr., South Texas political leader and father of the slain youth, has testified that the fatal bullet was likely intended for him "for political reasons."

The Court of Criminal Appeals recently held that Mario (El Turco) Bapat conspired in the slaying of young Floyd, and must serve a 99-year penitentiary sentence in the case.

able radio to the Tokyo Tennis Club and several interested in several non-Russian women.

Actually, the informant said, Rastvorov carried his American tradition so far that it began to become less of a pose than a real state of mind.

"He apparently associated with Americans so much that, as an intelligent man, he could not believe all the Communist lies he had been educated on," the unofficial source said. "He became convinced that communism itself was a fraud."

Rastvorov is believed to have been the No. 2 man in the Red mission here, but in direct charge of setting up the Red spy apparatus.

His main missions and that of his network were:

1. To report constantly on American ground force movements in Japan, especially in the northern island of Hokkaido. Air Force capabilities and troop movements to Korea also came under his jurisdiction.

2. To penetrate the Japanese government—an enterprise the source insisted has been successful despite a Japanese government denial.

3. To infiltrate into the Japanese labor movement.

4. To push Soviet cultural relations with the Japanese to stimulate left-wing sympathies.

County Agrees To Help With Armory Service

County commissioners this morning voted to pay half of the cost of installing sewer lines or constructing a septic tank for a proposed National Guard armory.

The group put a \$1,000 limit on what the county will spend on the project. Commissioners said the county will contribute \$1,000 or half the cost, whichever is less.

The city commission was to meet in special session this afternoon to consider the same matter. The Chamber of Commerce had asked the city and county to share the cost of providing sewer service for a building with the Texas National Guard Armory. Board proposes to erect on five acres of State Park land near Webb Air Base.

Gen. Carl L. Phinney, a member of the armory board, is to go to Washington this weekend in support of a request for federal funds for the proposed project. J. H. Greene, local Chamber manager, said he is to inform Phinney late this week what action has been taken locally in connection with the matter.

Deed Forms For Freeway Arrive Here

Deed forms will arrive here Friday for widening Highway 80 to freeway proportions from Big Spring to the Martin County line. Clarence Rea, Colorado City, resident engineer for the State Highway Department, reported today.

Rea also reported that engineer's plans for construction of that portion of the freeway are about 65 per cent complete. He said the Highway Department hopes to be ready to start construction as soon as Howard County commissioners secure needed right-of-way, probably several months in the future.

A board of appraisers this morning started work in connection with the county's condemnation proceedings against five property owners from whom land must be acquired for widening Fourth Street, another phase of the Highway 80 improvement program.

Appraisers inspected land owned by J. R. and Jewel Tucker and set \$65 as amount the county should pay for needed right-of-way and damages.

Judge R. H. Weaver said boards of appraisers will be appointed as quickly as possible to appraise land held by the four other persons named in condemnation suits. Appraisers in the first suit were A. L. Cooper, R. L. Cook, and C. B. Lawrence.

Military Reported Piling Up Surplus

WASHINGTON (U)—House investigators reported today the military services are piling up billions of dollars worth of surplus equipment faster than they can dispose of it through present "uninspired" methods.

Rep. Riehlman (R-N.Y.), chairman of a Government Operations subcommittee, added that the services themselves don't know how much excess military equipment they have but that some estimates reach 10 billion dollars.

The subcommittee in a report to the House scored all three services for showing a "serious lack of concern" for this "critical problem."

Two Are Appointed To Lone Star ACS

WASHINGTON (U)—Appointment of Gaylor F. Osborn, Harlingen, and Christopher Otto Moser, Del Rio, to the Texas Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee was announced yesterday by Secretary of Agriculture Benson.

LATE BULLETIN

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Riding THE GRUB LINE With Franklin Reynolds

Among the members of the Garden City chapter of the Future Ranchers of America (FFA) who will show lambs at the annual Glascock County show tomorrow are: Marion Carter, two, one bred by Ira Lee Watkins and one bred by Elrod Ranch; Bob Childress, one lamb bred by Charlie Cox; John L. Daniels, one lamb bred by Glen Brunson; Don Davis, two lambs, one bred by Edward Teale and the other bred by Donald Cox; Harold Harrison, one lamb, bred by Harrison; Gary Mitchell, five lambs, one bred by Artie Ratliff, two bred by Fern Cox, two bred by Clyde Berry; Jim Nelson, one lamb bred by Clyde Berry; Truman Parker, two lambs bred by Weldon Parker; John J. Phillips, two lambs bred by Floyd Phillips; Marion O'Bannon, one lamb bred by Jack Cook; Douglas Gray, two lambs bred by Fern Cox; Bill Robinson, one lamb bred by John Schaefer; Jimmy Smith, one lamb bred by Artie Ratliff; Tommy Van Pelt, two lambs bred by Sigm McQuitter and Donald Cox.

Crossbred lambs: Bob Childress,

one lamb bred by John Reid; John L. Daniel, one lamb bred by Bill Featherstone; Eugene Daves, one lamb bred by Foster Bros.; Don Davis, one lamb bred by John Reid; John J. Phillips, two lambs bred by Elrod Ranch; Dale Hill, two lambs bred by Elrod Ranch and Artie Ratliff; John Nelson, one lamb bred by John Reid; Marion O'Bannon, two lambs bred by Foster Bros. and John Reid; Jimmy Smith, one lamb bred by John Reid; Darrell White, two lambs bred by Floyd Phillips and Jerry Wooten, two lambs bred by B. A. Harris and Edward Teale.

Garden City Future Ranchers with lambs entered in the San Angelo show are Marion Carter, Bob Childress, John Daniels, Don Davis, Gary Mitchell, Jim Nelson, Truman Parker, Douglas Gray, John Phillips, Jimmy Smith, Jerry Wooten, Tommy Van Pelt and Marion O'Bannon.

With lambs entered in the El Paso show are John J. Phillips and Gary Mitchell. Just how many lambs will be taken to El Paso has not yet been decided. Present plans, however, call for 19 fine wool and five crossbred lambs to go to San Angelo. Other Glascock County lambs will be shown at Odessa.

Judging of tomorrow's show at Garden City will start at 9 a.m., and more than 1,000 pounds of barbecued beef and mutton, with beans, potato salad, pickles, onions and coffee will be served at noon. After everybody has finished eating the sale will get under way.

'Strike It Rich' Defies New York City Regulations

NEW YORK — New York City's drive against radio-TV giveaway programs that get money from the public was defied last night by "Strike It Rich," first of the shows to be criticized.

The program went on the air without changing its format or waiting for the license the Welfare Department said it should have. Welfare Commissioner Henry L. McCarthy yesterday declared that "programs like this are a national disgrace" and "play into the hands of the Communists."

The program questions people who tell hard-luck stories. They win prizes by correctly answering the quiz, and then people phone in to offer cash, jobs, homes and other aid.

This puts it in the same category as a charity, the Welfare Department rules, and should be licensed.

McCarthy's ire was directed at "Strike It Rich" because, he said, at least 35 families, lured by the promise of "easy money," have chased the program's rainbow from all over the country right onto New York City's relief rolls.

The Welfare Department suggested that producer Walter Warner change the program's format.

Warren Hull, the "Strike It Rich" master of ceremonies, briefly told listeners last night about the "Heart Fund," the part of the program under fire.

"We have never asked for any contributions whatever," Hull declared and told how the fund is audited.

He insisted that it's all gravy for the recipients, none of the money going for overhead.

"Some people sort of criticize 'Strike It Rich,'" he said. "I don't get it—it's a funny world."

People who appear on the show also get money put up by the sponsor, the Colgate-Palmolive Co., if they answer questions correctly.

Sidney J. Dubroff, the show's public relations man, told a news conference, "We do not want to step on Mr. McCarthy's toes (but) we do not feel any laws were being violated."

"We have courts for the adjudication of such problems."

Landlady Unhappy Over Python Living In Her Apartments

CHICAGO — Leona Rohrer, operator of a South Side apartment building, doesn't want tenants keeping pythons in her apartments, she told Municipal Judge Casimir Cwiklinski yesterday.

She is seeking to dispossess Rajah, a 10-foot Indian rock python owned by Mrs. Victoria Kocourek, who appears as "Princess Elvira" in a night club dance with the snake.

"I've lost 20 pounds worrying since that monster moved into my building," Miss Rohrer told the court.

Said Mrs. Kocourek: "Rajah has more brains, honor, intelligence, loyalty and devotion than many people I know. He is a perfect dear." But she promised the court she would find another home.

Meanwhile, Rajah is being boarded with friends in another building.

Cousin Of Eden Is Elected In England

LONDON, Feb. 4 (U.S.A.)—A cousin of Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, Conservative Thomas Lascelles Iremonger, is the new member of Parliament from the London suburb of Hford.

Iremonger defeated Labor's Tom Richardson, a schoolmaster, almost 2-1 in a special election yesterday to fill the House of Commons seat vacated by Conservative Sir Geoffrey Hutchinson upon his appointment as chairman of the National Assistance Board.

The event in the traditionally Conservative district was 18,354 to 9,527.

95,000 Death Toll Counted From U. S. Accidents In '53

CHICAGO — This is the tremendous price the nation paid for accidents in 1953:

Killed: 95,000. Injured: 9,600,000. The cost: \$9,100,000,000.

The bill was added up today by the National Safety Council.

It noted that the 1953 accident death toll was 1,000 below the 1952 total. But it also noted that it was more than three times as great as the toll of American dead during the entire Korean War.

The motor vehicle held its place as the No. 1 accident killer. Traffic deaths numbered 38,300. That was a gain of 300 or 1 per cent over 1952.

The traffic toll was the third largest in history, exceeded only in 1937 and 1941.

Fatalities in home accidents numbered 28,000, a decline of 1,000. Accidental deaths at work were unchanged at 15,000.

Ned H. Dearborn, president of the council, said, "No civilized nation can long endure this tragic and disgraceful waste of manpower and resources from accidents that are avoidable."

There were some relatively bright spots in the otherwise grim array of statistics.

The 1953 death rate for accidents of all types was 60 per

cent of the 1929 rate, the lowest on record.

Nevertheless, one out of every 16 persons in the United States suffered a disabling injury last year.

The 38,300 traffic deaths were recorded during a year when the number of vehicles on the road and the number of miles they traveled reached an all-time high.

Thus, the death rate per 100 million vehicle miles was estimated at 7—the lowest rate on record.

Traffic accidents resulted in about 1,350,000 nonfatal injuries.

Falls brought death to 20,200 persons, 1 per cent fewer than in 1952. Burns cost 6,400 lives, a 4 per cent decrease. Firearms fatalities rose 4 per cent to 2,450.

Drownings were unchanged at 6,800.

Accidental deaths showed an increase among the new generation—victims 5 to 24 years old. There was no change in the 25 to 44 age bracket. Decreases were shown for children under 5 and adults over 45.

The estimated economic loss of \$9,100,000,000 covers both fatal and nonfatal accidents. It includes wage losses, medical expenses, insurance costs, production delays, damage to equipment and prop-

Record Income Listed In '53

WASHINGTON — The American public had a record income in 1953, the Commerce Department said Wednesday, despite a dip in personal income at the end of the year.

And, the department said, in terms of real spending power, as well as total dollar income, individuals had more than ever in 1953, despite continued price rises and division of the income among a bigger population.

The department's monthly report on personal income said that in December the annual rate of personal income fell off about 1 billion dollars to 285 billions which was 4 billion less than in December a year before. Personal income declined in four out of the last five months of 1953 after reaching an annual rate peak of 287.5 billion dollars in July.

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Metropolitan areas are designated as having a substantial labor surplus when unemployment reaches more than 6 per cent of the total labor force.

Texarkana's labor force was calculated at 46,197 in December of last year. Of this number, 3,350 were unemployed as of Dec. 31.

There were additional layoffs during January in the Lone Star Ordnance plant and in the Red River Arsenal, a federal installation.



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New Plan Announced By Western Service

Installation of refrigerated air conditioning units, or combination heating-cooling units, with first payment on the improvements not due until May 10, can be arranged through Western Service Company of Big Spring.

E. L. Gibson, owner and manager of the concern, announced the installation plan this week where-by homeowners or businessmen can be ready for the arrival of hot weather, which isn't too many months off. Or, by the same plan, area residents can have the advantages of a central heating system for the remainder of the winter and at the same time make preparations for the hot days to follow.

Payment for the cooling and heating equipment can be arranged on terms extending over a period of 36 months. With payment of 10 per cent down, first monthly payment will be due May 10, Gibson said.

Western Service Company, located at 207 Austin, also has air conditioning units that may be installed in connection with existing ductwork in homes or other buildings that already have forced-air furnaces. Gibson said the same terms are available on these units.

Evaporative coolers, installed and including ductwork, are available on terms. If the purchaser wishes, he can arrange to make the entire payment on May 10 or he can take advantage of time payments and make the first of these on the same date.

All of the units are available in sizes adaptable to any structure. Gibson will assist in planning installations, offer advice as to the most efficient size unit to install, and complete the project after arrangements are made.

Western Service Company now is starting work on a \$60,000 project at Webb Air Force Base. The concern will be mechanical work to the new hangar, shops and radar building at the base.

However, work at Webb won't be in full swing for about two months, while general construction is getting under way, and Western Service personnel will be able to handle other jobs promptly.

The Western Service Company serves a wide area around Big Spring, and scores of air conditioning and heating projects have been completed during the years Gibson has been in the business. The concern also does home insulation work, weather stripping, installs venetian blinds, Zephyr awnings and performs all kinds of sheet metal and plumbing work.

Adair Firm Offers New Baldwin Pianos

Mrs. Opal Adair, operator of the Adair Music Company, 1708 Gregg Street, has issued a call for all music lovers to purchase their pianos during the first half of 1954. Because if she sells enough of the famous Baldwin pianos between now and June 30, she and her assistant, Mrs. Frankie Marstrand, will win a trip to Cincinnati.

Consequently some good buys are in line during the next few months, and Mrs. Adair invites all interested parties to inspect the Baldwin instruments in her store.

The Baldwin grand piano, the Acrosonic, and the Hamilton are all available in dark oak, light oak, and mahogany finish.

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ment in "Consumers Research," she explains.

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Registration Reforms Needed In More Than Single Direction

April 1 is the deadline for registering motor vehicles in Texas, and tax collectors are urging motorists to be forehanded and avoid the last-minute rush. Long queues of procrastinating motorists usually infest courthouse corridors during the last days of March.

Be sure to carry your certificate of title and your last year's registration slip with you when you go to register.

Meantime, a report from Austin indicates officials of the State Highway Department would like to abolish the law requiring motorists to register their cars in the county of their residence.

D. T. Harkrider, director of the motor vehicle division, announced there would be vigorous enforcement of this law this year. He points out that a county is allowed to keep half the registration fee up to a total of \$175,000. This enables about 25 counties, thanks to the traffic in illegal registrations, to profit at the expense of their neighbor counties.

Prime object in registering outside the county of residence is to avoid city and valorem taxes on cars. Municipal authorities last year asked the Legislature to give the cities a cut of auto registration fees, so the ad valorem tax could be abolished, but they got nowhere. Under the present set up the ad valorem on cars is inequitable and unjust, but cities are so hard up for funds they have no choice but to continue it until or unless the Legislature raises registration fees and gives the increase to the cities.

A law to permit registration anywhere, plus a cut of registration fees to the cities, should go a long way toward clarifying the existing chaos.

Power To Conceal Still Strong Despite New Order Imposition

Our Washington scouts inform us that although President Eisenhower's new security information order has been in effect six weeks, it has had no noticeable effect on the freer flow of news. This bears out predictions freely made at the time—that the new order would have little effect in loosening up tight sources of public information.

The original order was put in effect by former President Truman, and brought a charge from the press that the amount of additional security it would provide would be negligible compared to the amount of legitimate news the bureaucracy would be able to conceal from the public.

Mr. Eisenhower's "modifying" order was designed to satisfy this point, but reports indicate it hasn't made much real difference.

Currently, the press and public are primarily interested in a breakdown of those 2,300 government employees discharged by the present administration for "security" reasons. When you mention security, 99 per cent of the people naturally think of subversion. In reality, under the new rules, subversion, drunkenness, looseness of the vowels, perversion and woman-chasing are

all lumped together under the one word "security."

Estimates of the number of subversives among the 2,300 dismissals range from none to 90 per cent, the latter figure being Senator McCarthy's. Nobody really knows, but a lot of people would like to find out. So far press representatives have got nothing but the rumormongers, and there seems to be no way to get a positive answer unless Congress itself takes a hand.

The new security order has not produced any results on another question of great public interest: the amount of money paid to members of Congress who have retired on a federal pension. The appropriate bureaucrat charged with enforcing "security" information refuses to divulge this list on the ground that "individuals are entitled to keep such information private."

In other words, it's none of the taxpayers' business, although everybody knows pretty well what an ordinary social security pensioner gets.

It looks as though some further, and genuine, modification of the original Truman "security of information" order is needed.

Washington Calling—Marquis Childs

Clarification Of Records On Security Risk Firings Needed

WASHINGTON — If the White House intends, as is now reported, to give out a breakdown explaining the reasons for the dismissal of 2,300 government employees fired as "security risks" last year, it will end a situation that has become acutely embarrassing for the Administration. A recent evening meeting of White House staffers is said to have been devoted almost entirely to studying how to get off the hook.

A little background shows why the Administration has good reason to be touchy on this point. Shortly after he became Attorney General, Herbert Brownell Jr. set out with the cooperation of other Cabinet officers to work out a new loyalty program. Under the Truman Administration, in Brownell's view, every employee who was dismissed came under the suspicion of disloyalty whether he was fired for drunkenness, incompetence or some other lesser charge.

When the new Brownell security program was announced, it was made of the claim that it would be fairer, since loyalty cases would be lumped with all others and the individual charged with being a dubious security risk would not be permanently stigmatized. To many this seemed a praiseworthy objective. It would put the whole business on a more sane basis.

But with the announcement that 2,300 individuals were fired as security risks last year, the emptiness of that claim has been made apparent. Republican spokesmen have widely advertised that the whole number were subversives — pro-Communists or Communists. This is in the face of every indication that the number even remotely suspected of disloyalty is probably well under 10 per cent.

This false figure is apparently to be used for political purposes in the coming campaign. The statements made by responsible officials are too numerous to permit any other conclusion.

Bernard M. Shanley, special counsel to the President, said in a speech to the Advertising Club of New Jersey that "1,456 (this was the figure used prior to the 2,300 total) subversives had been kicked out of

government jobs since the President assumed office." Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield used the 2,300 figure to talk about "security risks" (who are no longer using your tax money) and in a following sentence declared that, "somehow I do not feel too amiably inclined toward people who make treason a preoccupation." Senator Joseph McCarthy, Republican of Wisconsin, as might have been expected, said flatly that "90 per cent were removed because of Communist connections and activities."

In the amazing speech in which he accused not only President Truman but the whole Democratic party of treason, Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York talked of how nice it was to have a government that was not infested with spies and traitors and then added: "In less than 11 months the Justice Department has discovered and dismissed 1,456 security risks planted in the government." In a leaflet put out for the Republican National Finance Committee by Carlton Ketchum it is claimed the Administration has "gotten rid of nearly 1,500 Communists, fellow travelers and their ilk."

It is simply not possible to have this both ways. Either the Administration's loyalty program is, as Brownell originally claimed, a more fair way to weed out incompetents and misfits without tagging them with the label of treason, or it is a political device to exploit the fear of communism in government by building up the total of all dismissals and even, as the evidence indicates, voluntary resignations, to make a formidable bogey.

Reporters have persistently tried to get a breakdown of the 2,300 figure. When Brownell, who has made himself more unpopular with working reporters than anyone who has come to this town in many years, finally held a press conference he was compelled to say in a variety of ways to all requests for exact information about the categories of those dismissed. The rumormongers have been from the President to the Civil Service Commission to Brownell and back again.

The only way to end this embarrassment is for the White House to give out a complete and correct breakdown of the dismissals. This may be momentarily awkward for those who have played the numbers racket to make the public believe that hundreds of subversives were unearthed by the new Administration.

But nothing short of such a breakdown can restore confidence in the basic integrity of the Administration. Nor will this matter quietly die away. The effort to get the truth will continue. And each time the President is asked for information to which the public is legitimately entitled, the embarrassment of the deception will be more acute.

Car Wreck Gives Joy

MANCHESTER, N. H. — "All they would offer me was \$10. I thought it would be more fun to wreck it," Philip St. Germain told puzzled police. He and a friend drove his 1933 model auto outside the city, dropped boulders on it.



"Now, Don't Be Shocked"

The World Today — James Marlow

Eisenhower Busy Guarding Presidential Front Yard In Bricker Plan Controversy

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower is like a man who operation with Canada on the St. Lawrence seaway, a project which for 20 years never got to first base in the Senate.

There was unusual support—63 senators at one time—behind the proposal of Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio) to amend the Constitution in a way that would:

Restrict the extent of treaties made by the President with the Senate's consent and provide for congressional regulation of executive agreements made by the President himself with other countries.

Several times last year Eisenhower said he was against the particular amendment Bricker was suggesting.

When debate was set to begin in January, Eisenhower flatly and publicly came out against the amendment but not against Bricker. He said the proposal would tie his hands in foreign affairs.

Some Bricker critics thought Eisenhower should have pulled a shotgun right there by refusing to make any concessions, thus forcing the Senate to choose between him and the Bricker group.

Eisenhower might have won, crushing all the Bricker amendment talk. Also, he might have lost if enough senators had decided this was as much a contest between the White House and Sen-

ate as it was between Eisenhower and an amendment.

Win or lose, the result probably would have been a pool of bitterness deep enough to drown some of Eisenhower's projects when they reached the Senate later.

He chose a more moderate course, making it impossible for anyone to say he was unreasonably stubborn. He said he'd compromise, that if the senators really thought some kind of amendment was needed he wouldn't object to one that said a treaty could override the Constitution.

That, in the view of some anti-amendment people, would only be stating what is already obvious and therefore be harmless and meaningless. This moderate stand of Eisenhower, whether he foresaw it or not, got fast results:

It tumbled a bunch of Bricker's supporters off his bandwagon and practically killed his amendment. At once, almost, the Senate got into confused debate about a compromise or, perhaps, no amendment at all.

Before the argument subsided the Senate may give up the whole idea and walk off, leaving Eisenhower still in full possession of his presidential front yard, and with no one very mad at him, publicly, at least.

Notebook — Hal Boyle

Baby Makes Its Parents Into Timorous-Type Mice

NEW YORK — Every time a child is born two cowards are created. They are the parents.

There is nothing like a baby to turn a couple of normally courageous adults into a pair of timorous mice.

Some six months ago a five-week-old baby called Tracy Ann moved a crib into our home and adopted Frances and me. Coming into our life after 16 childless years of marriage, she brightened up the place like a welcome candle in a dark cave.

When Tracy Ann had been in our house a week she already was more than our flesh and blood. She was our blithe spirit, and she becomes blither every day.

I have no hesitancy in advising any childless couple who can get a baby to adopt them to go and do so at once, and quit postponing paradise. But paradise has a price. Ordinary parenthood will turn the bravest human being into a craven wretch; adopted parents are doubly craven.

"Don't worry," the pediatrician says. "Whatever you are doing for this baby, just keep right on doing it. There is absolutely nothing wrong with her."

I guess that is what frightens me. Everything has gone so terribly well for Tracy Ann. Right now she has two upper fangs and two lower fangs bursting out of her deep pink gums, and I must admit does look, when she grins, a bit like a cross between an old grandma and a young alligator.

A promising candidate for right tackle. She eats three squares a day, like a harvest hand, and she sleeps 12 hours in a row every night.

Happy? Tracy Ann is so happy all day long I'm secretly afraid she either doesn't have good sense, or else she doesn't quite realize yet she is living in the 20th Century.

She has become so important to us that we have come to feel that maybe for this reason we are more important ourselves. I have taken out extra life insurance, and Frances and I don't just look both ways before crossing a street. We look four ways.

Uncle Sam Will Dam Navarro County Creek

DALLAS — The federal government will spend \$7,781,000 to raise an earthen dam nearly three miles across the valley of Richland Creek, 17 miles southwest of Corsicana.

The Army Corps of Engineers announced Wednesday plans to build the dam at Navarro Mills had been approved.

The new lake would have a controlled reservoir storage capacity of 263,460-acre feet of water.

San Antonio Man Dies In Accident

LAREDO — Thomas Dayton McKay, 43, San Antonio truck driver was killed Wednesday when his diesel truck-trailer left the road and the trailer jack-knifed over the top of the cab, crushing McKay.

Around The Rim — The Herald Staff

President Has Sound Basis For His Medical Re-Insurance Plan

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A few reasons why President Eisenhower's medical "re-insurance" plan, or the one proposed by former President Truman, should be put in operation:

Illness costs Americans about \$10,250,000,000 per year.

It causes 8 million families to go into debt to hospitals, doctors, dentists, loan sharks and others, each year.

Total of this debt at any given time is approximately \$1 billion. Of this, about 90 per cent is owed directly to hospitals, physicians and dentists for treatment, and the balance is due loan outfits from whom individuals borrowed money to pay for medical care at the time they secured it.

The average size of the family debt for medical services is slightly more than \$120.

Voluntary health insurance of some kind or other is maintained by about 89,000,000 persons, or less than 60 per cent of the nation's population.

But this insurance, because of limitations on things it will pay for, covers only about 15 per cent of the nation's total cost of sickness.

The President didn't give any detailed

outline of his suggestion for the medical re-insurance program. But he told Congress it is a recommendation to "improve the health of the American people."

He pointed out that on an average it costs every family nearly \$200 per year for medical care, with costs rising. Apparently, private insurance concerns can't afford to provide individuals with adequate coverage at a reasonable cost. Or, as it has been charged, some institutions seek to escape that responsibility by loading the policies they issue with "escape clauses" that leave the policyholder paying the bulk of medical costs as well as his insurance premiums.

It seems that we're moving closer to some sort of effective health insurance. At least it took the American Medical Association more than a week to get around to expressing opposition to the Eisenhower proposal. Even then the organization expressed itself against the idea in compromising terms. The AMA used to jump down Truman's throat before he ever finished a sentence about public health.

—WAYLAND YATES

Today And Tomorrow—Walter Lippmann

Regime's First Year Points Up Advantage Of Flexible Policies

The story of the first year, as told in the President's Economic Report, is a strong argument against letting policy become frozen. In fact, it would not be going too far to say that the most serious question which hangs over the current contraction is whether the Administration will be able to carry out "flexible policies" if and when they are needed.

There is reason for some considerable anxiety as to whether the leading Republicans in Congress and many of the President's influential supporters are prepared to accept "flexible policies."

The history of the Administration's economic policy during 1953 is a strong and concrete illustration of why "flexibility" is needed, and of how it works. The report shows that when the Administration took office it believed that we were entering "a new phase of inflation" but that by the late spring various agencies, some sooner and some a little later, realized that they were dealing with "depressive tendencies."

In the first period of the Federal Reserve in its credit policy and the Treasury in its management of the public debt and in its tax program took the measures that are suitable to combat inflation. Credit was restricted. The interest yield on government securities was raised, and the President asked Congress to continue the expiring excess profits tax in order to reduce the deficit at a time when—so the Administration still believed on May 20—"there was still a latent danger of inflation."

But by early May it was already plain to the Federal Reserve Board that the restrictive credit policy was having too much effect. By early July the Federal Reserve System had reversed the restrictive policy on credit. This was accompanied by a change in the Treasury's management of the public debt in order to support "an easier credit policy." By late September Secretary Humphrey reversed the original policy of keeping up taxes to balance the budget, and made, as the report puts it "an unequivocal promise of tax relief to both families and business firms . . . at a time when trade and employment were slipping slightly."

Thus last year the Administration acted first to curb inflation and then to curb deflation. It began the year with a hard money policy and then went over to a softer money policy. It began the year with the objective of a balanced budget—to be obtained not only by reducing expenditures but by maintaining high taxes—and then changed its objective by putting tax relief ahead of a balanced budget.

This was "flexibility" and naturally it invites the criticism of the partisan and of the dogmatist. They can say with a good deal of verbal effect, though it is unfair, that the Administration yielded to popular clamor, that it played politics, that it did not have the moral fortitude to take the high austere line of hard money and a balanced budget. The partisans and the dogmatists combined could make it very difficult indeed for the Administration to act promptly, with mod-

erate measures in this year 1954.

In this connection it is important that we understand the hypothesis on which, according to the report, the Administration is now acting. It is that the slight decrease in production, the small increase of unemployment, and the other symptoms of contraction reflect "primarily a decline in the rate of inventory accumulation," especially of consumer durable goods. If this is the correct diagnosis, then, providing retail sales can be sustained generally for the next few months, the inventories should be sold off and the contraction end.

This optimistic outcome is not predicted in the report, and cannot be counted upon certainly. That is because the outlook for consumer spending is uncertain. Fixed obligations of consumers are now very high. What with installment buying, insurance premiums, rents, the cost of operating homes, fixed obligations took up about 30 per cent of consumer expenditures last year. If there is to be a prolonged decline in income due to layoffs, shorter hours, and the like, it is not certain at all that retail selling will and can clear the inventories quickly.

In that event, the contraction will be at the point where it would become cumulative, and it will be necessary to take strong measures promptly.

The report does not say so, but anyone reading it closely is entitled, I think, to conclude that in the period from now until May we shall learn whether the contraction is mild and transient or cumulative and serious.

It is, therefore, of high importance that the Administration, the Congress and the country keep an open mind and avoid frozen dogmas about taxes, the budget, the debt limit. It is a time to remember the adage: Never drive stakes too deeply into the ground if you may have to pull them out with your teeth.

Excelsior . . .

Possibly you've heard the admonition, "advertise, or be forgotten."

Well, merchants in London have confirmed that people do forget. For a long time eggs were scarce over there, but now they are plentiful. But people are not buying them in large quantities.

Grocers finally awakened to the fact that their customers had so long been accustomed to a ration of one egg per day that they had forgotten the egg's many uses. Now they're giving away recipes for such things as omelettes, just to refresh minds and whet appetites.

Truck Has Sex Appeal

NOWATA, Okla. — Ranchers' trucks are being equipped with cow-caller horns that bring the cattle on the run when they are used.

Cattlemen say the mournful moaning sound works like a charm. The theory is it resembles a mating call.

Uncle Ray's Corner

'Dancing Demons' In Procession.

At the Temple of the Tooth, on the island of Ceylon, there are "dancing demons." These are men who dress up like demons and perform before crowds of visitors.

The main sight of the temple is the holy tooth. Most of the time it is kept hidden from view, under several coverings. The outermost covering is made of silver and gold, and has the shape of a bell. Other coverings are made of solid gold studded with rubies, emeralds and diamonds.

After the casings are taken away, one by one, the visitor may see the tooth resting on a golden lotus flower. What a tooth it is! The length is at least two inches! The chief guardian of the temple stands beside a silver table when the tooth is displayed. He wears a jacket of red and gold cloth, a jewel-studded shirt, and scores of yards of silk or muslin cloth, wound around his body down to his ankles. The cloth is embroidered with gold, and there is so much of it that the chief guardian looks extremely fat. Yellow-robed priests also take part in the ceremony,

which is carried on under the light of candles.

Once a year—in the month of August—there is a grand 10-day celebration in the city of Kandy, centering at the Temple of the Tooth. On the last night of the celebration, 70 or 80 elephants appear in trappings of silver and gold. Men beat tom-toms, and various dancers and whip-crackers perform. Some of the performers carry golden umbrellas, flaming torches and fans.

In front of the temple, a huge and excited crowd gathers in the street. They await the moment when an elephant comes out of the temple. The big beast carries a golden palanquin, and inside this is one of the coverings of the Buddha's supposed tooth. After walking out of the doorway, the elephant goes down the steps.

Dancing demons now appear, and shout loudly as they leap into the air. There is music from conch shells and pipes, as well as tom-toms. The whip-crackers make noises like pistol shots while a procession passes through the city.

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Type Of New Store For Safeway

Safeway Awards Contract For \$265,000 Supermarket Here

Safeway will start construction here soon on a new supermarket. Announcement was made today by Horace Justice, Abilene, West Texas area manager for Safeway. The store will be located on South Gregg Street between 13th and 14th and will be surrounded by parking space for 183 cars.

Contract went to J. D. Jones of Big Spring for the construction of the plant which will cost approximately \$265,000. Jones, who is completing the store for Safeway at Snyder this week and who has another building at Abilene, said materials were on order and construction would start the latter part of February. Approximately 180 working days will be required.

While not the largest, it will rank as the most modern of Safeway stores, Justice explained. There will be innovations in the plant here that have not been used so far in other units. The building is part of a five-year program which will see all Safeway stores either rebuilt or completely remodeled.

The building will be of block type construction with arched roof, Roman brick, stone and plate glass front. Over-all square footage is 17,000 of which 9,700 will be in sales area and 6,900 in back stage operations. This will leave 72,400 square feet of the site for parking. The

SHED UNDIES A LA MONROE

TOKYO (U)—Japanese women trying to achieve the Marilyn Monroe look are shedding their underwear, newspapers reported today.

One paper ran a large picture of the blonde actress, honey-mooning here with husband Joe DiMaggio, with a story reporting many Japanese women have eliminated undergarments.

The paper speculated that Japan's underwear industry may feel the effects of Marilyn's visit. Miss Monroe has said she wears no undergarments, but she parried questions on the subject at a news conference here.

Rites Are Held For E. N. Davis

COLORADO CITY — Funeral rites were conducted here Thursday morning for Ernest Neal Davis, 37, who died Tuesday in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Dallas.

The Rev. Jack Selcraig officiated at the service, which was held in Kiker and Son Chapel. Burial, with military rites, was in the Colorado City Cemetery, with members of the American Legion, VFW and National Guard serving as pallbearers.

A native of Bartlett, Davis had lived in Colorado City from 1925 to 1950. He had recently been employed as an aircraft mechanic at Grand Prairie.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Beatrice Elizabeth and Billie Sue; a son, Ernest Melvin; two brothers, C. R. and W. A. Davis of Dallas; and three sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Patterson of Dallas, Mrs. Laura West of Colorado City and Mrs. Carl Barnfield of Big Spring.

Arkansas Will Not Ask Sutcliffe Trial

ARKADELPHIA, Ark. (U)—Arkansas authorities will not seek the return of Donald J. Sutcliffe for trial in Arkansas on a rape charge, they said last night.

Sutcliffe, 32, AWOL soldier from Detroit, Mich., pleaded guilty yesterday in Dallas and accepted two life sentences for the robbery of a young Dallas husband and rape of his wife.

The woman said she was raped near Greenville, Tex., and again near Arkadelphia, Ark., on a ride the man forced them to make in the couple's car. Sutcliffe was charged with rape in Arkansas as well as in Texas.

Sutcliffe forced the couple to drive him from Dallas to near Donaldson, Ark., last Dec. 10 and left them bound in a wooded area. He was captured near Malvern, Ark., a few hours later.

The couple said they thought the life sentence was "proper."

Texas Expects Hike In U.S. Road Funds

WASHINGTON (U)—Texas expects to get a 14-million-dollar increase in federal highway construction funds in the fiscal year beginning July 1, Texas State Highway Engineer Dewitt Greer said yesterday.

Greer was here on a committee representing the American Association of State Highway Officials. He said proposed new legislation would give Texas federal grants for highways totaling \$48,804,000.

Combined Communist Air Force In Far East Twice U. S. Power

By ROBERT EUNSON

TOKYO (U)—The combined Communist air force in the Far East—Russian, Chinese and North Korean—totals over 6,000 warplanes, more than twice the size of the Far East Air Forces of the United States, says Gen. O. P. Weyland, USAF's head man, in an interview, put Chinese and North Korean strength at 2,000 combat planes, and said the Russians have at least 4,500 more based near Vladivostok on Sakhalin and in the Kurile Islands.

"A preponderant number of these Soviet planes are fighters," Weyland went on, "but recently the Russians have converted many of their light bomber units to jets with the capability of reaching anywhere in Japan."

"They have enough of these bombers to constitute a good wall, especially if they are carrying the atomic weapon."

"The Russians have converted about 85 per cent of their fighters to jets. These are fighter interceptors, primarily to guard their bases from attack."

"Likewise they have improved their old medium bomber, the TU-2, with an IL-28, which is something like our B-45. It is a fast jet with the capability of reaching anywhere in Japan or Korea."

"The Communist air force has not increased in numbers in the last year or two so much as it has improved its planes."

He said the airfields around Vladivostok make up "the largest complex of bases in the world."

In addition to the jet bombers, he said, the Russians have "an impressive number" of TU-6s, which were copied from one of three of our B-29s which made forced landings on Russian soil during World War II and were never returned.

"That amount of aircraft constitutes a definite threat in the Far East," he said, "but all we can do is sit and wait and watch."

When the Korean War started, the North Korean air force had 150 obsolete Russian planes, mainly Yak-7s, Yak-1s, and IL-10s, Weyland said.

In Japan, Okinawa, Guam and the Philippines, Far East Air Forces had about 500 fighters, 150 bombers and 75 transport planes.

Our planes wiped out the North Korean air force in less than a month.

"By September 1950," Weyland

said, "we had reduced the 18 major North Korean industrial complexes to rubble."

"As it turned out these complexes were only relatively important to the North Korean war effort. The major sustaining resources were in Russia, and to a lesser degree, in China and Manchuria."

"We were forbidden to hit them north of the Yalu River, so the closer the Communist battle line was backed to the Yalu the fewer targets there were to hit."

"The entry of China into the war and the threat of the United Nations forces brought columns of enemy troops out into the open and again gave the Air Force targets to hit."

But entry of the Chinese also brought the MIGs, the Russian jet fighter interceptor. The first MIG was shot down Nov. 1, 1950, but for a time this new Russian jet caused considerable worry among USAF pilots.

A month later, however, sleek Sabres began arriving in Korea and in the first week of combat American F-86s shot down seven MIGs and damaged two with the loss of only one Sabre.

This running fight between the Sabres and the MIGs went on for 2 1/2 years, creating that mythical plane in the sky known as "MIG Alley."

The American plane came out on top of its Russian rival nearly 14 to one—58 Sabres were lost in air-to-air combat to 802 MIGs.

One question often heard during the Korean War was: Why not bring out the B-36 and let B-47 bombers? Says Weyland:

"The answer is the B-36 was plenty of airplanes for Korea, so long as our range was limited to the Yalu River on the Manchurian border. The B-36 has great range, but it wasn't needed since our 325s reached all North Korea targets from Okinawa and Japan with lots of fuel left."

"The B-47 is primarily an atom bomb carrier, and so fast that it can outrun some types of jet fighters—those of the enemy and our own. But like the B-36 it wasn't needed. The object was to make the enemy pay a price he couldn't afford. By constantly knocking out North Korean airfields, railway centers, industrial plants, supplies and troop concentrations, the B-29 hit the Communists where it hurt with deadly accuracy, day, night or in bad weather, destroying millions of dollars in equipment that never reached the front. These B-29s are slow in the jet age, but did a superior job because USAF maintained air superiority all the way through the Korean War."

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Colorado City's March Of Dimes Reports \$3,400

COLORADO CITY — Mrs. James E. Payne, Mitchell County chairman for the March of Dimes, announced Wednesday night that contributions totaled \$3,400.38, with a goal of \$7,500.

Mrs. Payne pointed out that only half of the money collected was kept by the local chapter and that half of the money collected so far would not meet MOD expenses in a normal polo year. She said that several special events were planned which would add to the present total.

The Mother's March last week brought in the top amount of cash, with the marching mothers turning in \$882.15. Mrs. Johnny Moore was in charge of this collection.

Donation envelopes mailed out by Beta Sigma Phi yielded \$725.57, and containers in the business houses brought \$294.42.

The home demonstration clubs at Buford, China Grove and Fairview, contributed \$270.50 as the proceeds from a pie supper held for the MOD. Parking meter contributions amounted to \$281.55, and \$345 was received in special gifts. Other contributions of less than \$200 make up the balance of the \$3,400.

Pope Pius Rests Well For 3rd Night In Row

VATICAN CITY (U)—Pope Pius, ailing for 10 days with gastric trouble and hiccups, rested "fairly well" last night for the third night straight, Vatican circles said today.

The lingering nature of the Pope's ailment and his seclusion from all but his closest associates have caused widespread anxiety about his health.

Ex-Rep. Cluett Dies

TROY, N.Y. (U)—Former Rep. E. Harold Cluett, 70, a Republican who attracted wide attention in 1941 by coming out for the Democratic foreign policy program, died today after a lengthy illness.

Apple For Teacher

SALT LAKE CITY (U)—Acting Mayor L. C. Romney signed a proclamation yesterday calling on one and all to observe Feb. 11 as "Apple for the Teacher Day."

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Father Freed And Son Gets Church Care

RICHMOND, Tex. (U)—The Texas father who was jailed for the crimes of a delinquent 8-year-old son has been released.

County Judge George A. Roane released Fernando Rodriguez of Rosenberg, Tex., yesterday and placed the custody of Rodriguez' two children in the hands of the Catholic Charities of Rosenberg.

The son and an 11-year-old daughter had been living with their blind grandmother with no one to support them.

The child whose crimes sent Rodriguez to jail had been accused of burglary, theft and arson.

Rodriguez was one of four fathers given 6-month suspended sentences Nov. 30 under a new Texas statute making parents responsible for crimes of their children. The law was passed by the Legislature in an effort to combat juvenile delinquency.

Rodriguez became the first person in Texas to go to jail for the offense when Judge Roane revoked the suspended sentence last week.

The Catholic Church organization will have full custody of the two children until the father provides "a proper home atmosphere," County Atty. Arthur Van Slyke said. Rodriguez is to provide for the children's support while they are with Catholic charities.

Roane, commenting on Rodriguez' freedom, said:

"The father still is not discharged from his responsibility."

"If he does not abide by the agreement and contribute regularly to the support of the children... and if the x x x boy gets in trouble again, he will still have to serve his jail sentence."

Judge's Resignation Request Withdrawn

AUSTIN (U)—The resignation of Judge Arthur A. Klein of Brownsville as judge of the 10th Judicial District has been withdrawn at Klein's request, Gov. Shivers said yesterday.

Klein, who has announced as a candidate for the congressional seat held by Rep. Lloyd Bentsen Jr., submitted the resignation last week but later changed his mind.

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It's A Nice Dog's Life

Caesar, a 90-pound Great Dane pup, hated to go outside when it was cold, so his owner, Mrs. Fred Cox of Decatur, Ill., solved the problem with this scarf. Now the Georgia-born pup, also equipped with a homemade overcoat, has no objections to getting his daily exercise. (AP Wirephoto).

Administration Eyes Indochina In Concern

By WARREN ROGERS JR.
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Eisenhower administration showed growing concern today over the situation in Indochina, where Communist rebels are pressing a new assault in a war that has dragged on for eight years.

President Eisenhower told his news conference yesterday he views the battle as critical in the sense that there is some lack of enthusiasm for it. Later he put out a clarifying statement—the first such explanation of a news conference remark since he took office a year ago.

The statement said he meant no reflection on the Indochinese who are combating communism. It said he referred to "a number of people in Indochina who have not committed themselves to the struggle."

The President's comments came against a backdrop of reports that France, bearing the brunt of the battle for the free world, is seeking 400 or more B26 attack bombers and mechanics to keep them flying. There also were reports from authoritative sources that at least a dozen C119 Flying Boxcars had been sent by the United States to the French in Indochina.

In Hong Kong yesterday Civil Air Transport, an American-owned airline which grew out of the volunteer Flying Tigers of China, announced some of its American pilots, under contract with the French, would fly the U.S.-loaned C119s.

There was neither denial nor

Drama Postponed

A dramatic presentation of Milton's "Paradise Lost" originally scheduled for Friday at the Northside Baptist Church has been postponed until Wednesday, Feb. 10. The Rev. B. G. Richbourg will be in charge.

THE WEATHER

NORTH CENTRAL AND WEST TEXAS: Fair and continued mild through Friday.		
TEMPERATURE		
CITY	MAX.	MIN.
Arlington	73	42
Amesbury	67	38
Big Spring	76	34
Chicago	76	34
Denver	70	31
Des Moines	70	31
El Paso	70	30
Fort Worth	70	30
Galveston	69	32
New York	40	36
San Antonio	69	41
St. Louis	44	34
Sun sets today at 6:23 p.m.; rises Friday at 7:37 a.m.		

MARKETS

LIVESTOCK
FORT WORTH (AP)—Cattle 700; calves 300; steady; good to choice steers and yearlings 17.00-18.00; common and medium 12.00-14.00; good and choice slaughter calves 14.00-15.00; medium and medium 13.00-14.00; culls 10.00-12.00; medium and good stocker calves and yearlings 10.00-12.00.
Hogs 180; steady to 25 lower; choice 24.00-25.00; medium 22.00-23.00; 200-pound hogs 24.00-25.00; culls 21.00-22.00.
Sheep 400; weak to 50 lower; utility and good wool slaughter lambs 18.00; utility and good shorn slaughter lambs 17.00; good heavy wool slaughter yearlings and 2-year-old wethers 14.00; aged wethers 11.00; feeder lambs 14.00-15.00.

WALL STREET
NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market was largely higher today with trading fairly active at the opening.
Gains were traditional for the most part, and minor gains were scarce. A great many large blocks were on the tape at the start.

Among them were General Motors 1,500 shares up 1/4, Standard Oil 1,100 up 1/4, United States Steel 1,000 up 1/4, American Airlines 1,000 unchanged, Radio Corp. 1,000 unchanged, T. & E. Steel 1,000 up 1/4, Kennecott Copper 1,000 up 1/4, and Republic Steel 1,000 up 1/4.
 Chrysler, yesterday's most active issue with a gain of 3/4, started today at a block of 5,000 shares up 1/4 to 3/4.
 Chrysler yesterday started the late rally that lifted the entire list ahead in a flurry of buying at the close. The market yesterday started out in a dull way and was brought to life by activity at higher prices in the afternoon. But it was the late demand that pushed the list up for good today.

The Associated Press average of 50 stocks gained 10 cents at 11:17, a new high mark in the current recovery drive.

COTTON
NEW YORK (AP)—New cotton prices were 30 cents a bale higher to 35 cents lower than the previous close, March 24, May 24, and July 24.

Oil Recovered n Drillstem Test Of Project In Spraberry West

Oil was reversed out of the drill pipe following a Wednesday drillstem test at Seaboard's No. 4 M. J. Peterson, project in the Spraberry West Field of Dawson County. Recovery also included heavily oil and gas cut mud and salt water.

Western Drilling Company announced the completion of the No. 1 Willis in the Welch Field of Dawson County for a 24-hour pumping potential of 66.24 barrels of oil.

A wildcat was spotted in Howard County, a Spraberry West Field location was staked in Dawson County, and an outpost location to the Reinecke Field in Borden was made.

Pan American No. 1 W. D. Anderson is the wildest in Howard, located about four miles northeast of Luther. Seaboard No. 3 Herman Pettaway is the Dawson project, and Pan-American No. 1 H. C. Wolf is the Borden outpost.

Borden

Pan-American Production Company No. 1 H. C. Wolf, 660 from north and west lines, 41-25-H&T

West Expecting Molotov To Air Elections Plan

BERLIN (AP)—Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov demanded tonight that the Big Four get on with forming a provisional all-German government including Communists to handle national elections and achieve unity for the divided nation.

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

BERLIN (AP)—The Western Big Three saved their big ammunition today for the new plan for all-German elections they expect from Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov. They brushed aside as a trick his proposal for a plebiscite to decide whether the Germans conclude a peace treaty with the Big Four now or an alliance with the West.

The Westerners said Molotov's plebiscite proposal, made late in yesterday's session of the Big Four foreign ministers conference, contributed nothing to German unity. American, British and French officials agreed that the election proposal anticipated from Molotov would have to be taken much more seriously than the plebiscite idea.

Molotov was believed ready to pop his plan almost any minute. If it resembles in any way the free election proposal put forward by British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, the West will certainly be surprised.

As the conference went into its 10th session, with British Foreign Secretary Eden presiding in the Soviet Embassy, Western officials expressed considerable disappointment that Molotov in the previous sessions had not come to grips with the free election issue on which the Western Powers base their plan for German unification.

There was some feeling among American officials that Molotov was stalling to avoid making clear Russia's position on German elections. Speculation was that he may have been consulting with Moscow on precisely what line the Soviet Union should take on this issue.

Western diplomats regarded the plebiscite proposal as more of a propaganda gimmick than a serious policy maneuver. They did take seriously Molotov's promise that he would have a new proposal later on and they believe this would be on free elections.

The way Molotov has jumped from crag to crag without settling down in any one valley of thought has the West pondering if it isn't time to try to salvage at least "smaller potatoes" out of the parley.

Still pending in this category were the long-deadlocked Austrian independence treaty, possible conferences with Communist China about peace in Asia and perhaps further talks between Russia's V. M. Molotov and U. S. Secretary of State Dulles on President Eisenhower's proposal for an atomic pool for peace.

A possible outcome also was a simple mechanism for building up a larger exchange of goods between West and East Germany, a trade now largely throttled by political differences despite mutual needs.

One Western informant said the Big Four ministers probably would spend the balance of this week in more fruitless talk on Germany, then move on to Austria.

One wide-open indication of the end to Western hopes for any major German settlement came last night when Russia's junior partner, East German Premier Otto Grotewohl, seconded Molotov's latest gimmick for Germany.

French Foreign Minister Bidault speaking for the West, brushed the Soviet proposal aside. Let all the Germans elect their own unified government in the free elections the West has proposed, said Bidault, and that government can make its own decisions.

Should Have Known
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—A two-family residence owned by Leon Gilbert was destroyed last night by fire caused by a faulty fuse box, firemen said. Gilbert is chairman of the Nashville Electric Power Board.

Testimony For Defense Starts In Trial Here

The defendants started presenting their side of the case Wednesday afternoon in the suit to try title to four sections of Howard County land.

The suit was brought by J. S. Garlington and others against A. L. Wasson and N. H. Reed.

Clyde E. Thomas, one of the attorneys for the defendants, was the first defense witness. Thomas formerly was an attorney for Garlington. During the time he was on the stand this morning, numerous instruments reflecting proceedings of previous litigation were introduced.

Plaintiffs were sustained in objecting to the introduction of a transcript of testimony of J. S. Garlington in 1946. Lawyers for the plaintiffs contended the transcript was not a proper record in that it was not signed.

Scheduled to testify this afternoon as defense witnesses were R. L. Cook, J. E. Walker, J. W. Elrod, Willis Winters, Dr. G. T. Hall and others.

The Garlington's suit is to try title of Sections 20, 21, 22 and 23, Block 25, H&T survey. The plaintiffs claim J. S. Garlington was of unsound mind at the time he lost title to the land on foreclosure of a deed of trust in 1940. They also contend he was not properly represented when a district court proceeding subsequently upheld title of Wasson.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 J. O. Haney, 1,094 from north and 2,642 from east lines, 14-32-2n, T&P survey, reached 9,289 feet in lime and chert.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 E. N. Phipps, C NE NE, 10-32-2n, T&P survey, dug to 7,904 feet in lime.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 B Tom Spencer, C SW SW, 11-32-2n, T&P survey, is making hole at 9,662 feet in lime and chert. Top of the Mississippian was picked at 9,589 feet.

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil No. 1 C Tom Spencer, C SW SE, 11-32-2n, T&P survey, is boring below 9,767 feet in lime and chert.

Martin

Seaboard No. 1 B. R. Parker et al, C NE NE, 47-36-1n, T&P survey, is reported drilling at 4,965 feet. Texas Company No. 1-A R State, C NE SE, 17-7-University survey, got down to 11,948 feet.

Stanolind No. 1 Odessa Davenport, C NW NW, 14-34-3n, T&P survey, is rigging up rotary. Two dry water holes have been drilled for operations.

Sterling

Boykin Brothers No. 2 Bade, 330 from south and 2,037 from west lines, 22-22-H&T survey, set the 8 1/2 inch string at 238 feet with 50 sacks. Operators were waiting on cement to set Thursday on this northwest Sterling County offset project to the Parochial Bade production.

Peter Rabbit To Play Here

The ever popular fairy tale of that cute little rascal Peter Rabbit and his obedient brother and sister will be told in person on the stage of the High School auditorium Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Central Ward P-TA, the children's musical will feature a cast of New York and Hollywood comedians, singers and dancers.

The characters of Mopsy, Flopsy, Cottontail, Farmer McGregor, Mother Rabbit and son Peter, will come to life in the story of how Peter, that mischievous little creature, gets into a load of innocent trouble with the farmer McGregor.

The show is produced by the well-known producers of children's musical stage shows, Penthouse Productions of New York.

Scout Leaders To Meet At College

An important meeting of Scout leaders has been called for 7:30 p.m. today at Howard County Junior College Auditorium.

Dr. G. F. Dillon, Lone Star district chairman, said that this would be the regular monthly "4-1" meeting but that it was an extremely important session because last minute preparations for the Feb. 11 Scout Council will be discussed.

"We urgently ask all scoutmasters, cubmasters, and explorer advisors to attend, together with all others who have to do with scouting," he said. The March-April-May program quarterly program plans will be distributed at the meeting.

Many Bidders Seek Old County Furniture

County commissioners were snowed under this morning with a flood of bids on old courthouse furniture and odds and ends of junk.

Nearly 200 persons submitted bids, most of them turning in offers on 20 or more different items. Commissioners expected the task of opening and tabulating the offers to require most of the day. High bidders will be notified of their purchases, they said.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bishop were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Long and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Long, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Griffith and son Jimmy and Jim Long of Odessa.

Martin Predicts Eisenhower Program Enactment Quickly

By D. HAROLD OLIVER
WASHINGTON (AP)—Speaker of the House Martin, saying there is a new "zip to things" in Washington, predicted today the Eisenhower program will be "well on its way to complete enactment" before Congress quits this summer.

But the veteran Massachusetts legislator said in a talk prepared for an luncheon meeting of the Republican National Finance Committee that President Eisenhower's broad legislative recommendations would never be finally approved unless a "Republican Congress" is returned in the November elections.

"It is a big, complex program, but in my opinion we will be able to enact the great bulk of it," he asserted, adding: "Nothing can be more vital to us than the re-election of a Republican House and Senate this fall."

Republicans were here from every state for a three-day rally and campaign talks. The finance group met first to decide on an expanded 1954 campaign budget.

Among what he termed accomplishments of the administration, Martin listed a "firm, understandable foreign policy based on strength and leadership rather than appeasement."

Domestically, he said, inflation "has been checked and the cost of living is going down."

Club Has Report On 'Y' Project

The ins and outs of practical politics were detailed for Lions Club members Wednesday by two young people who had a hand in the Youth-In-Government legislation.

Libby Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Jones, and Wade Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Simpson, were the speakers.

Libby, a leader in the Tri-Hi-Y Club here, outlined preparations necessary in naming representatives, senators and others from here. She also told what was involved in preparation of bills to be introduced, and then something of the early maneuvering in organizing the state government.

Robert Angel, Big Spring Tri-Hi-Y president, was elected lieutenant governor, and he was succeeded by Glenn Rogers as president pro tempore of the Senate.

Wade gave Lions a glimpse of the workings of committees and of the House and Senate. Big Spring bills snagged in committee and when they were reported out, the glut of the calendar prevented action on the floor, he said. His scrapbook was judged the best of any in the state. Glenn Rogers, although not one of the originally elected state officials, was runner up in competition for the outstanding boy official, Wade told Lions.

Grover Good, executive secretary of the YMCA, spoke briefly in introducing the speakers. He stressed that the YMCA belonged to "all of you."

Dr. Braude Is Due Here For Lecture

Dr. A. L. Braude, associate professor of medicine at the Southwest Medical School of the University of Texas, will deliver a lecture on "Toxoplasmosis in the Adult" at the Veterans Administration Hospital here Friday.

The lecture is scheduled for 1 p.m. in the recreation hall of the hospital. Dr. Jackson H. Freidlander, chief of professional services, has urged all local doctors who can possibly attend the lecture to be guests of the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Are Grandparents

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy T. Smith have joined the ranks of grandparents.

A 7 1/2-pound son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. George Ragdale at Los Alamos, N. M. Mrs. Tracy Smith left here Wednesday and flew to Santa Fe, arriving in Los Alamos at 7 p.m., three hours before the baby arrived. The mother is the former Carolyn Smith and is doing splendidly.

Stock Market Here Continues Steady

The market remained steady at the Big Spring Livestock Auction Company's sale Wednesday. Owner A. L. Cooper described it "as a good light sale."

Fat bulls sold from 13.00 to 14.00, fat cows from 10.00 to 12.00, fat calves up to 15.50 and butcher cows from 8.00 to 10.00.

Stocker steer calves went for 15.50, heifer calves up to 15.50, cows beside calves from 9.00 to 12.00 and top butcher hogs up to 27.00.

An estimated 450 cattle and 40 to 50 hogs were processed.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks to our many friends for their words of sympathy, prayers and beautiful flowers, also for the nice food and other courtesies extended during our recent bereavement. May God bless you.

The Family of E. L. Deason.

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- A special section commemorating the 44th Anniversary of the Boy Scout program in America
- Special articles and pictures about a wholesome activity for young Americans.
- A section to be treasured by boys and parents alike.

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Great Books Group To Be Organized

The initial meeting of Big Spring's first Great Books Foundation group will be Friday at 8 p.m. at the Howard County Junior College library.

Registration of members will be followed by a discussion of program plans, aims and time of meetings. Those who are interested in belonging to this pilot group but who cannot attend Friday night are urged to register before that time.

They may call or see Bill Thompson, head of the English department, at the Junior College. A great deal of interest has been shown by individual members of the community, according to

Thompson, and apparently parallels the national reaction to the program which was started by the University of Chicago in 1947. The national founders have been more than justified in their thesis that many Americans welcome the opportunity to discuss ideas, Thompson reports.

What the Great Books program amounts to is a free liberal education for those participating. Members learn to read with greater understanding and discernment, to communicate their ideas with greater ease, to evaluate opinions expressed by others and to think for themselves.

Assignments will be taken from such sources as the Declaration of Independence, the Bible, Plato, Thucydides, Aristotle, St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Machiavelli, Shakespeare, Locke, Marx and Adam Smith.

Thompson emphasizes that the only teachers in the discussion group are the authors of the books themselves although discussion leaders will be used to ask questions, they do not lecture or state their own opinions. They seek out the conflicting opinions of the group members.

There are no fees connected with the program. The only costs are those of obtaining the books for the 18 assignments. A complete set may be bought from the Foundation for only \$11.

There are no educational requirements. Regular attendance and reading of the assigned material before each meeting is necessary. The group will meet one evening every two weeks.

One premise of the program is that there are certain basic problems which have confronted mankind in every era and that some of mankind's best thinking on these problems is to be found in books written by the great thinkers and writers of the past.

Shower Given Miss Gorrell

A shower, given by eight hostesses, fete Virginia Gorrell, bride-elect of Lloyd Hubbard, Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. Howard Shanks, 404 Donkey.

Hostesses were Mrs. Shanks, Nokie Bedell, Billy Sue Sewell, Mrs. Mrs. Harold C. Martin, Mrs. Joe K. Connally and Mary C. Haas.

The refreshment table decorated with a theme of blue and yellow, featured a centerpiece of blue carnations and goldenrods. The cake was also blue and yellow and bore the words, "Virginia and Lloyd."

Attending were Mrs. Ricky Duller, Mrs. Gerald Henry, Mrs. Peggy Plew, Martha Denton, Mrs. Jeanne Skelton, Shirley McGinnis, Mrs. Faye Hobbs, Mrs. Dorris Perkins and Carol Ann, Mrs. Betty Rains and Mrs. Joy Harmon.

Forty persons sent gifts.

BLF&E Ladies Society Installs Mrs. Davis

Mrs. Othelia Davis was installed inner guard at the meeting of the Ladies Society of the BLF&E Wednesday at the WOW Hall. Mrs. Sarah Griffith was installing officer and Mrs. Alice Mims installing marshal.

Mrs. Annie Wilson presided. Fifteen attended. Refreshment committee for the Feb. 17 meeting will be Mrs. Minnie Skelley and Mrs. Theresa Anderson.

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HOLLYWOOD BEAUTY

Singer Peggy Lee Uses Brushes As Beauty Aids

By LYDIA LANE

HOLLYWOOD — Peggy Lee, who is one of the nation's top recording artists, had a tough time getting her first break. "But I never lost faith," she confided to me one morning recently in her attractive apartment.

"You have to love your work or otherwise it isn't worth the disappointments and discipline. But if you are sure you know what you want to do—and I knew I wanted to sing—the important thing is to hold on with the right attitude. I am a great one for the mental side."

BRUSH FOR BEAUTY
Peggy's advice on brushing is good. You'll want to add "hair brush" to your required list, however, and to give you some valuable information on how to use it you'll want a copy of leaflet M-37, "Brushing Your Way to Beauty." Added, "Do's and Don'ts For Beautiful Hair" containing information on shampooing, scalp care and selecting the right hairdo. Get your copy by sending 5 cents AND a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Lydia Lane, Hollywood Beauty, in care of The Big Spring Herald. Remember to ask for M-37.

of everything, I believe thinking a song is as important as singing it. I try to feel the story whenever I sing—to have in mind some character who fits into the theme of the lyrics.

"Even being considered well dressed depends a lot on feeling that you look right. That is why one type of gown may do so much for one person and nothing for another."

As Peggy was talking the sun came into the room and I noticed that she was not wearing make-up. "What lovely skin you have," I exclaimed.

"I'm a great one for using a complexion brush. It is the only sure way of getting your face clean, of keeping your pores from being clogged. But," Peggy confessed, "I love brushes and have quite a collection of them. I think if you asked for my favorite beauty secret I would say it was a brush," Peggy laughed. "I would be lost without a back brush. It not only cleans hard to reach places, but the good stiff bristles stimulate your circulation. It is surprising how many people have clogged pores on their back."

Country Club Has Dance In Forsan

FORSAN — Approximately \$75 was collected at a dance at the Country Club for the March of Dimes. Club members sponsored the dance. Fifteen couples attended.

A group of young people held a theatre party recently. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Averett. The group included Bolvin Martin, Billy Perry, Janell King, Jack Averett, Sue Averett, Barbara Green, Pat Brunton, Travis Dempsey, Chequita Fowler, Frankie Bedell, Bob Leonard and Johnny Park.

Allen Batts, employee of the Samsan Oil Co. in Lees Community, has been transferred to Ardmore, Okla. He and Mrs. Batts and their two children will move soon.

Frankie and Charlene Boyd have returned to classes at Texas Tech after a between-semester visit here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boyd.

"What else?" I asked. "I have a special brush for my feet. It feels so good to scrub your heels and soles with good strong bristles, and of course I have one for my hands and nails. I have special brushes for my eye lashes and eye brows and one for putting on lipstick."

"I never can find a bathroom with places enough for my tooth brushes," she continued. "I don't like to use the same brush twice in the same day, and since I enjoy cleaning my teeth after every meal as well as in the morning and before retiring, I need quite a few."

"What type of tooth brush do you prefer?" I asked, as Peggy has very pretty teeth. "I like various kinds," Peggy conceded, "but as soon as a brush gets soft, I throw it away."

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Dr. John Carroll Of Texas Tech To Speak Here Friday

The Classroom Teachers Association has invited the public to hear Dr. John S. Carroll, head of the Department of Education at Texas Tech, speak on "How Are We Doing in Education?" at a public relations banquet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., at the Senior High School cafeteria.

Reservations must be made by Friday. Tickets are \$1.50 and can be purchased from any teacher in the local school system.

Dr. Carroll will use a large model vignette to illustrate his talk. The Twisters will sing special numbers.

Dr. Carroll is a member of several educational advisory boards in Texas and the nation. Currently, he serves as Chairman of Rural Services for the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

He is a past president of the Department of Rural Education of the National Education Association. He has served in a consultant capacity for educational films producers, including Walt Disney Productions, Encyclopaedia Britannica Films, United World Films; for textbook publishers; and for school systems in Texas, Connecticut, Michigan, Oregon, Nevada and California.

P-TA Council Chooses Nominators

The nominating committee elected at a meeting of the City Council P-TA Wednesday included Mrs. J. H. Homan, Mrs. L. D. Jenkins, Mrs. A. C. Kroyen, Mrs. F. G. Lester, Mrs. W. A. C. LaCroix, Mrs. LaCroix gave the devotion, "Do You Like You?"

Plans were completed for the Founders' Day tea at the high school cafeteria Feb. 17 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Central Ward and East Ward reported six members taking the study course, "Family Living."

Reporting on unit meetings were Mrs. Homan, Central Ward; Mrs. T. H. Tarbet, Park Hill; Mrs. LaCroix, Washington; Mrs. A. C. Brown, West Ward; Mrs. Kroyen, East Ward; Mrs. Jack Ewing, South Ward; Mrs. Alvin Simpson, Airport, and Mrs. Jack Irons, North Ward.

It was reported that the Mothers March on Polio brought in over \$670.

Members were urged to vote for the bonds in the coming election. Twenty-two attended.

Dramatics In Daily Life Illustrated

Dramatics is not just play-acting. Oleda Schrotky, dramatics specialist for the national Girl Scout staff, stressed at a workshop Tuesday at the Little House.

Miss Schrotky stressed the simple dramatics that come in everyday living: courtesy, cheerfulness, individual usefulness. She illustrated how people express different desires through words, modulations and actions and demonstrated pantomimes to simple music.

Scout leaders from Midland, Andrews, Lamesa, Stanton, Ackery, Coahoma and Big Spring attended the workshop. Miss Schrotky's schedule in West Texas also included workshops in San Angelo and Lubbock and at the Booth Oaks camp in Sweetwater.

Coffee Is Given For Nancy Clark

A kitchen theme was used in the centerpiece for a shower for Nancy Clark Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Zollie Boykin.

Over a bowl of yellow daisies was a rack hung with small kitchen utensils, all gifts from the hostesses, Mrs. Boykin, Mrs. H. W. Smith and Mrs. Lloyd Wasson.

Mrs. J. G. Tucker poured coffee for the guests, members of the 1948 Hyperion Club, of which the bride's mother, Mrs. Ray Clark, is a member.

The guest list included Mrs. Hayes Stripling, Mrs. D. M. Penn, Mrs. John Hodges, Mrs. Otis Grafa Sr., Mrs. William Boyd, Mrs. Hardin Wood, Mrs. J. E. Fort, Mrs. C. W. Guthrie, Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. Allen Hamilton, Mrs. Lewis Price and Mrs. J. W. Atkins.

Baby Daughter Born

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Burns are parents of a daughter born at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Malone-Hogan Hospital. The child, which weighed eight pounds and two ounces, has been named Linda Jane.

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Valentine Tea

The Modern Woman's Forum will entertain Spoudazio Fara and the Woman's Forum at a Valentine Tea Friday following a performance by John Rice, guest musician, at 3 p.m. at Howard County Junior College Auditorium. The tea will be held in the music room.

Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary has postponed its meeting until next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The group will meet in the home of Mrs. H. W. Wright, 211 Jefferson.



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1905 Hyperion Urges Community Center

Sponsorship of a movement for establishment of a youth and community center with the YMCA as sponsoring agency was noted by the 1905 Hyperion Club in its meeting Wednesday.

Members adopted a resolution calling for the sponsorship following a program which dealt with "Home Town Interest in Youth."

Such a facility, said the proposal, would be pressed over the idea of a club house for women. Said the

approved resolution: "The 1905 Hyperion Club goes on record as sponsoring a move to establish a youth and community center with the YMCA as the sponsoring agency in place of a clubhouse."

Information brought by a panel composed of Mrs. K. H. McGibbon, Mrs. Larson Lloyd and Mrs. Anthony Hunt indicated there were approximately 2,500 young people to be served. Only about 1,000 are not being reached, at least in part, by existing agencies such as Boy and Girl Scouts, the YMCA, etc. and exclusive of churches.

A survey of various communities indicated that any movement would require trained paid adult supervision. In area communities the successful operations had had the YMCA for sponsors. It was reported.

Mrs. Jordan Grooms was named chairman of the Indian affairs committee which will cooperate with the Texas Federation in its work with the Texas Indian reservation.

Mrs. Rogers Hefley will be in charge of an essay contest being sponsored nationally by the General Federation of Women's Clubs. In Big Spring the 1905 Hyperion Club will conduct the contest at elementary and high school levels. The club will offer \$5 for the best essay by an elementary pupil and a high school pupil on "What Americanism Means to Me." Winners will compete in the national contest which offers a trip to Philadelphia to the first place high school entry and \$100 cash to the elementary winner. March 1 is the deadline for entering.

It was announced that the 8th district conference will be held March 17-18-19 in Fort Stockton.

Mrs. Tracy Smith was hostess to the club at her home at 1803 Settles, and refreshments were served to 18 members. Next meeting is Feb. 17 in the home of Mrs. R. T. Piner and the program topic is "Know Your Federation."

Silver services were at each end of the tea-table which was laid with a white organdy cloth appliqued with linen. Mints in the shape of small snapdragons and the flowers on individual cakes complemented the central arrangement, a bowl of pink snapdragons.

Coffee and tea were poured by Mrs. Sullivan, president of the club, and by Mrs. James Wilson.

Colonial Program Given For P-TA

The Park Hill School fourth grade presented a colonial program with Dick Heister as announcer and Mrs. Bill Griesse as accompanist for the Park Hill P-TA Tuesday.

The group sang songs of yesterday.

Speaker for the evening was W. D. Berry whose subject was civil defense.

Reba Williams' class won the room count. Refreshments were served to the group.

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Leading Colorado Demo Figure Dies

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP)—William H. (Billy) Adams, 92, grand old man of the Democratic party in Colorado and the state's only three-time governor, died today.

He had been bedridden in his hotel room here the past several months.

In early manhood, Adams was a store clerk, cowboy, teamster and hay hand. He gradually acquired land and cattle until he became one of Colorado's most widely known cattlemen.

He voluntarily retired in 1933 after serving six years as governor, 38 years as state senator, two years in the State House of Representatives, two years as Alamosa mayor and two years as county commissioner.

Marlon Brando Is Sick, Studio Told

HOLLYWOOD, (AP)—Twentieth Century-Fox studio officials say they have been notified by Marlon Brando's New York physician that the actor is "very sick and confused," and that he will not be able to fulfill his contract in the movie, "The Egyptian."

The picture was to have started production yesterday but a postponement was announced until next Monday. Studio officials said they were attempting to reach Brando in the East and still have hopes of having him for the movie, a four million dollar enterprise.

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Bar Candidates

R. N. Gresham, San Antonio, left, and E. V. Nichols, Fort Worth, have been nominated as candidates for president of the State Bar of Texas during 1954-55. Everett Looney, Austin, president of the State Bar, announced the nominations following a meeting of the directors in El Paso last weekend. Nichols currently is a vice president of the state unit, has been a member of the bar since 1929 and is a graduate of Baylor. Gresham, a tax attorney, has practiced in San Antonio since his graduation from the University of Texas in 1916.

Arizona Boasts Atomic Age Shangri-La In Deep Canyon

By JACK LEFLER
SUPAI, Ariz. (AP)—The modern world of atoms, taxes and war scares hardly casts a shadow in the deep, incredibly beautiful Havasupai Canyon near here.

It's a veritable Garden of Eden where the peaceful Havasupai Indians live in tranquil isolation comparable to the storied Tibetan retreat of Shangri-La.

It can be reached only by horseback over two twisting trails, one 14 miles long, the other eight. Both drop 2,800 feet from a plateau to Supai village.

Three sides of Havasupai land are ringed by towering canyon walls. The fourth opens into the Grand Canyon at the edge of the Colorado River.

The Havasupai have lived in their canyon home for hundreds of years. The first white man to visit them was an exploring priest, Padre Garcia, who descended into the gorge in 1776.

He found it a lush garden of shimmering cottonwood trees, meadows, cultivated patches and

cascading waterfalls. The canyon took its name, Havasu, from the blue-green, lime-impregnated waters which have painted the boulders over which cataract creek flows. Pai means people in the Indians' language.

Through all the years since Padre Garcia discovered the canyon dwellers, the white man's hand has fallen lightly on the Havasupai. Only four outsiders live among them today. They are the Indian service agent and his wife, a bachelor schoolteacher and a woman missionary.

TV Relay Route From Amarillo To L.A. Set

NEW YORK (AP)—A new 1,000-mile radio relay route from Amarillo, Tex., to Los Angeles, Calif., for telephone and television network use is planned by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The company announced yesterday that it has filed an application for construction of the initial portion from Amarillo to Albuquerque. The circuits will travel on microwave beams between relay towers. The company hopes to have the first portion ready for service by late summer.

Iron is about four per cent of the earth's crust.

Crockett Chamber Is Against Forest Sale

CROCKETT (AP)—Directors of the local chamber of commerce have decided to oppose any proposed sale of the national forests in Texas. The group decided yesterday to invite other chambers, county and city officials and civic groups to attend a meeting to be scheduled soon.

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Decision Due On Boys Held In Shooting

WICHITA FALLS (AP)—The county juvenile board met tomorrow to decide what to do with two 16-year-old boys held for investigation in the death of another teen-ager.

Thomas Dearing, 13, of Collinsville, Okla., was shot to death in a hotel room here Monday.

Tommy Thomasson and Raymond Eaton, both of Tennessee, told police the three were arguing over money taken from an Arkansas filling station. Thomasson said he was holding a gun and, as Dearing grabbed for it, the gun went off.

Juvenile Officer J. W. McCormick has said he would ask the board to hold the pair in jail here until they become 17 and could be tried for murder.

Eaton will be 17 July 2 and Thomasson on Dec. 17. The board is composed of three district judges and the county judge.



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