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Marshall Quits As Sec'y Of State

Well...
I Dunno,
But...

Dr. R. N. Richardson, president of Hardin-Simmons University, has taken a very sensible attitude on the much talked of "evils" of some lurid "comic" books, which he says aren't comics at all but lurid adventures which are not good for children still in the extremely imaginative stage.

Dr. Richardson comments as follows:

"Children now are acquainted with fables long before they have learned there are two worlds, a world of fact and a world of fiction," he pointed out.

"In a world of fiction, character won't work out in the world of fact—such for instance, as hitting a fellow over the head with a club, knocking him out, and having him come to, good as ever, at the convenient time. They don't know that in life, where facts are stubborn, such blows cause consciousness that frequently, very frequently, kill.

"There is too much violence in these adventure strips, these so-called fables. They do constitute a problem. The artists who draw them could correct them in a hurry, and will do so whenever the public demands it of them. I do not think the remedy lies in banning of bad books and vows by youngsters that they will read no more. This subject calls for something more constructive than bonfires. It is true, nevertheless, that parents had better give some attention to the sort of so-called fables that their children are reading."

To a large extent the "comic" books have taken the place of the beloved literature for children and as Dr. Richardson points out, it's not entirely wholesome for them. We agree that some kind of appeal should be made to the artists to clean up the strips.

Law enforcement officers over the country are laying a lot of the credit for juvenile delinquency on the questionable strips and there are cases where the delinquents even admit that they got their ideas from the strips.

Which is all by the way of being a good argument for patronage of our up and coming Community Public Library where good literature is available at all times for the children of Ranger.

Wish the rainmakers would do a little work on these clouds that are hanging around. Yes sir, we sure could use some of that rare item once known in this country as "rain."

In case you have any doubt as to the drought just take a squint at these figures. In December 1948 we had .49 of an inch of rain. In December 1947 we had 3.09 inches and in December 1946 we had 3.20 inches of rain. And the sad part about it, just such a comparison goes for the other months of those years.

And too, we notice that the year end snows were missing this year. Last year and the year before, heavy snows fell on the year's end and continued through a good part of the next two months of the following years.

Yep, the cycle of weather must be changing again.

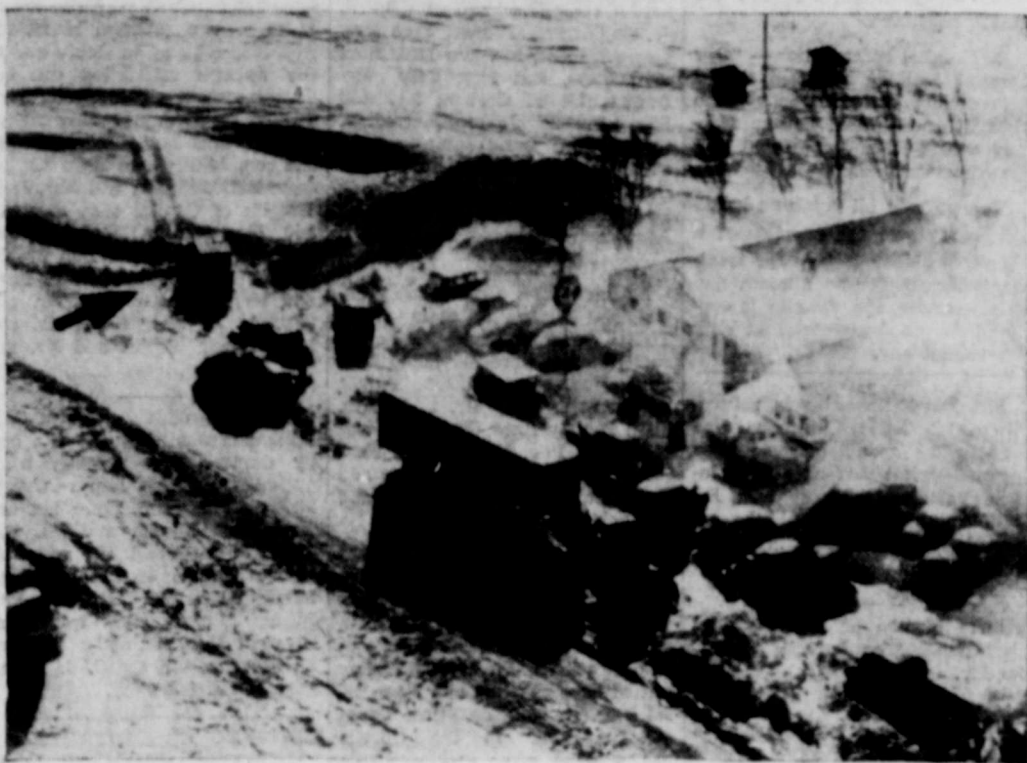
The first county health department in the U. S. was established in Guilford County, N. C., on June 1, 1911.

THE WEATHER

BY UNITED PRESS
East Texas — Considerable cloudiness this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. Occasional light rain in the southwest and extreme south portions. Warmer tonight. Gentle to moderate variable winds on the coast.

West Texas — Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. No important changes in temperatures.
Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today:
Maximum 56
Minimum 35
Hour's Reading 56
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a.m. today:
Maximum 57
Minimum 29

ANY PORT IN STORM



At Rockport, Colorado, a Lowry Air Base Weasel, arrow, from Denver, crawls over huge snow drifts to reach tavern. Huge transport trucks and autos are stranded at this tavern. — (NEA Telephoto).

TRUMAN SEEKS ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM; RENT, WAGE CONTROL

By Merriman Smith
United Press White House Reporter

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (UP) — President Truman today asked Congress to extend rent control "at least two years" and renewed his plea for standby wage-price controls to check the "dangerous inflationary forces" still at work.

At the same time, the President hinted on his third annual economic report that he was thinking largely of an excess profits tax on business when he asked Congress on Wednesday for \$4,000,000,000 (B) in new tax money.

And he went on to expand his tax program today by saying that "some additional excise taxes may be desirable but some excise taxes, particularly on oleomargarine, should be repealed." He also called for an increase in social security taxes.

The President's economic report hit hard on the theme that inflation remains a serious menace to our prosperity. But he warned that the threat of a potential recession also is in evidence and must not be ignored.

As long as the economic situation contains such "mixed elements," he said, the government must have powers that can be applied as a brake or an accelerator, according to the need.

To combat both menaces at once, he requested standby wage, price and distribution controls; but "flexible" taxes; continued controls on rents and on bank and consumer credit; and a wide range of social welfare programs.

Mr. Truman first asked the 81st Congress to extend rent control on Wednesday in his state of the union message. But he did not say then how long he wanted it continued after the scheduled March 31 expiration.

Principal reason given by them for the strike was a critical water situation at Archer City, whose municipal reserve is nearing exhaustion. The Wichita Falls & Southern offered the best means of solving the problem — hauling in tankers of water.

score today, saying: "The present housing shortage makes it necessary to continue rent control for at least two years and to strengthen its enforcement."

Turning to taxes, the President again asked for \$4,000,000,000 (B) in new revenue with corporations the "principal" source. Again, as in his Wednesday message he did not say specifically whether he wanted a boost in normal corporation tax rates or a new excess profits levy.

But he appeared to be thinking of an excess profits tax when he said:

"Corporate profits after taxes (in 1948) amounted to about \$21,000,000,000 (B), contrasted with a record level of about \$18,000,000,000 (B) in 1947."

Warmer Weather Moves Over State

BY UNITED PRESS
The weather warmed up over Texas today and the weekend outlook was for partly cloudy with little change in temperatures.

Only a few points reported sub-freezing weather this morning. Lubbock reported 21, El Paso, 24, Amarillo 25, Lufkin 29, Big Spring 30, Abilene 31, Waco 32, Texarkana 34 Dallas 37, Houston 39, San Antonio 44 and Brownsville 50.

Yesterday's high was 62 degrees at Crystal City with Guadalupe Pass reporting the low maximum of 35.

Some light showers were reported this morning in the San Antonio — Del Rio — Laredo area, but the weather bureau said there appeared no likelihood they would develop into a general rain.

The railway has three 8,000-gallon water tankers. Toronto Pipeline Company promised "one to 15" more of 10,000 to 15,000 gallons capacity, but these must be "steamed out" first since they have been used as crude oil carriers.

The striking railway brotherhoods tied up WFA&S operations on Dec. 15 to enforce demands for higher wages. Their strike offer was drawn up Wednesday night and submitted yesterday in writing to WFA&S president Orville Bullington, who accepted immediately.

Under the truce, the trainmen go back to work at the same wage rates and under the same working conditions which had prompted them to strike.

Phantom Murder Suspect Cleared

TEXARKANA, Tex., Jan. 7 (UP) — An attempt to connect a 26-year-old negro with the Texarkana "phantom" slayings failed today. Police said Lee Everett Bunn had not been in this area when five persons were shot to death in the 1946 wave of terror. He currently is being held at Waco, on a charge of bludgeoning a negro couple to death with a car jack.

Police tried to link Bunn with the Texarkana murders when they learned he once worked on the farm of Virgil Starks, one of the victims.

Starks was shot to death as he listened to his radio in his farm home. He's wife was shot twice in the head by the killer but escaped to a neighbor's home. She could not give police much information about the "phantom" appearance.

Bowie County Sheriff E. G. Hensley, cooperating with Waco officers, said he and Texas Ranger Stewart Stanley had investigated Bunn's actions at Texarkana.

Seaberry Heads State Committee

Word has been received from Austin of the appointment of Virgil Seaberry of Eastland as chairman of the organizing committee for the commission on recommendations for the revision of the constitution of Texas.

A 24-man commission for proposed constitutional changes has been recommended and will be organized along the lines of the Gilmer-Aliken Committee on Education.

Seaberry is widely known for his ability in constitutional fields and as an able leader. He is a partner in the law firm of Turner and Seaberry in Eastland.

Lions Club Meet Held Thursday

The regular meeting of the Lions Club was held Thursday at noon at the Gholsom Hotel with Wilson Guest presiding in the absence of R. V. Galloway, president.

A report from the directors was given by Dr. Carl Straley, and various matters relative to the club acted upon.

Ralph Wagner was in charge of the program and presented Betty Reuser in three piano selections. Scott Safford was introduced as a new member and Marvin Lamar of Weatherford was a guest at the meeting.

Hard water scale inside a tea-kettle usually can be removed by boiling in the kettle about a cup of vinegar with three cups of water, which dissolves the scale.

ARAB-JEWISH PEACE NEARS

TEL AVIV, Jan. 7 (UP) — Preliminary armistice talks looking toward a lasting Palestine peace between the Jews and Arabs began today in Tel Aviv.

An official spokesman announced the opening of tentative armistice discussions between officials of Israel and the United Nations.

The UN and Israel representatives apparently were setting out to lay the ground work for direct negotiations between the Arabs and Jews for a settlement of the Palestine hostilities.

Hope for peace soared yesterday when the government announced that the Jews and Egyptians had agreed on a cease fire and truce negotiations.

The Egyptians asked UN representatives to go ahead with the first contacts necessary to clear the way for the first face to face discussions between the Jews and Arabs.

The fighting in south Palestine was scheduled to cease at 2 P. M. GMT (9 A. M. EST).

As in the case of all former cease fires in Palestine, the reports from the field lagged hours behind the deadline. But the officially fostered attitude here was that beyond doubt the truce would be effective from the Jewish side. And the Egyptians long since had agreed to stop fighting if the Jews did.

Israeli army sources claimed that the Jewish troops who invaded Egypt could have swept through the Sinai Peninsula to the Suez Canal, but returned voluntarily after destroying Egyptian installations near the border.

"We have been shouting for peace but forced to fight," a high Israeli government official said here, "and we are going to make the opportunity for peace is the most of it."

Funeral Services For C. J. Kleiner

Funeral services for Charles Jacob Kleiner of Cisco, widely known oil man and rancher were held today at 2 P. M. at the First Presbyterian Church in Cisco, with Rev. Stuart MacRobbie officiating.

He died at his home Wednesday night after being in poor health for several years.

The deceased had extensive ranch holdings in Haskell, Eastland and Stephens counties in addition to interests in south Texas. His citrus fruit holdings in the Rio Grande Valley were extensive.

Before his entrance into oil enterprise he and his brother, John Kleiner were active in coal mining in Cisco. The brothers started oil activities in January 1924 and rapidly increased their holdings.

In 1928 he opened a large producer on the Langston lease in Young County.

Active in civic affairs he served on the Cisco City Commission, was a director of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of Masonic orders in Fort Worth, Dallas and Cisco.

SIXTH DISTRICT OF TFWC TO MEET IN RANGER MARCH 31, APRIL 1-2

About 200 women are expected to descend upon Ranger March 31 and April 1 and 2, according to an announcement made Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. Cantrell of Lometa, president of the Sixth District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, made the above estimate while in Ranger to lay plans for the Sixth District Convention to be held in Ranger on the above dates.

The district president met with members of the three federated clubs in Ranger, 1920 Club, New Era Club and 1947 Club at the Community Clubhouse Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The theme of the convention will be "Strengthening Federation Through Working For Its Goals of Peace and Understanding," and a program committee composed of Dr. Claire Peterson of San Angelo, Mrs. Cantrell and Lilla Jean Brown of Ranger will set to work immediately to work out the

TRUMAN SAYS U. S. FOREIGN POLICY TO STAY UNCHANGED UNDER ACHESON

J. W. McAnally New District Engineer For TES

J. W. McAnally, Big Spring has been named division engineer of the Texas Electric Service Company at Eastland. He replaces W. G. Marquardt, who will become head of the company's Fort Worth transmission division, February 1.



J. W. McAnally

Mr. McAnally took over his new duties this week and plans to move his wife and young son here soon. He has been connected with the electric company at Big Spring since receiving his degree at Texas Tech, and during the war was communications officer in the Air Force.

Mr. Marquardt became division engineer here last spring when W. D. Maddrey, formerly of Eastland, was transferred to Fort Worth to set up the company's Fort Worth transmission division. Mr. Marquardt again replaced Mr. Maddrey who recently has been promoted to the power company's general office as assistant to O. S. Hockaday, superintendent of transmission. Mr. Maddrey will assume his new duties soon after Mr. Marquardt takes over his new job with the company in Fort Worth.

County Singers To Meet In Cisco

The Eastland County Singing Association Convention will be held Saturday night and Sunday at the Cisco Junior College Auditorium in Cisco.

It was stated by those in charge of the meeting that a number of quartets from over the state will be present and many other prominent singers. Henry Carter is president of the association and Stanley Webb is vice-president.

The public is invited to attend.

Haywood County, N. C. contains 72 mountain peaks more than 5,000 feet high.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (UP) — Secretary of State George C. Marshall has resigned and Dean Acheson has been appointed his successor, President Truman announced today.

Budget Director James E. Webb was named to succeed undersecretary of state Robert A. Lovett who also resigned.

The resignations are effective Jan. 20. Frank Pace, Jr., was appointed to replace Webb as director of the bureau of the budget. Pace is now assistant director of the budget.

Frederick J. Lawton, a career man in the budget bureau, was named to succeed Pace.

Acheson, former undersecretary of state, will carry out the nation's present foreign policy, Mr. Truman told a news conference.

The president accepted Marshall's resignation "reluctantly and with deep regret," telling reporters he regarded Marshall as "the outstanding man" of the second World War era.

Marshall is 68. He recently underwent an operation for removal of a kidney and is now convalescing.

His health was the primary factor in his resignation. Mr. Truman had hoped that with medical treatment and rest, the former Army chief of staff could have returned to his duties.

"I am, however, unwilling to assume the responsibility of further jeopardizing your health," the President wrote Marshall in accepting the resignation. Marshall submitted his resignation on Jan. 3, the President disclosed.

His brief letter of resignation bearing that date said: "My dear Mr. President, 'I regret that it is necessary for me to submit my resignation as Secretary of State.

"Please accept my thanks for the extraordinary consideration and complete support you have given me these past three years. I shall never forget your kindness and I submit this resignation with affectionate regard and great respect.

"Faithfully yours,
G. C. MARSHALL"

The President said, with obvious feeling, that the shift at the top of the State Department did not preclude any change in this nation's foreign relations, particularly along lines suggested in a current magazine article by columnist Jay Franklin.

Franklin, one of Mr. Truman's speech writers during the recent election campaign, said that the administration is softening its policy toward Russia.

Franklin said he based his article on "my conversations with the chief executive."

Mr. Truman said sharply at his news conference that he had never had any private interviews with Franklin on any subject.

He said the article was without foundation of fact in nearly every instance and every paragraph.

Mr. Truman denied flatly that there was a Forrestal-Marshall-Lovett foreign policy as different from a Truman policy.

Mr. Truman said that he inaugurated the foreign policy of this country and it was carried out faithfully by Marshall, James Forrestal as secretary of defense.

The President said that Franklin was brought in during the campaign by some members of his staff to help with preparation of his speeches, but he said he had never had a private conference with the columnist.

The President added, however, that Franklin had been to see him a time or two about a job.

Acheson, who will take over one of the nation's toughest jobs as secretary of state, is a Harvard law graduate. He became identified with the late President Roosevelt early in the New Deal. After practicing law from 1921 to 1933, he accepted an appointment as undersecretary of treasury.

That job didn't last long, however. He differed with Mr. Roosevelt on fiscal policy and returned to private law practice within six months.

But Acheson supported Mr. Roosevelt for reelection both in 1936 and in 1940. And in 1941, Acheson returned to government service as assistant secretary of state.

The only person now living who saw the first airplane flight at Kitty Hawk, N. C., is Johnny Moore, a commercial fisherman of Colington, N. C.

At the meeting Thursday, Mrs. Cantrell in an inspirational talk outlined the objectives of the General Federation, state Federation and district federation of women's clubs. She stated that the Sixth District has as its aims a spiritual guidance and religious education program, conservation of youth and conservation of natural resources.

Preceding Mrs. Cantrell's discussion, Mrs. Joe B. Scott played a vibraphone number accompanied at the piano by Miss Hightower.

A tea arranged by the hospitality committees of the three clubs was given following the program, conservation of youth with an imported cutwork cloth and decorated with an arrangement of ranunculus in a silver bowl on a silver mounted reflector. Yellow candles in silver holders lighted the table. Mrs. Turner, Mrs. King and Miss Oyler alternated in presiding at the silver tea service.

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Morton Valley News Items

MORTON VALLEY, Jan. 5.—It's back to books again for Morton Valley pupils after a long holiday vacation. School took up Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shull and children of Albuquerque, New Mexico, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Boyd of this community.

Mrs. Winnie Lou Dorsey and Jo Ann of Eastland spent Sunday in the home of her sister and family, the H. N. Shermans.

Mr. and Mrs. Slover had as guests in their home last week their daughter from Georgetown, and their son from Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tankersley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Winney Graham and family spent Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Joe Sturms at Breckenridge.

Bobby Gene Harrison returned Sunday to Lubbock to continue his studies at Texas Tech.

Visitors in the R. C. Baldersee home Sunday were Mary Lee Baldersee, Norma Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Duncan and children, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Williams and children all of Ranger.

Rev. and Mrs. M. B. James and Linda were dinner guests in the D. F. Williamson home Sunday.

Janis Carter spent a part of this week in the Henry Hardin home at Eastland visiting Joan Hardin.

Dick Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris has returned to his studies at Denton after spending the holiday season here with his parents and his brother, George.

Rev. and Mrs. M. B. James and Linda were guests in the R. C. Baldersee home for the evening meal Sunday.

Gayla Carter visited a part of this week at Carbon with June Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Greenfield and daughter of Sweetwater visited her parents the L. J. Baggett Saturday and Sunday. Jack Greenfield, who had been visiting the L. J. Baggett of this community and Ray Don Baggett of the Colony Community, returned to Sweetwater with his parents to spend a few days before going to his farm in Ark.

Ralph Wheat returned to College Station to resume his studies at A. & M. after visiting his parents for the past two weeks.

Sgt. G. W. Tankersley of Camp Hood spent Saturday and Sunday with his wife and sons at the J. L. Williamson home.

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INVESTIGATOR PRAISES MEDICAL CARE OF VETS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (UP)—Veterans now are getting "the finest medical service there is," a House investigator reported today.

The investigator, Rep. Olin E. Teague, D. Tex., said veterans hospitals are so good some men who aren't eligible want to pay their way in.

Teague, himself a wounded ex-serviceman, made the report after talking to doctors, patients and nurses in 13 veterans hospitals in six states.

As a one-man veterans subcommittee, he made the trip through Illinois, Colorado, Utah, California, Oregon and Washington during late November and December.

"Generally, it is my impression that our veterans are receiving the finest medical service there is," the much-decorated Texan reported.

Teague found some hospital too crowded, and their staffs overworked. And he said something

Visitors in The J. C. Carter home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen and daughters of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Hardin and daughters of Andrews, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Hardin and son, Dalton, of Sundown, June Tucker of Carbon, and Joan Hardin of Eastland.

Rev. and Mrs. M. B. James and Linda returned to Brownwood Sunday night where Brother and Mrs. James returned to their classes Monday morning at Howard Payne College.

Visitors in the H. O. Hearn home during the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Becker of Ft. Morgan, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Troutt and son of Seminole, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reece of Ervin, Mrs. Inez Peacock of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hearn and daughters of Ranger, and Mrs. H. O. Hearn's sister, Mrs. Stella Sturman of Abilene.

Miss Margaret Burton, a nurse in the Veterans Hospital at Legion, Texas, a friend of Buster Wheat, visited from Saturday until Monday in the T. L. Wheat home at which time Buster returned to the hospital after spending the holiday season here with his parents.

Gerald Matthews returned to Lubbock Friday after spending the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Matthews.

Mrs. Monroe Walker is spending much of her time at Santo with her brother, Mr. Johnny Cattleman, who is suffering with cancer.

Guests in the Edd Ivey home Sunday were his brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. Ivey of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Rapp of Ft. Worth spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Castleberry. Little Eddie returned home with his parents after having spent the week with his grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Duncan had as their guests Sunday Mrs. Duncan's sister, Mrs. Stone, her daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Keith of Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beck and children left Thursday to visit her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Hershey of Pyote, and her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morton at Wink. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nix and son of Xray spent the week-end in the John Nix home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stuart and daughter of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson over the week-end.

Mr. June Bond of Carbon visited in the J. H. Nix home Sunday.

Miss Kathleen Poor, a student at the University at Austin has returned to Austin after spending the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Poor.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart have had five with the measles at one time, but they are all able to be up and around the house at this writing.

Miss Pebble Nix has returned to business college after spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nix.

Mrs. Dorothy Nell Ellis is home from Philadelphia. Her husband has been shipped out and she plans to stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hazard, until he returns.

ought to be done about three problems.

1. Tuberculosis—"Every case of tuberculosis should be considered an emergency and regardless of service-connection, should be immediately hospitalized."

2. Beds for cases not service-connected—"are we or aren't we going to care for all non-service-connected veteran cases? If we are, we are terribly short of beds. If we aren't, we have too many beds now."

3. Hospital construction—"Our hospital building program should be restudied. I do not believe the veteran population, had sufficiently settled when the present program was completed."

Teague said all veterans hospitals worry over the question of a veteran's ability to pay for treatment. Except for an ailment due to his service, the veteran is supposed to get free treatment only if he cannot pay.

Mr. Boyd Hazard was returned to his home Christmas Eve night after spending some time in the hospital suffering from injuries sustained while at work. He is doing as well as could be expected. His eye is still in a critical condition.

Luke Morton of Dallas visited his fiancée, Miss Dorothy Wheat, Sunday.

Jimmy Reinher has returned to his home in Dallas after a visit with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Sherrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Baggett and daughter, Mrs. Paul Langford visited Mr. Paul Langford at Dallas in the veterans hospital Monday.

W. M. U. met at the Harmony Baptist Church Monday evening for an interesting Bible study. Mr. John J. Boen directed the discussion.

Honored Dead Rest Together
FORT SCOTT, Kan. (UP)—Seven officers and enlisted men, the crew of an American bomber which crashed in Bulgaria nearly five years ago, have been buried in a single grave, with full military honors. Relatives agreed upon the mid-America resting place in Fort Scott cemetery, although the victim's homes were scattered from Pennsylvania to California.

Not All Thert but Good
PORTLAND, Me. (UP)—Successfully operating a watch repair business here are: Robert Venner, who has only one good hand; his brother Harry, who has only one good eye; Gerard Breault, who has only one leg.

NEWS FROM LONGBRANCH

Mrs. G. W. Stowe, Cor.

CARBON ROUTE 1

Long Branch, Jan. 5. Mrs. Elzo Beem who underwent surgery at Gorman recently is reported to be doing well. Her daughter Mrs. Sidney Davis has been at the home of her parents here with her two daughters, Sidna and Judy. The father joined his family here for the week-end before returning to their home in Elgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Field entertained relatives with a big dinner at their new home on the J. W. Gage farm. Present were Mrs. Laura Maness, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maness, and Mrs. C. M. Daniels all of Carbon; Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson, George, Charles and Doris Johnson from Pleasant Hill; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Benannon, Mary Alice and Jimmie Mae Bohannon of Long Branch. Also Flem Maness, of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Britt Dudley entertained friends at their home Thursday, after which delicious refreshments were served to Mrs. John McKinney and son, Travis, of Pleasant Hill; Mr. and Mrs. John Dudley from Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Poe, Miss Lucille Furr and Mrs. Truman Beem and daughters Miss Lucille Furr and the hosts all of Long Branch.

Attending B. T. U. Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bigham from the Tyler lease near Okra and Mansfield Melton, who is with a seismograph crew out of Breckenridge and Miss Rosalie Owens of Cisco, all of whom spent an hour in the George Stowe home after service where a musical treat was enjoyed.

Of special interest were two quartette numbers given at the B. T. U. program arranged by Mrs. Furr for Sunday evening. Singers were Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Reed Arthur Wright and Fred Wilson.

Visitors in the W. O. Melton home the last few days have included the hosts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Melton and his twin brother, Willard O. Melton, and another brother and his wife, E. H. Melton who were with their parents from Monday, Texas. Relatives of Mrs. Wilburn Melton who visited in her home were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barton and their children and Ollie Larken all from near Tracy, Calif.

Mrs. J. S. Lambert from Grand Saline is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Wilson this week. She returned home with Wayne Wilson, her grandson, who was to take up his studies at Cisco Junior College and also drive the school bus, in which the Long Branch students ride to Cisco to the public schools. Max, a Carbon senior student had visited at Grand Saline but returned early last week.

Jackie Wayne Bishop, who spent the holidays with his father, Jack Bishop, and his sister, Wilda Jean of Brownwood, has returned to his training camp at San Antonio.

James and Leon Wright, cousins, from Eastland, entertained a group of friends and relatives Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stowe. Other duets, quartettes and choruses were interspersed with the music of these two talented musicians who rate high as amateurs and in the writer's estimation can out do some of the paid performers. The crowd Friday evening included Mr. and Mrs. James Wright and son, Jimmy, and Leon Wright from Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vaughn of Capital city, too; Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Bradshaw and children, Sandra and Don of McCombs; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Reed and Mrs. Melba Carter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wright and Mr. and Mrs. George Stowe.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bohannon was the scene of a happy dinner party recently when present were Mrs. Laura Maness, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rone, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maness of Carbon; Flem Maness, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson and Emily from Pleasant Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon FiFields and the C. S. Bohannons of Long Branch.

BIRCH BORER ROUTS MILL

MILO, Me. (UP)—The brown birch borer is chasing the American Thread Co.'s spool mill out of town. Late in 1948 the mill will make its home in Georgia, ending jobs here for 80 persons. The borer in eight years have raised havoc with birch wood from which the spools are made. Georgia has a supply of gumwood, suitable for spools.

BOSTON (UP)—Theatrical folk deny there was Soviet influence but billed simultaneously in Boston theaters were the shows: Red Shoes, Red Gloves, Red Mill and Red River. Also available was "A Southern Yankee," starring Red Skelton.

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R. H. Patterson No.1 Davis has made an oil well-drilled the plug Tuesday. Gas pressure on this operation is not going to be such that they will be able to flow the well. They have installed a pumping unit.

R. H. Patterson No.1 Brown is a diagonal offset to the Davis near Desdemona. R. H. Patterson is moving his rig from the Davis location to the Brown.

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MARVIN GROSS

Sports Editor

CLIFTON NIPS RANGERS IN LOOP OPENER, 45-42

By Marvin Gross

The jinx that crops up when the Rangers take to the Clifton court happened again last night as the Cowboys blazed in the final two minutes to win a rough and tumble 45-42 decision over the Rangers. It was the conference opener for both quintets.

It was a wild passing, helter-skelter melee with the second half lead switching a half dozen times. In contrast to their earlier appearance in Ranger, the Cowboys played a wide open free shooting style of offense which kept the Rangers just a couple of degrees off stride throughout the night. The Rangers stopped an alarming skid at the tail end of the first half—pulling up from a 21-14 deficit to knot the count at the intermission mark.

And with J. W. Harper and Doc Mulligan scintillating in reserve roles the Rangers looked ready to apply the finisher early in the final 20 minutes. After 12 minutes a pair of buckets by Mulligan and Cled Heathington soared the Rangers to a 35-29 lead—their biggest advantage of the evening. But the Cowboys put on a little steam to close the gap.

Dave Oliver, a brilliant all-around performer, caged a one-hander and when Crouch contributed three points, Clifton trailed by a single point. A minute later, Spider Keeney and Sid McAllister zoomed in on the front end of a play, lightening breaks to give Clifton a 39-38 hlyre with two minutes left.

Then Jimmy Crawley who sat out most of the first half, dropped a set shot from the foul line to move the Rangers in the driver's seat but back came the smaller edition of the Olivers, Dave, to plunk one in while going away from the hoop.

After Mulligan flubbed a foul try, Harper converted a rebound into a 42-41 Ranger lead with little over a minute remaining. But that marked the final to the Ranger scoring while the Cowboys had a couple more twin pointers stored up.

Lanky McAllister weaved his way through what turned out to be the winning goal and a 43-

42 lead but just to ice things Dave Oliver threw up a one-hander ten seconds before the final whistle.

The Ranger starting array frittered and fumed for the first 15 minutes of the game gradually falling in arrears. But with Mulligan, Harper, Heathington and Ford in the line-up the team began to hit consistently.

Harper with a 13 point contribution paced the Ranger attack while Mulligan chipped in with 11. Crawley after a slipshod first half spurted in the final half to also notch 11 points. Charley Sullivan hit a big zero in the scoring column—his first whitewash in many a man's memory.

Sid McAllister, the clever pivot man and Keeney shared the brunt of the Clifton assault. McAllister tabbed 13 points while Keeney hit for 12.

The Rangers meet Weatherford tomorrow night in the playoff of a game originally scheduled for January 3.

Line-Ups

RANGER	G	F	Tot.
Crawley	4	3	11
Blitch	0	1	1
Heathington	2	0	4
Harper	6	1	13
Mulligan	5	1	11
Arterburn	1	0	2
Sullivan	0	0	0
Ford	0	0	0
Blackwell	0	0	0
	18	6	42

CLIFTON	G	F	Tot.
McAllister	5	3	13
Keeney	6	0	12
D. Oliver	3	1	7
Massengale	3	0	6
Crouch	1	2	4
R. Oliver	1	1	3
Mattlage	0	0	0
Johnson	0	0	0
	19	7	45

That's High Finance
FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—Officer G. B. Garden found a check for five cents under the windshield of an expensive-looking convertible parked overtime in front of the meter. He took the check and inserted a nickel.



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Blair And Balch Awarded 1948 Numerals

ABILENE Two former Eastland County players, Bob Blair and Bob Balch have been awarded numerals for the 1948 season with the freshman football eleven at Hardin-Simmons, freshman coach Al Milch has announced. Blair was a fullback standout for the Eastland high eleven regional championship team in 1947 while Balch was a four-year letterman at the tackle position for Ranger high school.

Blair, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Blair, was a starting fullback for the first postwar freshman eleven at Hardin-Simmons during the past season. Weighing 180 pounds he is expected to bolster the light varsity backfield in 1949.

Balch, son of Mrs. R. S. Balch, Ranger saw considerable duty at the tackle post during the past season. He will be depended on to compete for a starting varsity assignment next season.

The freshman footballers ramblent through an undefeated and untied season in 1948 and have been called the greatest frosh eleven ever assembled at Hardin-Simmons. Included on their list of impressive wins were victories over three junior colleges, Cisco, San Angelo and Decatur, and freshman eleven from Texas Tech and West Texas State. The Cowboy frosh climaxed their all-winning season by blasting the Texas Tech freshmen 35 to 6 in Lubbock. The frosh gridlers scored 95 points to 13 for opposition in their five-game schedule.

Wayland Seeks New Loop Status

PLAINVIEW, Tex., Jan. 7. (UP)—Wayland College looked for a new athletic conference affiliation today after being declared ineligible for further competition in the Texas Junior College Athletic Association because it is now a four-year college.

The South Plains school last year won the TJCAA basketball crown and had drawn up a schedule against conference foes in the western zone this season because all of its players were first and second-year enrollees in the school.

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Texas Vs. Ponies In Loop Opener

BY UNITED PRESS
Coach Jack Gray's University of Texas Longhorns, boasting the best pre-title play record in the Southwest Conference, open their bid tonight for the conference basketball title now held by the Baylor Bears.

The Longhorns invaded Dallas for their inaugural conference game against Coach E. O. (Doc) Hayes' Southern Methodist Mustangs—the sophomore-sparked quintet which got off to a bad start earlier in the week by losing to Texas Christian.

Texas will be a slight favorite over the Methodists, although if the home club should hit the fast pace it has shown at times this season SMU could easily upset the Longhorns' bid.

TCU, which may yet prove the surprise entry of the loop after finishing in the cellar last season, meets the Texas Aggies in Fort Worth tonight in the only other contest on the schedule. It will mark the Aggies' first outing in title play.

Texas moves to Fort Worth tomorrow night while the Aggies invade Dallas. Rice moves into the Baylor gymnasium at Waco and Arkansas plays a non-conference tilt against the Phillips Oilers at Little Rock.

Dim Your Lights—Save A Life

Although there was no official word on the subject, Wayland was expected to apply for membership in the five-member Texas Conference which last month lost one of its number—Hardin College—to the Lone Star Conference.



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League Owners Discuss Schedule

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 7 (UP)—Texas League club owners met here today with quiet, routine sessions apparently in store for them.

No controversial subjects were expected to come up before the league's directors and the main order of business was expected to be adoption of a 154-game schedule. Otherwise, most of the two-day affair probably will be spent more on a social plane with entertainment as the main item.

League statistician Bill Ruggles has been working on various schedules for three months and will have several choices for the owners to consider for final adoption.

The playing season will open April 13 and end Sept. 11.

There was some talk that the directors might discuss a new five-year contract for league president J. Alvin Gardner, but Gardner's present contract still has two years to run and such action could well be put off.

Also expected to come up for unofficial discussion will be a proposed negro baseball circuit to

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Tribute Paid To Mrs. Hagaman

Tribute was paid to Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, dean of Ranger club women, Thursday when Mrs. W. E. Cantrell, president of the Sixth District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, presented to clubwomen of Ranger a handsome portrait of Mrs. Hagaman. The presentation was made at a joint meeting of the 1920 Club, New Era Club, and 1947 club at 3 o'clock Thursday.

The picture will be hung in the Community Clubhouse, as a lasting reminder of the active part of Mrs. Hagaman has had in club work in Ranger, the district and the state.

Mrs. Don Butler, president, presided at a business session in which members voted to donate \$5 to the Cancer Research fund.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

The next meeting will be on January 20 in the home of Mrs. Artice Watson, 1114 Foch Street.

H. V. Davenport and one has a free ticket at the

Tower Theatre

Box Office to See Paul Kelly, Adrain Booth and Evelyn Ankers in "Spoilers of the North" and see Allan Lane as Red Ryder in "Oregon Trail Scouts."

Luncheon Honors Mrs. W. E. Cantrell

Complimenting Mrs. W. E. Cantrell of Lometa, president of the Sixth District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. M. L. King, entertained at her home Thursday at a noon luncheon.

The luncheon table was centered with a colorful arrangement of ranunculus in a silver bowl. Mrs. Cantrell's place was marked by corsage of white carnations.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Cantrell outlined for those present some of the plans for the coming Sixth District convention in Ranger.

Luncheon guests were Mrs. James L. Turner, president of the New Era Club, Jo Oyler, president of the 1947 Club, Mrs. A. W. Brazda and Mrs. W. F. Creager, both members of the District Board, Mrs. M. H. Hagaman of the TFWC state board, Mrs. Earl Pittman and Mrs. L. L. Bruce co-chairmen with Mrs. King for the convention and Mrs. C. E. May, assistant general chairman for the convention.

Personals

S. R. Ampsper has returned to his home in Columbus, Ohio after spending the holidays with Mrs. Ampsper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stiles. Mrs. Ampsper and daughter will remain for a longer visit. Pfc. Joe N. Stiles has returned to Kessler Field, Miss. and Cpl. Virgil E. Stiles has returned to the hospital at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth after a visit with their parents.

Mrs. J. B. Rayfield, Sr. left Ranger Thursday for Panama, California after being notified of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Huling. Mrs. Huling is also the granddaughter of C. M. Farnell of Ranger.

Hospital News

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Basham of Odessa have a baby daughter born at the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. Elmer Robinson of Ranger, a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital, has been dismissed.

Laverne Baggett of Ranger is a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital.

Mrs. Duane Dennis of Ranger is a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. J. D. Ross of Odessa is a patient at the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. Guy Kilpatrick of Dallas underwent major surgery at the West Texas Hospital.

Mrs. J. W. Warren of Olden is a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital.

Mrs. B. F. Dickson of Ranger is a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

By United Press
AUSTIN, Jan. 7 (UP) Texas drought conditions resemble those of 1938-39.

The state board of water engineers said in its monthly report yesterday that Texas rainfall for December was 50 per cent below normal. The greatest deficiency was along the lower coastline and in Central Texas.

The Red River, Sulphur River, Lake Fork Sabine River, Texas River, Brazos River and Lavaca river were, in some sections, at their lowest December flows since 1939.

ODESSA, Jan. 7 (UP)—Three hours of artificial respiration last night failed to revive an ex-Marine identified as Melvin T. Van Lew of San Angelo, who was electrocuted while working on a power pole.

It took workmen six or seven minutes to remove Van Lew from the pole after he touched a ground wire while in contact with a 7,200-volt cable.

GRAHAM, Jan. 7 (UP)—Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for J. B. Hazelton, 47, year old Young county farmer, who died yesterday of "accidental asphyxiation" after apparently being overcome by fumes from an oil well slush pit.

Hazelton was found in the pit by his son, Wayne, who lives nearby. He was declared dead upon arrival at a Graham hospital.

DALLAS, Jan. 7 (UP)—Payors of city and school property taxes bore the brunt of Dallas' record 1948 tax bill of \$17,334,692, city tax assessor and collector, Fred Cullum, said yesterday. The 1948 figure was up almost \$3,000,000 from the 1947 tax total.

TYLER, Jan. 7 (UP)—Funeral services for Judge D. R. Pendleton, 87, pioneer lawyer and former county judge, were held here yesterday. He died after an illness of several years.

TYLER, Tex. Jan. 7 (UP)—R. S. (Pop) Johnson, aeronautical engineer who helped design two well-known light planes, faced charges here today of giving a Tyler hotel a worthless check for \$184.36. Authorities identified Johnson as one of the designers of the Culver Cadet and Swift airplanes.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 7 (UP)—At the age of 15 months, Betty Zane Massey fell from a chair and her right arm was broken. When she was six years old she leaped from a bed and the same arm was fractured again. Yesterday, Betty Zane, now 10, was turning a hand spring on the lawn of her parent's home. It ended, yes, in a fracture. This time it was her left arm.

BROWNSVILLE, Jan. 7 (UP)—Federal District Judge Allan B. Hannay entered a judgment yesterday ordering owners of 4,908 acres of Starr county land to surrender possession or file a protest against the evaluation

Fort Worth Livestock Report

FORT WORTH, Tex. Jan. 7 (UP)—(USDA)—Livestock: Cattle 550. Very slow, weak to lower a full extent of recent sharp declines. Common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings 16.50-21.00, better kind scarce. Few beef cows 17.00-18.00, canners and cutters 12.00-16.50. Slaughter bulls 16.00-21.00. Stockers scarce.

Calves 200. Slow and weak. Good slaughter calves 22.50-24.00 choice scarce, common and medium 18.00-21.50. Culls 17.50 down. Stockers scarce.

Hogs 300. Butcher hogs and sows mostly 50 lower than Thursday's packer market. Top 20.00 paid for good and choice 190-280 lbs, good and choice 150-18 lbs 18.00-19.75. Sows 15.00-16.00. Feeder pigs steady at 15.00-18.00.

Sheep 400. Few sales of killing classes steady to weak. Medium grade woolly slaughter lambs 22-20, medium short lambs 20.00. Cull to medium slaughter ewes 8.50-9.50. Practically nothing else offered.

Judge Sentences Two Teen-Agers Held In Slaying

DALLAS, Jan. 7 (UP)—Juvenile Judge Sarah T. Hughes has sentenced two juvenile girls involved in the death of a Dallas jail matron to the Gainesville State School until they reach the age of 21.

One of the girls, 15, was ordered held without possible clemency. The other, 17, could be freed after a year, if her conduct is satisfactory and a juvenile judge recommended parole.

The 15-year-old, and "incorrigible," has been a constant source of trouble for Dallas juvenile officials.

Matron Kassie Mae Chandler, of \$66.361.

It was the first condemnation action instituted by federal attorneys in gaining title to land necessary for construction of the Falcon dam on the U. S.-Mexican border.

McALLEN, Jan. 7 (UP)—Lower Rio Grande Valley lettuce prices skyrocketed this week as sub-freezing weather hit southern California truck gardens. Prices for Valley lettuce ranged up to \$500 per acre, up as much as 100 per cent within a matter of days. Most of the valley crop will be harvested within two weeks.

68, died three weeks ago after being injured by the girls in an attempt to escape from the Dallas County jail.

Judge Hughes imposed the sentences after a private hearing.

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