

Race for Second Democratic Post Draws Spotlight

Platform Framers Seek Party Unity

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—Democratic platform framers were reported today to have drawn a preliminary civil rights plank bidding for party unity through a revival of the 1944 race stand.

But there were no immediate signs whether the proposed compromise can stop a convention floor fight—between Southerners and self-styled "liberals"—that could determine whether the Democrats will be one party or two in November.

The 1944 platform declared that "racial and religious minorities have the right to live, develop and vote equally with all citizens and share the rights that are guaranteed by our Constitution." Thus it for some civil rights measures stopped short of a direct stand President Truman has asked.

The tentative platform draft, drawn by a seven-member subcommittee and yet to be approved by the 108-member full Platform Committee and by the convention, was held in secrecy.

But one source said this language was presented by the seven-member platform writing group for the race plank:

"The Democratic Party and the Democratic administration are solely responsible for the great gains in recent years made in the continuing effort to reduce and eliminate unfair and illegal discrimination based on race, or creed or color.

"We have implemented our often expressed belief that racial and religious minorities have the right to live, develop and vote equally with all citizens, and to share the rights guaranteed by the Constitution.

"We again call on Congress to exert its full authority to the limits of those Constitutional powers to protect those rights."

Southerners were said to have lost their fight in the preliminary drafting group for a states' rights plank. Previously Democratic Chairman J. Howard McGrath said the administration might be willing to go along on such a plank if it did not "nullify" the civil rights proposal.

Chaucer Sparks, former Alabama governor and member of the seven-member drafting group, told a reporter:

"Efforts are being made now to get the extremists on both sides to agree, without a floor fight. If we can't get such an agreement we might have to make some revisions."

Senator Francis J. Myers of Pennsylvania, Platform Committee chairman, described the secret document as following "generally in outline the philosophy of the New Deal—a Roosevelt- Truman platform."

It remained to be seen whether the words the sleepy-eyed Drafting Committee of seven came up with at 3:30 a.m. would please either side in the red hot civil rights battle.

Already the Dixie rebellion had crashed head-on into a counter revolt by the party's Northern and self-styled "liberal" wing.

A shouting band of Southerners grudgingly threatened to walk out of the convention and nominate a candidate of their own if any part of President Truman's civil rights program is written into the platform.

They demanded a plank leaving all racial legislation entirely to the states.

At almost the same time the Dixie group was huddling yesterday, five self-described "liberals" on the Platform Subcommittee decided to carry to the convention floor their battle for a strong civil rights program.

Mayor Hubert H. Humphrey of Minneapolis, one of the leaders in the rump platform committee session, said California, Nebraska and Iowa delegations are solidly behind the proposed battle.

The text of the tentative platform was being kept a closely guarded secret.

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Shower Cools Panhandle Area

Coming down from the northwest, a 0.6-inch shower of rain fell between 11:30 and midnight yesterday and sent the mercury tumbling for the state low of 63 early this morning.

Highest temperature over the state Sunday was again recorded at Presidio with a 105.

Electrical storms struck Denison and Laredo Sunday afternoon dropping 30 inches of water at Laredo and knocking out some telephone wires. Denison was drenched with 3.26 inches of rain.

Skies over Pampa were clear yesterday afternoon and began clouding over after nightfall. Some clouds hovered over the area today, but no damage was reported from last night's shower.

Texan Hurt in Fall From Italian Hotel

FLORENCE, Italy—(AP)—Mrs. Florence Brown, 61, of Denton, was seriously injured in a four-story fall last night when she attempted to recover a gold ring that had dropped onto a skylight of the Baglioni Hotel.

Friends said Mrs. Brown climbed through a window of her room onto the skylight. They said the glass in the skylight broke and she dropped through that skylight and three others into the hotel courtyard.

985 IN FINES

Nine fines for a total of \$95 were assessed in Corporation Court yesterday morning on seven charges of intoxication and two charges of indecent exposure.

Pampa News

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Social Demos Would Make Berlin 'The Stalingrad of German Liberty'

Berlin's powerful Social Democrats acclaimed a call to make Berlin 'The Stalingrad of German Liberty.' Ernest Reuter, Social Democratic mayor-elect of Berlin, told 10,000 cheering party members in the American sector that "we must establish a frontier to Russian power. If Berlin falls, the liberty of all East of the Elbe falls with it."

Israeli troops fighting to open the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem road said today that the fall of the town would open the way to a two-way assault on Latrun, the bloody last barrier blocking the road.

In another considerable success in the renewed war for Palestine, the Jews captured Lydda and its airport, the largest in the country.

The Arabs advanced 10 miles along a 12-mile front in the Giloa Hills between Jenin and Haifa, seizing seven villages on the approaches to the big Jewish communications center of Afula.

Jerusalem was dived by two Egyptian planes which seemed to be aiming at a Jewish airport. Tel Aviv and eight Jewish settlements also were raided, the Egyptian Air Force said.

Both the Jews and Russians criticized Count Folke Bernadotte, the U. N. mediator who brought about the four weeks armistice which ended last Friday. The Jews asserted he apologized for Arab aggression and prejudiced the Palestine negotiations.

The Russian newspaper Pravda said Bernadotte had done everything possible "to inflame still more the enmity between Arabs and Jews and to prepare the soil for further intrigues of the imperialist powers."

Moscow's Literary Digest called the count an agent of Wall Street. Last week Moscow called him an agent of the British. The mediator was en route to New York to appear before the U. N. Security Council.

NOTES ARE IGNORED

The Kremlin said nothing of the three Allied notes demanding an end of the blockade. The consensus in Berlin was that the Russians are trying to force the Western Allies into a four-power discussion of the overall German question.

German news agencies spread the report that Marshal Vasiliy D. Sokolovsky, the Russian military governor who stopped trains, trucks and barges from the West, will be transferred to a field command when the crisis is over.

Lewis W. Douglas, U. S. Ambassador to Britain, conferred in Berlin with Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U. S. military governor. The diplomat appeared ready to map the next Allied move should Russia reject the notes.

Planes steadily increased the flow of food to Berlin. Coal is another matter, however, with winter approaching. Economic paralysis spread. Production dropped 40 to 80 percent in the coal.

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Four Die in Plane Crashes

By the Associated Press

Four persons died in Texas plane crashes—two to a crash during the weekend, building the state's violent death toll to eight.

A single-engine plane piled in to the side of a frame apartment house in San Antonio Sunday morning and burst into flames.

The pilot, tentatively identified as R. B. White, and Miss Ethel Hanes, 61, an occupant of the house, were killed.

The other crash occurred north of Golden in East Texas, Sunday when a light private plane plunged to earth and burned.

Robert Coburn of Mineola and John Danahay, occupants of the plane, were killed.

Traffic took three lives and a fourth on Sunday.

Edgar J. Dixon, Dallas; Harold D. Watkins, 6, Waco; and Mrs. Ellen Jones, 28, Midland, were killed in automobile accidents.

H. A. Copeland, Jr., 14, drowned in a caliche pit near Floydada.

Quiet Weekend Over For Justice Court

Justice of the Peace Charles I. Hughes this morning levied a fine and costs of \$10 on one man charged with driving without an operator's license.

Saturday night, for a change was quiet for both Justice Hughes and D. R. Henry—there were no drunks or disturbers of the peace before them to enter pleas of guilty or not guilty.

Catholic Nuns Authorized to Don Civilian Dress to Meet State Law

BISMARCK, N. D.—(AP)—Catholic nuns in North Dakota will be permitted to don civilian dress next fall so they may conform to the new state law banning teachers from wearing of religious garb in public schools.

The authorization was given yesterday by two ranking members of the Catholic Church in North Dakota.

In a joint statement, Bishop Vincent J. Ryan of Bismarck and Auxiliary Bishop Leo Dworschak of Fargo said the church has no objection to Catholic nuns donning "respectable secular dress" to comply with the new North Dakota law.

The act was approved at the June 29 primary election by a majority of about 10,000 votes. Called the "anti-garb" act, the law prohibits any public school teacher from wearing garb denoting membership in a religious order. It was sponsored by a group of Protestants.

An aide of Bishop Dworschak said that the "sisters will wear ordinary dresses, modern but modest—not extreme."

"They will wear some kind of a head covering and some may wear hair growing out enough," he added.

Bishop Ryan said that the Catholic Church has taken similar action in both Canada and Mexico under circumstances comparable to those in North Dakota.

About 15 Catholic sisters teach in North Dakota's public schools, mostly in predominantly Catholic communities.

Britain Sends New Troops Into Berlin

LONDON—(AP)—An authoritative source said today Britain has sent considerable numbers of new troops to Western Germany because of the tension in blockaded Berlin.

The informant said "many" of the reinforcements will be flown into Berlin itself.

The disclosure came as Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British military governor in Germany, conferred here with the chief of staff of the Ministry of Defense, Gen. Sir Percy Hobbis, and other service chiefs.

Robertson flew here from Berlin last night.

Earlier in the day, Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin gave the cabinet an up-to-the minute report on the Berlin crisis. Britain, the U. S. and France sent notes to Moscow last week, demanding that the Russians end the Berlin land blockade. The Kremlin has not replied.

No informant would say exactly how many troops have gone to Western Germany, or how many will be sent on to Berlin. One source, however, said troop movements to the British Zone of Germany "have been taking place over the last three or four weeks."

He made it clear that most of the troops were reinforcements, rather than replacements.

The informant said the deployment was a topic at Robertson's conferences with service chiefs.

The new troops were described as mainly young conscripts with less than a year's military service.

The problem of coordinating Britain's military plans in Western Germany and West Berlin with those of the U. S. and France is being studied personally by Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, chief of the Imperial General Staff.

Montgomery, after top-level talks with the French chief of staff in Paris, went on to Vienna yesterday to inspect the disposition of British military forces in Austria.

Locals Take Top Honors At 'Air' Meet

W. Pascal Massey, 420 Pitts, and other members of Pampa's "Air Club" took most of the honors at a model airplane meet held in Amarillo over the weekend.

Massey, 27, was awarded the high-point trophy after winning two first places and two second places in the two-day meet. He was also awarded trophies for his winnings in several divisions.

One of Massey's firsts was in Class D, controlled speed, open class, which he won with a plane of his own design that attained a speed of 119 miles an hour. Model builders say this speed is equivalent to 140 miles per hour at sea-level conditions.

Other winners included Dave Shoup, Frank Lefors, Class B, and "Babe" Hall, Class C. Open class was for contestants 21 years old or over, and classification is based on horsepower and wing spread of their models.

Hall took another first in the rubber powered, stick control, class at St. Paul's Hospital, Dallas, following the amputation of his right leg below the knee three weeks ago.

Saunders, who has taken a major role in most of Gray County's heavier civil suits here in 31st District Court here, suffered a heart attack while on duty at the hospital.

Complications of infections to his leg and kidneys set in later.

Attorney John Gano, junior partner of the Saunders and Gano law firm, stated today the attorney may not be able to resume practice until the first of next year at least. Gano was in Pampa today on court business.

Man Released Under Bond on DWI Charge

Cecil Leroy Bowers, Pampa, was released today under \$500 bond after he pleaded not guilty to charges of driving while intoxicated.

Bowers was apprehended at 4:12 p.m. Sunday by City Police and the case transferred to County Court this morning.

Dallas Man Elected To Head Amvets

DALLAS—(AP)—Joe Givant of Camp Hood heads Texas Amvets today.

Seventy-one voting delegates from all parts of the state elected him president of the Amvets' fourth annual convention here yesterday.

He succeeded Enoch H. Cotten of Fort Worth.

Douglas Will Not Be Running Mate

CONVENTION HALL, Phila.—(AP)—Justice William O. Douglas stepped out of the vice presidential picture and Senator Alben Barkley came to the front today as the thirty-fifth Democratic National Convention got underway.

Douglas, tapped as President Truman's first choice, declined to quit the Supreme Court. His decision was announced by John Redding, Democratic publicity chief, who said he regards the word from Douglas, which came through friends, as an "absolute refusal."

Word circulated among delegates that Barkley may get the administration's call on a ticket certain to be topped by President Truman.

Southern delegates who had been planning a fight against Douglas, generally reacted favorably to reports that Barkley might be the choice.

There was less enthusiasm among the Southerners, however, about reports that the presidential favor might be turned toward Gov. William Preston Lane of Maryland.

Platform fireworks were in sight, too.

There were authentic reports that a drafting group had written into the platform a statement similar to the party's 1944 espousal of racial equality.

But the Southerners were said to have lost their fight for inclusion, at another point in the platform, of a state's rights declaration.

Die-hard critics of the President are determined he shall not have the nomination without a gesture of opposition on the convention floor.

At least part of Alabama's delegation was ready to walk out if Truman is nominated or if the platform doesn't please them. This group won control of the delegation in a pre-session caucus.

But California, where there was much anti-Truman sentiment last week, was lining up behind the President. It voted 42 to 12 to support him on the first ballot.

While Lane and Barkley were getting most talk as vice presidential possibilities, Redding said he considers the race "wide open."

Some Southerners, making an admittedly hopeless fight in this case, lined up behind Gov. Ben Laney of Arkansas.

Senator Claude Pepper of Florida made a belated and almost single-handed entry into the race against Truman last night.

The convention itself offered a day of speech-making as the main attraction.

Senator Francis J. Myers of Pennsylvania, welcoming the delegates, called for "a two-front war" in which he said the Democrats can win with President Truman.

National Chairman J. Howard McGrath lashed out at what he called the record of "negativism, obstructionism and retrogression" rolled up by the Republican-controlled 80th Congress.

Interest centered on the side shows.

In one of these a half dozen or more potential vice presidential candidates lined up in the hope of a nod from the White House.

Southerners who don't like Truman's program for racial equality stood toe to toe with those who do. Both sides were ready to slug it out over a platform plank unlikely to be satisfactory to either.

Body of Skelly Man Returned

The body of Second Lieutenant Orman F. Harlan, Skellytown, was returned to the United States today by a temporary military casket in England, where it arrived in Pampa Thursday morning for final burial.

Harlan, who was born in McLean and spent most of his life in the Skellytown-White Deer community, was killed in an airplane crash May 30, 1943, following a routine flight over England.

He was 22 years old at the time of his death.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harlan, and a brother, Gene, all of Skellytown.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church in White Deer with the Rev. Douglas Carver, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating, assisted by the Rev. M. O. Evans, pastor of the Skellytown Baptist Church.

Burial will be in the White Deer Cemetery under the direction of the Clegg Funeral Home.

Abilene Flyer Is Killed in Crash

ABILENE—(AP)—First Lieut. Leiland V. Williams, 28, of Abilene was one of three Americans killed today when a transport plane crashed near Frankfurt, Germany, on a food run to Berlin.

Williams was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Williams of Abilene. He graduated from the Fort Worth Air Force Base as a bomber pilot Oct. 7, 1943, and served overseas 25 months. He was a graduate of Abilene High School.

Besides his parents, he is survived by his widow, who is in Germany, and a sister.

Today

The Roman general and emperor, Julius Caesar, was born on this day in 100 B. C.

The American inventor and photographer, George Eastman, was born on this day in 1854.

On this day in New York City, 1945, the Swedish actor, Lars Hanson, died.

A verse from the Bible for today: "The way of the Lord is straight to the upright; but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity."—Prov. 10:29.

U. S. Weather Bureau

PAMPA AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday with possible afternoon and evening showers. Not much change in temperature.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday with scattered showers. Not much change in temperature.

OKLAHOMA: Partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms today, tonight and Tuesday. No important temperature changes, but slight drop in Panhandle.

5:30 a.m. today 64 10:30 a.m. 68 1:30 p.m. 70 4:30 p.m. 72 7:30 a.m. 66 11:30 a.m. 68 2:30 a.m. 70 5:30 a.m. 72 8:30 a.m. 77 11:30 a.m. 82

We Saw...

A 18-year-old boy eating breakfast this morning in one of the local drug stores—two cheese sandwiches and a "Comet Book" breakfast. It's that way every day for him he says.

It's Crystal... It's Melody... Get it at Lewis Hardware Co.—adv.

Oilers Stage 20-Hit Attack, 'Church Rite' to Whip Dukes

Trio of Stars Fail in Tryout For Olympics

EVANSTON, Ill. — The 50 track and field athletes selected over the weekend represent one of the strongest teams in the U. S. history for the Olympic games. But the story of those who failed is as big as that of those who won.

For the first time since America has been sending its stars to the Olympics, three of the country's greatest will not compete in their specialties when the big show starts July 29 in London.

They are fellow who reputations have made them among the most familiar names in the nation's sports picture: Chuck Fonzville, who failed to qualify in the shot put; Gil Dodds, who is injured; and Harrison Dillard.

The first two will not make the trip at all. Dillard will go as a dash man, having failed to qualify for the high hurdles in London.

Four Southwest Conference athletes made the Olympic team. They were: Jerry Thompson, Texas, 5,000 meter race; Clyde Scott, Arkansas, 110 meter hurdles; Verne McGrew, Rice, high jump; and Arthur Harnden, A&M, 1600 meter relay.

Two Brackets Are Set Up in Texas League

By the Associated Press

There are two distinctive brackets in the Texas League race. One of them is a dog-fight for first place between Fort Worth, Houston and Tulsa. The other five clubs are scrambling for the last rung in the first division.

Tulsa's Oilers pulled within a game of second place last night but couldn't gain on the hard-riding Fort Worth Cats, who took advantage of runner-up Houston's idleness to increase their margin to a game and a half.

Tulsa is eight and one-half games ahead of fourth place San Antonio.

Fort Worth whipped Oklahoma City twice, taking the first two of Carl Erskine's five-hit hurling and capturing the after-piece 3-2 as Eddie Chandler and Curly Van Cuyk teamed up to give the Indians only six blows.

Tulsa whammed Dallas in a twin bill, romping on the 10-hole plane crashed at Mount Carmel, 9-1 in the opener and shutting them out 7-0 in the finale. Beaumont licked San Antonio 10-7 in the other game. Houston and Shreveport were tied by wet grounds.

Williams Is To Meet Beau Jack Tonight

PHILADELPHIA — The Williams, at his best when the chips are down, takes on what may be his toughest assignment tonight in a 15-round defense of his high-bright boxing title against Beau Jack.

The sharp punching Trenton, N. J. titleholder was a 2 to 1 favorite to beat the former Georgia shoe shine boy seeking to regain a title he has held twice before. Both are expected to be well within the 135 pound weight limit.

Williams will be after his 16th straight victory.

The fight also will be the second defense of his title within seven weeks. He whipped Enrique Bolanos in Los Angeles May 27. Jack, twice sidelined by broken kneecaps since mustered out of the army, has dropped one of eight fights in the last eight months.

The Williams defends his world lightweight title again tonight against Beau Jack, the former champion. When these two famous fighters answer the bell at Shibe Park, Philadelphia, a blow-by-blow description of the event will be broadcast by KPDN and Mutual, beginning at 8 p. m. Rube Hedges will be at the microphone.

Williams won the world lightweight championship in August, 1947, by knocking out Bob Montgomery at Philadelphia. His most recent defense of the title was a bout last May in Los Angeles, in which he defeated Enrique Bolanos in fifteen rounds.

Beau Jack held the lightweight title briefly in 1943. He was designated champion by the New York Commission but lost his crown to Montgomery in May of that year. Although Jack later regained the championship, Montgomery defeated him again in their third meeting and re-annexed the title.

Williams recently had a narrow escape from death after boarding an eastbound plane in Los Angeles. The Trenton, N. J. fighter decided to stop off in Chicago for the Ray (Sugar) Robinson-Rennie Doucens welterweight championship fight. Although the Robinson-Doucens fracas was postponed, Williams' stop saved his life. The plane crashed at Mount Carmel, Pa., killing all 41 occupants.

NEW YORK — Walker Cooper says Larry Jansen will repeat his performance of last year, when he won 21 games for the Giants.

Winning Tradition



Princeton's 150-pound crew, winners of the Thames Challenge Cup at the Henley Regatta, England, give coxswain Jack Eiler of Schuykill Haven, Pa., the royal heave-ho. Eiler talked his mates into challenging in the royal regatta after winning the Eastern Intercollegiate title.

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Major Leagues May Rub Out Baseball Bonus

HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK — (NEA) — The major leagues should rub out that ridiculous bonus rule at their meeting, p. 2 to the All-Star Game in St. Louis tomorrow.

It serves no purpose at all, unless it is that the cheaper clubs, the non-spenders, labor under the delusion that they are given some protection against the various Mr. Moneybags.

The bonus rule only penalizes the more generous outfits and the boy. The lad who gets more than \$6000 for signing has no protection insofar as improving his ability by minor league experience is concerned.

The rule demands that if a boy is signed to a farm club contract, and plays with that team a season, or even less, he must be brought up to the majors, ready or not.

He cannot be sent out thrice, as in the case of a non-bonus player.

Waivers have to be obtained the first time, which could put the poor relations in position to pick up Curt Simmons, for example, for \$10,000 after the Phillies had paid \$60,000 for his John Hancock.

What is fair about such a rule, asking as it does that a kid be a big leaguer after practically no experience?

If the player requires more experience, then the club that invested its money in him either has to keep him sitting on the bench or give every rival a cheap shot at him by requesting waivers. The latter would be like Calumet Farm running Citation in a claiming race.

And how many players step directly from high school, college or sandlot, and make a go of it in the big show? Mighty few indeed after a single season in Triple A as did Alvin Dark of the Braves, who still has much to learn about playing shortstop. How many pitchers are helpful

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Hot Spot



Umpire Ed Hurley hasn't taken the riding of notorious Cleveland fans to heart. It's hot out. Ball chaser Marty Kastenke brought the towel out before 59,000 sweltering fans in a recent Cleveland-Detroit double-header. It was 87 in the shade but no shade.

Carler and Weidner Winners in Weekly Wrestling Bouts

Jack Carler, former New Zealand champion in the 190-pound class, won over Art Brady in 23 minutes at the Sportsatorium Friday night, and Boston Billy Weidner took two out of three falls from George Lopez in 34 minutes.

Carler's forehead started bleeding in the first five minutes of the match when an injury above the eye that he received in Amarillo Thursday night reopened under one of Carler's headlocks. Brady took the first fall, however, in 15 minutes after a series of body slams that culminated in a modified surf board.

Carler took the second fall in 13 minutes with a body pin following a series of Sonnenberg tackles off the ropes and the third fall and the match in 5 minutes with a full cradle.

Both men appeared slow and ponderous in the ring, but that was due solely to their style of wrestling—neither man was the flashy kind of speedy grappler that Billy Hickson or George Lopez is, for instance. They were both quite evenly matched, and their bout was marked by clean breaking on the ropes and a minimum of punching.

Although Lopez is no light weight himself, he was matched against a man considerably stronger than he—Weidner is built like a low-slung cement barrel, and is just about as difficult to move around.

Lopez took the first fall in 17 minutes by following a series of slams with a body pin.

Almost by sheer strength, Weidner turned an arm lock by Lopez into a full cradle that gave him the second fall in 10 minutes.

Several times during the match Lopez had to break holds, especially Weidner's painful leg holds, by applying pressure on certain nerve spots. He hit particularly at the nerves below Weidner's ears, and once he made Boston Billy let go by pressure behind his knee.

Weidner took the third fall and the match in 7 minutes with a full nelson that very nearly had Lopez unconscious.

There was some slugging with forearms and elbows by both wrestlers, but, by and large, theirs was a clean match, and they courtedly shook hands after the match. Both matches were notable for the way all wrestlers broke clean at the ropes when asked to.

Brady weighed in at 202 pounds, Carler at 195, Weidner at 197, and Lopez at 190. Homer Anderson was timekeeper, and Paul Lefebvre was announcer.

How They Stand

WEST TEXAS-NEW MEXICO LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Albuquerque	45	36	.556	2 1/2
Amarillo	45	36	.556	2 1/2
El Paso	41	37	.526	6
Pampa	40	41	.494	7 1/2
San Antonio	35	47	.427	12 1/2
Abilene	35	47	.427	12 1/2
Lamesa	25	48	.344	15 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	39	35	.527	5 1/2
Pittsburgh	39	35	.527	5 1/2
New York	38	36	.513	6 1/2
Brooklyn	35	37	.486	8 1/2
Philadelphia	34	42	.444	10 1/2
Chicago	31	45	.424	12 1/2

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	48	32	.600	—
New York	44	32	.579	2 1/2
San Antonio	41	35	.540	5 1/2
Detroit	39	37	.513	7 1/2
Washington	37	38	.493	9 1/2
St. Louis	35	40	.467	12 1/2
Chicago	28	48	.368	19 1/2

TEXAS LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Fort Worth	45	35	.562	—
Houston	44	36	.556	1 1/2
Tulsa	44	36	.556	1 1/2
San Antonio	40	45	.471	6 1/2
Dallas	40	45	.471	6 1/2
Shreveport	37	47	.439	9 1/2
Beaumont	37	47	.439	9 1/2
Okla. City	31	51	.383	15 1/2

LONG HORN LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Rice Spring	45	31	.594	—
Ottawa	40	36	.526	5 1/2
Bellingham	40	36	.526	5 1/2
Vernon	34	40	.457	12 1/2
Westwater	32	42	.435	14 1/2
San Angelo	34	44	.435	14 1/2
Del Rio	22	58	.275	23 1/2

BISTATE LEAGUE				
Club	W	L	Pct.	GB
Sherman-Denton	45	31	.594	—
Amesbury	40	36	.526	5 1/2
Waco	40	36	.526	5 1/2
Paris	41	42	.494	6 1/2
Greenville	37	43	.461	10 1/2
Texarkana	32	47	.405	15 1/2

The typewriter was loaned to 1887 by Christopher Sholes of Mooreburg, Pa.

Rookie Shortstop Is Paying Back Braves With Interest

By RALPH RODEN
Associated Press Sports Writer

The Boston Braves gave Alvin Dark \$40,000 to sign with their organization in 1944 and the rookie shortstop is paying back the outlay with interest.

Dark is the talk of the National League at the moment, having hit safely in 23 consecutive games. This streak, three games short of the rookie record set by Guy Cuthbert of the Chicago White Sox in 1943, has enabled the Braves' shortstop to move into fourth place in the circuit's individual batting race. Dark is whacking the ball at a .333 pace.

Dark and Connie Ryan collected five of the Braves' 14 hits yesterday in Boston's 9-4 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

The triumph increased the Braves' lead to 5 1/2 games over the runner-up Pittsburgh Pirates who were beaten, 1-0, by Chicago.

Ken Raffensberger pitched the Cincinnati Reds to a 1-0 one-hit triumph over the Cardinals in St. Louis.

Jack Conway's first major league homer enabled the Giants to shade the Brooklyn Dodgers, 3-2, at New York. Conway homered in the ninth to snap a 2-3 tie.

The Cleveland Indians retained their half game lead over the Philadelphia Athletics in the American League race by dividing a doubleheader with the St. Louis Browns while the A's split a pair with the Boston Red Sox in Philadelphia.

After the Browns beat Bobby Feller, 3-2, Bob Lemon pitched the Tigers to a 3-0 three-hit triumph in the nightcap.

The Athletics also lost their first game, 9-8, but bounced back and took the finale from Boston, 7-5.

At Detroit, Hal Newhouser joined Lemon as the major's only 13 game winners by hurling the Tigers to a 5-4 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

The Washington Senators routed the New York Yankees, 9-4.

For days after Gibbons couldn't put on his hat for the lumps the iron fists of Dempsey raised on his head. "I ducked in to escape one of his clouts," said Gibbons, "and it caught me on the forehead. For several rounds thereafter I didn't know where I was."

The setting, and circumstances leading up to and surrounding the affair lent vivid color. Shelby, it seems, wanted to put itself on the map, and local bankers, augmented by a couple of young oil tycoons, Tip and John O'Neill, conceived staging the Dempsey-Gibbons fight there.

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Stars Refuse To Play in All-Star Game

ST. LOUIS — (AP) — The fate of the major league all-star classic hung in the balance today.

Incensed over the refusal of Bobby Feller and Marty Marion to play in the 18th annual All-Star Game here tomorrow and the apparent apathy of others, big league club owners were preparing for a showdown with the players.

From a reliable source it was learned that the moguls, backed by presidents Ford Frick of the National League and Will Harridge of the American, were ready to issue the following ultimatum to the players:

"Either you live up to your moral obligations and play when called upon or let's drop the whole thing."

It was pointed out that each of the eight pitchers comprising the American League staff worked either Saturday or Sunday. Bob Lemon of Cleveland, Joe Page of New York, Joe Dobson of Boston, Walter Masterson of Washington, Hal Newhouser of Detroit and Joe Coleman of Philadelphia all pitched Sunday as well as Feller. The Yankee's Vic Raschi and the Chicago White Sox Joe Haynes hurled Saturday. Of the National League's six pitchers, only Johnny Schmitz worked over the weekend.

The Chicago Cubs' left-handed pitcher, a two-timer Saturday, Feller bowed out because he said it would interrupt his regular pitching rotation for Cleveland. St. Louis' Marion, who at times has been rested because of an ailing back, begged off because he claimed he was not in the best of shape. Yet he has not missed a game of late. He was auspicious in yesterday's Cards-Reds game with several diving stops of ground balls.

In addition to Feller and Marion who have been replaced, it was doubtful whether Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio, Red Schoendienst and George Kell would be fit to play. Each has been sidelined by an injury. All will be in uniform, however.

Sports Round-Up

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
NEW YORK — (AP) — You can't condemn a professional baseball player completely because he dodges the non-paying, all-star game. After all, players have been hurt in it and have lost a season or more as a result and that's tough on the income. But it seems very short-sighted of a guy like Bob Feller, who is trying to live down a reputation of being interested mainly in dough, to pass up baseball's one big charity show. The only remedy, as we see it, would be to empower the commissioner to fine any player who refused to play without sufficient excuse. And while we're second-guessing, why not make national track and field champions automatically eligible for the Olympic team and then let the also-rans scrap for the other places? Regardless of democratic procedure, it seems silly to leave off such standouts as Gil Dodds and Chuck Fonzville and to have Bones Dillard on the team in the wrong event.

MONDAY MATINEE
College athletic authorities are wondering what effect the new draft will have on their football manpower. At Oklahoma, for instance, they estimated the team would lose about 20 percent of its effectiveness immediately and would take a terrific beating in 1949. Penn State reported that only four of the 44 men listed for preseason drills next fall aren't veterans.

Locals Win

Amassing a total of 106 points, the Pampa Country Club golfers ran away with a three way meet at the local club yesterday afternoon as 106 linksters participated in the affair.

The attempts of experts from Phillips and Huber proved futile as they tried to salvage the meet while the Pampans provided razor sharp competition in every match.

The Huber golfers ran up a total of 24 points to place second while Phillips racked up 78 counters. The event was a three point match.

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Despite Roche's Listings Many Rank Dempsey Tops



Jack Dempsey

NEW YORK — (NEA) — Proposals of Jack Dempsey as the greatest of all heavyweight champions—despite venerable Billy Roche to the contrary—bolster their claim by every one of the Manassas Mauler's battles was an epic.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of two of his engagements that were unique, yet diametrically opposite in every way.

Dempsey's fight with Tom Gibbons, July 15, 1923, in the frontier town of Shelby, Mont., was the only one of his championship battles to go the rounds.

The men fought round after round with the speed of lightweights. Dempsey had had only one contest since 1920—with Georges Carpentier—and he was not noted for being a Fancy Dan. Gibbons, well versed in the clever stuff, however, found more than his match in the champion, and was hard put to it to go the distance.

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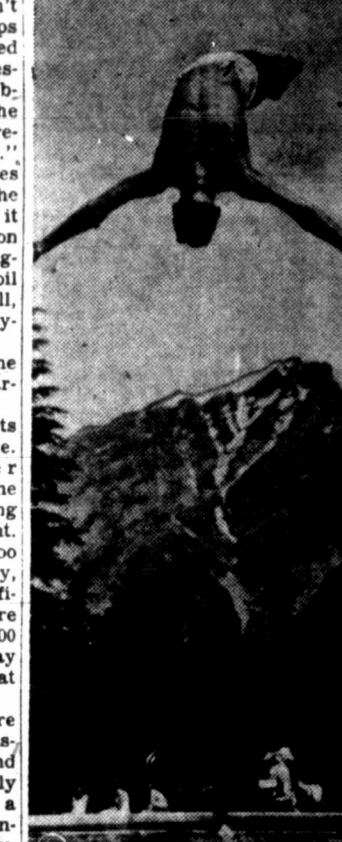
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Knowledge of Construction Provides the Best Protection Against Home Building Shysters

If a home buyer would be wise he should know something about construction. Just as the motorist, who is ignorant of what is under the hood of his car, is at the mercy of a dishonest

mechanic, the man who judges a house by its paint job never knows what he gets for his money.

Here is one case where a little knowledge may pay:

Many homes are built and sold today with unfinished attics. Space for future rooms upstairs is emphasized. Those future rooms can be added if the attic floor joists are heavy enough.

The usual floor joist is planned to support a live load of 40 pounds per square foot. Ceiling joists, on the other hand, where an attic is intended only for light storage and not for living space, need carry only 20 lbs. Bathroom joists, if you plan an extra bathroom upstairs in the future, will have to carry a total weight of 80 to 100 pounds.

The size of joists required for those duties depends on the species and grade of lumber and the length of the span. Your lumber

dealer can tell you.

If you'd like to know more about it and about frame building in general, send 45 cents to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., and ask for Vocational Division Bulletin 145, "Light Frame House Construction."

Popular criticism of building methods has led many people to believe that short cuts are in order. Glib statements that "our houses haven't changed since before the Civil War" are not only untrue, but they open the way for dangerous practices.

The typical modern home is a product of evolution. It incorporates engineering details and techniques that have stood the test of time. Hurricanes, earthquakes, fires, termites, and other destructive forces have taught builders lessons that are reflected in construction.

Although there is always room for improvement, the most unconventional of responsible architects will tell you that nothing has really taken the place of a foundation, for example. Perhaps you'd like to save the cost of labor and materials involved in laying and applying three separate coats of plaster and the time waiting for it to dry. You can. And you can get good "dry" wall construction. But you won't have a plastered wall.

To summarize construction from the ground up, a house is only as strong as its foundation, and a foundation is weakest where it is the thickest—in its footings. Footings extend like an inverted T under each side of a foundation wall. That is, if you slice a house in half from top to bottom, the cross-section of the foundation would resemble a T up-side-down.

Inadequate footings and insufficient foundations will cause a house to settle unevenly, crack the plaster and bathroom tiles, cause doors to bind and windows to jam.

If there is a post, or column in the middle of your basement, its footing must carry a load that is much greater per square foot than any part of the foundation. In a house 24 feet square a center column supporting a girder will carry one-fourth of the entire weight of the house and its usual two-foot square footing will bear ten times the weight that is carried by any square foot in the wall footings.

If you are building without a basement it is important to have all footings well below the frost line for your locality. This depth may range from one and a half to three and a half feet or more below the surface.

Houses are somewhat like skyscrapers in that they are built on frame work. The framing of your house determines its resistance to tornadoes, earth tremors, and its general durability.

It is hard to find carpenters who will agree as to what type of framing is best. Three principal styles are widely used. They are: the balloon frame, the Western or platform frame and the braced frame.

The braced frame is the oldest, having been used by Colonial settlers, who brought it over from England. It is still used in a modified form in the northeast.

The braced frame was a forerunner of skyscraper construction. It featured heavy posts at corners and at some intermediate points. These posts extended from heavy foundation sills to heavy plates at the roof line. Diagonal braces extended from the corner posts to foundation sill, usually from the top of one story to the bottom of the next.

In such a frame the usual wall studs only supported the lath and plaster, forming non-bearing curtain walls, similar in function to the walls of the modern skyscraper.

When nails became cheaper this style of construction gradually merged into balloon framing.

In balloon framing, the studs—the vertical 2 by 4s—extend in single pieces from foundation to roof. Walls carry the weight of the building. Floor joists are nailed to the wall studs and further supported by ribbands or ledger boards.

Balloon framing is a very common style.

The "Western" method calls for floor platforms independently framed. Studs are only one-story in height and the house is built like a box on top of another.

This platform framing claims advantage in all-lumber construction because shrinkage is uniform and settlement is not so noticeable. However, builders warn against this style for brick veneer, or masonry walled construction.

The foundation sill—a plank or timber resting on the foundation wall—is a vital point in all frame construction. If it is bedded in mortar it is better. A 2 by 6

Home That's Cool in Summer Doubles Rental, Resale Value

One yardstick by which residential property value is measured is the year-around comfort of the house.

A property may be located in a desirable section, near transportation, shopping and schools; it may be built of first-grade materials; its appearance and layout may be ideal. But unless the house is cool in summer and warm in winter, its sale or rental value is affected.

Banks and other lending institutions recognize this and regard properly insulated houses as a better investment. They know that insulation means lower winter fuel bills and less summer illness and fewer doctor bills, thereby making both house and borrower a better financial risk.

Lenders also have discovered that the fully insulated house brings a better price on depressed markets and that tenant vacancies are rare in houses that are comfortable all year. The FHA, which insures most of the home mortgages now being written, takes insulation into consideration when appraising a property for a loan.

Most persons insulate to save one-third or more of their winter fuel bills; but summer comfort is of equal importance, especially from a health angle. One of the most prevalent causes of summer illness is lack of sleep resulting from excessively hot, stuffy bedrooms.

Sleeping quarters and indeed the entire house can be made as much as 15 degrees cooler if walls and top-floor ceiling are insulated full-thickness with three to four inches of mineral wool. The insulation prevents passage of outside heat through the thin walls and roof.

By keeping daytime heat out it is much easier to cool the house at nightfall. Since excessive amounts of heat have not entered during the day it does not fill the rooms.

In addition to full-thickness insulation, architects recommend that the attic be cross-ventilated so that heat will not pack into this area behind the roof and eventually find its way into the living quarters below.

inch plank is a big enough sill for a small frame structure, but a two-story house, especially where subject to earthquakes or high winds, calls for a 4-inch thickness of sill.

The thicker sill offers more nail surface for diagonal sheathing brought down over it, and it permits the frame work to be tied more securely to the foundation.

The best test is to hold the sill and concrete foundation and adjoining members at corners are toenailed.

Bridging means a solid floor and is a good thing to look for. This is plainly visible between joists of a completed house where you look upward in the average cellar. It usually consists of 1 by 3-inch strips crossed between each joist. Sometimes solid boards are used, although this wastes lumber. Metal bridging can be used.

If you walk across a floor without bridging your entire weight is supported on each joist you step on. Bridging distributes the load throughout the entire floor.

Each strip of bridging calls for two eight-penny nails at each end. Bottom ends are left unnailed until the subfloor is laid. This brings joists into better alignment.

The number of nails used every place they are required can mean much in low maintenance costs. Skimping on nails may cut labor costs but can undermine the solidity of the entire house. Houses with inadequate nailing have been known to tear apart in heavy windstorms with very few pieces of framing actually broken.

Difference of opinion on nailing is so great that the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Washington, D. C., has compiled a manual on the "Technique of House Nailing." It is available from the Government Printing Office for 39 cents.

If you think your builder is extravagant when he nails sheathing diagonally on your house and must saw off the ends of the boards at the corners, say nothing about it. Diagonal sheathing has been proved in tests to make a house eight times stronger than walls sheathed horizontally.

The size of each nail in each place is very important. Bevel siding can be faced nailing to each stud with two eight-penny rust-resisting casing nails driven through the overlap and sheathing. But drop siding calls for two nine-penny casing nails per stud.

The penny size of nails originally indicated the price per hundred, but now is a measure of length. A sixpenny nail is two and a quarter inches long; a ten penny is three and a quarter inches, and a 20d (abbreviation for penny) is four inches.

Financing Is Simple for Improvements

The American home-owner today has an opportunity to improve his property by a method of easy financing unknown less than 15 years ago. This is made possible through modernization loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration. This agency and lending institutions throughout the country place special stress on the desirability of such loans.

Practically every home improvement or repair can be financed by these loans, which are made in amounts up to \$2,500 and repaid in three years. There is also a type of FHA-insured loan for larger amounts but the \$2,500 limit is most often granted.

The FHA is currently urging home-owners to use its financing plan to have houses insulated because of the fuel shortage predicted for next winter. The average FHA loan for insulation is \$276. Mineral wool is the material most widely used, because of its high insulating properties, permanence, ease of application and its natural fireproof qualities.

FHA loans are made by virtually every banker and lender in the country under Title I of the National Housing Act, passed in 1934. A 3 percent down payment is all that is required before the modernization work starts.

For a \$500 loan, the monthly payment including principal and interest for 36 months is \$15.97; for \$2,500 the payments are \$79.85 monthly. If a home is being converted to make living quarters for a veteran, the owner can borrow as much as \$5,000 and payments extend over seven years.

Larger storage capacity for oil and solid fuels will enable the nation's households to suffer a minimum of discomfort from the fuel shortage predicted for next winter, according to the Construction Research Bureau of New York, clearing house for building information, these storage facilities should be installed now and filled before the heating season starts.

Home-owners throughout the country have obtained hundreds of FHA-insured modernization loans during the past few months and replaced their small fuel oil tanks with containers of 1,000 to 1,300-gallon capacity. A tank of this size will hold about one-half the winter's fuel supply of the average home.

Users of coal and other solid fuels have increased the size of their bins and are now filling them so that when transportation difficulties arise next winter they will have sufficient fuel on hand.

A ton of anthracite coal requires 40 cubic feet of space. Thus for ten tons, the bin should be 6 feet high, 6 feet wide and 11 feet long. Soft coal takes more space, requiring 46 cubic feet per ton. Coke requires 85 cubic feet, so a bin to hold ten tons of coke must be 6 feet high, 8 feet wide and 14 feet long.

A solid fuel bin need not be placed in the basement. Many new homes have a concrete pit beneath the garage driveway, connected to the cellar with a tunnel. The bottom of the pit slopes toward the cellar so that the fuel will slide down. The bin is easily filled from the delivery truck parked over a manhole in the driveway.

Barn Insulation Pays Dividends

How proper insulation of barns protects the health of farm animals and prevents production losses was recently proved in an experiment conducted with two dairy herds by the New Jersey State College of Agriculture.

During the 60-day test, the best producers died in the herd which was housed in uninsulated, poorly ventilated barn, and the owner paid a daily penalty of \$4.81 in lost milk production from all animals in this herd.

In the same period the second herd, kept in a barn insulated in walls and roof with full-thickness mineral wool, maintained production at a steady rate and the owner realized a return of 42 percent on his \$454 investment in ventilating equipment and mineral wool insulation.

New Book Issued On Home Repair

Arranged in dictionary form for quick reference to fill a long-felt need of home-owners, a 430-page book, "The Encyclopedia of Home Care and Repair," has just been published by Lantern Press, Inc., New York City.

Written by William J. Hennessey, architectural and research editor of American Home magazine, and William W. Atkin, assistant architectural editor of the same publication, the book covers every conceivable subject of interest to the modern home-owner.

Profusely illustrated with diagrams to augment the text, the encyclopedia defines all building terms, describes every structural part of a house, discusses how to locate and repair damage. Step-by-step instructions are given so that countless repairs can be by the home-owner himself calling an expert.

'Crawl Space' Is Needed in Modern Home

With the advent of the basementless house, the term "crawl space" is a familiar one in the housing field, but few home owners fully understand what it means or how damage to the house must be prevented in this type of construction.

Crawl space is that area beneath a building where there is no basement and the first floor is raised above the surface of the ground. The space may be only a foot or two or several feet, in height. However, sufficient headroom, should be provided so workmen can move about in the area, the purpose of which is to give access to plumbing, wiring and other equipment beneath the floor.

It is highly important that all crawl space be adequately ventilated to avoid moisture condensation beneath the house and resulting rotting wood flooring or structural members. Moisture is extremely prevalent when the space is not ventilated, or when ventilator openings are not large enough. Cross-ventilation should be provided so that air can circulate freely.

Ventilator opening should measure two square feet for each 100 feet of building perimeter and they should be unobscured by shrubbery.

To further avoid accumulation of moisture beneath the house, the surface of the ground should slope away from the building.

At least 18 inches of clearance should be allowed between the other material subject to attack by termites or metal termite guards should be part of the construction. Every section of the crawl space should be readily accessible for inspection of moisture conditions and termite damage. Allowing accessibility in the area where underfloor equipment is installed is not enough. At least one of the ventilator openings should be large enough to permit a man's body to enter.

Building Rise Sees All Types Of Structure

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas construction awards soared to an all-time record of \$458,337,387 in the first six months of the year.

The building boom saw increases in practically all types of construction and 19,530 separate projects were put under contract, the Texas Contractor said. The weekly building trade journal reported 19,533 one-family units were provided in lettings for the first six months of 1948.

A breakdown of the total into major classifications showed \$79,864,631 for engineering work; \$214,354,163; non-residential and \$162,118,493 residential.

In the non-residential category, business or commercial buildings enjoyed the biggest increase. Contracts for stores, office buildings, warehouses, filling stations and other commercial buildings amounted to \$128,516,194. The total for the same period last year was only \$29,591,895. Last educational buildings at \$41,629,509 more than double year.

Of the \$162,118,493 put into housing this year, a total of \$114,716,241 has gone for the small one-family cottages costing \$7,000 or less. For the comparable 1947 period, \$101,722,394 went for small homes.

Awards for the week ended Saturday totaled \$14,011,976, nearly \$2,000,000 less than the previous week. Non-residential work attracted \$7,359,876; residential \$5,416,050; engineering \$1,236,050. The accumulative total for 1948 now stands at \$470,349,263.

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Zoning Protects Property Owners

A zoning law is a form of property insurance that cannot be obtained in any other way. The protective home-builder or home-buyer should assure himself, before building or buying, that zoning restrictions prevent encroachment by factories or other establishments which will lower his property's value.

Even in an area covered by zoning regulations, property-owners must be on guard that variances are not granted by local officials which may lead eventually to depreciation of the neighborhood. Any proposed changes must be advertised. In cases, affected property-owners should attend hearings.

Plug-In Base Strip

A valuable gadget in any modern home is an electric plug-in strip around baseboards to take the place of outlets.

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Politicking Not What It Once Was

The life of a politician must have its bright spots, or politics would not be so attractive to men and women who have easier ways of earning livings and finding entertainment. It also has its tribulations, to which science is contributing.

Once upon a time politics was simple. The candidate would make a single speech, as a barnstorming club lecturer does, and travel all over the country repeating it from memory.

Fast, complete newspaper coverage made that unwise, though friendly reporters could help by selecting one section a day to write up. The radio, however, made it impossible. With everybody listening in the candidate hopes he can not go around repeating himself word-for-word.

Radio also demanded a change in elocutionary approach. No more belaboring, arm waving, striding around the platform, hypnotizing the audience with gymnastics. The orator must modulate both voice and gestures to keep near the mark, he must decide whether to play for those in the hall or those on the air.

These thoughts are suggested by the GOP convention just passed, the Democratic convention now here, the bitter campaign in which Thomas E. Dewey is trying to break Harry Truman's lead on the White House. They are suggested also by the debut at Philadelphia of big-time television.

The Republican politicians were the goats. They were victims of television's understandable and excusable uncertainty how to do about covering its first convention. They were victims also of their own ignorance that the candidate must do good grace point if he wants to look good to the boys and girls on high stools in the nation's taverns.

Conventions always have been carnivals as television came in the world will clear off. Elephants—rubber and live are old stuff. Bunting, buttons, ties with candidates' pictures, Indians in full tribal dress are trite. That's the sort of thing that can't stand still.

Dewey's fashion parade, Stassen's Hawaiian ukulele singers were good enough for a start. The model who stole the Dewey's show by coyly raising her skirt to display garters with pink elephants must have swayed less votes though Stassen did lose than did Virginia Davis, daughter of the band leader, when she raised her skirt to show the picture of her Minnesota hero high on her thigh.

If this keeps up, television ought to be fun. It can bring other pleasures too. Former Gov. Al Landon suggested one. Political speeches, he says, used to run for two or three hours. The demands of radio cut them down by about two-thirds. He thinks, and hopes, that television boredom will chisel off another third of their length.

When that time comes let us know. We'll start listening to some of them then.

New President Named at Tech

LUBBOCK (AP)—Dr. D. M. Wiggins, president of Texas College of Mines at El Paso, last night was named president of Texas Technological College at Lubbock to succeed Dr. W. M. Whyburn, Charles C. Thompson, Tech board chairman, told the Lubbock Avalanche Journal.

JITTERS AT PHILADELPHIA

Jack Oakie once said inadvertently, as he wiped the humidity from his brow on a mid-summer day: "It isn't the heat; it's the humidity that hurts."

And so it was with the Democrats as they sweltered in Philadelphia hotel rooms over the weekend, trying to live down a torrid past and ignore an oppressive present.

They could stand the heat that hurt was the humidity with its complexities, its foibles, its conscienceless conspiring. Especially distressing to many was the unholy alliance of men who pleaded for "civil rights" while plotting secretly to destroy civil rights for all but their own friends.

Could the Henry Wallace Reds, the Southern whites, the Northern blacks, the New Deal pinks and the plain Democrats ever again be forced into the same melting pot and made to take on a rosy hue?

Fair Enough.... by Westbrook Pegler

NEW YORK, July 8, 1948

To Pegler Readers:

The response of the readers of these dispatches to the invitation to contribute to a fund for Mr. and Mrs. James Minerley has put the fund way over the top. At this writing, the total is about \$1,900. Therefore, will the readers please desist? The experience has been very refreshing. As soon as possible after the Democratic Convention I will give a complete list of the donations, naming the donors wherever possible, and will arrange to present the entire collection to Mr. and Mrs. James Minerley to reimburse them for the loss of their savings of \$1,000 invested in a bond on the building housing the temple of the cult in which Henry Wallace went adventuring.

Westbrook Pegler

NEW YORK — In this living human document, I shall try not to mention the name of Roosevelt, or use the terms hoodlum, thief or gangster. I have a subtle sense that such business can be overdone and I don't want to thwart my own purpose.

Our subject is the International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers' Union, which I used to touch upon about once a week but filed away under unfinished business.

About six years ago, I turned up a little routine idyll of unionism in our nation's capital about a union bug named Larry Kelly. He and another lug had a gritty trap known as El Patio and they had stashed a great load of liquor behind a mock wall in the cellar. The Alcohol Tax Unit of the Treasury found it and charged Kelly and one with ducking certain taxes. Kelly said this was not El Patio's panther but the private property of a big local of the hod carriers of which he was the boss.

Kelly said his local had just lifted the mortgage and that this corn squeezing and juniper water was for a big taffy-pull of the members. The ATU people use very sharp pencils and they can zip through long division and inverse fractions, so they ran back over the body, proving absolutely that there was enough booze in the cellar to keep the whole city of Washington absolutely reeking for duration and a bit.

John O'Rourke, the editor of the Washington Daily News, got a tip that this union of Kelly's had got so raw that the contractors and the Navy had finally kicked the goons clear off the property at a big air base of the Navy near Cedar Point. This was a rush job for the Navy, but that never made any difference to a union in that war. You might remember that a gutter-bum from New York flatly said that in any conflict of interest between the Navy and the idle tramps who were loafing on the job in the Brewster Aircraft Plant, he would let the fliers die and take care of the union's interests.

So, when the Hod Carriers' Union was kicked off this 10,000-acre thing, Kelly said either that someone was crazy over there or this union was powerful bad.

Mr. O'Rourke turned the job over to Miss Martha Strayer, who covered a very difficult, and personally dangerous, story splendidly. Miss Strayer discovered a wild frontier village operating under union privilege just off the reservation, with gambling and vice and all that, and it finally turned out that the members of Kelly's union really had bought the booze found in the false room in the cellar of El Patio. They just didn't know it. Kelly bought it with their money and was showing it to the Bluejackets and their girls and others who were frequenting the joint in Washington. They used to say that Kelly was a very fierce man who didn't know his own strength, but I don't know. I went in there one night, toward closing, to ask a few questions and Mr. Kelly didn't even wait to count up.

In those days and, in fact, until the Joe Fdy. fate in Federal Court in Newark, I had a stupid faith in our Department of Justice, O. well.

Henry Wallace thought old Nick Roerich could blow smoke rings out of his ears. And I had faith in Tom Clark, our attorney gen-

eral. We live and learn. The Department of Justice put on this case an assistant district attorney, named Philby. The office itself of U. S. attorney for the District of Columbia was crawling with New Dealers. But Philby seemed to have his head and after a long hard case he got indictments against Joe Moreschi, the president of the international, or parent, union, with offices right there in Washington; his son, Faust, and seven others. Kelly disappeared and the F.B.I. finally reported that he had died on a merchant ship somewhere near Australia.

Nobody but me ever expected any real punishment in this job. Years went by. The Department of Justice sent a fellow over to Japan named Joseph D. Keenan, a red-hot New Dealer, as chief prosecutor in the war crimes hipodrome. One lawyer who finally got tired of loafing in Japan said it was a waste and a pretext for a long, gaudy vacation on the fat of a stricken land for a lot of political lawyers from D. C. Keenan was counsel for the defense in these Washington criminal cases against the hoodlums of the union. That was a natural. He had been assistant to Sidney Hillman in the fake Office of Production Management, which was just a New Deal political cell.

Well, the good old Department of Justice stalled and stalled and finally, well, what do you know? Mr. Philby, prosecutor, is assigned to Japan to help Keenan, his opponent in the union case. More than a year ago in Washington it was known to be a cinch that old Greaseball Moreschi wouldn't even go to trial. It was a "weak" indictment.

Finally, they got Leo Rover, an old, reliable hand, to do a nice formal, journeyman job for the record. Joe Moreschi was acquitted from the bench, on the ground that he hadn't "conspired."

The old guy's kid, Faust, and a defendant who wasn't connected with the union at all were fined \$2,500 each, a mere pinch compared to the enormous loot, and got terms of from four months to a year in jail but were put on probation right away. That means they won't have to go. Three others were convicted and got nominal punishment. So, in a word, in frustration a great feat of initiative reporting in the public interest and another puny attempt by a few rank-and-filers to induce old Sam to protect them in a brazen daylight stickup.

—And He Probably Is Galloping Yet

STOCKHOLM, Minn. (AP)—A stray barking dog aroused the ire of Arnold Maki, 21, employed here on the Orville Titrud farm. He grabbed a shotgun and went out into the night.

He tripped, the gun discharged and hit a dynamite pit, setting off 100 pounds of the explosive. The ensuing blast ripped off Maki's clothes, broke windows in all the farm buildings, moved a machine shed off its foundation and stripped trees of their leaves.

Maki, if, bruised and badly shaken, was taken to a hospital. The dog, apparently unharmed, hasn't been heard from since.

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TOP O' TEXAS NEWS

Shamrock

SHAMROCK (Special)—The Navy Unit Commendation has been awarded to the South Pacific Combat Air Transport Command with which J. B. Zeigler, Jr., served during World War II.

Young Zeigler, who is now attending the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, received official notification of the commendation a week ago.

Norman Patrick took over the reins as president of the Shamrock Rotary Club last week, and Huey Combs assumed the duties of secretary-treasurer.

Another of Wheeler County's war dead has been returned for re-burial. Services for Private First Class Garland McLemore, 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark McLemore of two miles west of Shamrock, were conducted from the Lela Advent Christian Church Saturday afternoon. Rev. Ray Turnbow was in charge, assisted by Rev. Mack Turnbow of Shamrock. Womack Funeral Home was in charge of interment in Shamrock Cemetery.

The popular youth was killed in action on 9, 1943, in Buna, New Guinea, where the body rested for more than five years in a temporary military grave.

H. C. Weatherby, who has taught vocational agriculture in Shamrock High School for 11 years, will be awarded a certificate for meritorious service in his 11 years as a teacher. T. Rollins of McKinney, Texas, of the Texas Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, has announced.

Weatherby will receive his certificate in San Antonio on July 25 at a meeting of the association.

The Friendly Neighbors Club met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Grover Copeland.

Needlework provided entertainment during the afternoon and refreshments were served by the hostess. Mrs. Harvey Keys was a guest with the following members present: Mmes. C. W. Sizemore, Dale Hendricks, Boots Cook, A. V. McDaniel, R. F. Wofford, R. E. Conner, Dewey Dabery, and E. S. Harvey.

The Wesleyan Guild was entertained in the home of Mrs. Eli Smith last Monday evening.

Mrs. Reavis was a guest with the following members attending: Mmes. M. E. Risk, Curtis Hamill, Elsie Hood, Mary Pace, Earl Hamill, Homer Long, W. B. McCreaty, Robert H. Pauline, Pauline Roth, and Miss Geneva Zeigler.

Miss Gloria Holmes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holmes of this city, has joined the Hostess Department of Pioneer Air Lines.

Miss Holmes, a former employee of Lone Star Gas Company in Dallas, joined Pioneer for the teaching staff of White Deer High School.

Lefors

LEFORS (Special)—Mrs. L. R. Spence was elected last Tuesday to succeed Mrs. Marvin Cooper, resigned, as president of the WBSO. Mrs. W. C. Breining said a prayer, which opened the meeting of the circle at the Methodist Church. Plans for a picnic were made. Others on the program were Mesdames Ray Jordan and Breining. Sixteen members were present.

The Little Moon Circle of the Baptist Church met Tuesday with Mrs. Jim Halley. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Roy Smith. Mission study was led by Mrs. C. H. Earhart. Refreshments were served to those and to these Mesdames: Alvina Cates, E. W. Ammons, L. V. Foster, Nace Lotin, and B. Riley.

Kenneth Brewer, small son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brewer, is recovering from a tonsillitis.

Mrs. E. D. Ross and daughter Barbara, and "Mom" Strong Wednesday visited "Pop" Strong who is hospitalized at Amarillo.

Lynn Fite, formerly of Lefors and now of Borger, visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Airlington and Dickie have been visiting in Oklahoma.

Miss Jaunice Breston of Bellflower, Calif., has been visiting her sister, Mrs. O. B. Fanning, and family.

Mrs. W. Minter of Wellington is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Minter.

Kiwanis Schedule Completed; Tonight Starts Second Half

As the second half of the Kiwanis Sunday School Softball League swings into action, Lieb Langston announces the following to be Monday and Tuesday night's schedule. The remainder of the season's schedule can be acquired at L. N. Aichison Men's Wear.

Senior boys, Tuesday night, Central Baptist vs. McCullough Methodist and Harrah Methodist vs. Calvary Baptist and Presbyterian vs. First Christian.

Junior Boys, Tuesday night, McCullough Methodist vs. First Methodist and Harrah Methodist vs. Calvary Baptist and Presbyterian vs. First Christian.

Senior Girls, Monday night, First Methodist vs. McCullough Methodist and First Baptist vs. Calvary Baptist, Tuesday night, First Christian vs. First Methodist.

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ON THE RADIO

TONIGHT ON NETWORKS

Tomlin's Democracy Convention program calls for the keynote address of the temporary chairman, Sen. Allen W. Barkley of Kentucky. It has been listed by CBS and ABC for 8, MBS for 9:15 and NBC for 9:30. Tuesday's meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. by NBC, ABC and MBS, with MBS doing a radio broadcast.

Others tonight: MBS 7:30, "Cavalry Drama," "Break the News," with John Lund, marking AP's 10th anniversary, 7:30, "Howard Barker," CBS 8:30, "CBS-6 Lewis Comedy," 7:30, "Inner Sanctum," 7:30, "Cabin in the Sky," ABC 8:30, "Lone Ranger," 7:30, "Mark Warner's Soundoff," MBS 7:30, "Preview of All-Star Big League Game," 7:30, "Gregory Hood."

TUESDAY ON NETWORKS

MBS 8:45 a.m., "Nelson Oliver Story," 1 p.m., "Double or Nothing," 2 p.m., "The Perry Mason," 3 p.m., "Ken Niles in House Party," 4 p.m., "Handstand," ABC 9:30, "Mystery Theatre," 10:30, "Welcome Travelers," 2 p.m., "For Love, Mike Murrell," 7:30, "You Ask, Gossard Answers," MBS 9:15 a.m., "Gross," 10:30, "Ben Alexander Program," 4:30, "Kiddies Hour," 6:30, "Lone Ranger."

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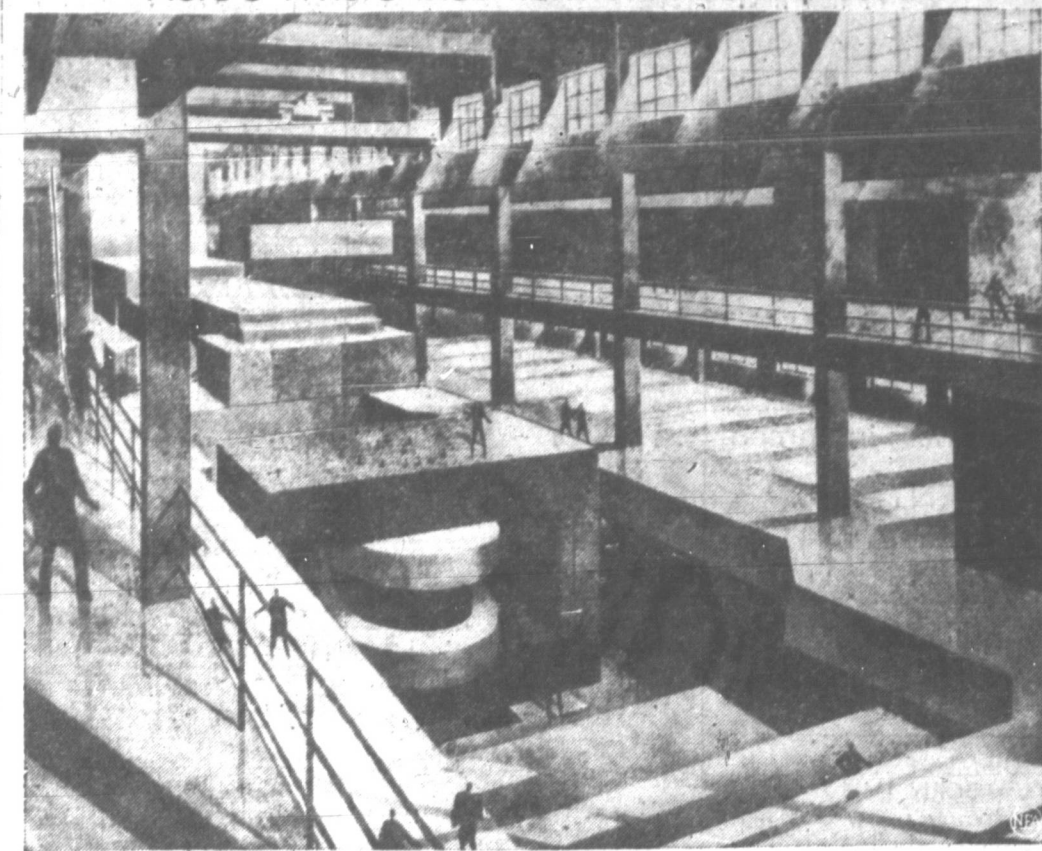
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This is a sketch of the Accelerator Building at the University of Chicago, which is now in construction. The university is one of the centers of atomic research, and this building will be the home of the most advanced atom-splitting machines devised by man.

Allies Cross the Elbe Again



Allied traffic into Berlin moves across the Elbe River on a primitive motorless ferry using only the river current for power. This method of crossing became necessary when the Soviets closed the Berlin-Helmstedt autobahn bridge for "extensive repairs," as part of an overall Red squeeze-play against Western Allies in Berlin. (Photo by NEA-ACME staff correspondent Al Cocking.)

Texas Today

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD

Associated Press Staff

A pert and alert brunette, a green-eyed gal with gumption, is powerhousing the campaign of William J. Murray, candidate for the Railroad Commission.

She is the wife of Murry, the mother of his three daughters and the manager of his campaign. Generally, she stays in Austin, running the campaign headquarters, answering letters and talking on the radio, but now and then she hits the road with a wallop.

This her technique: She stops at some service station on the outskirts of a small community and gets the names of the principal business men. Thus armed, she walks through the whole town, going to every business establishment, handing out Murry literature. She doesn't miss the beauty parlors either customers under driers have time for conversation and can't get away.

"Some has to ask people to vote for Bill Murry," Mrs. Joe Newton Murray says. "He's so shy he never asks for anyone's vote. But I don't have any qualms at all."

Murray has been a member of the Railroad Commission since January, 1947, when he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Gov. Beauford Jester. He now

seeks election to the remaining two years of this unexpired term. He is the only graduate petroleum engineer ever to serve as a member of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

"Bill really knows the oil business," says Mrs. Murray, "but when he starts telling some average voter about the need for conservation he uses such technical language that the voter sometimes gets lost in a fog of oil jargon. In other words, Bill doesn't talk the voters' English—but by gosh, I do."

The attractive Mrs. Murray, a native of Burkett, Texas, met her husband on a West Texas oil lease. They were married in 1939. She has attended John Tarleton Agricultural College, Kilgore Junior College and the University of Texas. She is 27 and her hobby is trout fishing. When she is out politicking, a nurse looks after her three daughters.

At Cotulla the other day, Mrs. Murray made her greatest sacrifice to her husband's campaign: "They were having a rodeo and a friend told me it would do Bill some good, politically, if I would get on and ride out into the arena and be introduced."

"I don't know anything about horses but I figured if I fell off and broke my neck it would be good publicity for Bill and if I stayed on I'd be doing all right. I almost died of fright when those horses began galloping but I managed to stay on."

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BERLIN

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starved plants of Western Berlin.

SPY FACES TRIAL

Yugoslavia declared that "spies" who crossed the Iron Curtain have been captured. Ante Pavelic, who was premier of the Croatian puppet government during the war, and an alleged Catholic priest of whom the Vlatas said it never had heard, were reported to be leaders of the movement. A big trial was to begin during the day.

Koreans in the Southern part of the country occupied by the U. S. and those in the North which Russia holds were establishing separate governments. Both hope to take over eventual rule of the whole country.

France prepared to grant \$100,000,000 wage increases to government employees on strike or about to walk out. Premier Robert Schuman said the United States will be giving France \$1,100,000,000 a year under the Marshall Plan, at the expense of U. S. taxpayers.

"The Marshall Plan is the greatest enterprise in history for the solidarity of humanity," he said.

Some observers speculated that a break in the Berlin situation was near. The consensus here is that the Russians are trying to force the Western Allies into a four-power discussion of the over-the-German question.

Russian controlled newspapers in Berlin have hammered the suggestion that the Allies should engage in new four-power talks. Those papers have hinted that this might end the food and fuel crisis.

ATHENS (AP)—The General Staff announced today that Greek Army troops had launched a new offensive against the Communist guerrillas in the Gramos Mountains.

A military source said elements of more than three divisions were advancing into the rebels' strong hold.

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Here's How To Tell a Happy Orchid

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Do you know how to tell if an orchid is happy?

This is one of many tidbits of horticultural knowledge picked up by a friend of mine who operates a penhouse farm for fun atop an eleven-story Manhattan apartment building.

Growing orchids on his electric refrigerator is just a sideline with this ardent rooftop Burbank, whose real love is his orchard outdoors. He puts the orchid pot atop the refrigerator in a pan full of gravel and water.

"The heat from the motor gives the orchid just the humid vapor it needs," he said.

"Once a week I give the plant a sponge bath and dry it off with a cloth. The green in the leaves and the stem really shines then. That's how you know the orchid is happy. If it's discontented, the green doesn't shine at all."

After playing nursemaid and psychiatrist to an orchid, this amateur clod-breaker in the clouds really gets down to the heavy work.

"Why the farmer in the country doesn't know what real hardship is," he said, showing me around his terrace ranch. "It takes more than a green thumb to raise things in the city."

"You got to start from the concrete and build up. First you have to order the earth. I bought four tons at \$20 a ton. The man who delivered it wanted to dump it in the street."

"There it was eleven stories below where I needed it. So I got fifty gunny sacks and kept loading them with my topsoil and brought it all up in the service elevator."

This, of course, put him in solid with the apartment house manager right away.

"Next," my friend continued, "I had to have some containers to grow things in. You just can't throw earth around on top of a roof. Along comes a heavy rain and where's your farm? Down the drain."

He solved the problem by buying up dozens of wooden egg crates and butter tubs and lining them with tar. Then he found he had to buy sand, peat moss, humus and fertilizer. Storage became a big problem, and his wife pointed out that being married to a penhouse farmer is something of a trial, too.

One morning I woke up and became aware of a rather unusual aroma in the room," she said. "I finally looked under the bed—and there was a nice big bag of fertilizer."

"Only place I could find to put it," he said.

"Some husbands," she replied, "bring their wives perfume."

HAIFA (AP)—The deep water harbor for Haifa, Palestine, was not completed until 1933.

In Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

HOLLYWOOD — (NEA) — This in a way, is another Hollywood re-lease of a classic. It happened 27 years ago when Hollywood was turning out great movies and great practical jokes.

Hollywood still makes an occasional classic movie but the art of elaborate practical jokes in movietown has been forgotten.

So today I give you Buster Keaton, one of the screen's great comedians of all time, and Hollywood's classic practical joke of all time.

Buster still acts occasionally—he may play a baseball coach in "Take Me Out to the Ball Game"—but his title at M-G-M now is gag specialist. He sits behind a desk with that still frozen pan and writes down little notes which, when filmed, leave people hysterical.

TOP GAG OF ALL TIME

Now about Hollywood's all-time classic practical joke.

Buster, Sid Chaplin, Fatty Arbuckle and some other fellows dreamed it up and spent weeks working it out back in 1921.

It was inspired by a very rich man in Hollywood who kept a well-stocked cellar of fine brandies, rare wines and champagnes, but when Buster and Arbuckle and his other cronies came around he served them only cheap liquor.

"I talked for months about a way to make that guy crack open his cellar," Buster said, "and finally a newspaper story gave us our cue. The story said King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium would visit Hollywood for two days. That did it—we went to work."

The rich man with the well-stocked cellar was notified on "official" Belgian embassy stationery (stolen for the occasion) that he had been selected to entertain their majesties at a formal Hollywood dinner party.

He was told that the king and queen would arrive secretly in Hollywood by plane from Santa Barbara, Calif., the day before their announced arrival. The dinner would be held that night, with all of Hollywood's top stars, including Keaton and Arbuckle, as guests.

Two extras who closely resembled Albert and Elizabeth were hired and rehearsed for the great roles of their careers.

An airplane was chartered to transport their "majesties" from a field in the San Fernando Valley to a field near Hollywood.

TREMENDOUS BUILD-UP
Buster hired six other extras to play the roles of secret service men to guard the "royal" visitors.

Meanwhile, the rich man was spending a small fortune for the "royal" dinner—a terrific, 15-course affair with, naturally, the finest of the finest of brandies, champagnes and other wines from his carefully guarded cellar.

"King Albert" and "Queen Elizabeth" arrived at the airport on schedule. The "secret service men" were there to insure their safety. The victim was there, bowing and beaming.

Then they all drove off to his home, where the dinner guests, all in one the gag, soon arrived.

"It was one of the finest parties I ever attended," Buster said. "The extras played the role of king and queen to perfection. They were so good we tipped them \$100."

"The host was the happiest man I've ever seen. It was weeks before any of us could convince him that he didn't entertain Albert and Elizabeth. The gag cost us about \$1000. But it was worth it. We finally got that guy to crack open his cellar."

Sonja Heine adds warbling to her talents for "The Countess of Monte Cristo." She sings the Jack Brooks-Saul Chaplin tune, "Count Your Blessings."

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