

DEATH TOLL 650 IN RAZED CITY

State Of Emergency Proclaimed By Jester

TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Gov. Beauford Jester issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency in explosion-shattered Texas City today, even as reassured residents who had fled the city began returning to their homes.

The governor, in his proclamation issued at Austin, outlined steps to be taken to keep the situation under control in the stricken city.

Meanwhile, firefighters massed to smother flames in oil tanks which still threatened to ignite other tanks of high octane gas.

J. H. Hill, deputy mayor appointed by Mayor J. C. Trahan to "keep down wild rumors", said water and light utilities were back in operation. He said there was no further fear of water contamination.

He would not estimate the damage done to Texas City by the five terrific explosions yesterday and today. He said it was too early to attempt it.

The death toll remained at an estimated 650, with 8,000 injured, according to Dr. Clarence Quinn, medical coordinator appointed by Mayor Trahan. Gov. Beauford Jester said the Red Cross had reported that 364 had been embalmed, 400 were positively known to be dead, and that another 200 to 250 were believed dead.

The wind, blowing from the north last night, had subsided and billowing smoke from burning oil at noon was rising in swirling columns straight above the fires.

The task of embalming the 223 bodies at the improvised morgue in the school gymnasium was completed early today. But more bodies are still being found and moved to the gymnasium, still decorated with wilted bunting from a recent school party. Lines of dazed citizens stand outside, waiting to enter a few at a time to identify relatives.

William E. Hammonree, chief boatswain mate of Maryville, Tenn., yesterday alone brought 107 of the 223 bodies to the morgue in a five ton navy truck.

Few cases of looting were reported. Highway patrolmen picked up a negro last night. They found \$8,000 in cash on him, and took him into custody.

Little effort was being made today to clear up debris. However, Al Dopking, Associated Press staff writer, said they were "scooping up plate glass like snow" in the business area.

J. H. Hill, named the official spokesman for Mayor Trahan, said at 9:30 a. m. that "we are far from being out of danger. The thing we fear now is the spread of oil fires."

Eighty thousand pounds of foamite was rushed here today from Baytown by the Humble Oil company, and 120 new firefighters were sent by Shell to join those on hand.

L. D. Romine, Red Cross official, said the major problem facing them today was the feeding of the homeless, and the rescue and relief workers. Financial aid was being given to the poor in hospitals and elsewhere by the Red Cross.

Three new explosions rocked this Texas coast industrial city today. They followed the two yesterday morning at 9:12 a. m. that set off the chain of disaster and tragedy described as the worst in Texas in half a century.

After conferring with the Red Cross, Dr. Clarence Quinn, medical coordinator, said that 400 were known to be dead and that another 250 were believed to be in the debris along the waterfront. He said that 3,000 were injured.

Other estimates of the dead ranged from 223 to 1,200. At dawn a blanket of billowing black smoke covered the city, the result of new oil fires caused by the newest explosions of the Liberty ship High Flyer.

Deputy Constable Herbert Whitmore of Galveston county said all Texas City was in danger.

"If the wind turns back to the south, Texas City is liable to go," he said. "If those tanks start burning we can't stop them."

At 1:10 a. m. there were two violent explosions as the burning High Flyer, loaded with nitrate, blew up, while four tugs tried to get her away from her berth.

A secondary explosion occurred at 3:25 a. m., but it was far from being as intense as the two earlier. It appeared to come from one of the numerous oil tanks that dot the city.

Captain Volney J. Shown of the Houston police department and director of rescue work, said that five minutes before the High Flyer blew up he had ordered 400 rescue workers out of the dock area and that only 50 men were in the area at the time of the explosion.

Officials were watching closely the progress of rescue workers who for the first time since shortly after yesterday morning's explosions, penetrated the Monsanto Chemical company plant, located in the immediate vicinity of the initial explosion on the French vessel, the Grandcamp.

Only a comparatively small number of the 800 employees of the company reportedly have been located.

Collection station attendants expressed fear the chemical company death toll might push fatalities above the 1,000 mark. An estimated 500 policemen, 250 troops and 250 special deputies were patrolling streets.

Danger of chlorine was reported to be slight, in that the only known gases at the Monsanto plant were styrene, propane and butane. Thousands of homeless residents were taken out of the city by army trucks, buses, special trains, and private cars to points as far away as Beaumont, Port Arthur and Orange, near the Louisiana-state line.

Chief of Police W. L. Ladish said that only essential personnel would be permitted to remain here today (Thursday) and no one would be permitted to enter the area except on official and essential business. "No man will go into town Thursday unless he has emergency business here," Ladish said.

Anxious Relatives In Big Spring Awaiting Word From Texas City

The tragedy of the uncertainty reached out to Big Spring homes Thursday as anxious relatives waited for emergency calls that would tell them the worst—or give a thread of hope for loved ones in Texas City.

Roy Cornelison, with his father-in-law, Ed Thornton, Stanton, was en route to Texas City after learning that Mrs. Cornelison's brother, Jack Thornton, was missing. Reports from Thornton's wife Wednesday said that she and the baby were unharmed, but that it was feared Thornton was in the vicinity of the original blast.

Gene McAllen, Hobbs, N. M., notified his wife, Mrs. Susie McAllen, teacher in the local schools, that he was on his way to Texas City where his brother was an employe of the Consano

Chemical company, which went up in a cataclysmic explosion seconds after a boat blew up in the channel. He feared that his brother had gone to work on a 9 a. m. shift—the blast occurred at 9:14 a. m.

S. W. Agee, 908 Goliad, waited for word of his father, M. L. Agee, also employed in the Monsanto Chemical plant. Casualty lists did not include any of these names. Other former Big Springers, including Leonard Van Open, were said to be working in Texas City.

Mrs. Oran Helms, Camp Davis, frantically sought information concerning her husband, who had left here Monday for Texas City to seek work on the docks. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Allard, Hyman, had the only definite and good news. Although their son, H. E. Allard was injured in the explosion, he was not seriously hurt.

Dr. P. D. O'Brien, First Baptist pastor, was in Texas City just recently for a two-weeks revival meeting and had occasion to inspect all the area reportedly devastated. He described it as one big industrial plant jammed against the next, an intense concentration of people.

The Rev. James Roy Clark, East Fourth Baptist pastor, was reared in the vicinity of Texas City and the accounts of the blast conjure vivid pictures for him. He has one nephew, Melton Clark, who was employed in the dock area, and possibly another, Woodrow Clark, as well as a half-brother J. E. Clark, who may have been there.



WRECKAGE IN TEXAS CITY—This scene of explosion wreckage in the stricken Gulf coast community shows the rubble and ruin scattered over a wide area by the force of the blast. Note twisted girders of flattened buildings and the smashed autos. (For more pictures of blast wreckage please turn to page 6.)

'Killing Frost' In Area Causes Crop Damage

One of the latest "killing frosts" in several years stabbed this area early today.

The US weather bureau reported that the temperature suddenly dipped toward freezing at midnight and was below 32 degrees at 3 a. m. It hit a low of 27 degrees at 5:30 a. m. and climbed back above freezing at 7:30 a. m. and was rising rapidly.

Steel Workers Threaten Strike

PITTSBURGH, April 17. (AP)—Stickers proclaiming "No contract. No work" are appearing on steel workers' automobiles these days and a few have even been plastered in the United Steelworkers' offices here—possible portent of a major steel strike after April 30.

That's the expiration date of the present contract extension between the CIO Union and the United States Steel Corp. The original pact ran out Feb. 15 but was extended by mutual agreement.

The steelworkers, who have a sticker on official blessing to the strike campaign, explained the seals were brought here earlier in the week by Chicago members of the Steelworkers' committee negotiating a new wage contract with "Big Steel."

The seals, borrowing a line often used by the nation's ministers, read simply: "Deadline April 30—No Contract... No Work."

An official pronouncement on the negotiation with US Steel and the other steel makers will be forthcoming next Monday through the union's wage and policy committee which will ratify proposals made by the executive committee Saturday and Sunday.

Big Five Rebuffed On Palestine Issue

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 17. (AP)—A British spokesman said today his country would propose exclusion of all five major powers from the proposed committee of inquiry on Palestine which will be considered by the special session of the United Nations assembly beginning April 28.

Britain also was reported opposed to granting committee representation to either Jews or Arabs. The committee's task will be to sift all available information on the Palestine problem and make recommendations to the regular assembly session meeting in September.

Order To Wipe Out OPA Being Readied

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—President Truman was reported reading an executive order today to wipe out three major wartime emergency agencies and transfer their controls from OPA to the housing expediter.

Officials familiar with a tentative draft of the order said it will complete liquidation of the Office of Price Administration, the Civilian Production Administration and the Office of War Mobilization and Reconstruction.

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Moscow Meet Bugged Down

MOSCOW, April 17. (AP)—The Council of Foreign Ministers failed tonight to break a deadlock over re-transfer of displaced persons from Australia. The United States, Britain and France refused to accept a Soviet demand that these persons be expelled within six months from the date the Australian treaty takes effect.

US Secretary of State Marshall urged the handling of some 500,000 displaced persons in Austria in accordance with the resolution adopted by the United Nations General assembly last autumn over Soviet objection.

Andrej V. Vishinsky, deputy designated by Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov to argue the question, said the Russians had not agreed to that resolution, and added that the UN action was supposed to apply only to Germany.

Marshall charged that this, in effect, was the use of the veto of a UN General Assembly decision, but Vishinsky denied that it was tantamount to a veto.

The council earlier heard a demand that a large slice of Austria Carinthia be turned over to Yugoslavia in any peace settlement.

Legislature Ponders More Labor Bills

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—More labor-restrictive measures and a bill frankly designed to prevent the infiltration of communists into state and local governments made progress in the legislature today.

The House voted final passage of a measure imposing stiff penalties on any public employe advocating overthrow of the government by force. The measure now goes to the Senate.

Phone Union Here Plans Legal Action To Get Strikers' Pay

Declaring that the company had not made a payroll in two weeks, W. D. Berry, chairman of the Midland district of Southwest Telephone workers said this morning that legal action may be taken in the district in an effort to collect wages for personnel now out on strike.

About 750 employes in the Midland district are affected. Wage payments were due operators last Thursday, and plant department personnel are due to be paid tomorrow, Berry said. The wage payments ordinarily represent between \$35,000 and \$45,000, he asserted.

"These people need their money, and numerous requests have been made to the company to either issue pay checks or pay off in cash," the district union chairman said.

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Labor Bill In House Hits Snag

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—The House stiffened restrictions on industry wide bargaining today and again refused to outlaw the union shop as it maneuvered its strike curb bill toward a vote on passage.

Added to the measure was a provision that competing employers may not get together on collective bargaining policy on such things as wages and hours.

The only exception is for those employing fewer than 100 people in plants less than 80 miles apart.

The bill already had similar limitations on unions.

Rep. Kersten (R-Wis) proposed the adding employers, to balance the bill. It was approved by a voice vote.

Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich), defeated yesterday in an effort to ban the union shop, got the same re-buff today when he tried to amend a different section.

Hoffman said he offered his new amendment so the "record may be absolutely clear" on this "fundamental issue" and the people will know in the 1948 election campaign how their representatives stood.

He lost on a voice vote—which put nobody on record by name.

French To Probe Fate Of Sailors

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—The French Embassy said today it is dispatching representatives to Texas City to investigate the fate of the French merchant ship Grandcamp.

A spokesman said the French consul at Houston already is at the scene but has not reported his findings.

Officials of the French line from New York and New Orleans are going to Texas City, he said, as is an inspector of the French merchant service.

No report on the fate of the crew of 35 to 40 has been notified.

New Blasts Felt 160 Miles Away

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—The new explosion at Texas City early today was distinctly felt here and at other Central Texas points.

Several residents here reported their windows rattled sharply at approximately 1:15 a. m. and less noticeably a few minutes later.

Night southwestern Bell Telephone operators said workers at Taylor had the same report. Many people called the telephone office at Taylor to inquire if there had been a new explosion.

Texas City is approximately 160 airline miles from here.

Curfew Is Eased

JERUSALEM, April 17. (AP)—British authorities ordered today a partial lifting of the strict curfew which had held more than 500,000 of Palestine's Jews under virtual house arrest since the hanging of four Jewish extremists yesterday morning at Acre prison.

Long Distance Phone Circuits Cut Last Night

DALLAS, April 17. (AP)—W. L. Prehn, general manager here for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., said today about 250 long distance telephone circuits were cut last night and early today at three places north, east and south of Fort Worth.

Some of the lines were being used at the time to carry emergency messages between Texas City and points to the north, east and west, he said.

All of the lines were spliced back into service today.

The first cut occurred just before 8 p. m. Wednesday. Prehn said two underground cables were sawed partly in two in a manhole east of the Fort Worth city limits.

At 4:55 a. m. today 51 open wire circuits were cut about eight miles south of Fort Worth, interrupting service between Fort Worth and points to the south. Forty open wire circuits to the north between Fort Worth and Wichita Falls and Amarillo were cut at a point about four miles north of the city at 7:30 a. m. Thursday.

The underground cables between Fort Worth and Dallas carry the principal lines of the Southern route between the East and West Coasts, according to Prehn. They also contain important government circuits, which were out of service for several hours because of the cuts.

Prehn said the cable and wire cutting had been reported to the Tarrant county sheriff in Fort Worth. The FBI also has been notified.

'COURAGE' ASKED

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—Joseph A. Beirne said today he is seeking a settlement of the telephone strike this week but called for "courage" in union ranks if the walkout is prolonged.

Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, conceded to reporters that the strike will begin to tell on idle, payless workers if the dispute extends beyond Monday.

Just after 1 a. m. I walked into a downtown store building where the casualty toll was being tabulated by six men. I closed the door behind me, walked to the center of the big room and a terrific explosion shook the building and brought plaster from the ceilings.

One man dived under a table, another hit the floor, a third rolled up against the front door, blocking it.

Two seconds later came a second thunderous blast. I yanked the door open, pushing the man out of the way and plunged into the street in a vacant lot. I watched red-hot steel streaming into the sky. A fiery black cloud climbed to 2,000 feet. Then steel fragments pinged on the sidewalk and pavement.

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Over 500 Expected Here For Youth Rally Monday

Around 500 youth delegates in the Sweetwater district of the Northwest Methodist conference are expected in Big Spring Monday for a stewardship rally at the First Methodist church.

Health Program Given For Central Ward P-TA

J. Clifton Clanton and L. J. Wells of the local health unit were guest speakers at the Wednesday meeting of the Central Ward Parent-Teacher Association held at the school.

Farrar Program Sunday Afternoon

The first in a series of three programs to be presented by the Farrar pre-school will be given Sunday afternoon, April 20, at the city auditorium at 4 p.m.

Very Small Number Attends Silver Tea

If families with members in the Music Study club find themselves eating pretty, party dainties for the next few days it may be because the local chapter prepared for 200 guests at their silver tea Wednesday afternoon in the Bernard Lamun home and only a dozen women were present.

Royal Neighbors To Hold District Meeting In Odessa

Members of the local chapter of the Royal Neighbors are expected to attend a district convention in Odessa Friday.

Forum Meets Tonight

The Junior Woman's Forum will meet with Mrs. J. C. Douglas at 401 Pennsylvania tonight at 8 p.m.

Park Methodist Group Holds Weekly Meet

The Park Methodist Study club met Wednesday evening and the study of "Methodist Discipline" was continued.

Weather Forecast

Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau. BIG SPRING AND VICINITY—Clear to partly cloudy and warmer this afternoon, tonight and Friday.

Markets

LIVESTOCK. FORT WORTH, April 17 (AP)—Cattle 1,000, calves 400, and weaners on all grades and ages.

William Gilliland Passes Bar Exam

Among the 47 students and graduates of the University of Texas law school who passed recent Texas bar examinations is William Elton Gilliland, Big Spring.

Knott School Class To Visit Lubbock

The vocational guidance and home economics classes of Knott high school will go to Lubbock Saturday for the annual engineer show at Texas Tech college.



SOAP-AND-WATER TRAVEL TEAM... Washable clothes are important in the 1947 travel picture.

County-Wide Club Meeting Tonight

A county-wide 4-H club meeting will be held tonight at the Center Point school, according to announcement Thursday morning by Margaret Christie, Howard county home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Wiley Conducts Afternoon Bible Study

The First Christian Council of Church Women met Monday afternoon for Bible study conducted by Mrs. Cliff Wiley.

BSHS Election Today

Election of student president for the Big Spring high school will be held today.

Circle 4 Continues Stewardship Study

Circle Four of the First Methodist W.C.S. met with Mrs. L. W. Croft early this week for a program which opened with prayer by Mrs. H. N. Robinson.

Bill Dawes Speaker At B&PW Meeting

Business and Professional women were entertained in the home of Mrs. Stanley Womack Tuesday evening.

Austin Choir Gives Impressive Program

The Austin College A Capella choir of Sherman presented an impressive program of sacred music at the First Presbyterian church Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Winters Hostess To Vincent Society

VINCENT, April 17 (Sp)—The Woman's Missionary Society of the Vincent Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. W. R. Winters earlier this week for Bible study and a program.

Mrs. G. E. Peacock Entertains 1946 Club In Her Home

Mrs. G. E. Peacock was hostess to the 1946 Hyperion which met in her home Wednesday afternoon to discuss plans for a joint meeting with other Hyperion clubs.

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Class Coffee Friday Morn.

The public is invited to attend a silver coffee which will be held in the home of Mrs. J. D. Jones at 711 Princeton Friday morning.

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DANIEL MEETS FRIENDLY LION

COLUSA, Calif., April 17. (AP)—Daniel met a lion yesterday and couldn't understand why circus folk laughed as the lion pawed him. District Attorney Daniel E. Weyland tripped over a circus stake to which the lion was chained and the lion began pawing his chest. When the laughing circus workers pulled the lion off, they explained the animal had no teeth, no claws—he was just being friendly.

Flaming Town Looks Like Bombed Ploesti

By HAL BOYLE
OVER TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Flaming Texas City today looks from the air like a peacetime parallel to war to war-bombed Ploesti, Rumanian oil capital. It is now 7:15 a.m., Central Standard Time, we are making our third flight over the burning town. The fire-ravaged industrial section and the peaceful residential areas offer the contrast between life and death.

One is a two-mile-wide torch. The other is the living pattern of a deserted village. Its fate still dependent on whether the present favorable wind holds.

Angry smoke towering to 3,000 feet spreads from the city like a gigantic black wing—deep and dense where it joins the ground, feather-thin where the wind has dispersed it.

Capt. J. P. Talon of Atlanta, Ga., turns the two-engined Eastern Air Lines Silver Liner on one wing and skirts the edge of the burning industrial zone.

At least a score of raw-oil storage tanks, each holding hundreds of thousands of gallons, are blazing furiously, engulfed in orange and black waves of hurricane fire. They are studded through scores of other storage tanks, still intact but which may flame up momentarily.

Many of the tanks have been so badly battered by the blast that they look like tin cans crushed by children in a game of street hockey.

Our plane circles low toward the devastated area, keeping just far enough away so that if a tank blows up its blast won't sweep our craft down.

The waterfront area is in charred ruins. Only remnants remain of the Monsanto Chemical Plant that went up after the nitrate loaded French vessel Grandcamp exploded yesterday morning.

White pillars sticking up from the ghastly wreckage bear a startling resemblance to row after row of military graves. And many do mark the death agony of scores of men whose bodies can never be recovered.

The fires are threatening high-octane storage tanks that can turn the whole area instantly into one colossal Roman candle. On the ground small groups of men, recovering the dead are also preparing to set off demolition blasts if necessary to try to save the rest of the city of 15,000.

So far the wind luckily is blowing the heat, smoke, fumes and flames south from the stricken industrial area and away from the residential section. A change in the wind might cost thousands of families their homes, as the flames already have taken their livelihood.

Only a few cars move slowly along the silent, smoky streets. Soldiers patrol against looters, waving up occasionally at planes overhead. The empty homes—their owners evacuated—stand in lonely red-roofed beauty like white-walled toys.

These fires may burn for days or weeks. The stunned city is as yet helpless against them. It can only wait and hope.

In four years of war coverage I have seen no concentrated devastation so utter except Nagasaki in Japan, victim of the second atom bomb.

State, Nation Mobilize To Aid Stricken Town

Aid within the power and resources of the United States Army, the US Navy, the American Red Cross, the State of Texas, the Salvation Army, and thousands of persons who wanted to help were offered Texas City.

Airplanes bearing doctors, nurses, relief workers, blood plasma, morphine and even embalming fluid, jammed the air over the small airport of the town Wednesday within a few hours after the first explosion sounded the alarm of disaster.

From Washington Chief of Staff Dwight D. Eisenhower offered Gov. Beauford Jester of Texas any aid within the power of the US Army. At San Antonio, Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, commanding general of the Fourth Army, sent 31 planes and a convoy of 40 trucks, ambulances and mobile mess kitchens to the area.

From Berkeley, Field, La., Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon, commanding general of the Training Command, instructed all Army Air Forces Training Command installations in the Southwest to provide all possible assistance.

The Eighth Naval District headquarters at New Orleans rushed aid by plane from New Orleans, Orange, Dallas, and Corpus Christi Naval Installations. The 800-bed naval hospital at Fort Crockett, near Galveston, and a 700-bed naval hospital near Houston were ordered made available.

In Washington the American Red Cross ordered \$250,000 set aside for disaster relief and assigned 30 workers to the area. Chairman Basil O'Connor advised Jester that more money will be available if needed.

The Coast Guard ordered cutters in the vicinity to aid waterfront work.

Commercial airlines announced they were sending special planes bearing blood plasma, penicillin and workers at their own expense.

The State of Texas sent hundreds of helpers and stood ready for any call for help.

In Washington the Federal Communications Commission authorized emergency amateur radio network. Telephone workers on strike returned to work in the town.

By nightfall Wednesday relief efforts were beginning to fall into a pattern.

Jet Pilot Goes To Derbytown

NEW YORK, April 17. (AP)—Jet pilot left town on the Louisville train today, and in his traveling bag he no doubt carried his personal horseshoe or four-leaf clover, or whatever it is a gee-gee uses for a lucky piece.

He's the first of the east's glamorous boy galleros to head for Derbytown. And off his front-running, two-lengths win in the Jamaica Handicap yesterday he looks about as good as there is around here, pending later word from fellows like Cosmic Bomb, the winter book favorite, or Phalanx, the stretch-runner, or Blue Border and Stepfather, the recent fancy Flop-Olas, in the Wood Memorial Saturday.

Better value could come under that latter heading, too. But trainer Maxie Hirsch has indicated that all is not well with "The Value."

The word is he probably will take a long vacation and may be among those conspicuously absent from the Derby, as well as the Wood.

Making his first start since mid-January, when trainer Tom Smith took him away from the races to aim him strictly for Col. Matt Winn's fancy scramble, the Pilot totaled 121 pounds through the slop handsomely yesterday in the six furlong race. He convinced trainer Tom there was no use waiting any longer—just wrap him up and head him for Derbytown right now.

The \$41,000 yearling bargain boosted his bankroll over the \$100,000 mark with yesterday's \$12,500 pay check.

Texas Crude Oil Demand Increases

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—An increased demand for Texas crude oil during May is forecast by the US Bureau of Mines, which places the figure at 2,120,000 barrels daily. Ernest O. Thompson, chairman of the Railroad Commission has reported.

The Bureau's forecast allows for other light oils in total supply, and represents an increase of 80,000 barrels over the forecast for April.

Thompson called attention to a present daily actual production of 2,150,550 barrels above the bureau's estimate.

The monthly statewide oil production hearing by the Railroad Commission will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the Plaza Hotel, San Antonio.

Three Communities Ousted In Chile

SANTIAGO, Chile, April 17. (AP)—Three Communists the first to become cabinet ministers in the new world, were out of the Chilean government today in a shift brought about by resignation of three liberal colleagues, upshot of a struggle between Communists and anti-Communists.

Texas City Center Of Many Industries

TEXAS CITY, April 17. (AP)—Concentrated in this thriving port town, scene of a tragic series of explosions, is perhaps the greatest cluster of industries of any similar area in Texas.

Located in the city and immediately adjacent to it are six major industrial plants that, together with the dock, warehousing and railroad facilities of the Texas City Terminal Railroad company, represent an investment estimated at possibly \$125,000,000.

The city itself has grown rapidly from small seaport town of 8,000 or 10,000 persons fifteen years ago to a bustling manufacturing and shipping city of at least 15,000 today. Its growth was especially rapid during the war when three large industries were established there to serve military demands. And its growth and expansion has been even more rapid since with the expansion of these and the other industries located there.

Monsanto Chemical which now has in progress a million dollar expansion program — including addition of facilities to produce polystyrene — is the most vulnerable to a waterfront explosion of any of the major industries in the city, being located only a stone's throw from the very heart of the waterfront. In fact, the huge chemical plant is just a step or two from the offices of the Texas City Terminal Railroad company.

In the center of the wharves area, directly between the Monsanto plant and the terminal company offices is the gigantic crane that is a part of the loading facilities for the recently resumed coastal seaport service between Texas City and New York City. This service, abandoned during the war, has been put back into operation carrying entire railroad trains numbering up to 40 railroad cars between the two ports.

The remainder of the large plants with exception of the Republic Oil company and the American Liberty refinery are less vulnerable to a waterfront explosion, laying north of the city and across it from the waterfront.

The great Pan-American company refinery is a mile and a half to two miles back from shipside. Adjacent to the Pan American plant, and still farther north from the waterfront is the gigantic plant of Carbide and Carbon Chemical Co. The latter plant has been a beshive of activity in a \$18,000,000 expansion program.

Around 700 to 10,000 persons are believed at the present time to be engaged in the actual construction work. The Carbide and Carbon Co. utilizes waste gases from the Pan American refinery in the manufacture of basic chemicals.

Some three miles northwest of Texas City is the only tin smelter on the American continent, that of the Tin Processing Corporation.

The Monsanto Chemical Co. plant was built early in the war to make styrene, an important ingredient in synthetic rubber manufacture. It has a capacity of 82,000 tons daily of this basic chemical. It has been operating at full capacity since the war and is currently in an expansion program to add polystyrene, a chemical basic in the production of plastics. Its headquarters offices are in St. Louis and H. K. Eckert is the Texas City plant manager.

The plant processes styrene from propane, which is a product of recycled gas, and benzene. The projected polystyrene plant was to have had a capacity of 3,000,000 pounds a month.

The site of the Monsanto plant

Burn Specialists Offer Services In Blast Area

BOSTON, April 17. (AP)—The services of experts who had marked success with new methods in saving the lives of many persons horribly burned in Boston's 1942 Coconut Grove night club disaster were offered today to stricken Texas City, Texas.

Doctors of the Boston City and Massachusetts General Hospitals, headed by Dr. Charles C. Lund, stood ready to fly to that area if needed.

"We shall send anything or anyone they need," said Dr. James W. Manary, superintendent of City Hospital.

Physicians of the two institutions teamed as lifesavers after the Coconut Grove holocaust which claimed nearly 500 lives.

Coal Exports For March Set Record

WASHINGTON, April 17. (AP)—More American coal went overseas during March than in any previous month on record, the Solid Fuels Administration said today. The agency calculated March shipments at 2,787,130 tons, the largest monthly total since the government coal export program started Aug. 1, 1945.

CORN BORER CUTS CROP
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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., April 17. (AP)—Lawrence Tierney, who acted the role of "Dillinger" in the film of that name, has been ordered to spend the next four week-ends in the county jail.

Justice of the Peace Cecil D. Holland imposed the penalty yesterday when the actor appeared on a probation violation charge, out-

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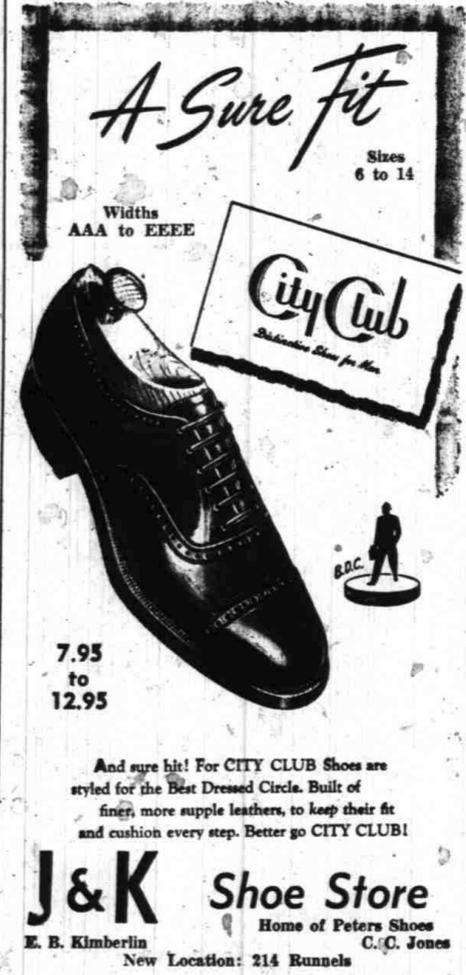
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Yet, it is one thing to see lush crops waving in the field, and quite another to get about the harvest. So action becomes the companion of vision. Ideas must be implemented and effected.

Here is the job of the Chamber of Commerce—to see and to encourage action. It makes no difference who acts, for a job well done is done, regardless of the agency or institution which did it. The Chamber's task is to work with all organizations and groups in accomplishing worthwhile projects—to look out after the needs of the entire community, and not a specialized phase. It is its job to promote development in every constructive realm of activity—economic, civic, recreational, cultural, educational, moral.

Thus, during Chamber of Commerce week, it is to be hoped that more and more people will be conscious of the responsibility they have toward joining together in a common, unselfish effort to build a better Big Spring.

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That "W" in Williams might appropriately stand for Water. For when you talk of water, chances are that O. L. Williams probably has the answer or some sound counsel on the subject. That covers water well drilling, water well pumps, water well supplies and equipment, water pipe system, a new type of irrigation system, boats, outboard motors, various marine supplies, etc. Williams is no novice in the field, for he has sunk several hundred wells in this region in recent years and has had experience in developing wells in many formations and with many capacities. At the moment he is particularly busy in installing widely recognized Peerless and Johnston well pumps, both of the turbine and jet varieties. These are picked to meet the capacities of the well and the kind of producing water structures. They can coast along on minor ratings to wells of several hundred gallons a minute.

As for the irrigation system, Williams handles an aluminum pipe lay-out which is highly flexible and efficient. The 20-foot joints are so light a man can uncouple them quickly and move them easily to a new location. At specified intervals, the pipe has automatic overhead precipitation which simulates the advantages of rain. Jimmy Eason, near Midway, and Harry Billingsley, near Ackery, are among those who have these in operation. Revolutionary developments in light, durable boats are also included in Williams' services, together with the latest refinements in outboard motors of various sizes and power. Long interested in this field, Williams is equipped to handle virtually all marine needs for this region. He also is distributor for MacMillan ring free oil and has many other services for farm and ranch needs at his headquarters just over Coleman hill on US 80 east of town.



VERSATILE OPERATOR — Head of the Big Spring Iron and Metal company and an operator in several other fields is O. L. Williams. In addition to heading the iron and metal unit at 1413 W. 3rd, Williams also has been active in shallow oil exploration. He did some wild-cattling in the Edwards area of northern Glasscock and more recently teamed with John Ostracit to develop some shallow production on an 800-acre lease in Scurry. He and Ostracit then sold out their spread to D. D. Thomas, et al and Cressell Oil company. Williams' operations include scrap iron supplies, used pipe for oil exploration, iron and pipe for farm and ranch well needs, and machine work and welding.

HAWKINS FEED HAS LARGE STOCK OF GARDEN AND FARMING SEEDS

The planting season is turning more and more customers to the Hawkins Feed store, 700 Lamesa Highway, where one of the best stocks of field and garden seeds in this area is maintained. The store is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, who stress service and quality merchandise as a method of providing a popular business firm. Timely stocks now include plenty of hegar, sweet sudan, cane, maze, field peas and garden seed. All seeds offered for sale at the Hawkins Feed store are of the highest quality available, coming from tested and approved sources of supply. In the general feed line, a complete stock of Burrus-Texo products still is available. Included are all types of feeds for livestock and poultry. The Hawkins Feed store already has gained an enviable reputation among Howard county farmers and ranchers and its list of customers has grown rapidly during recent months. The firm now has available a sizeable stock of thrashed grain, and is able to sell these products in most any quantity desired. Garden seeds also are being fea-

tured now, and the Hawkins Feed store keeps a complete stock of Dr. LeGear's livestock remedies available at all times. Although the first Japanese attacks on the Philippines in World War II were launched from Formosa, there was no ground fighting on the island during the war. Balsa means "raft" in Spanish and was applied to the wood after Spanish explorers found Indians of South America using rafts made of it.

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Migrants Start Harvest Trek

COLLEGE STATION, April 14 (AP)—Out of the Rio Grande Valley, up Highways 77 and 281, past the quarantine stations at Falfurrias and Riviera, the annual migration is underway, as some 140,000 Mexicans this month start their trek from the Valley. April 15 is regarded as the "official" beginning of the migration, as that is the usual time onion harvest in the Winter Garden area and the movement to the northern beet sugar areas begin. During the next eight months they will be on the road, following the fruit and vegetable harvest and the maturing cotton crop; at least 50,000 will travel to northern states to harvest the sugar beet crop, thousands more will go to other southern states to pick cotton; and still another group will follow the sheep and goat shearing trail from the southern part of West Texas all the way to Montana and Wyoming and back again for the fall shearing in Texas. But unlike the hit-or-miss migrating of the other days, the laborers this year, as they have for the past three years, will be following an orderly pattern, will know where there is a need for their labor, and will be certain of a welcome on their arrival. Reception centers for the workers are maintained at Big Spring and Colorado City in this area.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mitchell, owners and managers, have made it their business to discover the likes and dislikes of their customers, and in the past 14 years, have remodeled the number one store six times, adding additional space for shelving displays and vegetable department.

Recently installed was a refrigerator room with a floor space of 20 x 20 feet which houses a complete line of fruit and vegetables, kept moist and fresh in the new cooler.

One feature many customers like and the movement to the northern beet sugar areas begin. During the next eight months they will be on the road, following the fruit and vegetable harvest and the maturing cotton crop; at least 50,000 will travel to northern states to harvest the sugar beet crop, thousands more will go to other southern states to pick cotton; and still another group will follow the sheep and goat shearing trail from the southern part of West Texas all the way to Montana and Wyoming and back again for the fall shearing in Texas. But unlike the hit-or-miss migrating of the other days, the laborers this year, as they have for the past three years, will be following an orderly pattern, will know where there is a need for their labor, and will be certain of a welcome on their arrival. Reception centers for the workers are maintained at Big Spring and Colorado City in this area.

Australia's Favorable Balance Of Trade

SYDNEY, (AP) — Australian trade with the United States showed a large Australian export surplus for the seven months ended Jan. 31, according to Commonwealth Statistician Dr. Roland Wilson.

Largely because it is purchasing more Australian wool than any other country, the United States took exports amounting to approximately \$93,176,000 during the seven months.

Imports from the United States amounted to \$64,285,400, leaving an export surplus for the seven months of approximately \$28,940,600.

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Broncos Invade Lamesa Again Tomorrow Night

Lessons Pay Off Marion Wins One

Texas Athletes Go To Relays

AUSTIN, April 17. (AP)—A traveling squad of eight men from the University of Texas track team and Coach Clyde Littlefield left here today for the annual Kansas relays being held on Saturday.

The Longhorn speedsters will enter five events, four of which are relays. The only individual event entered by Longhorn runners is the 100 yard dash which will attract Charley Parker, and Allen Lawler, who is the defending champion for the event.

Ferry Samuels and Charley Tatum will join Lawler and Parker in the 440 and 880 relays, while Jerry Thompson, Clarence Hafernick, Monroe Northcutt and Don Sparks will be shooting for a new record in the medley relay race.

Joe DiMaggio had played exactly 1111 games in a Yankee uniform up to this season.

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Reds Victimized By Cards, 4-1

By The Associated Press

Stan Musial's batting lessons to Marty Marion have paid off with the first St. Louis Cardinals victory of the season.

Coming up in the eighth inning of yesterday's big league game, with the world champs sporting a slender 2-1 advantage over Cincinnati, Marion poled a two-run homer that assured George (Red) Mungler of his first win. The score was 4-1.

There have been years when Marion failed to hit a single homer in an entire campaign and he has hit only 17 out of the park in seven years. Last year his average slumped way off to .233 and there were stories that Mr. Shortstop was on the downgrade.

After the World Series, Marty passed up a lucrative off-season job with a St. Louis printing house to go home to South Carolina for a good rest. His ailing scrofula had kept him out of several crucial games and threatened to end his career prematurely.

Marion didn't do much of anything all winter and reported at Al Lang Field in St. Petersburg, Fla., in tip-top condition. To date he has not had a bit of trouble from his back.

One day while Marion was taking practice in Florida, Musial, the 1946 batting king and most valuable player in the National League, caught a flaw in his stance.

"I think you would get a little more power if you didn't take such a wide stance," Musial advised his teammate. "I don't want you to think I'm butting in but it's a little trick that has helped me."

Mr. Shortstop took the advice to heart, changed his stance and started hitting with more authority. Now he's aiming for the fences.

George Mungler allowed eight mighty hits but scattered them to earn the first decision of what Manager Eddie Dyer predicts will be a 20-win season.

All other games in both major leagues were postponed because of bad weather.

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Wednesday Drill Is Called Off

It seems Mother Nature is demanding that the Big Spring Broncos do most of their spring conditioning under actual combat conditions.

Pat Stasey and his boys are getting a little chance to knock the ball around these days due to recurring blizzards of winter. However, the weather usually clears up about the time the Hosses have an exhibition game scheduled.

Stasey is hoping for fair and warm weather when he carts his charges to Lamesa Friday night to do battle with George Sturdivant's Lobes. The two clubs met last Friday and the Steeds came out on the short end of a 6-5 score in a game that went 11 innings.

The two teams will play again Sunday in Lamesa and that one will probably close out the exhibition game program for Big Spring. The locals are scheduled to open their Longhorn league campaign against Midland next Wednesday afternoon.

Stasey's troops were deprived of the chance to practice Wednesday because of the weather.

Most of the athletes took the day off but it was a day of labor for the skipper and Joe Langston, general manager of the club.

They remained at the high school stadium most all day, supervising the dumping of dirt hauled in to fill up the low places on the field. The work was to go on most of today.

Sports Roundup

Bovines Boast Good Medley Relay Team

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.
NEW YORK, April 17. (AP)—As a result of the Limer Queen Elizabeth getting stuck in the mud, the United States Walker Cup golf team will be delayed a day in getting off for England.

Which recalls the capsule report of Tuesday's big news from Britain: "The Queen Liz was pulled out of the mud and Bruce Woodcock was knocked into it."

The Athletics, who expanded their form system from three to 12 clubs this year, are having plenty of trouble stocking them. Report from one farm's training camp is: "We're getting a good look at some of the nation's worst baseball talent here."

Dorsett (Tubby) Graves, long-time Washington baseball coach and now a member of the University's athletic executive staff, has been appointed associate steward for the summer race meet at the Longacres track. Wonder how the NCAA "Purists" look at that?

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Wonder how many bits of "legitimate news" Larry MacPhail will give out before Commissioner Happy Chandler decides his "silence" order isn't being strictly observed?

Besides that sprint relay team which figures to come close to 41 seconds in the Kansas relays, Texas is very proud of its distance medley outfit, which broke the Texas relay record set by North Texas State with the Rideout brothers.

Besides Jerry Thompson, who has done a 4-13 relay mile. The Longhorns have the 1946 scholastic mile champs of Louisiana and Texas, Wayne Hanson and Don Parks.

Tom Brown, wartime "boy wonder" shortstop of the Dodgers, reported Tuesday with a first baseman's mitt, the only one he said they'd let him use during special drills at Pensacola.

Stan Peck, son of the famous builder of racing shells, stroked the U of Washington senior crew in a recent interclass race.

In 1932 Bucky Walters played third base for the Boston Braves.

George Cass has a lifetime stolen base record of 344 thefts.

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Baseball Game Again Delayed

The District 10AA baseball game between Big Spring and Odessa, originally scheduled to have been played Tuesday, was postponed again yesterday due to bad weather.

Coaches of the two teams will await a rise in temperatures before setting the date for the game.



MAY FACE OLD MATES—Lloyd "Pat" Patterson, shown here taking a look at a runner on first base, may take the hill Friday night for the Big Spring Broncos in their game with the Lamesa Lobes. Pat won 23 games for Lobes several seasons ago. (Photo by Jack M. Hayes)

Dallas Rebels Beaten Again By Tribe, 10-4

DALLAS, April 16. (AP)—The Texas League was beginning to cut a monotonous pattern: San Antonio wins again, Dallas loses again.

The San Antonio club made it seven straight last night, coming from behind, as usual, to trim the Shreveport Sports, 4-2.

Dallas dropped its fourth straight game, to Oklahoma City again, 10-4, holding sole possession of the cellar.

The rejuvenated Beaumont Exporters slapped Houston 7-1 for their most convincing victory of the year and Fort Worth blasted Tulsa, 11-2, in other games.

Shreveport took a one run lead in the third inning, but the Missions bounced back to tie it up in the fifth and went ahead in the seventh with a pair of runs.

Ned Garver and Marlin Stuart teamed to hold Shreveport to six hits, while their mates were collecting eight off Bill Gann. Stuart received credit for the victory, his second of the year season.

Dallas, the defeated Dixie champion, aided its own defeat with seven errors. Ralph McCabe and Preacher Dorsett helped, opening Oklahoma City's home season with a six-hit pitching performance, and Al Rosen hit four doubles to drive in four runs.

Beaumont bounded into fifth place in the standings by virtue of its win over Houston, right behind Shreveport, which trails the three leaders, San Antonio, Fort Worth and Oklahoma City.

Ray Stelmack turned in a two-hit pitching performance for Beaumont, while his mates jumped on four Buff hurriers for eight.

Tulsa proved little opposition against Fort Worth, as the Cats rang up their third straight victory over the Oilers. Willard Ramsdell and Robert Austin teamed to hold the Oilers to three hits, while three Tulsa pitchers gave up ten.

The teams switch opponents again today. Dallas comes back to Texas to invade Fort Worth, while Oklahoma goes over to Tulsa for an all Oklahoma series. Houston plays host to San Antonio and Beaumont does the same for Shreveport.

Yesterday's Results

TEXAS LEAGUE
San Antonio 4, Shreveport 2.
Fort Worth 11, Tulsa 2.
Oklahoma City 10, Dallas 4.
Beaumont 7, Houston 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis 4, Cincinnati 1.
New York at Philadelphia, rain.
Boston at Brooklyn, rain and cold.
Pittsburgh at Chicago, cold and wet grounds.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Philadelphia at New York, rain and cold.
Chicago at Cleveland, rain.
Washington at Boston, cold.

The Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.
San Antonio	7	0	1.000
Fort Worth	3	0	1.000
Oklahoma City	2	0	1.000
Shreveport	2	0	1.000
Tulsa	1	0	1.000
Beaumont	1	0	1.000
Houston	1	0	1.000
Dallas	0	4	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn 0, Philadelphia 1.
Philadelphia 1, Pittsburgh 0.
St. Louis 1, Cincinnati 1.
Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 0.
Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 0.
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AMERICAN LEAGUE
Philadelphia at New York — Fowler (9-10) vs. Evers (10-13).
Washington at Boston — Nease (14-11) vs. Dobson (12-7).
Detroit at St. Louis — Trout (17-13) vs. Mancini (9-12).
Only games scheduled.

Games Today

TEXAS LEAGUE
Dallas at Fort Worth
Oklahoma City at Tulsa
Shreveport at Beaumont
San Antonio at Houston

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis at Cincinnati — Dickson (15-6) or Brant (11-10) vs. Lively (0-0).
Boston at Brooklyn — Barrett (2-2) vs. Hilde (17-8).
New York at Philadelphia — Ayers (0-0) vs. Judd (11-12).
Pittsburgh at Chicago — Roe (8-8) vs. Wynn (14-12).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Philadelphia at New York — Fowler (9-10) vs. Evers (10-13).
Washington at Boston — Nease (14-11) vs. Dobson (12-7).
Detroit at St. Louis — Trout (17-13) vs. Mancini (9-12).
Only games scheduled.

Odessa, Brownwood Regional Choices

Ernie Ache, around whom is built Big Spring hopes for a top-drawer showing in the Regional Two track and field meet at Abilene this weekend, is still having to take it easy in training.

Ernie, who will run the 100 at Abilene, pulled a leg muscle in training Monday, April 7, and the injury betrayed him in the Area meet at Midland. However, he limped in third behind Midland's Dunny Goode and Don Bingham of Odessa.

Coach Mule Stockton had Ache lapping the field time and again Wednesday afternoon at Sifer stadium but would not let him open up. Ernie complained that the leg still felt sluggish.

Odessa's Bronchos have been installed as strong favorites to take the team title in the big show but the Brownwood Lions may give the Hosses plenty of trouble.

Baird's Corky Cook may shade Odessa's

Gerald Campbell in the 120-yard high hurdles. Cook has been negotiating the distance in less than 15 seconds, something Campbell has never been able to do.

Issac Pate, Brownwood, is the defending champ but Leon Lepard, Big Spring, has turned in better times at that distance. Lepard has been approaching the regional mark, which is 3:08 minutes.

Brownwood scored 108 points in winning their fourth straight SAA Conference crown last week. In piling up that huge total, the Lions won first place in every event with the exception of the broad jump.

Brownwood athletes who will be Regional threats are Bob Gilbreath, high hurdles; W. C. Burns, quarter mile; Chester Tobey, shot put; and Don Graves, high jump.

TJey has been putting the shot more than 45 feet.

LOOKING 'EM OVER

With TOMMY HART

The mile relay race between Mule Stockton's Big Spring team and Midland's Bulldogs in the Regional meet at Abilene this weekend may be worth making the trip to Abilene to see.

Goode has asked his coach to let him concentrate on the event in the hope of qualifying his team-mates for the state meet.

The resident quartet, anchored by hard-running Leon Lepard, edged out the Bulldogs at last week's Area meet in Midland but only after a stretch run in which Lepard beat off the challenge of Goode by forcing him into the outside lane. Leon left Dunny some seven or eight yards in his wake but it might have been a different story had the Midland flier been given a little more help by his team mates.

A quarter-mile is neither Goode's nor Lepard's race. Goode is best in the sprints while Lepard is tops in the half mile but one would have thought both were built for it in the Midland relay.

Coach Stockton has been giving all members of the Relay team — Delmar Turner, James Abbe, Jim Bill Little and Lepard—a maximum amount of work this week. If the foursome runs up to par Midland — or any other prep team in this section — will have to hustle to edge them.

When a team of Abilene tub-blick welders thumped an aggregation of Odessa in Abilene Sunday last, Bill Roden of Big Spring was in on the killing. He teamed with Shorty Hornbuckle to nip Doug Jones, another former Big Spring, and Morgan Hampton.

However, Jones spanked the Big Spring red-head in singles play.

Garland Hannaford, the one-time Howard county school master who piloted the Robert Lee football team to the Regional finals last fall, is stepping down from that post.

He's being succeeded by Jiggs Hudson, San Angelo Junior high mentor.

Hannaford was principal at Midway before the war.

One of the prize rookies in Pat Murphy's Big Spring football camp is Cecil Gilstrap, who was on the reserve squad two seasons ago but was a member of Uncle Sam's armed forces last year.

Gilstrap, now a strapping fellow who looks to do 185 pounds or better, is currently trying for a tackle berth.

Reports from the West say Odessa's professional baseball team boasts a third sacker who is going to make Big Spring's Orle Moreno and others hustle if they expect to keep up with him.

He's Carlo Parina, an 18-year-old. The lad is currently in sick bay with the mumps but expects to return to the lineup soon.

A. D. Engley, Oiler foreman, recently purchased Harvil Jakes, an outfielder, from the Amarillo Gold Sox. Charley Kalineck, down from Wichita Falls of the Big State league, will vie with Zigelman for the backstopping berth.

Harry Brecheen has never won 20 games for the Cardinals.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

A Great Bunch - Those Ex-G.I.'s

Willie Wells and a bunch of the boys from our town went to Pound Ridge Saturday to a reunion of their old regiment.

There were about two hundred and fifty boys who came from miles around to a good old feast in Farmer Collins' barn. I suspect they seemed a lot different to each other out of uniform. But they had a great time, spinning yarns, drinking beer, and talking over the old times in South Africa and Italy and the Aleutians.

I went over to cover the meeting for the *Champion*, and one thing that surprised me was the good behavior of those boys—their preference for a moderate beverage like beer—their friendly spirit.

From where I sit, our ex-G.I.'s are making as good a showing in peacetime as they made during the war. And they're setting a mighty good example to the rest of us—in tolerance, and moderation, and good fellowship.

Joe Marsh
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Holladay Sets Tourney Dates

FORSAN, April 17.—The District 21B senior and junior girls volleyball tournaments as well as all divisions of playground ball will be conducted at Forsan Saturday, April 26, Athletic Director Joe Holladay has announced.

It was originally planned to hold all the events in Big Spring but Holladay says he is not able to obtain use of the high school gymnasium for that date.

The senior boys volleyball meet will be held at Garden City, according to Holladay. All coaches have been advised to forward their entries directly to Gordon Griggs, Garden City coach.

Brook Signs Back, Pair Of Linemen

BROOKLYN, April 17. (AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers of the All-American football conference announced the signing today of Lee Tavis, 190-pound halfback from St. Louis, and a trio of freshman linemen.

The new Dager linemen are Bob Callahan, 205-pound center from Michigan; Edwin A. (Mike) Harris, 210-pound guard from Mississippi State; and Bill Jones, 220-pound guard from West Virginia Wesleyan.

Three Outfits Debut Friday

Three of four Mundy softball league teams scheduled to see action at the city park diamond Friday night will be playing their initial games of the circuit season.

They are Municipal Airport, which was booked to open up against Big Spring Hardware last Monday but had to forfeit, Big Spring Motors and Forsan's Cosden Pipeliners.

The Filers take on ABC Club, victors over American Legion in a surprise upset, while the Motorists and Forsan square off against each other.

Big Spring Hardware-American Legion and Big Spring Motor-Hardware County Junior college games, scheduled for last night, were postponed due to cold weather. They will probably be played sometime next week.

Midland Grigger Hurt In Blast

HOUSTON, April 17. (AP)—Wendell Williams, 24-year-old star football player at Rice Institute, is in a Houston hospital today with a severe shoulder injury received while aiding at the scene of the Texas City disaster last night.

Williams, assisting volunteer workers in clearing wreckage at the scene, attempted to duck under an automobile as the SS High Flyer exploded at 1:08 a.m. but was struck by a piece of debris. Williams falls from Midland.

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Shall The Spiral Be Unbridled?

If latest reports on our economic situation are to be credited, something is going to happen one way or the other—and it probably won't be so long about it.

According to reports from the President's special cabinet meeting, there was a general picture of rising prices and profits and of lagging or declining wages. This was reflected in the analysis of a special economist assigned to the senate's committee to consider the subject.

It is no longer a question of whether we will have inflation, for we already have inflation. Rather it is a double question of whether we will have an aggravated runaway type of inflation or a break and "bust" as the alternative.

The President has appealed for control of prices on the part of business. This has met with spotted response, but mostly with inaction or rejection. Yet, if the economic studies are to be accepted, there is something wrong if both profits and prices rise and wages do not keep pace. Apparently, prices could be modified at the source.

In speaking about voluntary price control, the President surely had reference to source. The average retail store can do its part, but it is limited. Most function on a percentage margin and cost controls their price. The larger the price, of course, the

larger the margin of profit even though operation costs do mount.

But heavy processors and producers may find it difficult to justify mounting prices in the face of mounting profits. The rank and file of workers recognize the necessity and justice of a fair profit, but they do not understand why it must work on one side of the ledger only. They understand vividly that their dollars buy less and less at the counters and that there is definite limit to their dollars.

Yet, a rise in wages is only a superficial or temporary approach at solution. The current status affirms the point that wages almost never keep up with the rising spiral. Frequently they lead the descent.

So honest, far-reaching efforts to bring prices back down would accomplish more by putting more value into the dollars which workers earn. They could buy more and sustain markets.

Business will do well to make a sober analysis of its situation and a prompt forthright effort to do something about prices. If not, the parade for higher wages is around the corner (if not already here), and then more price hikes, and more wage demands, and so on until the bubble breaks.



Hal Boyle's Notebook

Rita Off To Europe

NEW YORK (AP)—Rita Hayworth leaped back lastly in the sofa, hitched up a stocking, wrinkled her nose like a rabbit, whistled half-heartily and said: "Whew, mind if I put my feet on the chair?"

She put them there. Never saw pair of legs fit a chair better.

"We were in her hotel room—alone.

Along except for four vases full of flowers, 21 suitcases full of clothing, five bottles full of vitamin tablets and two tired press agents full of well, their subject. The vitamin tablets made no moves to rejuvenate the press agents, nor did the press agents make any overtures to the vitamin tablets.

The telephone rang, the doorbell rang and outside, in the corridor a number of male teen age wolves howled dimly for Miss Hayworth.

But she was busy packing for her first trip to Europe—a sort of belated postwar island-hopping by her Hollywood proprietors. She sails today on the liner Veendam.

"Telephones, bells—yipes! This has been going on for days," said Rita. "I'm not complaining though."

Her spirits were up but her glamor was down. Rita says that for working hours. Her flame-colored hair was cut short for her last picture, "The Lady from Shanghai," and hasn't grown out yet. But with eyes like hers—sunlight glinting on a bottle of warm sarsaparilla—she could make a living with a crew haircut.

Rita was excited over going abroad.

"I'm really thrilled," she said.

"I want to see all the art galleries and architecture." She is taking a basket of fruit and jam to Paris for the Artist Picasso and six suitcases of clothes to give to needy Europeans.

She is pleasantly natural away from the cameras. Her fans range from the Frank Sinatra bobby sox brigade to elderly widowers.

As I left a baggageman wheeled in two huge trunks, and the phone began ringing.

"Yipes," said Miss Hayworth, glumously.

WORD-A-DAY



CHARLATAN
(shar'la-tan) NOUN
ONE WHO BOASTS OF HIS OWN PRETENDED POWERS; A PRETENDER TO KNOWLEDGE OR ABILITY, ESPECIALLY A PRETENDER TO MEDICAL SKILL; A QUACK

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Equally
2. Hinds garment
3. Propel with sails
4. Tree
5. Age
6. Foot
7. Social affair
8. Argument
9. Crown boy
10. Occurs
11. Reader vocal
12. Title of a play
13. Discovered
14. You and
15. Bark
16. Light reading

DOWN

1. Course
2. On the ocean
3. Ecstatic utterance
4. Calm
5. Copying
6. Length of measure
7. Solid water
8. British general
9. Distant
10. Algerian
11. Subordinate part of a building
12. Metal fasteners
13. Country
14. Bower
15. Frightened
16. Faded, as time
17. Ovale
18. Suetrack
19. Frightened suddenly
20. Father of Lechering
21. Rotate rapidly
22. Step of a ladder
23. Horse that has never won a race
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Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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Double Tragedy Staggers Texas

Within a week, Texas has been staggered by two awesome disasters.

First it was a tornado which wiped out two Panhandle communities before achieving its worst destruction in Woodward, Okla. The sympathy of the state was stirred and the Red Cross and other agencies rushed in to administer relief. People everywhere opened their hearts and pocketbooks.

Now a historic explosion has razed Texas City, leaving hundreds of dead and injured in its wake. The tornadic catastrophe pales beside the fury of the blast.

Necessarily there will be wild confusion.

Surviving residents are dazed and cut-off from unrestricted outside communication. The dead are uncounted. Fire and possibly gas have added to the misery. Everywhere there will be anxious relatives seeking to get some scrap of information about loved ones. It is inevitable that it will touch some Big Spring families.

There is little that anyone here can do beyond offer prayers and monetary aid. As for the latter, it will be well to calmly await appeals from proper channels for even out of tragedy some individuals or unauthorized units may rally to an unquestioning harvest.

The Nation Today—James Marlow

Reviewing Neutrality Act History

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman wants this government to be able to decide what nation can or can't buy arms here.

Which means: We can help arm a nation we consider a friend and keep our arms away from one we consider an enemy.

Mr. Truman has asked Congress to give the government that power by law. This request has quite a history behind it and probably a big future.

It is another example of how deeply we have stepped into world affairs and how far we have moved from our pre-war isolation.

President Roosevelt in 1937 asked Congress to fix the neutrality act so it would cover civil wars, too. Congress did.

So Mr. Roosevelt banned arms shipments to either side in the Spanish Civil War, even though we recognized the Loyalist government as legitimate.

But Russia, Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy sent men and supplies into Spain, Russia to the Loyalists, the other two to Franco.

So Spain and Ethiopia were a testing ground for World War II. It showed how slow the democracies would be in stopping aggression.

Meanwhile, Hitler was dragging Europe closer to general war. Nazi Germany had been arming furiously.

It was far better armed than Britain or France when World War II broke out Sept. 1, 1939. It was now plain that the Fascists were out for blood. This also was plain:

Our neutrality act so far had made Fascist victims easier victims.

Although it had deprived them and the Fascists of arms, it hurt the Fascists less because the Fascists were always better armed.

In this way our policy of impartiality—giving arms to neither side in a fight—had helped Fascism.

Late in September, 1939, Mr. Roosevelt asked Congress to change the neutrality act. It did. The new act did this:

It permitted any nation to buy arms here, provided it paid cash for them and could carry them away in its own ships.

This was called a cash-and-carry program. It still was supposed to be impartial. Actually it helped, and was intended to help, Britain and France and hurt Germany.

Since Britain and France controlled the seas they could buy arms here and carry them home in their own ships. Germany was cut off from us.

But that neutrality act of 1939 still stands: any nation can get arms here, or material for making arms, by paying cash. It's still supposedly impartial.

Now President Truman wants it changed by Congress so the government can decide who can or can't get arms here. Like this:

The government could let arms go to a nation it considered friendly or peaceful but keep them from a nation it considered warlike or unfriendly.

In this way the government wouldn't be tied hand and foot, by its own law of impartiality, be forced to help a possible enemy or aggressor.

Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

Pan-American Solidarity Weakens

In these hard days when the world is perilously divided against itself, there is a weakness in the military defense—not to mention the good-neighbor policy—of the great bloc of nations comprising the western hemisphere.

This is due to a lack of solidarity which has envenomed itself especially in the clash of views between the Argentine and Washington. The American government more than once has charged Argentina with fostering totalitarian Nazism and has demanded that this influence be eliminated. Relations between the two countries have been strained, and this has been reflected in the attitudes of other Pan-American countries.

The result of this unhappy situation has been that the program for inter-American defense,

which was projected in the Act of Chapultepec in 1945, has not been ratified, was to be formalized in a meeting at Rio de Janeiro, and that parley still awaits a rapprochement which will bring the great Argentina back into the union.

Since General Peron came to the presidency last year, the Argentine has announced moves which his government cited as aimed at meeting the demand for eradication of Nazism in the country, and this has given rise to some hope that a solution of the difficulty was on its way. And now Senator Vandenberg, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations committee, has made a speech which is widely interpreted as a pressing invitation to the Argentine to bury the past and get back into the fold.

The senator was addressing the governing board of the Pan-American Union in Washington last Monday—Pan American Day. He made a strong plea for hemispheric solidarity.

The senator didn't stop with Pan-American solidarity. He urged Canada to join the American Republics and occupy the seat which as provided for her when the Pan American Union was founded fifty-seven years ago.

Many observers take that to be a logical invitation. Canada, while a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, is a sovereign state, no longer responsible to England. She is free to join the Pan American Union of the twenty-one Republics if she so chooses. She already has agreed to participation with the United States in a military defense program.

In Hollywood—Bob Thomas

Gene, Jeanette Start Five-Year Plans

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Apart during most of the war, Gene Raymond and Jeanette MacDonald have now worked out a five-year plan for their careers, designed to provide a minimum of separation.

Miss MacDonald has decided to curtail her concert engagements, spending most of her performing time in films. This will give her more opportunity to keep house for her husband, either in Hollywood or wherever he appears on the stage.

Within a few years, they hope to devote their combined talents to the stage, a la Lunt and Fontanne.

Stars at Paramount, as well as other workers, are worried about the production outlook

for the rest of the year. It's indicated that no more than two pictures will be shooting at one time until winter.

Charlie Chaplin's new film drew a scold from the Legion of Decency because it "reflects erroneous moral philosophy and moral skepticism." The preview audience was dazed by the logic with which the film's Monsieur Verdoux explains away his murders by arguing that his acts were not as bad as the mass murder of modern warfare.

Gene Kelly wants to limit himself to one dance picture a year, or one every two years. "A dancer is his own worst competitor," he says. "He's always trying to top his past efforts."

After Ray Milland finishes his British picture, he goes to Germany for background shots of "Sealed Verdict." Then he'll return to Hollywood to finish the film.

A modern "Madame Butterfly" is being planned by Producer Seymour Nebenzal, who says he will use part of the Puccini score. He would like to team Ray Milland of "Annie Get Your Gun" and Patrice Munnell of the Metropolitan Opera.

You people in areas which don't have daylight saving time had better get ready to change your radio listening habits. Your programs will be an hour earlier starting April 27 to folks in New York, Chicago and elsewhere and have them at their usual time.

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Washington Merry-Go-Round—Draw Pearson

Speaker Martin Faces Party Revolt

WASHINGTON—For the first time since he took over the speakership reins, Joe Martin faces a serious revolt in House Republican ranks. The details have been hushed up, but GOP congressmen from 17 western states are really up in arms over heavy slashes the House appropriations committee is planning for irrigation and reclamation. The battle illustrates the tough time Republicans are having in achieving their promised budget-pruning.

Stung by reaction from home, western spokesmen laid down the following ultimatum in a secret meeting with Martin and House majority leader Charles Halleck: if appropriations chairman John Taber and Rep. Robert Jones of Ohio carry out their ax-wielding plans, then western Republicans will bolt the party and vote with Democrats to restore the reclamation cut on the House floor.

Since Speaker Martin so far has kept his ranks working tightly together, this ultimatum is considered significant.

Rev. John Phillips of California opened the battle by inquiring of Martin and Halleck if it was "too much to ask the leadership to announce a Republican position on irrigation and reclamation."

Before the two leaders could reply, economy-minded Taber and Jones jumped to their feet, asserting that it was strictly up to the appropriations committee to decide the size of the Interior Department's budget for irrigation and reclamation.

Rugged Representative Lowell Stockman of Oregon, a member of Jones' sub-committee which handles the interior budget, bluntly served notice that if the appropriations committee had the last word, then he would refuse to "go along" with the rest of the committee.

"I shall oppose any drastic cut in the lifeblood of these western states, regardless of the position of either the sub-committee, to which I belong, or the full appropriations committee," Stockman announced heatedly.

ing effect on the party in those areas.

Phillips, Stockman, Hill and their cohorts insisted that they were Republicans in "spirit as well as fact" and that they were willing to go along with Republican plans to balance the budget, but not at the expense of undermining the economy of reclamation areas.

Economizers Taber and Jones staged a jumping-jack act during the tense meeting, popping up to heckle speakers.

Jones charged that the Interior Department was interrelating the irrigation and reclamation program with too much "public power and socialization philosophy." As a result, it was the interior department, not the appropriations committee, he said, which had placed irrigation and reclamation in jeopardy. His committee was determined to reduce sharply Interior's funds for public power development.

Taber also harped on the power issue, as related to irrigation and reclamation.

"There has been only one major dam built in this nation on a solid, self-supporting financial basis," exclaimed the New Yorker. "That was Boulder Dam, a Republican project. The remainder of these New Deal dams and hydroelectric power projects all depend on federal taxpayer subsidies to keep them going."

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AUTO-WORM TURNS

A year ago the auto industry was predicting the failure of Henry Kaiser's daring automobile venture.

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MARTIN ON POWDER KEG

Leaders Martin and Halleck said little during the tempestuous meeting. Both knew that they were sitting on a powder keg that might split House GOP ranks wide open, and they didn't want to apply any vocal fuses until they had a chance to talk to the revoltors individually. However, there was little question that they supported Taber and Jones.

At one point Martin reminded Westerners that all sections of the country must take their "rightful share" of any cuts in over-all federal spending.

"That is correct," agreed Halleck of Indiana. "No part of the country can escape its rightful share in the responsibility for balancing the budget."

After this Rep. Charles Robinson of North Dakota's strong reclamation enthusiast, oiled the waters somewhat by declaring that he and others had come to the meeting "in a spirit of friendship and with the desire that our problems in the west will be considered in the same light."

"I don't think it is the purpose of anyone here to do anything that would jeopardize the future welfare of the party," he added. However, despite this concilia-

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CAPITAL CHAFF

Conscientious veterans administrator General Bradley is worried sick about the decline in residential construction. High materials costs today indicate that not much more than 65 per cent of the family units which were started last year will be launched in 1947—and huge numbers of veterans still list housing as their greatest need.

Statueque Pennsylvania's new GOP Senator Edward Martin, United States senator from Pennsylvania, . . . The Democratic national committee tried unsuccessfully to hire "Tip" O'Neill, ace political writer of the late Philadelphia Record, away from his present job as publicity chief for the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association. . . O'Neill was walking the picket lines in the strike against the Philadelphia Record when the conservative Pennsylvania manufacturers hired him.

TEXAS TODAY—Jack Rutledge

The telephone strike has inconvenienced tens of thousands of Texans but the Lone Star State has found, with a certain amount of pleased surprise, that civilization hasn't come to a dead stop.

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THURSDAY EVENING

6:00 Super Club
6:15 News Roundup
6:30 Stars and Gams
6:45 News Roundup
7:00 Bob Burns
7:30 Burns and Allen
8:00 Grand Malice
8:30 Grand Malice
9:00 Abbott & Costello
9:30 Eddie Cantor
10:00 News Report
10:15 Editor Speaks
10:30 Story of Music
11:00 News
11:15 Don Kaye Orch.
11:30 Musicians

6:00 Mystery of West
6:15 Jack Spuhls Show
6:30 Stars for Tonight
6:45 News Roundup
6:55 Bluebird Inn
7:00 Surprise
7:30 FBI in Peace-War
7:55 News
8:00 Dick Haines Show
8:30 Crime Photos
9:00 Radio Digest
9:30 News of the Cities
10:00 World at Large
10:15 Sports Extra
10:30 Report from Austin
10:35 Hillbilly Hit Parade
11:00 News
11:30 Tom Cunningham

6:00 Reading Edition
6:15 News Times
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6:45 News
6:50 News
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6:30 Farm Editor
6:45 Bob Burns
7:00 News
7:15 Early Birds
7:30 News, Vee Box
7:45 Bob Burns
8:00 CBS Morning News
8:15 Bob Burns
8:30 Road of Life
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FRIDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 Noonday News
12:30 Lighthouse De-Boys
1:00 Bob Burns
1:15 Today's Children
1:30 Bob Burns
1:45 Judy and Jane
2:00 Bob Burns
2:15 Ma Perkins
2:30 Pepper Young Fam.
2:45 Bob Burns
3:00 Backstage with
3:15 Bob Burns
3:30 Lorenzo Jones
3:45 Young Miss Brown
4:00 Fred Waring
4:15 Jack Benny Show
4:30 Lora Lawton
4:45 Front Page Farrell
5:00 Bob Burns
5:15 News
5:30 Showcase of Bill
5:45 Bob Trout News

12:00 Stamp Junction
12:30 Junior Quizlet
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12:00 Man on Street
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Designer Maintains Americans Can Have Pretty Little Home For Around \$2,500

NEW YORK—What this country needs, says industrial designer Walter Dorwin Teague, author of "Land of Plenty," is a "pretty little house that will sell for about \$2,500."

Furthermore, he says it can be done—and without a terrific amount of labor. This should be a house, he says, "that a man can alter or enlarge by buying spare parts a sturdy but lightweight house that can be disassembled at any time."

So if Mr. Smith's work suddenly shifts him from Maine to California, he'll have no housing problem. All he will do, says Teague, is take his house with him. And when he gets bored with it, he can trade it in for a new model.

No, you may not find houses labeled as you do cars — "Miss Streamliner 1947" or "The Dashing 1948" — and tenants won't compete just on a "new model" basis, but Teague believes that if a man cares to change his home in ten or a dozen years, he should be able to do it. He adds, "Our vast, shifting, wage-earning population needs a handsome, completely equipped, up-to-date machine for living that costs between \$1,000 and \$2,500; a house he can buy on the installment plan and pay for it in two or three years without a lot of red tape; and change for a new one when it gets obsolete."

Our natural conservatism in clinging to old methods is one reason why we have not encouraged factory built homes in preference to a two-bedroom \$10,000 house, says Teague. Right now

with an estimated 15,000,000 houses needed, the prefabricated house is the only answer, he believes.

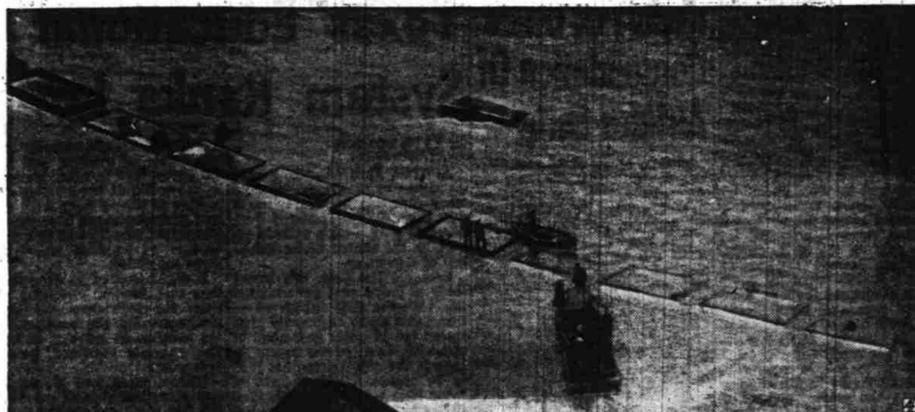
It should work by dividing a house into a small number of essential panels, and setting up an assembly line to produce each type of panel. . . The walls, though not more than 4 inches thick, can have a coefficient of heat transmission, as low as that of a 16-inch masonry wall. By this method, the weight of a four-room house, 24 by 32 feet, can be cut from the 46 tons it weighs today to ten or twelve tons, at the same time that its strength is more than doubled, he says.

However, you can't have just a little mass production. To make this cheap, workable house, there must be a mass market. To date no one has been willing to set up the machinery necessary to produce the parts for thousands of houses a month without being reasonably sure that he could sell that number of houses.

It is only with experiment that "bugs can be ironed out of the project," says Teague. People may not wish to be put in the sheep class by living in a mass production house. But it should only take a short time for the sheep to distinguish themselves with new methods.

Volume production and experience will bring about a rapid improvement of the product. And more and more prefabricated parts will enter into conventional building, he says.

Railroads use about 25 per cent of the bituminous coal produced in the United States.



RAILWAY YARD INUNDATED—A rowboat and an Army "duck" are used to unload railroad cars at flooded yards in Barby, near Selby, Yorkshire, England. Two great breaches in a nearby dike let the flood waters into the yards.

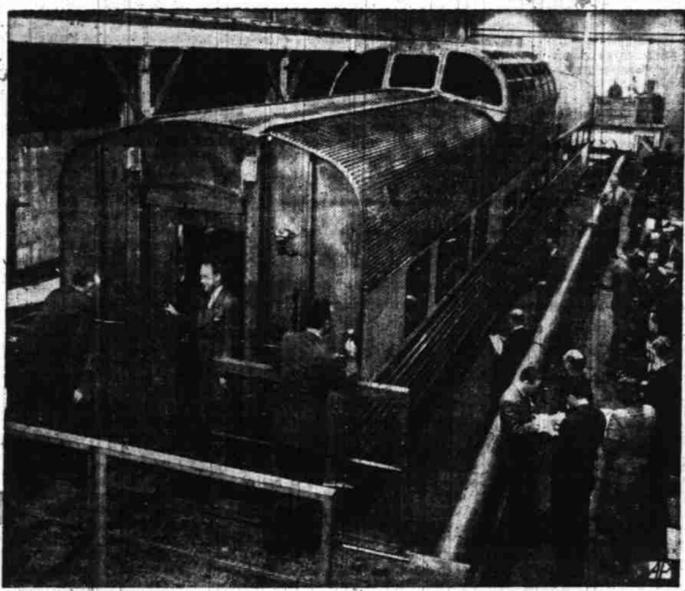
BELL HOPS FINED AT MIDLAND ON LIQUOR CHARGES

Hotel bell hops had a bad time of it in Midland earlier this week.

Agents for the Texas Liquor Control board moved in on the city and arrested seven of the boys who had sold whiskey to other operatives. Each of the hops was charged with selling liquor in a dry area and paid fines ranging from \$100 to \$150 and costs.

They are Charlie Williams, Virgil "Old Blue" Till, E. E. Guinn, Walker Cadd, Lionel Walker, Willie Mickey and Walter Young.

Local investigators were busy in Gaines county, too. George Perry, arrested near Seminole Tuesday, entered a plea of guilty in Gaines county court yesterday to the charge of selling liquor in a dry area and was fined \$100 and court expenses.



'RUBBERNECK' CAR—Visitors inspect the new "vista-dome" railroad car, being built in the Budd plant in Philadelphia, with a raised observation dome seating 24 passengers.

Clean-Up Drive Is Continuing

Big Spring's city-wide clean-up campaign has experienced rapid growth during the past few days, city officials reported this morning, as trucks continued with pick-up work originally scheduled to end, Wednesday.

A tabulation on results this morning showed that 168 loads of trash had been picked up by the trucks, which are manned by city personnel. Many residents were tardy in getting trash and rubbish on the street and alley lines. However, the city will continue the pick-up work for a few more days as a special accommodation.



CARRIER THROUGH CANAL—The USS Philippine Sea, part of the Navy's Arctic expedition, with six cargo transport planes on her deck, passes through Panama Canal.

'Prior Approval' For Federal Farm Funds Needed

In order for farm operators to receive federal assistance during 1947 for carrying out soil conserving practice of contour farming row crops, it is necessary for them to have the necessary funds set aside by securing a "prior approval" from the county AAA office before planting is begun. M. Weaver of that function said today.

Local records indicate that many farmers who ordinarily farm on the contour have not, as yet, asked prior approval. Since April 30 is the deadline for setting aside funds for this practice, Weaver said he recommends that all land-owners attend to the matter as soon as possible by calling or writing the county AAA office.

Special Cotton Meeting Planned

A special meeting for cotton farmers and other persons interested in the cotton industry has been arranged for Friday night in the district court room by the Howard County Farm bureau.

The session is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Sam Haynes of Lubbock, a field representative for the National Cotton Council is expected here to conduct demonstrations on new and improved cotton products. The farm bureau has extended an invitation to the general public to sit in on the proceedings.

PHONE

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cide the amounts of increase." Berry said the union realized its responsibility to the public, and that he hoped the company would realize a similar responsibility and make some counter proposal whereby the union and public would know where they stand; if such a proposal should be made, he said, the strike could be brought to a rapid conclusion.

Electronic microscopes can magnify 100,000 times.

Balsa wood weighs half as much as cork.

Sulphur was used for fumigation as early as 1,000 B.C.

Except that gold is yellow and copper red, all metals are "white" of various shades.



BUILDING 'METROPOLITANA'—Interrupted by the war, work proceeds on Rome's subway, called the "metropolitana." Hand labor substitutes for modern mechanical equipment.

Firemen Douse Blaze In Store

Big Spring firemen extinguished a burning trash and garbage receptacle behind the Safeway grocery store in the 200 block of Rannels street at 12:10 p.m. today. Little damage resulted from the blaze.

Oilers Lose, 10-5

HAMLIN, April 17. — Odessa's Oilers of the Longhorn league dropped a 10-5 decision to the Pampa Oilers of the WT-NM league here Wednesday afternoon. The Refiners are in training here while their park is being completed.

Make This Home Recipe To Take Off Ugly Fat

It's simple. It's amazing, how quickly one may lose pounds of bulky, unsightly fat right in your own home. Make this recipe yourself. It's easy—no trouble at all and costs little. It contains nothing harmful. Just go to your drugist and ask for four ounces of liquid Bartrate (formerly called Barcol Concentrate). Pour this into a pint bottle and add enough grapefruit juice to fill the bottle. Then take two tablespoonsful twice a day. That's all there is to it. If the very first bottle doesn't show the simple, easy way to lose bulky fat and help regain slender, more graceful curves; if reducible pounds and inches of excess fat don't just seem to disappear almost like magic from neck, chin, arms, bust, abdomen, hips, calves and ankles, just return the empty bottle for your money back. Follow the easy way endorsed by many who have tried this plan and help bring back alluring curves and graceful slenderness. Note how quickly bloat disappears—how much better you feel. More alive, youthful appearing and active.

Kiwanis Plan Charter Night

Kiwanian's heard another in the series of Chamber of Commerce Week talks Thursday, made plans for representation at a Colorado City charter night program, and welcomed a new member.

The club will send possibly 14 persons to Colorado City Tuesday evening on the occasion of the presentation of a charter to the new club there. Harry King was welcomed as a new member of the club.

The chamber of commerce was envisioned as an organization to look out after all worthy activities of the community, to promote and cooperate with other existing agencies, according to a talk by Joe Pickle. He appealed to club members to not only help financially, but furnish what he felt was even more important — manpower — for building a better Big Spring.

Tornado Relief Funds Pour In

More contributions, totalling \$35, were received today for the Higgins, Texas, tornado relief fund.

This brought to \$80 the amount given to date for emergency aid and rehabilitation of the storm victims.

Even as these gifts were made, attention was being focussed to a newer and greater tragedy at Texas City where hundreds were killed in a catastrophic blast Wednesday.

However, no official agencies had made formal appeals for aid, but in event they do, the Herald will carry such information for the benefit of many who have expressed a desire to help.

Latest storm donors include E. W. Lomax \$15, Mrs. S. A. Hathcock \$10, Mrs. Milton K. Laster and Mrs. Mary Powell Dittz \$8 each.

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City May Obtain 45 Buildings At Bombardier School

Prospect for Big Spring to obtain approximately 45 buildings and various other equipment at the former Bombardier School appear favorable, representatives of the War Assets Administration and the Civil Aeronautics Administration told city officials in a special meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The WAA officials said they were recommending that all buildings facing the east ramp at the airport and others on property extending eastward one block from the ramp be transferred to the city as airport property.

Included are the three hangars, a fire station, a building now occupied by CAA offices, the post office, a parachute building and other smaller structures. In addition, the city will get a shop building, the CAA control tower and its equipment, a maintainer, crash truck, three tractor-driven power mowers, a gasoline truck and other miscellaneous equipment to be agreed upon later. If the recommendation is approved, the CAA representatives said their agency concurred in the recommendations pertaining to airport property.

All improvements at the airport itself are also included in the recommended list. They include runways and taxi-ways, port lighting, boundary and obstruction lights, drainage structures.

Negotiations were opened pertaining to buildings classified as non-airport property, with the city agreeing to accept approximately 25 buildings in lieu of property restoration as provided in the Federal government's lease with the city. Involved are 400 acres, which according to provisions of the lease, the government would be required to restore to its original state.

The WAA officials indicated that favorable action would be taken on such an agreement. Although specific buildings were not enumerated, City Manager Herbert Whitney said the tentative list included structures the city has had in mind for several months, many of which probably would be released to local civic organizations who have requested them, if final approval is granted on the agreement.

Any buildings and equipment to be transferred as airport property cannot be removed and all must be used in the maintenance and operation of the airport, the WAA and CAA representatives said. However, the city can dispose of any non-airport property it may receive in any manner it sees fit.

Whitney said that the rules would not prohibit the use of materials in some of the smaller buildings included in the smaller classification for remodeling the largest hangar for a temporary airport administration building, however. The city has been studying the possibility of such a remodeling project for several months as one method of providing adequate space for commercial airlines.

Attending the meeting were R. E. White and E. P. Martin, both of the War Assets Administration's regional office in Dallas, a Mr. Burrows and a Mr. McDonnell of the CAA, Mayor C. W. Dabney, Commissioner H. W. Wright, Commissioner Willard B. Sullivan, J. H. Greene, chamber of commerce manager and Whitney.

Six other WAA and CAA officials who were scheduled to be here flew on to El Paso Tuesday. Whitney said the recommendations and tentative agreements covered virtually all properties that the city had planned to seek. All agreements are subject to final approval, but the government agency officials here Tuesday indicated that little difficulty is expected completing the negotiations.

'Lonely Hearts' Professional Will Be Indicted

DALLAS, Tex. April 18. (AP)—A federal grand jury indictment will be sought Monday in Sherman by post office inspectors George Gray and Oscar E. Smith against a woman who they said, made a living out of joining matrimonial societies. The inspectors said the woman, in her thirties, lives in a small town near Dallas. They said she joined all the "lonely hearts" clubs she could find and carried on an energetic correspondence with men advertising for wives.

She sent photographs of a very attractive cousin to the men, the inspectors said, and when she received proposals, would reply she needed money for clothing before she could get married.

The response was described as "amazing" by the inspectors, who added "she was able to provide for herself and mother with no other source of income."

Mrs. Parris Services Scheduled Today

Funeral services were to be conducted today for Mrs. Thad Parris at Melissa, Texas.

Mrs. Parris, who was the mother of Mrs. J. B. McKinney of Big Spring, died Sunday night after an illness of several months' duration. Mrs. McKinney went to Melissa for the funeral services.



SOIL

Range land in good condition will grow almost three times as much grass as that in poor to fair condition, ranchers attending the range tour on the J. B. Calverley Ranch learned last Friday.

Clipping studies made by A. T. Jordan, conducting the tour, showed 4038 pounds of grass produced on areas in good condition compared to 1398 pounds on areas in poor to fair condition.

This difference in production can be attributed to the kinds of grass in the areas according to Jordan. Ranges in good condition grow an abundance of the grama, side oats, blue, hairy and black along with buffalo grass and feather bluestem. On areas in poor to fair condition the vegetation is mostly needle grass and weeds.

The ranchers also observed that there was more litter on the ground in areas in good condition, which protected the soil from excessive temperatures. Loss of water from run-off and evaporation and loss of soil, as well as furnished a protective cover for seedling plants.

Ranchers cooperating with the Martin-Howard and North Concho River Soil Conservation Districts use range management measures designed to improve their ranges, E. J. Hughes, District Conservationist with the SCS, pointed out. In planning and applying a conservation program, ranchers receive the assistance of the Soil Conservation Service.

Among those who attended the tour were J. W. Cox, supervisor of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District, Lester Ratliff, Cecil Wilkerson, J. B. Ratliff, Steve Calverley, J. B. Calverley, A. T. Bratton, work unit conservationist with the SCS at Sterling City, Joe Pickle, Jordan, Hughes, the Garden City FFA class with M. T. Jenkins, instructor, and C. G. Parsons, school superintendent.

E. W. Flanagan, cooper with the Martin-Howard Soil Conservation District, on his ranch south-east of Big Spring, plans to cut down on his stocking rate this year to give his grass a chance to grow. Flanagan, who is adjusting his stocking rate to the forage produced as a part of his complete conservation program, says a good cover grass is needed to hold the rainfall on the range.

Chiseling land, so as to leave crop residues on the surface of the land, leaves the soil in better shape for farming reports E. T. O'Daniel in the Coahoma soil conservation group. The soil holds more moisture on chiseled land, O'Daniel plowed 400 acres of his farm and with a special sub-surface tillage type plow this year.

Lucas Whitehead, farming and ranching 20 miles north of Stanton, planted 35 acres of Abruzzi on deep sandy land last fall for winter cover and grazing. Lucas reported to A. E. Pittman, work unit conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service at Stanton, the 35 acres of Abruzzi rye furnished more grazing than 75 acres of barley and 140 acres of wheat which was planted on similar land at the same time. Lucas plans to harvest the rye this summer and plant more next fall.

Jim Baker, cooper with the district south of Midland found that small grain cover crops controlled wind erosion and provided grazing for 30 head of full grown cattle on it all winter.

"I saved \$1,300 on my feed bill," Baker said, "and had to feed on 1200 bundles of bundle feed."

Where he failed to get a stand of small grain the soil blew out over a foot deep in comparison to practically no wind erosion where he had a cover of small grain, Baker said.

Lamesa Woman Wins C-C Post

Mrs. Matt McCall, manager of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce, was elected Saturday at Pampa as president of the Chamber of Commerce Managers Association in West Texas.

Next year's convention will go to Del Rio. Other officers named were E. Cantrell, Dalhart, vice-president; Bob Murdoch, Bowie, secretary-treasurer; Joe Cooley, Borger, Delbert Downing, Midland, James Mansfield, Levelland, Bob Counts, Fort Stockton, L. A. Willkie, Sweetwater, Ollie Clark, Albany, and W. L. Coffey, Olney, members of the board. Cooley is retiring president, and Mrs. McCall has been secretary for several years.

J. H. Greene, Big Spring, appeared on the program Saturday, speaking on "The Chamber of Commerce Looks at Business."

Sheep Auctions To Start May 15

The West Texas Livestock Auction company, which has operated weekly cattle commission sales for the past year, will begin regular sheep auctions on May 15, officials announced today.

The concern will continue cattle sales on Tuesday of each week, but on Thursdays sheep will be auctioned, as well as hogs and horses.

Report Of Office Consolidation Of Airlines Early

Reports of an office consolidation of Continental Air Lines and American Airlines are premature at best, Marshall Poth, CAL terminal manager, said here Tuesday.

Poth had reference to a report given out by Melvin D. Miller, regional vice-president of American Airlines, that arrangements had been completed for consolidation of the AA and CAL facilities at Big Spring and Midland as an economy move. According to Miller, CAL would operate at Big Spring, AA at Midland.

He said no curtailment in mail or passenger service would be entailed.

Poth, however, said CAL headquarters in Denver did not confirm such a report. He said that the proposed consolidation was in the "talking stage" and that so far as he had been advised, no definite contract had been agreed upon. On this basis, he said, information available from Denver indicated there had been nothing settled definitely.

American, however, was known to have notified some of its personnel of transfers soon. No Continental personnel has been notified.

Lions Speaker Tells Importance Of C-C To City

Chambers of commerce for any similar organization under other names are so essential that if they were to be discontinued in a progressive city, it would be only a matter of short time until others were organized to take their place.

Bill Collins, Midland newspaperman and for 10-years a successful chamber of commerce manager, took this view of the "all-community" organization in a "chamber of commerce week address before the Lions club here Wednesday night at the Settles Hotel.

The week was instituted by West Texas chamber managers because they saw the need for informing the public of the "purpose, functions, duties and values of the chamber of commerce," he said.

Collins said that it would be amazing if all projects and accomplishments in which the chamber shared directly or indirectly could be tagged. Yet, he said, "it is a good thing that we forget our accomplishments for people are looking to the future."

He looked at the chamber as "an unselfish organization — always working for the other fellow, yet all of us sharing in the results." Unlike other agencies, it is not restricted to special fields of service but has the welfare of all the community as its responsibility, he said. Membership is peculiarly open to all who are interested in community development. Collins warned that the highest need of all is manpower rather than financial.

President Otis Graf named Dan Conley as head of a group to attend the Midland-Lions ladies night program Tuesday and Bill Dawes to head a group to the zone meeting in Lorraine on the same evening.

Two Autos Crash In Coahoma

No injuries resulted from two automobile accidents which occurred within a space of 24 hours in Coahoma earlier this week.

A vehicle piloted by P. O. Miles banged into a car owned by Ralph E. Gillette and the Gillette machine, in turn, caved in the front of the Thompson Service station. The mishap occurred at approximately 10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Miles is a resident of Grandfalls while Gillette hails from San Angelo.

Some property damage resulted when an automobile ran into the rear of a truck driving across a main thoroughfare in Coahoma at 9 o'clock this morning.

The passenger vehicle was driven by Willis Ray Langston while B. R. Thompson was at the wheel of the truck.

Johnston Troop, Resident Here For 48 Years, Dies

Johnston Troop, for 48 years a resident of Big Spring, died at his home at 2304 Third Street, Lubbock, Tuesday night.

Texas Educational System Ranks Low

By PAUL BOLTON, Herald Austin Bureau

AUSTIN, April 15.—The special committee of the Texas House to study education here might well begin, as base material from which to work, with a national report by the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Prepared last year, this report tends to prove what some legislators indicated they disbelieved — that Texas ranks extremely low among the 48 states in matters of education. Some of the figures go back to the 1940 census, but it is to be presumed that changes in Texas have been substantially duplicated by other states in the intervening period.

Starting off chronologically with the chamber's report from which the Texas status has been extracted, it shows first of all that approximately 53 per cent of our adult population have no better than a grade school education, and 31 per cent have better records, thus ranking Texas 32nd.

Taking the population in the 5 to 19 age group, 37 other states have a greater number enrolled in school, thus ranking Texas 38th.

In the 14 to 19 age group, 30 other states have a larger percentage enrolled in high school, making Texas rank 31st.

At the time of the survey, Texas ranked considerably less money than today, and it seems a safe guess that Texas has proportionately increased its expenditures to a greater extent. But it also had much further to go: It then ranked 42nd in the amount spent per-child per day of school attended.

In annual salaries of teachers, supervisors and principals, Texas ranked 32nd.

But the US chamber of Commerce was not studying educational statistics for any cultural objectives. It is composed of hard headed business men who want to know the relation between education and general prosperity. So the educational data was correlated with economic data. This startling general observation was possible.

Economically, the ranks of the states are just about the same as they are educationally.

Take first, per capita income. Texas ranks 35th among the states. Now the chamber did not break down as to states the relation between education and earning power, because the relation was just about the same over the nation: Of those reaching an annual income of \$5,000 or better, 50 per cent were college graduates; 39 per cent had some high school; and 11 per cent had less than a high school education.

The chamber did segregate as to regions and came up with a discouraging fact: The fellow with

Bert Coffee was elected to an associate membership of the club and others from out-of-town were Emmet Malone, Charles Wolfe, W. W. Traveland and B. F. Kelly, Sweetwater; Vol Hargrove, Abilene; Hubert Nelson and L. L. Ashley, Lamesa; Bob Crawford, Kermit; Soupy Groves, Buck Williford and Don Roberson, Odessa.

Local members present were Mel Boatman, Marion Beam, Ben Jernigan, Dick Hooper and Andy Jones. Maurice Williford attended as a visitor.

Basin Chapter Of Institute To Be Organized

William J. Murray, Austin, member of the railroad commission of Texas, will be the feature speaker Friday at 7 p.m. when a Permian Basin chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will be organized at the county auditorium in Odessa.

Attendance at the session, which starts with a barbecue, is limited to those who buy tickets in advance (\$1.25), although there may be some available at the door. A minimum of 300 persons is expected.

John W. House, Midland, serves as temporary chairman of the organizing group, working with J. E. Warren, vice-chairman of the Southwestern district of the API.

All persons in the Permian Basin who are engaged or interested in the oil business, are eligible for membership in the Permian Basin chapter. Full membership, however, is limited to those actively engaged in actual exploration for petroleum in the basin area. Associate memberships are available to any one interested in furthering the work. At the end of the meeting, officers for the chapter will be elected.

CULPRIT WAGS TONGUE ALMOST TOO LOOSELY

Honest confession is good for the soul, so the ancient saying goes, but, in Johnny Jackson's case, it was almost a case of talking too much.

After entering a plea of guilty in county court this morning in charge of possessing wine and beer for purposes of sale without a permit, the Negro man turned to Constable J. T. Thornton to say:

"My wife told me I'd better quit this business or I was gonna get caught."

To which Thornton replied: "You mean to say, Jackson, you've done this before?"

Jackson terminated the conversation then and there. He was fined \$100 and costs by Judge Walton Morrison.

Court Reporter Took Beating

L. P. Boone, 70th district court reporter, has lost some of his indignation over the Associated Press item that tarty reports held up a final recommendation by the state industrial commission in the Odessa telephone stoppage.

Boone, against his own desires, was official reporter for the commission. He took the assignment with the understanding that he would be able to work on the night only during weekends when court was not in session.

However, to soften the blow, he had warm letters of appreciation from members of the commission commending him, on his service. At the moment, in spare time, he is preparing a transcript of the entire proceedings for one of the principals.

No. 1 Jameson Flows Oil From Strawn Section

Currently the "hottest" thing in this area, the Sun Oil Company No. 1 Jameson, quarter of a mile west of the discovery No. 1 Allen Jameson, northwestern Coke county, flowed oil from the Strawn section for 39 minutes.

Tool was left open on a drill-stem test for one hour and 54 minutes from 6.11-50 feet, oil coming to the surface in one hour and 13 minutes. A total of 1,230 feet of clean oil went into the pits and 540 feet of oil and gas-cut mud. Open bottomhole pressure was 1,000 pounds and shut-in bottomhole pressure was 2,350.

The test topped the crinoidal in entering the Strawn section of the Pennsylvania series, along with gas estimated up to 5,000,000 cubic feet per day, at 5,940 feet. This was 271 feet higher than in Sun's discovery, well and 222 feet higher than in the No. 1 Fred Jameson, a south outpost to the discovery.

Coates Awarded \$1,045 For Land

A county court jury Friday afternoon awarded Morgan Coates a total of \$1,045.30 for damages and 2.65 acres of land involved in road right-of-way.

The amount was slightly more than the county's offer and less than the jury view commission figure.

Previously, a jury had awarded C. J. Engle \$1,525 for damages and 15 acres of land, also for road-way on the Big Spring-Vincent route. Saturday, Engle filed a motion for new trial.

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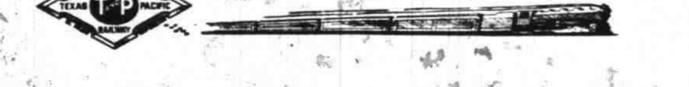
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