

EDITORIAL

THE CASE FOR PAMPA-BORGER ROAD

Highway funds have a way of being spent where there are particular reasons, and it behooves citizens living along the oil field route to let their reasons be known for desiring the completion of the Pampa-Borger road.

When Fort Worth, Houston, Amarillo, and other cities seek connecting and "through" highways, they collect figures, on pertinent and sometimes impertinent conditions. They pull strings and call names but in the end they usually get the roads because they convince the highway commission that the highways they seek are more needed than are roads competing for the limited funds available.

It happens that Amarillo, for instance, does not have a monopoly on reasons, figures, and arguments. True, Potter county has a tax valuation of \$31,097,220, but Hutchinson county has 20 millions, Carson county \$14,300,000, and Gray county \$28,281,755. Certainly, therefore, the oil field and Oklahoma City-Pampa-Borger-Denver road is justified by the values involved.

In population, Potter county had 46,080 residents according to the 1930 census. But Hutchinson county had 14,843, Carson 7,745 and Gray county 22,090. And the figures for the oil field counties are too low now.

Roll taxes are watched in an election year. Potter county has 11,842. But Hutchinson county has 3,945, Carson has 2,229, and Gray county has 6,328. In other words, the voting strength of these three counties ranks beside Potter and is joined by other interested counties along the No. 41 route.

Moreover, by actual count more than 1,000 cars use the road in daytime and 500 at night. Many others would use the road if it were in better condition. They now follow the longer route by way of Panhandle. It can be conservatively estimated that 2,500 cars would pass over the route each day if it were paved.

In recent months there has been much oil development in Moore county and in Wheeler county. These counties are at the extremities of the Panhandle oil and gas field. The No. 41 route, if paved, would give the oil industry—which pays 85 per cent of the state taxes and a huge share of the gasoline and license taxes—a short-cut and greatly desired highway, in this territory.

And when paved all the way from Oklahoma City to Denver—as seems assured within a short time—this route will be one of the most popular in the southwest.

Such is the case for the Pampa-Borger road. Where is a situation in Texas which calls for quicker action by the state highway department?

BEHIND THE SCENES IN WASHINGTON

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WASHINGTON.—Republicans are hailing with glee the fact that they have been provided with some more ammunition to shoot at their Democratic rivals, with Secretary of Commerce Dan Roper again the donor.

It all comes out of the safety at sea and the safety in the air probes, with resulting penalizations of officials who "talked out of turn" and drew down the wrath of superiors on their heads.

Bombshells have burst under the Commerce Department during Roper's regime almost as frequently as officials have departed—voluntarily or otherwise—from the department.

Tragic smoke of the Morro Castle and Mohawk disasters overhangs suspension of the second and third ranking officers of Roper's Bureau of Navigation and Steamship Inspection—Commander H. McCoy Jones, senior navigating officer, and Chief Investigator Frederick L. Roper—because they were suspected of letting leak a report regarding the dangers to which Americans are exposed at sea as a result of inadequate inspection and regulation.

The incident closely paralleled that in which J. A. Mow, former superintendent of maintenance for Roper's Bureau of Air Commerce, was dismissed after he had reported that the plane crash in which Senator Bronson Cutting was killed was due to the bureau's inefficiency and violation of regulations, and that federal negligence was endangering human lives over great stretches of the commercial airways.

Jones and Adams were charged with insubordination. They had been accused of allowing to become public a sensational protest by the navigation bureau's board of supervising inspectors in which these men, directly responsible for safety at sea, unanimously had admitted their job wasn't being done and couldn't be done as long, they said, as Roper and other of their superiors made no genuine effort for an efficient service.

Meanwhile, the inspectors held, American lives wouldn't be safe at sea. They warned of "very serious" conditions, and urged action "before any more major disasters occur on American flag ships."

After this report leaked out—apparently through someone on the National Committee for Safety at Sea—Assistant Secretary of Commerce J. M. Johnson and Malcolm Kerlin, executive assistant to Roper, moved against Jones and Adams. Charges have been made that Johnson and Kerlin were among the officials who had blocked reform efforts by Jones, Adams, and Bureau Director Joseph B. Weaver.

When Jones and Adams refused to answer questions until Weaver, their superior, returned, they were suspended with 24 hours' notice to show why they shouldn't be dismissed. Both denied "leaking" the inspectors' report.

Their jobs probably will be saved through Weaver's insistence and active intervention of the National Committee on Safety at Sea, which committee originated from a conference called by Roper while the nation was still excited about the Morro Castle disaster.

But campaign ammunition for Republicans has been piled up by the incident, adding to Roper's other contributions.

"Tigers attack man at Detroit circus." It seems a bit unfair, if the umpire was minding his own business.

A Michigan man poured kerosene on his clothing and ignited it. A less speedy but more satisfactory plan, these days, is just to hug the furnace.

The way they hurl it about, you'd think politicians had never heard of soil conservation.

The season approaches when a girl will have the choice of listening to a record or through, slush.

Turning Point Is Reached in War Situation

ROME, March 2 (AP)—The troubled European situation, with its threat of war over the Italo-Ethiopian conflict, reached a turning point today, informed Italian sources said.

While the League of Nations committee of 18 met at Geneva to consider imposition of further sanctions, a spokesman for informed quarters said Italy was ready to entertain peace proposals—but their reception would depend upon their "adequacy."

Government authorities attributed utmost importance to the league's sanctions committee session, cabinet ministers being directed to remain in Rome until further notice.

If the European tension turned to addition of an oil embargo to the present war penalties, informed sources said, Italy's reaction would arise from a possible program including retirement from the league, denunciation of some clauses of the Versailles treaty, withdrawal from the Locarno peace pact and denunciation or suspension of some international conventions.

More Districts For Patrol Likely

AUSTIN, March 2 (AP)—The public safety commission today considered establishment of six additional highway patrol districts, bringing the total number to 12.

The new district headquarters would be at Amarillo, Lubbock, San Angelo, Corpus Christi, Tyler and Pecos. Present headquarters are at Dallas, Wichita Falls, Abilene, San Antonio, Houston and Austin. The commission interviewed 20 patrolmen and indicated six would be selected if established. The 20 interviewed made the highest grades in a recent civil service examination.

WILL BUY STAMPS

AUSTIN, March 2 (AP)—L. G. Phares, acting director of the safety department, will purchase approximately \$2,500 in Texas Centennial stamps when the issue is placed on sale for the first time in Gonzales, Monday. Phares will be in personal command of highway patrolmen to be stationed at Gonzales during the celebration commemorating the firing of the first gun in Texas' war for independence.

Sam Houston's school, near Maryville, Tenn., still stands.

Memorial in Stone

HORIZONTAL

1 Part of the Mount
2 Memorial is pictured here
3 Faces of famous men are in the hillside
12 Ocean
13 Blue
16 Organ of hearing
17 Ejects
18 Iniquities
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23 Food container
24 External
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26 Sword-shaped
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32 Form of "be"
33 Interval between acts
36 Doe
37 Italian river
38 Wise men

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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11 Eagle
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Chapter XXV "Those papers," Woodford faltered, "If I tell you about them, will you see that I get them back?"

PAPERS TAKEN FROM KIN OF ANN LINDBERGH

BRUNO CASE LIKELY TO BE DEBATED BY LEGISLATURE TRENTON, N. J., March 2. (AP)—The reported theft of certain papers from the rooms of Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, reliable sources said, was a possible topic for discussion today at a scheduled meeting of three New Jersey officials.

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