

## Truman Hopes To Avoid Use Of A-Bomb

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP)—President Truman held out hope today that world peace can be maintained without the need for dropping another atomic bomb.



"KING" OF MULEDOM — A she-mule named Brown's Sunshine was crowned king at the annual Mule Day celebration at Columbia, Tenn. Each year the entry judged the best is crowned "king" regardless of sex. Brown's Sunshine is 3-year-old sorrel owned by Willis Brown of Sawdust Community, near Columbia. (AP Wirephoto.)

hoped at the same time that his heavy emphasis on foreign affairs last night in a talk with Democratic freshmen in Congress might bring new peace to the party.

The President said he made the decision to drop atomic bombs on Japan in the interest of saving 200,000 American lives, and perhaps 300,000 to 400,000 of the enemy.

"Now I believe that we are in a position where we will never have to make that decision again," he declared.

"But, if it has to be made for the welfare of the United States and the democracies of the world are at stake, I wouldn't hesitate to make it again."

"I hope and pray that that will never be necessary."

The setting for the cocktail party and buffet dinner was the same room of the Carlton Hotel where the President entertained the signers of the North Atlantic Pact Monday night.

There was no mention in his off-the-cuff remarks—or in those of Vice President Barkley and Speaker Rayburn—of differences within the party on domestic legislation. There was no talk of civil rights labor or other controversial issues, by Democratic freshman senators.

The party was jointly sponsored by the national committee and the party's congressional campaign committee. Its object: To get new congressmen better acquainted with the President and more in sympathy with his program.

The President joked with dinner companions and laughed heartily as Barkley regaled the audience with a couple of the stories for which he is famous.



PRESIDENT SIGNS COLORADO COMPACT — President Truman (seated) signs a bill making effective the Upper Colorado River Basin compact. Present for the White House ceremony in Washington are (left to right) Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.); Sec. of the Interior Julius Krug (rear); Sen. Lester C. Hunt (D-Wyo.); Sen. Clinton P. Anderson (D-N.Mex.); Sen. Dennis Chavez (D-N.Mex.). Others (rear, left and right) are not identified. The compact is intended as a basis for development of projects in the basin by apportioning water rights among states involved. (AP Wirephoto.)

## FIRST ADDRESSES GIVEN

### Medical Society In Meeting Here Today

Physicians from this area heard the first of a series of professional discussions Thursday morning at the second district of the Texas State Medical Society convened at the Settles hotel.

Heading a list of outstanding personalities on hand for the gathering was Dr. Tate Miller, Dallas, president of the Texas State Medical Society, who will address the banquet session of the district parley.

During the morning, Dr. Truman G. Blocker, professor of surgery; Dr. A. W. Harrison, professor of chest surgery; Dr. Hamilton Ford, professor of psychiatry, and Dr. A. L. Love, professor of medicine, all from the University of Texas medical school at Galveston, gave the first of discussions on professional subjects.

Wives of the doctors were to have a luncheon followed by a business session, a tea, and the general banquet this evening.

Dr. Blocker was to speak on treatment of extensive burns and scope of plastic surgery; Dr. Harrison was to discuss early treatment of chest injuries, and indications for pulmonary surgery. Diagnostic and treatment of peculiar diagnostic conditions and Wells' disease were to be topics for Dr. Love, and Dr. Ford was to discuss various therapies in psychiatry and management of certain entities in psychiatry.

A social hour is scheduled from 6 p. m. to 7 p. m., at which time, Dr. Miller will speak. Election of officers was scheduled for the business session at 1 p. m., which preceded a round table period on which written questions were to be discussed by the various speakers.

Among the out-of-town registrants at noon were: Dr. T. D. Young, Roscoe; Dr. B. A. McReynolds, Stanton; Dr. Tate Miller, Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Britt, Midland; Dr. C. R. Cockrell, Snyder; Dr. A. H. Fortner, Sweetwater; Dr. Bob Alexander, Spur; Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Rhode, Colorado City; Dr. and Mrs. Harold Lindley, Pecos; Dr. J. R. Walton, Midland; Dr. Truman G. Blocker, Galveston; Dr. Pauline Miller, Lubbock; Dr. A. L. Love, Galveston; Dr. A. W. Harrison, Galveston; Dr. E. J. Nelson, Stanton; Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Wilkinson, Rotan; Dr. J. V. McKay, Lamesa; Dr. Hamilton Ford, Galveston; Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Lock, Sweetwater; Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Tomb, Seminole; Dr. W. V. Ramsey, Abilene; Dr. W. T. Sadler, Merkel; Dr. J. F. Gipson, Fort Stockton.

### Big Springers Back In U. S. After Tour Of South America

Two Big Spring men, who have been on an aerial tour of South America, are back in the states. Clyde E. Thomas, Sr., Big Spring attorney, said that he and J. D. Church, district airport engineer for the CAA, had arrived at Key West on Wednesday from Yucatan, via Cuba.

Flying conventional light planes (Church's 120 Cessna and Thomas's 90 hp Luscombe) took off from Big Spring on March 18, crossed the border at Del Rio and continued through Mexico to Guatemala, Ecuador and points south.

### Scream Halts Prowler In Attempted Attack Here Wednesday

A prowler who was active in the city last night attempted to attack a woman but was frightened away when his intended victim screamed, city police reported this morning.

Officers said Mrs. L. R. Williams reported that a man entered her trailer house at El Nido courts on East Third street shortly after midnight. The man reached for Mrs. Williams as if he intended to attack her, according to the police report, but ran when Mrs. Williams screamed.

The prowler was described as being about 30 or 35 years old, with black hair. Mrs. Williams told officers the man wore a dark jacket.

### Heads Recruiting

Capt. Harold Sandford, a native of Kansas, has assumed his duties as commanding officer of the U. S. Army and Air Force recruiting station here. He arrived here last night from Santa Fe, N. M., where he was on similar assignment.

## School Bill Backers Press For Passage

### Defeat Amendment In House Battle

AUSTIN, April 7 (AP)—Leaders of the Gilmer-Aikin school bills held the whip hand today as they pressed for passage of the first reorganization measure.

They could point victoriously to yesterday's substantial 88-to-51 vote that virtually would have kept the school administrative setup in its present form.

But they could not press too hard for an immediate final vote on Sen. Jim Taylor's much amended bill.

The strongest advocates of the measure were slapped on the wrist yesterday when they tried to rush to conclusive action. The House voted 96 to 40 against bringing the issue to a direct vote on second reading.

Several representatives who have gone along with the Gilmer-Aikin leaders on various tests of strength indicated they wanted to consider amendments yet to be offered before making a final decision.

The complete substitute which the House defeated was offered by Rep. W. R. Chambers of May. He would have kept the present system of an elective state superintendent of education and an appointive state board of education.

He was willing to go along with the Gilmer-Aikin bill in expanding the board from 9 to 21 members. The Taylor bill calls for election of the board by districts. It abolishes the office of state superintendent and empowers the board to appoint a commissioner of education.

Chambers argued it is better to have a single state officer, the superintendent of education, responsible to all the people of Texas than to have 21 elective board members, each responsible only to the voters in his district.

Mrs. Rae Files Still, teacher and representative from Waxahatchie, countered that an appointive administrative officer is needed to carry out the policies formulated by the board.

She pointed out that local school administration operates that way in an elective board of trustees hiring the local school superintendent.

Mrs. Still wore a bright corsage of pansies. She said it was the gift of a school child's mother who sat in the filled gallery during yesterday's four hours of debate.

### 14-Year-Old Boy Surrenders After Father's Slaying

PAMPA, April 7 (AP)—A 14-year-old boy surrendered to officers here last night after his father was shot and killed.

"I was afraid he was going to shoot my mother," Dist. Atty. Tom Braly quoted the youth. The shot was fired just before dark.

The district attorney said the youth was Larry Frey. The father was Jack Frey, about 33, and the mother was Mrs. Mabel Frey, about 42.

"They had taken a hatchet and a hammer away from the father and were trying to hide a 22 calibre rifle when the shooting took place," Braly said. The youth is in custody of Sheriff Skinner Kyle.

"We'll probably have an examining trial today," Braly said. "There are no charges yet against the youth."

The Freys live on an oil lease seven or eight miles southeast of Pampa. The father was an oil pumper.

### Denies Sinking Ship

NANKING, April 7 (AP)—The United States Embassy today denied Communist reports that American planes and submarines were involved in the sinking of the Chinese Cruiser Chungking, which had deserted to the Communists.

Supply and demand. It now buys and holds off the market enough of these foods to keep prices at farm guaranteed levels.

In times of big supplies of most items, prices would drop below present levels. The farmer would get government payments to supplement money he received from sale of his products.

For example, under the present program, the government strives to keep prices of eggs from dropping below 35 cents a dozen on the farm. It does this by buying and removing from the market enough of the supply to keep prices from going below 35 cents.

### Slav Spy Sentences

NOVI SAD, Yugoslavia, April 7 (AP)—Eight prisoners of Hungarian descent drew sentences ranging from seven to nine years today in Yugoslavia's first "spy" trial against alleged agents of its Communist neighbors.

## Former White House Secretary Is Named To Important Defense Post

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP)—President Truman today nominated Stephen T. Early, long time former White House secretary, to be undersecretary of defense.

The appointment fills a new post created by a law Mr. Truman signed on Saturday.

The idea is that the undersecretary will, in effect, be "general manager" of the military establishment, handling many details and leaving Secretary of Defense Louis

A. Johnson more time for dealing with policy matters.

Early, 50, is now vice president of the Pullman Co., and of its manufacturing affiliate, Pullman, Inc. He is a Washington resident.

Known to thousands of newsmen as "Steve," Early was the close confidant and press secretary of the late President Roosevelt.

He stayed on briefly at the White House after Mr. Roosevelt's death, then accepted the posts with the Pullman companies.

## PRESIDENT OPTIMISTIC May Rearm Europe From U. S. Budget

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP)—President Truman reportedly hopes to absorb within his \$41,900,000,000 budget most if not all of a proposed outlay of about \$1,250,000,000 to arm western European countries in the Atlantic Alliance.

This may be accomplished largely by digging into the \$15 billion already assigned to the Army, Navy and Air Force for the year beginning July 1.

At the same time, as part of the new program, the administration is virtually committed to develop a strategic plan for defense of the western world. This eventually may shift some of the nation's military power out of the United States and into the European area.

This was indicated by defense department spokesmen in Army Day speeches yesterday and the day before.

How long it may take to accomplish this realignment under the North Atlantic Treaty is an open question, but some think it will take three or four years to make the Atlantic Pact countries in western Europe relatively secure against any Russian invasion.

The government's experts give two principal reasons for this. One is that leading western officials do not believe war is imminent. They assume there is time to build up strength.

The other reason is that economic recovery in Europe has priority over military recovery and arms will be shipped to the Atlantic countries in relatively small quantities.

Mr. Truman is expected to submit the new defense treaty to the Senate in a day or so. It was signed here Monday by the United States, Britain, France and nine other nations.

## LaLonde Rites Set Friday At Baird

Final rites will be held at 2:30 p. m. Friday in Baird for S. H. LaLonde, retired T. P. locomotive engineer. Following services at 10 a. m. today in El Paso, the body was to be taken to Baird, where the family had lived for several years.

Mr. LaLonde had lived in El Paso since his retirement as an engineer. Last year he received his 40-year pin, denoting continuous membership in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for two score years. Burial will be beside the graves of two sons, one of whom, Dave LaLonde, was killed in a train mishap two weeks ago. Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Bob Utley, Big Spring, and a son, Ralph LaLonde, El Paso. The LaLondes resided in Big Spring for many years.

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In Big Spring Traffic

## Ferguson Warns Red Spy Probers

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP)—Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.) cautioned today against carrying the peacetime battle against spies and saboteurs so far that it interferes with freedom of speech and the press.

He told reporters that before he approves a bill proposed by the administration to tighten internal security laws he wants to find out "just what they are trying to do."

Ferguson is a member of a Senate Judiciary subcommittee whose hearings on the measure were due to wind up after testimony today from Peyton Ford, assistant to Atty. Gen. Clark.

The legislation has been endorsed by the intelligence experts of the armed services. And FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said yesterday it is the "very minimum" required to combat espionage and sabotage.

Ferguson said he is "very sympathetic" with the objective but wants a law that is definite.

"I don't want to deal in generalities and do something that would interfere with fundamental rights, such as freedom of the press and freedom of speech," he said.

In questioning the attorney general yesterday, Ferguson asked if the safeguards the bill would put around restricted government documents would keep the press from getting information just because an official tagged it secret.

Clark said the legislation applied only to national defense information that could be used to the injury of the United States or to the advantage of a foreign power.

A jury would have to determine whether published information fell in that class, he said.

But Ferguson told reporters later he still was concerned about the matter.

## HE CAN'T LAUGH AT THIS STITCH

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 7 (AP)—Hymein Silverstein, 65-year-old tailor, was in stitches today—but he wasn't laughing.

Silverstein stuck his head in a rotating fan yesterday while standing on a box in his shop.

It was one time someone else had to do Hymein's stitching for him.

## Soviets Ease Up On Restrictions

BERLIN, April 7 (AP)—The Russians made two moves last night in contradiction to their recent actions and statements but responsible American officials saw no indication the Soviet attitude was softening.

The Russians sent some of their top officials to an American party in honor of Army Day and they partially lifted their ban against the allied-sponsored west mark in this cold war city.

But Berliners who picked up today's Russian-controlled newspapers certainly noticed no change. They saw the same old Communist propaganda accusing the Americans and British of everything from warmongering to white slavery. Overhead they heard the continual roar of the wireless air-lift bringing food and supplies over the Russian blockade.

The Russian-controlled press did not mention that V. S. Seminov, Soviet ambassador to their zone of Germany, and Lt. Gen. M. I. Dratvin, deputy military governor of the Russian zone showed up at the Army Day reception tendered by Maj. Gen. George D. Hays, deputy to Gen. Lucius D. Clay.



TRAINER DOWN AFTER ATTACK BY TIGER CUB — Rudolph Mathies, 54, veteran circus trainer, grabs net (left) after he was floored in New York by a 160-pound Bengal tiger cub (right) in Madison Square Garden. Mathies, who was training seven tigers for the opening of Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey circus, was treated for scratches on the left arm and shoulder. The other animals did not attack him. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Construction Of Modern Airport Terminal Is Timely And Proper

After months of anticipation the announcement has been made for airport terminal building bids.

This structure will fill a definite need, not alone for presentation of a modern plan to users of a modern form of transportation. More important is that it will permit a major grouping of operators and agencies where they will be conveniently located to each other, and at the same time will be handy to the public.

Big Spring people may not be aware generally of the concentration of aviation interests here. First of all is the Muni port operation, a rather profitable and growing affair. Grouped with this is an aviation mechanical and general aviation service including agricultural aids such as dusting, seeding, fertilizing.

Then there is the U. S. weather bureau, carrying staff and equipment of no mean proportions. The Civil Aeronautics Administration has a beehive of services. These include the (West Texas) district airport engineers office of the CAA; the CAA control tower; CAA communications; CAA electronic technicians; CAA aviation safety (agents for aircraft inspection, pilot licensing, etc.).

Three commercial carriers operate out of the field—American, Continental, and Pioneer. In addition to passengers, this means airmail, air express and freight services. The port also holds contract for Air Force and Navy refueling. An adequate nerve center for all of this is proper and timely.

## More Support For Student Units Due By Patrons Of Big Spring

All too few people turned out Tuesday evening to hear one of the really fine programs of the year—the annual spring concert of the Big Spring municipal high school band.

It wasn't that a charge was made for the affair, for the price was so modest that it kept away no one. It was simply that a busy people just neglected to make the effort to hear the program. The youngsters need encouragement, and the adults need to have their eyes and ears opened at the progress being made. Thus the failure to fill the auditorium was a double loss.

We venture that no one who heard the band went away with less than a sense of pride. Too often we mumble in our hearts when the football team falls to come out on the top side of the score, even though the boys and coaches put all they

had into the effort. Something is wrong with the schools because we don't win.

The band concert would have been a good anti-toxin for that fallacious attitude. The young musicians have achieved a fine organization. But they are not alone. There are many other units doing progressively better work in the arts and other fields.

Perhaps it would be a sound thing for adult organizations to take responsibility for several of these to see that they get proper support at the proper time.

Perhaps it would be a good thing, too, if there could be an annual school night at the auditorium when the band, choral club, elementary groups, speech and dramatics students, along with others could parade their accomplishments. Such might bind the tie between community and school a little tighter.

## Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

### Could North Atlantic Alliance Have Prevented 2 World Wars?

THIS DATE 32 YEARS AGO THE UNITED States took her place among the allies in World War I with a declaration of hostilities against an aggressive Germany.

Basically that war was the outgrowth of Germanic greed—an urge for expansion at the expense of the other fellow. Or to employ the German euphemism, it was caused by the need for greater Lebensraum (living space).

Approximately 22 years later the globe was torn by an even more terrible conflict. Naturally America was among the allies. And of course they called it World War II. Again the basic cause, was greed or, if you wish, the demand for Lebensraum.

DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY 12 WESTERN allies, meeting in Washington, signed the Atlantic Pact. This is a defensive alliance, aimed at protection against aggression whose evil spirit again is hunting trouble. President Truman said in an address regarding this historic treaty:

"It is a simple document, but if it had

existed in 1914 and in 1939, supported by the nations who are represented here today, I believe it would have prevented the acts of aggression which led to two world wars."

It's easy to believe that this might have been so. However, one has the feeling that even if the two wars had been prevented then, the world still might have had to endure the agony of an upheaval.

THERE WERE GREAT POLITICAL, territorial and economic problems to be adjusted. There were imperial revisions which inevitably must have come. There were racial freedom to be established. These reforms could only be achieved by major operations.

Many of these things were brought about by the two world wars. Perhaps in the course of many generations they would have been accomplished through the peaceful development of mankind. Who can say? Certainly if one could choose between quick progress by war and slow progress through peace, the latter must be the choice. Heaven forgive the maker of war!

## Matter Of Fact—Joseph Alsop

### America's Course On Treaty Depends Upon Our Leadership

The gaggle of Foreign Ministers who so grandiosely sanctified the Atlantic Pact on Monday, could have done worse than stop talking long enough to listen to Senator Forrest Donnell of Missouri. He and Mrs. Donnell were on hand in the Commerce Department auditorium, the Senator bearing under his arm a small bale of papers proving the pact illegal, unconstitutional and ill-drafted.

The Senator might have given the assembled statesmen the answer to the question that is now secretly worrying every one of them. This question was once succinctly put by Winston Churchill: "Will America stay the course?" In short, will the United States, having assumed the position of world leadership, agree to carry the attendant heavy burdens and pay the resulting heavy bills?

The man who bears within himself the answer to this momentous inquiry is far from representative of the Senate isolationists. The hard remaining core of Senatorial isolationism is largely composed of portly, expensively tailored men with a strong tendency to sound, even in private conversation, like a broadcast news release of the National Association of Manufacturers.

The great majority of these men come from states, both Northern and Southern, where the local political organizations are rigidly controlled by the most reactionary big business groups. Some wear demagogues' disguises. But most of them look very much like what they in fact are—delegates of power and money and transportation and great manufacturing companies—and not at all like what they are officially supposed to be—representatives of the amorphous but majestic group that the late Sam Bythe once called "the great rabid American people."

Not so Senator Donnell. He also looks like what he in fact is, from the stern frames of his eye-glasses to the somehow virtuous lines of his neat blue suit. But what Senator Donnell is goes back to the dusty, elm-shaded, lilac-scented streets of the little town of Quitman and Maryville, in Nowaday County, Mo., where he was born and raised.

It includes a father born in the Civil War, who left North Carolina in the early 80's, set up a little store, made a small town success, and sent his son to college and law school. It includes also an old-fashioned, modestly prosperous St. Louis

law practice, family life in one of the less ostentatious suburbs, and Sunday instruction of the Grace Methodist Church men's Bible class. This thing that Donnell is made him governor and then Senator, because Missouri's rural counties recognized him instantly as one of their own. And where the burden of his colleagues' song is "taxes," this thing that Donnell is makes him talk about "righteousness" and "the Constitution."

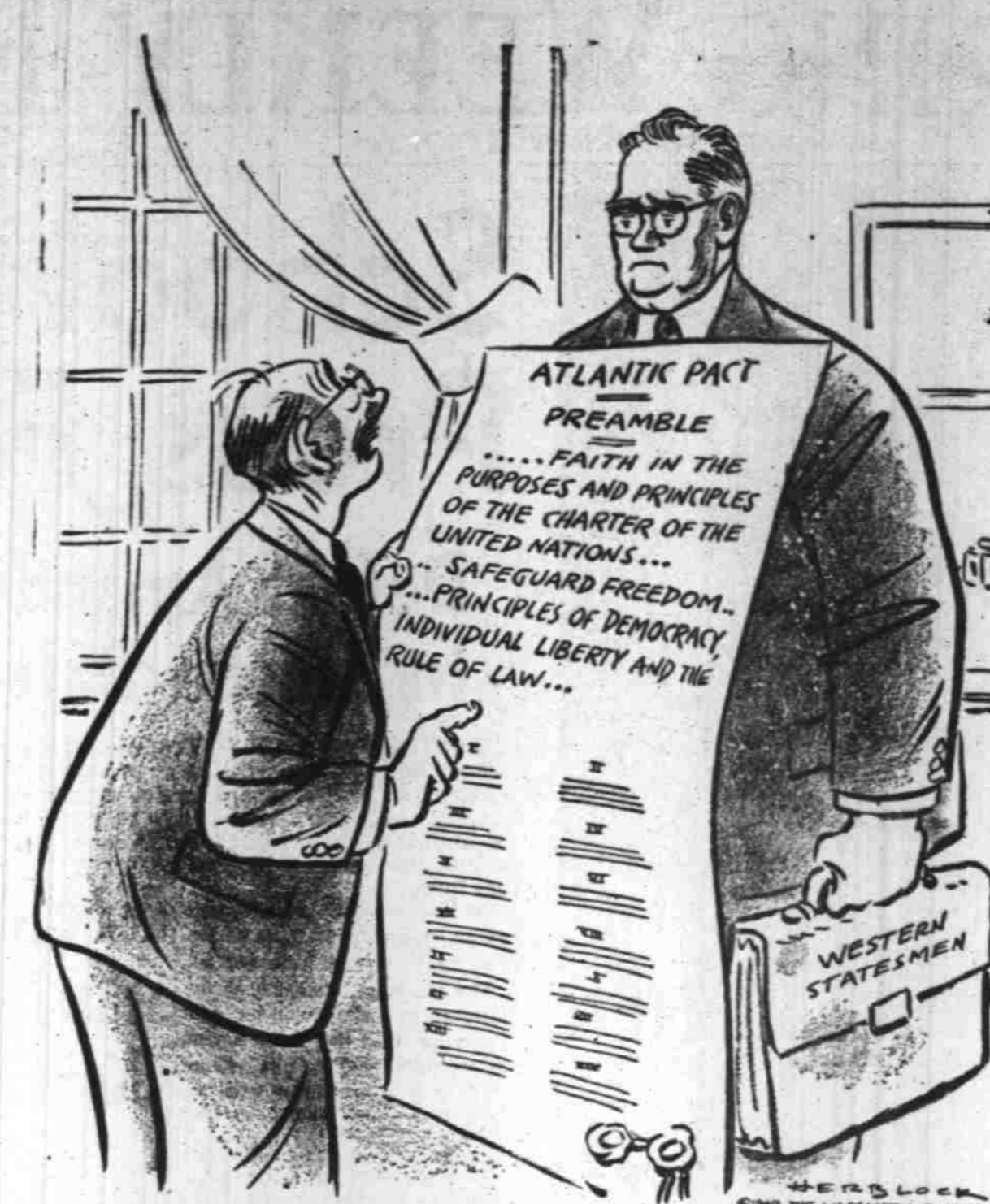
His life has been passed among his law books, and the letter of the law is very sacred to him. Thus he opposed the League of Nations, as a dubious contract, but worked for the World Court, which he evidently saw as a sort of Supreme Court of the World. In the same way, he has supported E.R.P., understanding the justice and advantage of promoting the recovery of the Western world. But the Atlantic Pact looks like another dubious contract, and he is getting ready to oppose it too.

If it were not for the Senator's charming courtesy and transparent sincerity, the cynic might incline to mock his approach to that grim issue of power politics. He will talk for all an hour to prove what is obvious, that the pact is a binding commitment to fight an aggressor. He will denounce its loose language as though it were a contract of sale.

But what he will not voluntarily do is discuss the terrible problems of security and survival in the modern world, which make the Atlantic Pact necessary. The nature of aggressive dictatorship, the safety that comes with preparedness, the need to unite in defense—all these are points you find he has hardly considered. Why should he have? His life has been happy, secure, and remote from danger in a way no European can imagine. Yet when he is asked about these points, he does consider them, quite seriously, and you have the feeling that if he studied them a little longer, he might change his view.

Of course, in the unlikely event of a talk between the Foreign Ministers and Senator Donnell, the diplomats would end by asking, "Put where is our answer here? What do we learn from this high-minded, rather old-fashioned gentleman?"

"LET'S BE SURE TO MAKE GOOD ON THIS PART TOO, HUH?"



## Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

### Signing Of Atlantic Pact Brings Back Memories Of Other Treaties

WASHINGTON — Memories of many other peace pacts came back as I sat watching the foreign ministers sign the North Atlantic Pact. Vivid memories, youthful memories, poignant memories, filled with hopes for peace. . . . The Kellogg Pact, the Washington Arms Treaty, the London Naval Conference. As a young newspaperman I attended them all, and with all of them hoped—as did the world—that with each signing a new era of peace was ushered in.

Those were days when I was naive and optimistic. Perhaps America was the same way—at least regarding peace conferences. We were sure that the end of World War I meant the end of wars forever. And every newspaper in the country heralded the Washington Arms Conference—first great disarmament conference—as the beginning of a new era of peace.

FIRST CONFERENCE Charles Evans Hughes, bewiskered, dignified, full of vigor and ideals, presided. Warren G. Harding in all his handsomeness opened the conference on Armistice Day, 1921. Lord Balfour, the peer of the English gentleman, charmed the crowds. Aristide Briand, then in his prime, spoke so eloquently in French that the crowds, understanding not a single word, cheered him to the echo.

Just out of college, I persuaded Dick Slocum, now manager of the Philadelphia Bulletin, then editor of the Swarthmore College student weekly, to make me his official correspondent to cover the arms conference. Full of youthful ideals I went to Washington.

I didn't know what it was all about; but I have watched what happened since—watched what happened to the conferences treaties signed with such acclaim, with such hope, such prayer for future peace.

The treaty to scrap battleships was faithfully carried out by us—and by the rest of the world, because the rest of the world had almost no battleships to scrap. But the rest of the world promptly began building cruisers.

The nine-power pact guaranteeing the sovereignty of China was trampled into the dust of Manchuria by the Japs on Sept. 18, 1931, and has been laughed at by the Russians since Henry L. Stimson strove valiantly to save it, but Europe didn't.

And the four-power pact prohibiting naval bases on the islands of the Pacific was stealthily violated by the Japanese so that, came Pearl Harbor, we found Truk, Tarawa, Iwo Jima, Okinawa to be bastions of military strength.

So vanished the first peace dreams of the American people. Then came the Kellogg Pact.

It was not in the Salle de L'Horloge on the August day in 1928 when the world outlawed war. The sun spread its slanting rays over the Seine, penetrated the deep, curtained windows of the Quai D'Orsay and danced along the crystal candelabra of Louis XVI. I can still remember how it even cast shadows around the cadaverous eyebrows and great drooping mustache of Aristide Briand, making him appear more the stage villain than Europe's foremost exponent of peace and co-author of the pact to outlaw war.

The sunlight glistened on the great gold pen held in the hand of Gustave Stresemann, foreign minister of Germany. Eleven years later, his country was to plunge the world into the bloodiest war in history, but on that August day in 1928 he scratched his name on the ornate parchment, pledging Germany to renounce war.

Across the table sat Eduard Benes of Czechoslovakia. Benes is dead now, a broken-hearted hero who also dreamed of peace. And before he died he saw his army, the squeeze under the Iron Curtain by the threat of the Red Army. But all that he did not know when he signed the pact outlawing war on that sunny afternoon at the Quai D'Orsay.

On around the table went the parchment. It received the signature of Count Uchida, whose imperturbable face gave no hint that four years later he, as foreign minister of Japan, would be snapping his fingers at the treaty he had signed.

So the pen scratched on, affixing to the pact signatures of diplomats who may have had tongue in cheek, but which carried the hopes, the dreams of all the people.

KING ALMOST SMILED Then there was the London Naval Conference signed April 22, 1930, in the pleasant drawing room where Queen Anne once took tea and which was supposed to limit the weapons that the Washington conference omitted—cruisers. I remember so well the three King Georges looking down from their portraits at the American delegation. And it almost seemed that the radiance of the morning plus the optimism for peace induced George III to forget the scowl he usually had for rebellious Americans.

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Then there was the London Naval Conference signed April 22, 1930, in the pleasant drawing room where Queen Anne once took tea and which was supposed to limit the weapons that the Washington conference omitted—cruisers. I remember so well the three King Georges looking down from their portraits at the American delegation. And it almost seemed that the radiance of the morning plus the optimism for peace induced George III to forget the scowl he usually had for rebellious Americans.

Around The Rim—The Herald Staff

## Recluses May Not Be Romantic Characters They Are Pictured

Every now and then, the newspapers chronicle the death of another of those strange beings known as recluses. Almost invariably, the body if found in a house filled with an amazing conglomeration of junk, and usually a little digging will bring to light a tidy fortune in United States currency. The pattern is repeated with monotonous regularity; it would appear that all recluses, whatever their sex or social background, have a strong acquisitive instinct which serves as their common denominator.

I have often thought that it would be interesting to get into the mind of a recluse and find out what goes on there. Some of these people undoubtedly are insane, but the majority of them merely have fallen permanently out of step with the world, and are afflicted with nothing worse than a pronounced eccentricity. What, then, drives them to shut themselves up in their houses and shun the company of their fellows? If they were physically handicapped, their odd behavior would be more understandable; but, on the contrary, many of them do not even carry the burden of old age. The problem is a tantalizing one.

Not all recluses, of course, capture the imagination of the public as did the incredible Collyer brothers of New York. The Collyers are wealthy men, well-educated and with an assured social position; yet they turned their backs on everything that, in the opinion of the average person, makes life tolerable, and took up their residence in a ghostly old mansion which they apparently never quitted except to procure food, stealing along the streets and alleys like furtive scavengers.

About the Collyers, as about every other recluse for that matter, speculation has

woven a web of absurdities, in which only occasionally one can detect anything probable. The brothers were not mad scientists, nor spies in the service of a foreign government, and they were not victims of a hideous and incurable disease which made it necessary for them to keep out of sight. Perhaps there was a lady in the case, as some have hinted; perhaps they were secret murderers, living from day to day in terror that their crime would be brought home to them. At any rate, all that is certainly known of the brothers is that they lived alone together in a great house choked with rubbish, and died without satisfying the curiosity of the world.

But we need not seek out extraordinary explanations when simple ones may do as well. It is possible that the Collyers, like many other recluses, were misanthropes, hating their fellowman with such burning intensity that it was a positive pain to rub shoulders with them. Or they may have been agoraphobes. Every psychiatrist has encountered persons who are seized with a nameless fear whenever they find themselves upon the street or in the open country. Such persons never feel at ease outside the shelter of four walls and a roof, and accordingly they become recluses.

There is, however, a far simpler explanation than either misanthropy or agoraphobia for the Collyer brothers, and indeed for the majority of recluses. As has been noted, the one characteristic which all these gentry seem to have in common is a marked acquisitiveness, which extends not only to the hoarding of money but to the careful preserving of any article that may have the least potential value. The conclusion is inescapable that it is miserliness which makes the average recluse.—R. G. MACREADY.

## Notebook—Hal Boyle

### Gen. Bradley Calls U. S. Army Finest In Peacetime History

NEW YORK, (AP)—THE TALL GAUNT man said America today has the finest army in its peacetime history.

And there were 38 years in his service record and five rows of ribbons across his chest—battle star-studded ribbons—to back his judgment.

"The average capacity of our soldiers today is much above that of 20 or 30 years ago," said Omar Nelson Bradley.

As chief-of-staff he is proud of the fact that a man no longer can just waste into his outfit—he has to have what the Army wants. You have to stand in line now to enlist.

I TALKED TO THE GENERAL AS HE waited in his hotel room last night before he went out to pitch the hottest ball in the current international crisis.

He was to pitch that ball in a speech to the Jewish war veterans convention. The ball bore this appeal:

"Give American military supplies to back up the Atlantic Pact."

And he pitched it with this hope—that his country, which had gone into two wars un-

prepared, might prevent a possible third world war. He thought it could do so by being prepared itself, and by furnishing muscle to its allies.

It was no accident that Bradley, at the invitation of the State Department, was picked to do the pitching. To many men in Congress, to millions of Europeans liberated by his armies, he is a man of weighed words and honest judgment—seeking peace. There is faith behind him. And much experience.

I SERVED AS A WAR REPORTER with his troops in three campaigns.

I asked the general a question that had been in my mind for years:

"What was the biggest single defect of the American soldier in the last war?"

"I think," said Bradley, "it was the inability of many soldiers to regard the war as anything but a magnified athletic contest. I think they often unconsciously thought of it in terms of a sporting event."

When the American soldier lost the illusion that war was a strange new game, Bradley said, he rose to anger—and victory.

## Nation Today—James Marlow

### U. S. Forced To Spend Billions To Halt Tide Of Communism

WASHINGTON, (AP)—WE'RE PUTTING pressure on Russia. But it's not a one-way street. Russia is putting plenty on us.

It would be a bold prophet who could say where this pressure on us will end, or how.

To stop Russia and Communism, we've built up our armed forces, set up the Marshall Plan on a big scale, and joined the Atlantic Pact.

All those things are tied in with our well-being and survival. But they're putting big pressure on us because they cost big money.

And spending the money is linked in with our prosperity, present and future, for better or worse.

President Truman figures we must spend around \$43 billion in the year beginning July 1.

THAT'S ABOUT \$2 BILLION MORE than the taxes he thinks the government will take in to pay the bill. So he wants Congress to raise taxes to cover the deficit.

But almost half that total cost—or \$21 billion—is due to the steps we've taken on account of Russia: \$15 billion for the armed forces; \$5 billion for the Marshall Plan; \$1 billion for the Atlantic Pact to help arm our allies.

If we were not worried about Russia, there'd be no need for an Atlantic Pact, the Marshall Plan would cost far less, the expense for our armed forces would be only a fraction of the \$15 billion we intend to spend next year, and Mr. Truman could ask for a big tax cut instead of tax raise.

To avoid the need of a tax boost, some senators want to cut down the Marshall aid and spend little or nothing on the Atlantic Pact. But the argument against them goes like this:

In the end it will cost far more if the western European nations collapse under Communist pressure for want of the aid we can give them now. Why?

SO LONG AS THEY STAND AS A wall between us and Russia, we don't have to spend more than \$15 billion on our own armed forces.

But if western Europe is overrun by Russia, then we'll have to spend many, many times \$15 billion on our armed forces.

By keeping us jittery and so forcing us into the present huge spending, the Russians probably feel they are pushing us slowly but surely along the road to an American economic bust which their own

economists predict must come sooner or later.

The huge expense we're bearing now, on account of Russia, certainly isn't something that fits into a sound economy.

Prices have started falling here. Unemployment has grown. Yet, a lot of the \$21 billion we plan to spend next year on account of Russia is tied in with present American production, and with jobs, too.

WHAT, THEN, WOULD HAPPEN TO the American economy if worry about Russia suddenly ended and tomorrow the government could cancel out most of its plans for spending the \$15 billion.

In addition to all this, many Americans who treasure the free enterprise system and loathe socialism, are watching American money pouring into Britain and France and helping the progress of socialism there.

But it's impossible not to help them. They're our strongest allies. And it's impossible to wave goodbye to the rest of the world, as some senators seem to want to do.

For anyone can see what that would mean:

With Communists overrunning Asia now, if Russia took over Europe, we'd be practically alone in the world. It's doubtful we could survive. So we are forced to spend billions to save our skins.

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## Dr. Sigmund Spaeth Wins Audience With Discussion, "Music For Fun"

Dr. Sigmund Spaeth's winning personality and delightful sense of humor charmed a rather small, but very interested audience which gathered at the municipal auditorium Wednesday night to hear a discussion of "Music For Fun."

Dr. Spaeth expressed the opinion which seemed to be held by some of his non-listeners when he stated that most people were not interested in hearing a music critic because they thought that he had little to offer anyone but the professional or semi-professional musician.

er, a musician can go just as far as he likes, said Dr. Spaeth, adding that too much emphasis has been placed on competition and technique. "Technique means nothing," said the speaker, "there are plenty of people with technique who have no inspiration."

Giving as his definition of music,

### Candidates For West Ward Queen Are Announced

Serving as a critic for the New York Evening Mail for four years, Dr. Spaeth stated that he learned early that if he only discussed the serious side of music that his readers would be small in number. It was this reason that led him to "lean over backwards" to win the average music listener and to put over his idea that music is just as important as recreation as it is in art. He emphasized his belief that people should take something of the same interest in music as they do in sports.

A firm believer in individual participation in the field of music for the sake of pleasure, Dr. Spaeth said that a person who has played music in some form will have a deeper appreciation of the great artists. He took time in his discussion to give a demonstration of "how to learn to play the piano in five minutes." An amusing feature of the program, the demonstration brought out the idea that anyone can play a musical instrument for their own pleasure. Just as a golf-

Candidates for a queen, who will be crowned at the West Ward P-TA carnival, were announced Thursday morning by a school representative. The crowning will take place at 6:30 p. m. Friday in the patio at the school.

Following the crowning by W. C. Blankenship, superintendent of schools, the carnival will open. Entertainment features will include: a fish pond, grab bag, grocery basket, cake walk, bowling alley, picture show, bingo and a food booth.

Candidates and their escorts include: first grade: Annett Harris, Arlen Bryant; Linda Stuedille, Den Hayworth; Chrystal Basham and Ivan Wayne Williams; second grade: Janace Marie Kirby; and Kenneth Craig Johnson; Peggy Isaacks and Jimmy Hayworth; third grade: Lorene Miers and Charles Briggs; Barbara Burchett and Douglas Eastham; fourth grade: Jacqueline Smith and Ronald King; Charlotte Smith and Roy Brown; fifth grade: Jane Hill and Earl Holt; Jonanna Cormas and Charles Lane Johnson; sixth grade: Danna Lee Greenwood and Drew McDaniel; Sylvia Lynn Bentley and Den Allen Lowe; and seventh grade: Beverly Meeks and Earl Steen; Helen Ratliff and Frank Long.

Tilman Lee Eddy will serve as crown bearer; Mary Jane Weaver as the queen's attendant, Mary Jane Weaver; herald, Merlin Peterson; as master of ceremonies, James Gill.

### Mrs. W. M. Wood Leads Northside Bible Study

Mrs. W. M. Wood brought the lesson from Genesis seven and eight at the meeting of the Northside Baptist Women's Missionary Society Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Parrish offered the opening prayer.

Present were: Mrs. G. T. Palmer, Mrs. J. E. Parke, Mrs. Brandon Currie, Mrs. T. C. Tonn, Mrs. G. J. Couch, Mrs. R. A. Humble, Mrs. Earl Parrish, Mrs. L. B. Moss, Mrs. W. M. Wood and the Rev. Moss.

## Philathea Class Has Luncheon In Church Wednesday

Mrs. R. F. Bluhm and Mrs. J. W. Burrell acted as hostesses at the luncheon meeting of the Philathea class at the First Methodist church Wednesday.

Mrs. W. N. Norred brought the devotional and Mrs. Lina Flewellen pronounced the invocation. Mrs. Paul Darrow presided during the business session.

Plans were completed for the annual birthday banquet to be held May 10; the game party honoring members and their families was scheduled for April 29 and final plans for the bake sale to be conducted in Carter's Grocery were announced. Proceeds will be used for the beautification of the church parlor.

### Mrs. J. W. Croan Is Club Hostess

Mrs. J. W. Croan entertained the members of the Needle and Thread club with a luncheon in her home, 417 E. Park, Tuesday.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed.

Attending were: Mrs. W. N. Norred, Mrs. Melvin Peters, Mrs. E. E. Reynolds, Mrs. S. R. Morris, Mrs. G. N. Burgarner, Mrs. Ruth Henderson, Mrs. Curtis Reynolds, Mrs. Marvin Sewell, Mrs. Fred Thompson, Mrs. Allen Wiggins, Mrs. Tom McAdams, Mrs. T. J. Clark, Mrs. Harvey Wooten, Mrs. Clayton McCarty, Mrs. Grady McCrary and the hostess, Mrs. Croan.

### Andrew R. Starks Are Parents Of Son

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew R. Starks of Midland, are the parents of a son, Jerald Wayne, who was born at the Malone and Hogan Clinic Hospital Sunday, April 13, at 12:10 p. m., weighing six pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces.

### Thelma Faubion To Marry Soon

Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Faubion, 509 E. 17th, have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Thelma, to Ross Stuteville, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stuteville. The wedding will occur, Saturday, April 16 at 10 p. m.

### RIBBON RAMBLINGS

By MILDRED YOUNG

There's nothing so laugh-provoking as some of the answers' contestants give when trying to answer one of the famous jackpot questions on a radio quiz show. With several thousand dollars at stake, some P. D. will brightly asked "Who invented the telephone?" It really isn't that bad, but we sometimes wonder about the so-called intelligence of the American public. However, we also wonder if we could spell cat when facing a national milk with a mere \$10,000 as a reward for a correct answer.

With some national contest in progress all of the time, many people express their opinions as to how winners are chosen. Someone sends in a splendid answer of 25 words or less concerning why super soap suds will clean dishes in half the time as ordinary soap flakes. They wait patiently for a check to land in their mail box and it never arrives. We hear from sources-of-little-authority that the

## LEGION LETTER

By KAY BUGG

Mrs. K. Bugg left by plane for Fort Worth where she will be guest of her brother, who is being honored for his part in the around the world flight in a B-50 last month. "Really a Flying Family," Mrs. Six Wood and Mrs. W. Booher and their families left by train in an easterly direction yesterday—lucky people who get to travel around these days.

The delegation who attended the convention in Lubbock last weekend are all thrilled as to the results—all expressed their opinion the same as it was a fine convention. Those attending from our post were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bugg, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Roxie Dobbins, Buddy Fred Stitzel, Buddy Willie Wharton, Buddy Ray Boren, Buddy Jim Hartley, Buddy Lloyd McCloud, Commander and Mrs. Neel Barnaby, and District Commander and Mrs. Alvin Thigpen.

Buddy Pete Bridges from Levelland was elected 19th district commander and Buddy "Pockets" Heard from Pittsburg is our new vice-commander.

The host posts 148 and 148A did a fine job of taking care of the delegates from the district. The weather man did a messy job, as most of us went through a big snow storm on our way to Lubbock. When we were all safe in Lubbock things began to warm up considerably.

Our department commander, William "Bill" McCraw of Dallas gave one of the most inspiring talks we have ever heard and we all enjoyed his frankness very much. Our own "Pat" Dillon was on the

program to deliver the memorial address but was forced to cancel his part on the program as his wife was admitted to the hospital for surgery the night before. Glad to know you are doing fine and will soon be home, Ann. There were so many dignitaries present that we do not have space to list them—several very appropriate resolutions were adopted and passed on by the convention and will be forwarded to the state department.

Buddy "Oble" J. Bristow is doing a fine job with his job of organizing the "Sons of the American Legion." We expect to have one of the finest squadrons in the state very soon now and we feel very fortunate to have a member like Oble to give his time and talent toward these fine boys. He will need some help with these Jr's so let us begin to look around.

Buddy Foster has put in his bid for the cannon. We are glad to see Buddy Dillard back in town.

The square dance club will come into organization next Friday night as we will soon be "graduates" of the art.

Don't forget the barn dance at the club house Saturday night. Think we will all have a big time, as we did at the last one. It is for Legionnaires and their ladies—wear your boots and bonnets.

The Ladies Auxiliary will also have a business meeting this Thursday—hope.

Commander Barnaby says you had better be giving some thought as to who your next commander will be, as the election of officers will be in June.

We are expecting some guests here tomorrow night and hope to hear a plan for the American Legion Junior baseball team that Dr. K. Swain so ably conducted last year. Did you know that 14 ball players in the world series last year started their career in the American Legion Junior ball clubs? You better call us if you want more news in this column.

## Church Of Christ Zone Meeting And Basket Supper Held

Sewell Jones, minister, served as master of ceremonies at the basket supper entertaining all zone leaders and their husbands, the elders and deacons and their wives at the Church of Christ Tuesday evening.

Jones announced that the purpose of the meeting was to inform the zone leaders of their responsibilities in caring for those persons in their respective zones, in seeing that they have transportation to church, in helping them to secure financial aid when in need and in caring for them when they are ill.

J. B. Collins, spoke to the group, stressing the fact that the main duty of the Christian is to minister to the members of the church and to everyone in need, regardless of their faith. A round table discussion was held following the talk.

Herman McNabb offered the opening prayer.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Joe F. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elrod, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Daugherity, Mrs. R. E. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wasson, Mrs. C. R. Rhoads, Mrs. D. W. Lewter, Mrs. C. L. Burton, Mrs. A. Jackson, Carlene Jackson, J. H. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Herman McNabb and Rev. and Mrs. Sewell Jones.

## Book Discussed At 1946 Hyperion Meet Wednesday

Mrs. Matt Harrington led the discussion of the book, "Woman With A Sword," by Hollister Nobel at the meeting of the 1946 Hyperion club in the home of Mrs. H. M. Jarratt, 1008 11th Place Wednesday, with Mrs. Conn Isaacs as co-hostess.

The book is a biographical novel of the life of Anna Ella Carroll who was unofficial member of Lincoln's cabinet.

Mrs. Harrington will attend the district Hyperion convention in Midland April 9 and 10 as local delegate from the 1946 club.

Various arrangements of spring flowers were used in the decorations and on the refreshment table.

Attending were: Mrs. Tommy Hutto, Mrs. Jack Wallace, Mrs. Matt Harrington, Mrs. E. P. Driver, Mrs. R. E. McKinney, Mrs. Pete Harmonson, Mrs. Ray Broen, Mrs. T. J. Williamson, Mrs. Mike Phelan, Mrs. James Edwards and the hostesses, Mrs. Jarratt and Mrs. Isaacs.

Announced hostesses for May will include Mrs. Sony Edwards and Mrs. Hudson Landers.

### School Has Open House

Approximately 250 persons attended the College Heights School open house held Tuesday evening. Rooms were decorated and work done by students was on display. Refreshments were served in the seventh grade room.

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making a decision is to junk all of the entries which do not follow instructions to the letter. It is for this reason that such rules as "please print your name at the upper left hand corner of the page" were invented.

We used to wonder how this would get rid of so many contestants, but we got in on a newspaper contest once and found within a few hours that only about one per cent of the entries were even worth looking over and that less were really good.

We conducted a questionnaire concerning the reasons people enter contests and found out quickly that it is nothing but that ambition of nearly everyone to "get something for nothing." Few of us believe that we really will, but isn't it fun to try?

### Mrs. Cowper Named Head Of Auxiliary

Mrs. R. B. G. Cowper will serve as the new president of the Second District Texas State Medical Society Auxiliary. Mrs. Cowper and Mrs. Ed Swift, new secretary and treasurer, took office following a business session held in connection with the Big Spring meeting of the society now in session. Mrs. S. Z. Frazier of Lamesa, was named the new vice-president.

Activities for the auxiliary delegates included a luncheon and the business session held at noon in the Settles hotel, a tea at the home of Mrs. J. M. Woodall at 4 p. m. and a joint banquet to be held this evening.

### Drill Team To Meet

Members of the drill team of the Big Spring Rebekah lodge will meet for team practice Tuesday evening, April 12, at the IOOF hall, instead of Thursday evening as previously announced.

### Class To Meet

Announcement is made that the Mary Martha Sunday school class of the First Baptist church will meet in the home of Mrs. Wayne Williams, 215 Virginia, this evening at 7:30 p. m.

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# Buffaloes Wrap Up First Place In 90B Track Meet

Forsan's Buffalo registered a team victory in the 1949 District 90B track and field meet at Steer stadium Wednesday afternoon, accumulating 61 1-3 points to all but lap the remainder of the field.

Coshoma's Bulldogs finished in second place with 34 2-3 points. Sterling City had 14, Stanton 13, Knott 3 and Garden City two. Courtney did not place.

Ed Robertson's Bulldogs didn't yield the whole spotlight to the Forsan team, however. Edwin (Red) Dickson, Coshoma's all-around star, managed to gather in individual high scoring honors with 18 1-12th points. He beat out Virgil Bennett and Wayne Huestis, the Forsan leaders, who had 13 1-3 and 12 points, respectively.

Huestis ran a brisk 10.1 century dash in the preliminaries and then captured that event in the afternoon. He also won the 220-yard dash and anchored the mile relay team that raced to an easy victory.

Dickson tied for first in the high jump, was first in the pole vault, second in the shot put, second in the discus and ran on the Coshoma mile relay team, which finished in the runnerup spot.

Stanton easily won the junior meet, tallying 34 points to 14 for Coshoma, only other team in the meet. Rodney Cramer of Coshoma and LeRoy Gibson, Stanton, tied for individual scoring honors with 12 points each.

**SUMMARY:**  
 400-Yard Run—Dan Fairchild, Forsan, and Blaine Mitchell, Sterling City, tied for first; C. B. Fisher, Garden City; R. J. Scholtz, Coshoma, Time, 5:4.4.  
 High Jump—Edwin Dickson, Coshoma; Paul Shesley, Coshoma; and Virgil Bennett, Forsan, all tied for first; Fairchild, Forsan; and Bob Baker, Forsan, tied for fourth, 5 feet 7 inches.  
 100-Yard Dash—Wayne Huestis, Forsan; Red Huestis, Stanton; Edna Prater, Forsan; 14.1 in preliminaries.  
 Pole Vault—Dickson, Coshoma; Prater, Forsan; Shesley, Coshoma; Bobby Calvey, Coshoma, 9 feet 11 inches.  
 440-Yard Relay—Forsan (Prater, Baker, Fairchild, Junior Dolan), Coshoma; Sterling City (only three places given, 3:36.2) (Junior Meet).  
 160-Yard Dash—Terrill Pinkston, Stanton; Rodney Cramer, Coshoma; LeRoy Gibson, Coshoma; Guy Howard, Stanton, 4.2.  
 80-Yard Dash—Fikston, Stanton; Cramer, Coshoma; Eliand, Stanton; Billy O'erry, Stanton, 11.2.  
 400-Yard Relay—Stanton (Eliand, Pinkston, Earl Koons, Gerald Koons), Coshoma, 3:52.  
 800-Yard Relay—Stanton; Cramer, Coshoma; Overy, Stanton; no points for fourth, 15 feet 4 inches.  
 160-Yard Dash—Fikston, Stanton; Cramer, Coshoma; J. Wilson, Stanton; Cramer, Coshoma; J. Wilson, Stanton; Overy, Stanton, 4 feet 8 inches.  
 Broad Jump—Prater, Forsan; Fairchild, Stanton, 13 feet 4 1/2 inches.  
 Mile Run—Harold Baker, Sterling City; Ed Vinton, Coshoma; Tom O'Brien, Stanton; Charles Williams, Knott, 9:16.4.  
 Discus—Bennett, Forsan; Dickson, Coshoma; Huestis, Forsan; Lindsey, Coshoma, 118 feet.  
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## TRAINING CAMP BRIEFS

### Jolly Cholly Worried Over Hurling Staff

DALLAS, April 7. (U)—Although the work of the Chicago Cubs' pitchers has been pretty slick—they've allowed only 27 runs in the last seven games—Manager Charlie Grimm is a bit anxious about the hurling arms of his big four.

Neither Johnny Schmitz, Walt Dubiel, Bob Rush nor Dutch Leonard has gone the route so far.

Three home runs and a seven-run uprising in the eighth inning gave the Cubs an 8 to 5 decision over the St. Louis Browns here yesterday.

BEAUMONT—Jack Onslow, Chicago White Sox manager, appeared optimistic today about his "big five" pitchers as the Sox awaited a night game with the Beaumont Texas League team.

Onslow has indicated he'll assign the heavy firing to Allen Gettel, Handy Gumpert, Marino Pieretti, Howie Judson and Bill Wight.

Last night at San Antonio, Gettel pitched all the way for the Sox to defeat the Pittsburgh Pirates 7 to 1.

HOUSTON—Walker Cooper, the New York Giants' veteran catcher, will leave for St. Louis late this week to have Dr. Robert F. Hyland check his injured knee. Although the knee is still lame Cooper has been used regularly.

The Giants whipped the Cleveland Indians yesterday, 10-4, to take a 4-3 lead in their exhibition series with the World Champions.

FORT WORTH—Bob Feller, superb in his last start for the Cleveland Indians against the Pittsburgh Pirates, will attempt to silence the booming bats of the New York Giants here today.

The Giants won their 3rd straight over the Tribe in Houston yesterday 10 to 4.

DALLAS—Bill Kennedy, a southpaw, drew the starting assignment on the mound for the St. Louis Browns today in a game against the Chicago Cubs.

HOUSTON—Turned back in their last three games, the Pittsburgh Pirates will place their hopes on victory in Pitcher Bob Muncie for today's game with Houston of the Texas League.

SARASOTA, Fla.—Boston's Red Sox will have a holiday from spring training drill today. The club had its last workout here yesterday and will travel this afternoon to Tampa and thence to Jacksonville where they will oppose the local minor leaguers in an exhibition tomorrow.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—The Detroit Tigers continue their grapefruit exhibition series with Southern Association clubs today, taking on the Memphis Chicks.

If all goes well, righthander Freddie Hutchinson will get the full nine innings. Lou Kretlow went the regulation distance yesterday but was given little hitting support as the Tigers bowed to Birmingham 2 to 1.

ORLANDO, Fla.—The Washington Senators, facing a heavy weekend exhibition schedule, planned a stiff workout today and a day of rest tomorrow.

The Senators play the Philadelphia Phillies Saturday night and the Chattanooga Lookouts of the Southern Association Sunday.

Washington downed the Kansas City Blues, 2-1, yesterday.

TULSA, Okla.—Kevin Conners, first baseman for Montreal last season, will join the Brooklyn Dodgers today in Macon, Ga.

Conners will replace Dee Fondy, another first baseman, who has been optioned to Fort Worth.

Branch Rickey said he had been advised the three games with the Atlanta Club of the Southern Association over the week-end are sell-outs.

The Dodgers blasted the Tulsa Oilers 10-0, yesterday behind the three-hit pitching of Joe Hatten.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Home runs, their chief instrument of destruction in the past, are coming fewer and farther between for the New York Yankees these days.

The Philadelphia Athletics beat the Yanks, 5-1, yesterday to spoil the final day here for the New Yorkers, who break camp today.

## Bell Honored With Dinner

Matty Bell, popular head coach of the Southern Methodist university football team, and Dog Dawson, his traveling companion, were honor guests at a dinner staged by J. Y. Robb, in the Crawford hotel ballroom last night.

Approximately 50 guests were on hand to break bread with the famous Mustang mentor and Robb. Bell and Dawson are combining business with pleasure on their trip west. They are taking recess of their duties to visit with old friends in this area and are on the lookout for prospective ball players.

After the meal, Bell showed colored pictures of the Cotton Bowl game between his SMU team and the Oregon university Webfoots, which was won by the Ponies, 21-13.

## Tacho Martinez's Bengals Open 1949 Season With Abilene Flock Sunday

Tacho Martinez takes his Big Spring Latin-American Tigers to Abilene Sunday afternoon for their opening baseball game of the 1949 season. The War Birds, always a power in West Texas independent circles, take on the Brown Eagles in a 3 o'clock battle.

Isa Mendoza, veteran righthander, will probably go to the pitching rubber for Martinez's contingent.

Tom Arista will be in center field, Pat Martinez at first, Eddie Subia in right field, Elias Gamboa at third base, Tony Castillo at second, Tule Rodriguez at short, Gene Hernandez in left field and Tom Fierro behind the plate.

Castillo is a newcomer to the Bengal lineup. The remainder saw service last season.

The Big Springers will probably play their first home game a week from Sunday.

## Forrester Hikes Discus Standard

DALLAS, April 7. (U)—Bill Forrester of Woodrow Wilson High School in Dallas has set a mark for other discus throwers to shoot at.

He tossed the discus 161 feet, 3 inches in a three-way meet here yesterday. The state record is 155 feet, 8 1-2 inches.

In the triangular meet Woodrow Wilson scored 89 points, North Dallas 52 and Forest 12.

## Doerr Years To Make Series

SARASOTA, Fla., April 7. (U)—Bobby Doerr, 31 today, has one main ambition left in baseball—to play with the winning team in a world series.

Bob came close in 1946 when the Boston Red Sox went seven games before losing to the St. Louis Cardinals. Last year the Sox missed the series by losing the first tie playoff game in American League history.

"What a letdown," said the Sox second baseman. "We made a good comeback to force a tie but I thought sure we were going to beat Cleveland. When we lost it was just like 1946. It's still hard to figure out how a team with so much power could fall so completely against the Cardinals."

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# Locals Favored In Tournament

## Volley Ball Sextet Has 21-3 Record; Clips Garden City In Warmup Test

Favored in most quarters, the Big Spring high school girls' volleyball team moves to Midland Friday to campaign in the district tournament.

Six teams, including Arah Phillips' Steerettes, will be competing in the tournament. The locals will carry a gaudy record to the meet.

In 24 starts this season, the Big Springers have won 21 decisions. They've scored a total of 648 victories to only 371 for the opposition.

The resident sextet plays San Angelo in a first round game tomorrow. If they get by that one, they move right into the finals.

Odessa is favored in the upper bracket of play.

Complete pairings: Midland vs Odessa at 1:30 p. m.; Sweetwater vs Abilene at 2 p. m.; Big Spring vs San Angelo at 2:30 p. m.

Upper bracket semi-finals at 3:30 p. m., finals at 5:30 p. m.

The Big Springers' starting lineup will probably consist of Virginia Costello, Sue Craig, Pat Miller, Pearl Mae Clanton, Jo Nell West and Barbara Dehlinger.

Costello is the team's leading scorer with 107 points. Craig is right behind with 106. Miller has 87, Clanton 85, West 78 and Dehlinger 78.

The Steerettes gathered in their first victory by swamping Garden City here Wednesday night, 37-8. Costello paved the way by spiking 16 points.

The B team set the pattern for victory by gaining a 35-26 win over

# Dentist Named Favorite For Masters Meet

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 7. (AP)—Dr. Cary Middlecoff, the former Memphis dentist was the favorite today in the first round of the Masters Golf Tournament.

On Masters eve, Middlecoff finally became the favorite with his fellow golfers, the Gallery, and the men who make it their business to know.

The 28-year-old native of Halls, Tenn., had been bunched with golf's greatest tournament players—Lloyd Mangrum, Jimmy Demaret, Byron Nelson, Bobby Locke and Sammy Snead, as the favorites of the masters.

Mangrum is second in the pickings.

A recently discovered putting touch, together with consistency of his green-to-tee game, made Sammy Snead the No. 3 man to beat over the damp and gusty Augusta National Course of 6,900 yards.

Other picks in this field of champions rank this way: Jimmy Demaret, Byron Nelson, defending champion Claude Harmon, and amateur Frank Stranahan.

The 12th Masters has the heavy spice of internationalism. Most colorful of all is count John De Bander, formerly Johnny De Forrest, the 1932 British amateur champion in the midst of a comeback which finds him with "a spot of trouble with my woods."

Best known of the international set is Bobby Locke from Johannesburg, South Africa. This is Locke's third Masters.

This is Middlecoff's big year so far. His highlights of 1949 are runner-up at the Houston Invitational; winner of the Rio Grande Valley Open; runner up at the St. Petersburg Open; and partner of Jim Ferrer in winning the Jacksonville Open.

A strong west wind, Dixie's April sun and a close cropping of fairways yesterday got the "course that Bobby Jones built" back in championship playing shape after heavy weekend rains.

The Notre Dame basketball team has won more games than it lost for 26 consecutive seasons.

# Steer Diamond Corps Hosts Odessa At 3:30 Tomorrow

## Jones And Roth Foes On Mound

The Big Spring high school Steers host after their first District 3AA baseball title, will probably be fed a diet of curve ball pitching when they face the dangerous Odessa Bronchos at 3:30 p. m. here Friday.

The Hosse, beaten for the first time in three starts Wednesday, are due to lead with their hook-ball specialist, Oscar Roth.

Coach Conn Isaacs of the locals will probably counter with Howard Jones, a cool operative on the hill. Jones usually depends on his fast ball to see him through and is capable of going seven innings.

The Longhorns jumped into the driver's seat in last Tuesday's game with San Angelo when they came from behind to no. out the Bobcats, 4-3, in two extra innings.

All the teams in the conference, with the exception of Midland, are bunched but the Longhorns have a chance to move away by clipping Odessa.

Isaacs will have Maurice Arcand and Donnie Carter in readiness in event Jones should falter.

# Looking 'Em Over

by Tommy Hart

This may surprise some of the patrons interested in the situation, but approximately 20 coaches have applied for the head football coaching job at Big Spring high school.

The school board meets this evening to review some of the applications but it's a safe bet they won't elect anyone just yet. The trustees want as many applicants as possible before making a final decision.

Supt. W. C. Blankenship wrote the athletic directors of all Southwest Conference schools and other Texas colleges requesting that they notify interested parties.

Most of the instructors who have solicited the board for consideration come from Class A and B schools. One is Carl Coleman, the popular Stamford high mentor. Another is Waymon Wilson of Ballinger, who has put out good teams there in the past.

Two young fellows associated with the athletic department of the Abilene school system even asked to be considered as co-coaches. Others have called in but haven't made formal application.

MURPHY NO LONGER IN SOFT DRINK BUSINESS  
If we were the Drew Pearson of sports, we'd predict that Pat Murphy would get back in the coaching game in the not-to-distant future. That is pure supposition, of course, but coaching is in the Irishman's blood. He is not and apparently will not be an applicant for the local post. However, he's disposed of his holdings in the soft drink business and is "between jobs." He's always happier when he's talking athletics and happier still when he's teaching them.

The Sweetwater baseball club has signed two Texas boys, Dink Hollingsworth of Mertens and Boyd Bryant of Hillsboro, to contracts. Hollingsworth is a catcher, 19 years of age, a big 190-pounder. Bryant is 24 and a pitcher.

BENNETT AND ANGELOANS PLAY AGAIN FRIDAY  
Dr. M. H. Bennett flies down to San Antonio Friday to take up his mallet again for the San Angelo polo team, which is playing a Dallas quartet in the semi-finals of the regional polo tournament.

Bennett is riding at the number one position for Angelo. Doc skied out to Los Angeles several weeks ago to watch part of the international tournament underway there, says Dutch Evinger, the seven-goal Texan, was about the best player in action. Bennett is of the opinion Evinger should be rated about nine goals. Ten goals, of course, is tops.

Bennett's handicap, by the way, was dropped from two to one goal recently and that because he was inactive most of last year. The local horseman had to remain out of play because of a misery in the back but says he's fit now.

When the Pittsburgh Pirates played an exhibition game in Houston recently, about 400 Galveston fans went over to pay tribute to Eddie Stevens, the former Big Spring player now with Pittsburgh.

Stevens was presented with a ten-gallon hat along with Billy Meyer, manager of the Bucs.

Ralph Marshall, well known here because he hurled a no-hit, no-run game for Lubbock against Big Spring before the war, will take part in the Dallas sandlot play again this season. He was with Greenville some of the time last year.

# Ponies Turn Back Broncs In 3 AA Thriller, 2 To 1

SWEETWATER, April 7.—Sweetwater's Mustangs pushed across a run in the last of the seventh to nip the Odessa Bronchos 2-1 in a

District 3AA baseball game here Wednesday afternoon.

The Odessa defeat left the Big Spring Steers in undisputed first place in district standings. The Bronchos scored their lone run in the first inning, and the Mustangs knotted the count in the fourth.

John Woodward, Sweetwater pitcher, limited the Bronchos to five hits.

MIDLAND, April 7.—The Lamesa Tornados whitewashed the Midland Bulldogs, 4-0, in a District 3AA baseball game here Wednesday afternoon. Although outbid by 5 to 4, the Lamesans counted twice in the first and then pushed across two more in the second.

The Tornados played errorless ball all night, while the Bulldogs committed three miscues.

The first eight of an expected 100 linkmen from out of town arrived at the country club early this morning for the West Texas amateur meeting, which the Big Spring country club is hosting for the first time in four years.

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# Cosden, HCJC Play To Tie

Howard County Junior college crowded four runs across the plate in the fourth and last inning to headlock the Cosden Refiners, 6-6, in an abbreviated baseball exhibition played on the Jayhawk diamond west of town Wednesday afternoon. The contest was called after four innings due to darkness.

Branch Spriggs of the Cosden and the Hawks' A. J. Cain hooked up in a pitching duel that Spriggs clearly had the better of until the Jays suddenly got tough in the fourth.

Roy Baird of HCJC and McGee of Cosden were the hitting stars. Baird drove out a double and two singles while McGee had a home run and triple and drove in three runs.

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Alderson 3B 2 0 1 1 1  
Harrison 3B 2 0 0 0 0  
Spriggs p 2 0 0 0 0

VETERAN AUGIE Galan, a major leaguer since 1934, may help the New York Giants in a pinch-hitting and substitute outfielder role this season. Even at 36, Galan is a dependable ball player—a real pro.

Muny Circuit Shaping Up  
Three teams have been entered in the Muny Softball League, and other entries are being sought for the six-team loop by Tuesday evening.

At an organizational meeting held Tuesday at the YMCA, participants voted to limit league membership to six teams and regular play to Wednesday and Friday evenings.

The season is slated to open on April 20, and a schedule is to be drawn up soon.

Next meeting is set for 7:30 p. m. in the YMCA, and those interested in entering a team for competition in the Y-sponsored loop are urged to attend.

Represented at the first meeting were the T&P transportation group headed by Leonard Mook; the T&P shops represented by R. C. Bennett; the Blue Caps, directed by the Merchants, managed by Cotton Miles, was regarded as a fourth team entry, leaving only two spots to be filled.

The meeting will be held in room No. 2 at the Settles hotel, said Lee Milling, executive secretary of the YMCA.

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Buck Frierson, a holdover and a hard hitter, will be in left. In center will be Ben Guintini, a fancy fielder from San Francisco, and a pretty fair sticker. Ralph Rhammes, up from Saginaw; Ken Smith, from Waterloo, and Sinton, are scrapping for the other two berths. Sinton is the only southpaw swinger in the lot.

As for the pitching, Lefty Quentin Altizer, Lefty Clarence Iott and Rookie Bill Garland, another forsider, are the holdovers. Dependence is placed on 40-year-old Vernon Kennedy, from Hollywood, who appears to be the best of the newcomers. Rube Fischer, signed as a free agent at a bonus of \$12,500, is expected to be a big help. He was with Minneapolis last season. Others who should kick in with their share of victories are Oren Baker, righthander from the coast, who was retired last year; Tom Finger, veteran from Wichita Falls where he won 21 games last season, with his southpaw slants; Otto Nicholas a vet righthander from Tyler who will see relief duty; Fernando Rodriguez, a smokeball righthander from Big Spring; Fred emdit, purchased from Nashville, and Floyd Speer from Oakland in the Coast League.

Three new track records were set during the recent Hialeah meeting. The horses posting the new marks were Make Swing, Alpha and Coaltown.

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Eighth District TFWC Convention Begins Full Schedule On Thursday

MIDLAND, April 7.—A program crowded into one full day and parts of two others is scheduled for the annual Spring convention of the Eighth District, Texas Federation of Women's Clubs...

Youth Service Set For Forsan Church

FORSAN, April 7. (Sp)—In observance of youth week at the local First Baptist church, all church affairs are being conducted by young people...

60 Local High Schoolers To Attend Midland League Meeting This Week

Approximately 60 local high school representatives will attend the District Interscholastic League meeting in Midland beginning Friday afternoon and continuing through Saturday.

South Ward Pupils Take Train Trip

Members of the third grade room of South Ward, taught by Mrs. T. E. Bailey, put their transportation study to action Tuesday.

Stitch A Bit Club Meets Wednesday

Sewing was entertainment and refreshments were served at the meeting of the Stitch A Bit Club in the home of Mrs. Raymond Covington Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. W. Page Gives Devotional

Mrs. A. W. Page brought the devotional on "Prayer" from II Chron. 7:14 at the monthly business meeting of the Gleasers Sunday school class in the home of Mrs. Ira C. Raley, 809 E. 15th, Wednesday.

GM Forty-Two Club Meets Wednesday

Mrs. G. W. Ferrell, 808 Bunnels entertained the Wednesday meeting of the GM Forty Two club. Mrs. Harry Lees won high score and Mrs. W. E. Richardson won low.

Mrs. Glen Grantham Named Honoree At Bridal Shower Given At Knott

KNOTT, April 7 (Sp)—Mrs. Glen Grantham was named honoree at a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. J. C. Spalding recently, with Mrs. S. T. Johnson as co-hostess.

Y Will Show Three Films This Weekend

Three motion pictures are to be projected to two groups by the YMCA this weekend. They are educational in nature. One, a presentation by the Denver Rio Grande and Western Railway company, is entitled "Scenery Unlimited."

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burrow were: Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Burrow, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrow of San Antonio, Mrs. Ola Franklin of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Iglehart, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Iglehart, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Iglehart, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Autry, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Autry, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burrow and family.

Finance Official Says City Improvements Should Be Limited

DALLAS, April 7. (AP)—City improvements should be limited until building costs go down, said Blaine Phillips, executive director of the Municipal Finance Officers Assn. of the United States and Canada.

Mrs. Bert Mathies and her sister, Woodine Hill and Herschel Mathies attended the Training Union convention in Abilene.

Two Freight Cars In South Salt Creek

GRAHAM, April 7. (AP)—Two freight cars of automobiles and beer were in South Salt Creek today. They fell there late yesterday when a bridge collapsed.

Robert Brown, Fred Roman, E. L. Roman, Bobby Roman, Henry Sample, Herschel Eason and True Douglass have returned from a fishing trip on the Rio Grande. They brought back over 400 pounds of fish, with the largest catch weighing over 60 pounds.

Choir To Meet

Members of the First Methodist choir will meet for practice at the church at 7:30 p. m. today.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burchell visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Curry in Big Spring.

Is In Hospital

Mrs. J. F. Wolcott, 600 Runnels, is reported still very ill in the Big Spring hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ross were Sunday guests in the Miller Nichols home.

In 1948, when they won the National League pennant, the Boston Braves had the lowest percentage in the league for hitting home runs at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gaskin and son of Cauble were Saturday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stallings.

Charles Burks spent Sunday with Leonard Elbert Burks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Robinson, Wanda Lee, Carol, Joyce and Martha Frances spent the week end in Pecos visiting her mother, Mrs. A. Durdin.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Witt, Lillian Fay and Luther Ellis were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bass and family of Centerpoint.

Friday guests in the home of Mrs. Meedy Shortes were Mr. and Mrs. Reedy Allred and Roy.

Mrs. J. W. Walker of Big Spring is spending the week end in the J. C. Spalding home.

Winners in these events will proceed to Abilene April 22, 23 to compete in the regional meets there and if successful, will attend the state meeting in Austin in May.

Students selected from the speech department by Mrs. Janelle Davis, instructor, will include: Ellen Eastham, Nancy Whitney, Alan Conley and Bud Whitney. Chosen to compete in the declamation contests, Patsy Young will represent the senior girls; Marilyn Miller, junior girls; Kelly Lawrence, senior boys and Jeff Hanna, junior boys.

During the recent revival, 35 admissions were made to the church, 18 by letter and statement and 17 for baptism. One person did not wish to affiliate with the church.

Mrs. C. M. Goldsmith is chairman of local preparations for the convention, with Mrs. W. L. Keer as co-chairman, and Mrs. Harvey Rhodes as assistant. Mrs. James O. Simmons, Jr., local program chairman, worked with Mrs. Kar Butz of Fort Stockton to arrange the program.

Mrs. Flossie Low of the Business Administration department has selected Delores Franklin, Dorothy Christian, Richard Deats, Helen McClure, Bonnie Newton, Jean Glennia Smith, Weldon Rainey, Kenneth Luckett, Ronnie Burnam, Patricia Ann Thornton, Nickie Petroff, Steven Baird, James Raley, Loretta Bennett, Charles Morris, Benson Kennedy, Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Baird.

Mother, making the trip were Mrs. Earl Reynolds, Mrs. Repps Guitler, Mrs. Luther Coleman, Mrs. F. D. Rogers, Mrs. A. D. Meadors, Mrs. Norman Holcomb, Mrs. J. T. Thornton, Jr.

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Wayne Bonner to the track and by Wheeler, Cleome Russell, In-cella Weaver, Gene Campbell, Ben Boadie, Cui Grigsby, Weldon Howell, Howard Washburn, C. D. Harris, Billy King, Kenneth Currie, Robert Kuykendall, Charles Wilbanks, Arless Davis, Donnie Carter, Don Williams and Bobby Gross.

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# Banker Dumped \$690,000 In Bonds Into Bay, Court Told

NEW YORK, April 7. (U) — Before Bank Official Richard Crowe made his flight to Florida, he paid 100 debts and dumped \$690,000 in bonds into New York Harbor, a government attorney says.

At Crowe's arraignment here last night, Chief Asst. U. S. Atty. Irving Saypol gave details of the bank funds.

The attorney said the husky, 41-year-old banker had packed his bag with "as much currency as he could carry"—\$193,660 in cash—from the vault of the branch bank where he was assistant manager.

Crowe, with only some small change in his pocket, was returned here by plane from Florida yesterday—10 days after he disappeared.

Tanned but grim as he stepped from a plane at Ft. Guardia Field, Crowe was shaken away by FBI agents. He said he did not "want to talk to anybody."

At his arraignment, he said "I plead guilty." But Federal Judge Alfred C. Coxe told him he did not need to plead at that time if he waived a preliminary hearing.

Crowe said he would waive the hearing. Bail of \$100,000, set at an arraignment in Tampa, Fla., was continued. A grand jury now must act on the federal embezzlement charge.

His wife, Mrs. Honora Ward Crowe, and her brother, Maj. Frank Ward, visited him before the arraignment.

Saypol told the court that Crowe planned the embezzlement on Thursday, March 24, the day before he looted the vault of the Broadway branch bank.

Over that week end, Crowe re-



**CROWE ARRIVES FOR ARRAIGNMENT** — Richard H. Crowe (right), arrested in Daytona Beach, Fla., on charges of taking \$694,660 from the National City Bank of New York, is shown in the hands of a federal officer as he enters Federal Building, Tampa, Fla., for preliminary hearing and removal order. (AP Wirephoto).

maintained at his Staten Island home, the attorney said, keeping up his social life, and dispatching money to some 100 creditors. The FBI said he mailed about \$61,000 to persons he owed.

On Sunday, Saypol related Crowe took a ride on the Staten Island ferry, and tossed an envelope with \$690,000 in bonds from the bank into New York bay. Earlier, Crowe was quoted as saying he threw the bonds into the Atlantic Ocean to spite the bank's officials.

The next day, Crowe did not appear at the bank for work.

Crowe was arrested last Monday at Daytona Beach, Fla., after FBI men had traced him through two automobiles he had purchased and then abandoned. He still had \$54,798 in his suitcase.

In contrast to his grim mood on his arrival here, passengers said that on the plane trip from Florida Crowe joked and chatted and acted as if he were on a "pleasure cruise."

# No. 1 T. J. Good Continues To Test Thursday

With 90 feet of pay established, the Seaboard Oil Corp. of Delaware and Pan-American Producing Corp. No. 1 T. J. Good, southwest Borden Canyon lime discovery, continued testing Thursday.

On a drillstem test from 7,970-8,000 feet Wednesday, the venture began flowing in 19 minutes and in seven hours flowed 137 barrels or at the rate of 19.6 barrels per hour through half-inch chokes. There was no water and the discovery was coring ahead.

Originally the wildest, five and a half miles northwest of the Vealmoor pool in northern Howard county flowed at the rate of 20 barrels per hour from 7,910-20, then at the rate of 22 barrels an hour from 7,920-40. Casing was set at that depth and then the exploration flowed at the rate of 17.6 barrels per hour from 7,940-70 for 10 hours. Location is 1.885 feet from the south and 2,004 feet from the west lines of section 37-33-4n, T&P.

In the Vealmoor pool, Seaboard No. 4 H. N. Zant, section 28-33-3n, T&P, was reported below 7,300 feet.

Magnolia No. 1-A Gartner, in northeast Howard county, was waiting for cement to set around casing at 8,490 feet preparatory to testing the Mississippian section next week. The deep wildcat, a failure in the Ellenburger, is in section 67-20, La-Vaca.

# Taxicab Strike May End Today

NEW YORK, April 7. (U) — City officials were reported hopeful today that the week-old taxicab strike would end by nightfall, though union chiefs declared it would continue.

Here was the picture as union leaders and Mayor William O'Dwyer scheduled a meeting at city hall at noon:

1. Police said two-thirds of the city's 11,000-odd cabs were back on the streets.

2. The large companies among the 437 taxi fleet operators claimed "the strike is broken."

3. The union contended the strike is 80 per cent effective and "the morale of the strikers is high."

# Storm Forecasting Weather Most Subject

WASHINGTON, April 7. (U) — Ways to improve storm forecasting during the 1949 hurricane season will be discussed at a meeting of weather bureau officials here April 13.

I. R. Tannehill, chief of the division of reports and forecasts, told a reporter "we have nothing particular on the agenda but we hold these sessions annually in an effort to better the hurricane warning service."

# Held For Authorities

Dan Holt, arrested here this morning, will be turned over to the Artesia, N. M., authorities.

Holt reportedly is wanted in that city on a charge of violation of the Mann act.

# Tom Rites Today

SAN ANTONIO, April 7. (U) — Funeral services for Phil H. Tom, secretary of the Old Trail Drivers Assn., were held here today. Tom, 83, died Tuesday.

# Pre-Trial Hearing On 10 Major Oil Companies Is Set

AUSTIN, April 7. (U) — Pre-trial hearing of an antitrust suit against 10 major oil companies was set today for May 2 as two other antitrust actions were brought by the state.

The hearing was ordered in 98th District Court by Judge Charles O. Betts at the request of Atty. Gen. Price Daniel.

Daniel alleged in bringing the suit recently that the companies have fixed and maintained a uniform and non-competitive tank wagon price on gasoline in Texas since July 1, 1946.

The new suits were filed in 120th District Court against the Chambers Corp., a Kitchener range manufacturer, and the Flato company, a Texas distributor.

The state's petition alleged that it sold fixed and maintained the retail price at which Kitchener ranges are sold by independent retailers in Texas. The Flato Co. is also charged with price fixing of several refrigerators, Dexter washing machines and Simplex ironers.

# Sheriff Arrests Man In Garden City Area

GARDEN CITY, April 7.—Things were pretty exciting in this area at dusk Monday when Sheriff Walter Teale took a man, giving the name of Andrews Billingsly, into custody.

Teale said the 21-year old man was sought in connection with a driving case at Honda, Texas. The driver was spotted by the sheriff as he turned north from the Sterling City road to the Big Spring highway. Accompanied by Joe Carter, Teale gave chase, finally overtaking the man after he had turned off the highway at the Ballinger place.

A large number of people, aware of the chase, had driven out the highway and accompanied the sheriff and the man back to town. Officers in this area, alerted on the pursuit, arrived shortly after Teale closed in. The highway patrol arrived soon afterwards and took charge of the man, who gave his address as Lamesa.

# TB Group's Meeting Set Here April 13

Annual meeting of the Howard County Tuberculosis Association will be held at the city-county health unit office on April 13, it was announced today.

The session will begin at 8 p. m. The general public is invited to attend.

# Scout Leaders Study Plans For Roundup

Plans for the 23rd annual Boy Scout Roundup were being studied here today by adult Scout leaders and members of the Buffalo Trail Council's professional staff.

H. D. Norris, assistant council executive, Sweetwater, and E. E. Mullins, field executive, Snyder, were here this morning for conferences in the office of Jimmie Hale, local area executive. During the day they planned to confer with several adult leaders here in preparation for the council-wide event, which is scheduled for April 21-23.

# Fastest Plane May Be In Production

NEW YORK, April 7. (U) — Development of a rocket engine that may carry aircraft at the unprecedented speed of more than 1,600 miles an hour is nearing completion.

The Curtiss-Wright Corp. is building the power unit for a new Air Force plane, the X-2, which is said to be designed to fly faster than any known aircraft.

The firm announced yesterday that work on the power unit is in its final stages at its Caldwell, N. J., plant.

A company spokesman said the new plane is designed to outfly the X-1A, which, according to its builder, Boeing Aircraft Corp., would go "60 to 70 per cent faster" than the X-1.

If the Washington reports are correct, this would mean a speed of about 1,600 or 1,700 miles an hour for the X-2.

Curtiss Wright said the new X-2 would be used "to obtain scientific data on which to base the design for future combat aircraft."

# Undergoes Surgery

Jimmy Spillman, year-old son of Mrs. Doris Spillman, underwent major surgery at a local hospital Wednesday and was said to be progressing satisfactorily this morning. He is expected to be confined to the hospital for some time.

# The Nation's Weather

CHICAGO, April 7. (U) — Skies were clear and temperatures about normal over most of the country today.

# WILL CIVIL WAR GO ON?

# China May Spurn Red Surrender Ultimatum

NANKING, April 7. (U) — Nationalist China may reject the Communist ultimatum to surrender its armies by Tuesday.

Acting President Li Tsung-Jen reportedly already has rejected it in its present form. He is unable to wrangle concessions the civil war likely is on again.

Li has ordered Premier Ho Ying-Chin back from Canton to help him frame a formal reply. It must be given by Saturday. He went to Canton to try to get help from Kuomintang (government) party leaders.

Gloom prevailed the capital. The ultimatum felt like a bombshell yesterday. Many were shocked and resentful. Peace talks were supposed to be underway in Peiping.

Foreign diplomats informed their governments of the sudden Red demands. There has been no comment from Washington.

In brief, the ultimatum demanded formation by Saturday of a joint committee to supervise surrender of Nationalist armies by Tuesday.

Red troops will cross the Yangtze River into South China if the terms are not met, the ultimatum said. Observers give the Nationalists little chance to stop them. Since Jan. 1 the government has been too weak militarily to meet the Reds on equal terms.

From the sea inland to Hankow, there are fewer national defenders. South of the river, National Gens. Pal Chung-Hsi at Hankow and Tan Gen-Po at Nanking have their slim forces dispersed.

Red Gens. Lin Piao and Chen Yi

have poised big armies north of the Yangtze.

All national bridgeheads north of the river have virtually been wiped out. Lin Qiao's strongest forces are 110 miles north of Hankow.

What has happened at the Peiping peace talks is not known here. Most government officials seem to have forgotten about them. The abrupt Red demands have changed the whole picture.

A great deal depends, perhaps, on South China's reaction to Ho's appeals. In South China, Chiang Kai-Shek, despite his retirement from the presidency, still is powerful.

The great cities of Nanking and Shanghai likely would fall to the Reds early in any fighting. Canton, which has been the sub-capital, would become the hub of Nationalist efforts.

Surrender of his armies would place Li at the mercy of the Communists. They had indicated na-

tional troops would be handed over to Red command as at Peiping.

The national high command is divided politically. Some commanders lean toward Li and others toward Chiang Kai-Shek. Still others, particularly the Moslem Ma cousins in Northwest China, might put loose on their own.

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John J. Harper and Claudia Low, Big Spring.  
D. Allison and Christopher Sampias, Big Spring.
- Warranty Deeds**  
Mrs. Doris Roberts to Mrs. Phillips Lot 14 Blk 8 Bellies Htz. add. \$1,500.  
Minnie Slaughter Vial to Margaret Joy Smith Lot 3 Blk 4 Vestmore, 400.  
Hosna Rucka et ux to Ham Andrew Lot 4 Blk 1 Banks add. \$175.  
Sert 24 Blk 21 Top 1-N 7 & P. 210.  
Minnie Slaughter Vial to W. D. Martin Lot 1, 2, Blk 3 Vestmore, 1125.  
In 70th District Court  
Marcus E. Woods vs Imogene Woods null for divorce.  
Alma Ruth Bartlett vs Robert E. Bartlett, null for divorce.  
Lottie Mae Echols vs Joe E. Echols null for divorce.  
Mary Lee Ham vs Robert H. Ham, null for divorce.  
Betty Prissell vs Otis V. Prissell, null for divorce.
- New Vehicles**  
Y. D. Ryan, Mercury coupe.  
E. W. Berry, Mercury sedan.  
O. M. Poe, Buick sedan.  
Fashion Cleaners, Ford panel.  
Olen Cook, Lincoln sedan.  
Pauline Brown, Plymouth sedan.  
B. B. Motor Co., Ford coupe.  
C. W. Thompson, Ford coupe.  
E. J. Coover, Ford sedan.  
J. N. Taylor, Chevrolet coupe.  
A. A. McAllister, Jr., Chevrolet sedan.  
J. J. Criss, Packard sedan.  
J. V. Cherry, Ford sedan.  
L. E. Echols, Dodge truck.  
B. R. Tule, Plymouth sedan.  
O. L. Rush, Mercury sedan.  
L. Dean, Mercury sedan.  
W. R. O'Paré, Mercury coupe.  
Jerry Buchanan, Ford coupe.  
Roy Bruce, Lincoln sedan.  
H. C. Kimbrough, Plymouth coupe.  
A. J. Hunsicker, Chevrolet sedan.  
Mable Dean Hobbs, Ford coupe.  
J. R. Shalburne, Dodge sedan.  
R. Mullins, Ford sedan.  
John Davis, Studebaker truck.  
Lee Hays, Oldsmobile sedan.  
L. R. Cook, Lincoln sedan.  
Hal Boyd, Oldsmobile sedan.  
Dick Ford, Indian motorcycle.  
W. A. Lasker, Mercury sedan.  
F. C. Reese, Chevrolet truck.  
Truman Jones, Motor Co. Mercury sedan.  
F. D. Rogers, Plymouth sedan.  
O. C. Ely, Dodge sedan.  
Joe B. Rorer, Indian motorcycle.
- Building Permits**  
Morris Clanton Motor Co. to erect metal structure sign at 400 East Third, \$400.  
Fred Dodson, to move three frame buildings from outside city to 271 West 30th, \$100.  
Muleshoe schools, to move frame building through city, \$1,000.  
E. L. Newson, to remodel frame and stucco building at 1511 Sprurry, \$1,500.  
Bertha Brown, to remodel frame building at 202 NW 28th, \$100.  
Bertha Brown, to build frame and stucco house at 202 NW 28th, \$100.  
E. L. Newson, to remodel frame addition to house at 711 NW 28th, \$100.  
A. E. Nobles, to remodel house at 404 Washington Blvd., \$200.  
Mrs. R. E. Gay, to remodel building at 404-407 East 3rd, \$100.  
Justin Holmes, to demolish brick veneer garage and build addition to house at 301 Washington Blvd., \$4,000.

# Southern Minerals Risks Legislation In Sale Of Gas

WASHINGTON, April 7. (U) — A Texas attorney says he told Southern Minerals Corp. it would risk "the burden of federal legislation" if it sold its gas in the Richard King Field of Texas to Tennessee Gas Transmission Co.

The courts have ruled, Hayden W. Head told a House interstate commerce subcommittee yesterday, that sale of gas by a producing company to a pipeline company carrying gas into other states makes the producing firm a "natural gas company" subject to regulation by the Federal Power Commission even though the companies are in no way affiliated.

Head is from Corpus Christi and Austin, Tex. Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co. owns and operates a pipeline from South Texas to West Virginia. It buys gas in South Texas and transports it and sells it in other states to distributing companies, he said.

The committee is hearing testimony on bills which would prohibit the Federal Power Commission from taking jurisdiction over local production and gathering of natural gas by independent companies.

# Legion Youth Group To Be Discussed At Meeting Tonight

Organization of a local squadron of Sons of the Legion will be developed at a meeting tonight of the American Legion post, and officials are urging full attendance at the session.

Obis Bristow is directing activities of the youth group, which is open to all male descendants of veterans. Activities will be athletic, recreational and educational.

Officials from the state department of the Legion are expected here tonight, to give information on the Sons of the Legion, Boys' State and Legion Junior baseball activities.

"We urge all members to be present, and especially do we want all the fathers of the boys who may line up with these programs," said Post Commander Neel Barnaby.

# Housewives Learn How To Get Rid Of Garbage

NEW ORLEANS, April 7. (U) — Worried housewives were told how to get rid of garbage as 1,000 trash collectors and street sweepers stuck to "an indefinite holiday" here today.

Dr. Walter P. Gardiner, city health superintendent, advised burning of all possible garbage. Storage or burial of the remainder was suggested.

Several hundred people have been invited to share in the ceremonies which will precede a western barbecue served at the hands of the Odessa chuck wagon gang.

In short rites, the featured speaker will be Grover Good, Houston, brother to Tom Good, and who spent several years of his youth in this area. Oil company officials and other dignitaries will be introduced, and Mr. Good is scheduled to have a few words of welcome.

# Driver Fined \$75

Wid Kirk Hyer, charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants, was fined \$75 and expenses in county court this morning. Driving privileges of the accused were also suspended for six months, in accordance with state statutes.

# Good Ranch Barbecue To Be Given Today

Marking the discovery of oil on their land, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Good rounded out preparations today for a barbecue on the well site in southwest Borden county at 4:45 p. m. today.

Several hundred people have been invited to share in the ceremonies which will precede a western barbecue served at the hands of the Odessa chuck wagon gang.

In short rites, the featured speaker will be Grover Good, Houston, brother to Tom Good, and who spent several years of his youth in this area. Oil company officials and other dignitaries will be introduced, and Mr. Good is scheduled to have a few words of welcome.

# Deputy Sheriff To Investigate Checks

S. E. Johnson has been hired by the county as deputy sheriff and, as Sheriff Bob Wolf puts it, "will specialize in investigating bogus checks."

Johnson is a long time resident of Big Spring. During World War II, he served with the Army overseas.

# MARKETS

**COTTON**  
NEW YORK, April 7. (U) — Noon cotton prices were 15 to 25 cents a bale higher than the previous close. May 23.50, July 31.50 and Oct 28.50.

**WALL STREET**  
NEW YORK, April 7. (U) — The stock market searched for a direction again today. Gains and losses were thoroughly scrambled. Changes either way amounted to well under a point in most cases.

Trading started at a languid pace and showed no inclination to rise as the session progressed.

**LIVESTOCK**  
FORT WORTH, April 7. (U) — Cattle 600; calves 300; steady; common to good slaughter steers and yearlings 15.00-25.00; choice 18.00; beef cows 17.00-18.00; canners and cutters 12.00-17.00; bulls 16.00-21.00; good fat calves 24.00-25.50; common to medium 18.00-21.00.  
Hogs 1,500; butchers mostly 50c lower; some sales 15c off; some steady to mostly 50c down; feeder pigs, unchanged; top 18.50; good and choice 19.00-20.00; butchers 18.00; good and choice 18.00-19.00; 18.00-20.00; good and choice 20.00-21.00; sows 14.00-15.50; feeder pigs 14.00-18.00.  
Sheep 2,000; steady; good and choice spring lambs 30.00-31.00; good and choice short slaughter lambs 28.00-29.00; medium and good short slaughter lambs 21.00-22.00; common to good short slaughter ewes 11.50-13.00; feeder lambs 22.00-24.00.

# WEATHER

**BIG SPRING AND VICINITY** Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Friday. High today 62, low tonight 52, high tomorrow 64.  
Highest temperature this date, 62 in 1945; lowest this date, 28 in 1936; maximum rainfall this date, 1.92 in 1924.  
**WEST TEXAS**—Fair this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.  
**EAST TEXAS**—Fair this afternoon, tonight and Friday. Warm in southeast and extreme south portion tonight. Moderate south and southwest winds on the coast.

**TEMPERATURES**

City	Max	Min
Abilene	61	43
Amarillo	73	46
BIG SPRING	62	42
Chicago	67	40
Denver	68	38
El Paso	72	42
Fort Worth	67	38
Galveston	71	40
New York	64	44
San Antonio	66	40
St. Louis	64	40
San Jose	64	40
San Francisco	64	40
Seattle	64	40
Wichita	64	40

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**DEMONSTRATION** — Charles White, appliance sales manager for Big Spring Hardware company, demonstrates to a group of interested women just how handy, efficient and economical the new Bendix washing machine can be. Demand indicates that many housewives are convinced of this fact, too. (Jack M. Haynes Photo)

**Easter Chicks Coming**

Easter chicks—those brightly colored little chirpers that bring cheer to youngsters—are on their way to Neel Feed & Supply store, Fifth and Main. But this is by no means the extent of Neel's poultry trade, for every week 2,500 baby chicks are booked in, and special orders for larger amounts are handled on one to three-weeks booking. In addition the Neel store has all the necessary feeds, the long list of auxiliary supplies and equipment such as electric batteries, brooders, waterers, feeders, etc.

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**Neel Provides For Yard Needs**

Yard and garden fanciers are hitting the jackpot at Neel's Feed and Supply store these spring days.

Anticipating the needs of this area, J. F. Neel, owner, laid in a big store of flower and grass seeds, garden seeds, fertilizers, sources of organic matter, plant foods and anti-pest chemicals.

Grass seed are right at the head of the demand column these days as residents prepare for green carpets this summer—and for the year around. Most popular is the dependable Bermuda in hulled seed that gives faster and more uniform germination. Many, however, are planting this with mixtures of Kentucky blue and Italian rye, in equal year-around grasses and keep the lawn green throughout the winter. Neel also has supplies of carpet (San Augustine) grass and lawn clovers of various types.

Vigoro stands at the top for plant foods, balanced for real performance in reviving waning lawns and flowers and restoring color and thriftiness. Neel has other plant

foods and special elements such as phosphates, ammonium sulphate and sulphur.

Several persons have bought horticultural petemoss by the bale, and one customer has ordered out nine bales during the season to give real organic substance to his soil.

To protect plants against aphids, insects, and other destructive creatures, Neel has a variety of effective compounds.

As for garden seed, almost any vegetable grown in this country can be found in bulk or in packets at the Neel counters.

**Cycle Headquarters**

The Harley-Davidson 125 is maintaining its position at the head of the popularity list among younger motorcycle riders, according to Cecil Thixton, local Harley-Davidson dealer. Thixton, who operates his business at 908 West Third street, furnishes the 125's as well as other Harley-Davidson models for cyclists in this area.

**Approach Of Summer Signal For Renewed Interest In Cycling**

The approach of summer is the signal for renewed interest in motorcycle riding among enthusiasts in this area, and the Cecil Thixton, Cycle shop, 908 West Third street, figures prominently in the season's plans for many of them.

Thixton not only furnishes cyclists the famous Harley-Davidson Motorcycles, but also offers multiple related services. His shop is equipped to service all types of motorcycles, and he is prepared to furnish and install accessories and replacement parts of all sorts. That holds true for bicycles, motor-scooters, motorbikes and tricycles. Thixton services and repairs them all, and his customers have the satisfaction of knowing that their equipment is in the hands of a man thoroughly experienced in his work.

Thixton is receiving new Harley-Davidson Motorcycles from time

**Host Of Items In Hardware Concern**

Houses which have taken a beating from the elements can be made to look like new through the application of McMurty paints, proffered to residents of this area by the Big Spring Hardware company. The concern stocks all colors of the paint, as well as floor varnishes and stains.

Bendix washers, Bendix dryers and Bendix ironers are also stocked by the establishment, along with such conventional types of washers as the Maytag model, which boasts both the electric and gasoline motor.

Maytag stoves are handled by the Big Spring Hardware company. That particular make features the pre-heating Dutch oven, which generates heat speedily and is so built that it retains it. Kelvinator deep-freeze units and electric ranges are also stocked by the local store. Youngsters who like motorized

transportation will find the Servicycle, sold by the Big Spring Hardware company, handy and economical.

All types of plumbing equipment, including the famous Eljin line, are sold by the establishment.

The motorist will find he can satisfy his needs for tires and tubes at the concern. Manfield casings are handled by the Big Spring Hardware people. Other lines of merchandise handled by the store include Zenith radios, Club aluminum houseware, DeLavel cream separators and milking machines and American kitchens.

Business telephone number of the Big Spring Hardware company is 14.

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