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# Ranch Day In Eastland Saturday

### Who Said 13 Is Unlucky?



Here's proof that the old "13" superstition is strictly bugaboo. In the Great Seal of the United States, emblem of American heritage, the number 13 appears in six different symbols, as noted on this sketch. Despite this multiple "jinx," Uncle Sam's nieces and nephews seem to have done all right since the seal was designed for the Continental Congress in 1782.

### Maverick Band Future At Stake In Ranch Week

The future of the Eastland High School Maverick Band will be at stake in the success or failure of the Ranch Week observance here as the Band Boosters Club needs about \$3,200 to pay off current debts against uniform and instrument purchases. All proceeds of Ranch Week will go to the Band Boosters Club, Aubrey Van Hoy, president, for payment of the debts. A total of \$1,517 has been contributed to the purchase fund, with \$3,200 still needed to clear the debts. Virtually all money collected to date has been applied on the band instrument purchase. Contributors include: Don C. Hill, \$100; Bob Vaught, \$100; Carl Angstadt, \$5; Joseph M. Perkins, \$5; Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. \$25; T. & P. Railway, \$10; Perry Bros. Store \$25; Cogdell Auto Supply Co., \$25; Mrs. Baird's Baking Co., \$100; Premier Oil Refining Co., \$100; Lake Temple, \$200; Lewis E. Starr, \$5; Verner Chambers, \$25; Crowell Lumber Co. \$25; Osborne Motor Co. \$25; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pullman \$25; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Horton, \$50; C. W. Hoffmann, \$100; Grimes Bros. \$25; C. W. Hoffmann, \$100; Grimes Bros. \$25; Texas Electric Service Co., \$100; Lamb Motor Co., \$100; Metraw Motor Co., \$100; Mrs. Mitchell, \$100; Interstate Circuit, Inc. \$217.

### Omaha Lawyer Nominated For Navy Secretary

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP)—The White House today announced that President Truman has selected Francis P. Matthews, Omaha lawyer and banker, to be secretary of the Navy. Matthews, 62, was picked to succeed John L. Sullivan who resigned in protest against cancellation of Navy plans to build a 65,000-ton aircraft carrier. Matthews has no Army or Navy service background, but he served on President Truman's committee on civil rights in 1946. He is a leader in Catholic affairs and formerly was supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus. He is a Democrat. The White House declined to discuss his role in the last election campaign. Jonathan Daniels, North Carolina editor, was offered the Navy post recently by Mr. Truman, but after some consideration, Daniels turned it down. During the war, Matthews served as an official of the National War Fund, the United Service Organizations and the Board on War Prisoners' Aid. He received the medal for merit in 1946. He has been active for years in civic and educational affairs, heading the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and Community Chest. He was chairman of the Douglas County Democratic Central Committee from 1932 to 1936.

### Eastland Youth Serving With AWS In Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Captain Roger L. Arnold, U.S. Air Force, is now serving with the Air Weather Service (AWS), Washington, D. C., as a meteorologist and weather observer-forecaster. A veteran of 64 months overseas in Northwest Canada and Alaska Captain Arnold was commissioned in 1934 after attending Texas A&M College, College Station, Texas. He is a graduate of the USAF Weather Forecasting School at Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois. Shortly after receiving his commission, Captain Arnold was assigned to AWS, the world-wide weather observing and forecasting service of the Military Air Transport Service (MATS). MATS was formed last June as a result of the consolidation of the Air Transport Command and the Naval Air Transport Service and June 1 will mark the anniversary of its first year of operation during which time MATS has provided all departments of the National Military Establishment with scheduled air transport service in addition to supporting the Berlin airlift with personnel and aircraft of AWS. Captain Arnold is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Leroy Arnold, of Box 165, Eastland, Texas. He is married to the former Miss Patricia Henry, daughter of Mrs. Elsie Stookie, of Box 262, Stony Plain, Alberta, Canada. They have one child, Linda, 2, and are residing at Andrew Air Force Base, near Washington, D. C.

### PARADE, CARNIVAL, CONCERT PLANNED IN DAY'S FESTIVITIES

Hold on to your hats, partners, for Saturday, May 14, is Ranch Day in Eastland with a big parade, carnival and tri city band concert planned in the festivities. It's all for the benefit of the Eastland High School Band Boosters Club and part of a Ranch Week observance proclaimed by Mayor Linkenhogger. Stetson hats, blue jeans and cowboy boots will be the order of the day as citizens "go Western," or run the risk of being locked up in a jail on the Courthouse square for failure to don ranch attire. Starting the activities will be a downtown parade at 3 p. m. The parade will start at the City Hall, continue around the Courthouse square and wind up at the Eastland Postoffice. March in the parade, will be colorful mounted riders, bands, floats and various organizations. Following the parade, a carnival will be maintained on the Courthouse square, with fun and prizes for the whole family. Under the direction of Neil Day, the Carnival will feature various types of games and refreshments. A tri-city combined band concert, including Ranger, Cisco and Eastland Bands, will be given Saturday night on the square. The audience will have the unusual experience of hearing three separate bands playing as one. An invitation has been issued for all Eastland County citizens to come to Eastland and join the Ranch Day entertainment. Funeral services for Isaac Alva Head, 23, of Fort Worth, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Head of Eastland, who was killed Wednesday morning in a traffic mishap near Wichita, Kansas, were held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the First Methodist Church of Eastland. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Bond, officiated. Burial was in Eastland Cemetery under direction of Hammer Funeral Home. Survivors include his wife, two sons, Patrick Ray, 4, and Michael, three months; and his parents. Head sustained fatal injuries when he was struck by a truck while parked at the side of the road to fix a flat tire. At the time of the accident, he was accompanied by his employer, Mrs. E. E. Manney, owner of a Fort Worth and Wichita, Kansas publishing company. Manney was reported to have been injured and is in a Wichita hospital.

### Rites Today For Isaac A. Head

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### \$500 TO GO For Payment On New VFW Home

A total of \$1,500 had been raised as of Thursday night for a down payment on a permanent home for the Karl & Boyd Tanner Post of the Eastland Veterans of Foreign Wars, it was announced by the finance committee at a special meeting of the Post. A total of \$500 remained for the necessary down payment of \$2,000, with an option to buy good until Sunday, May 15. The property under consideration is the H. L. Lewey rock home, just east of the city on Highway 80, with purchase price to be \$6,000. VFW workers were out bright and early this morning making a final push to secure the additional \$500 needed. Persons desiring to make a contribution are urged to contact Commander Jim Gilbreath Jr., or any member of the Post.

### Relative Of Eastland People Dies Suddenly

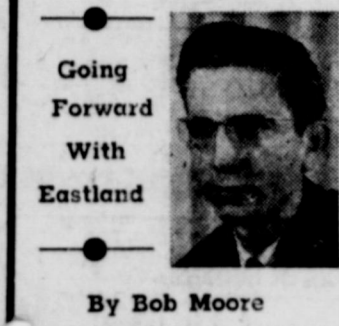
Word has been received here that Wayne Rutherford of Canadian, about 3 years old grandson of Mrs. W. T. Rutherford and nephew of Mrs. T. C. Harlow, both of Eastland, had a balloon lodge in his throat Friday and died of suffocation. Funeral services will be held there Saturday, May 14. About one-third of the total hours of farm work is devoted to field work.

### Mayor Of Electra To Be "Long Haul" Passenger That Stops Train

DALLAS, Tex. May 13 (UP)—The fleet Fort Worth and Denver City Railroad's Zephyr will stop at Electra today to discharge a passenger—Mayor T. Leo Moore. And the moment Moore alights from the train, Electra's townspeople will swarm aboard the streamliner to serve hot dogs, coffee and doughnuts to the crew and passengers. A brass band will play music to pep up the ceremony.

### STATEWIDE ALARM FOR SWINDLER ISSUED HERE

A statewide pick up alarm has been issued by the Eastland County Sheriff's office for Roy L. Mears, wanted here on a felony swindle charge. Mears is believed to be driving a light gray two-door 1947 Ford automobile, bearing Texas license plate CA3903. Sheriff J. B. Williams has issued an appeal for Eastland County citizens who have any information regarding Mears' whereabouts to contact his office immediately. A complaint has been filed in Justice of the Peace E. E. Woods' court charging Mears with swindle in the amount of \$1,100. Mears allegedly issued a worthless draft on the Blanket State Bank, payable to King Motor Co. of Eastland, in the amount of \$1,100 for a 1947 Ford automobile. The draft, dated May 11, was signed "Dollar Auto Parts, by Roy L. Mears."



Going Forward With Eastland By Bob Moore Mrs. Roy Kinser, Route 2, Gorman, advises she has a large, part-Persian cat that is 13 years old, in excellent condition. The cat came to Mrs. Kinser's house one night along with three brothers and sisters. Someone had dumped them out. Named Tiger, the striped feline has never been sick to speak of Mrs. Kinser sends along a cute picture made eight years ago of her daughter and Tiger. We are very glad to get the entry, but Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter of Eastland, still lead the field with Tommy Toy, who is almost 16 years old. Remember, Sunday, May 15, is the deadline for entries to determine the oldest living cat in Eastland and vicinity.

Capt. James Dabney, 4250 West Thirteenth Street, Amarillo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. Dabney, South Seaman Street of Eastland, sends a long picture and news article from The Amarillo Globe regarding this scribe becoming editor of The Telegram. Thanks very much James, for your thoughtfulness.

In the current issue of the Copper & Brass Bulletin, published in New York, is an interesting article regarding the discovery of the world's first oil well. The article is reprinted in part as follows: "Ninety years ago this August, Colonel Edwin L. Drake drilled the world's first oil well on the banks of Oil Creek, near Titusville, Pa., and ushered in the 'Petroleum Age.' Like copper and copper-base alloys, petroleum was first discovered many centuries ago. Pitch was the mortar for walls of Babylon and the sealer for the round boats of woad reeds that still ply the waters of the Euphrates just as they did before the birth of Christ. Egyptian kings in the long ago rode in chariots that had pitch for axle grease. The Chinese were using natural gas through bamboo pipe lines to heat and light their homes more than 2,000 years ago. American Indians were collecting surface oil from sumps and pits long before Columbus set foot on the New World. When the first white men penetrated the Indian settlements west of the Alleghenies, they found the red men collecting oil from the surfaces of springs and streams, where it collected as a thick scum. The Indians used a variety of methods to collect the petroleum. One was soaking the blankets in the oily water then wringing out the oil into containers.

Professor Benjamin Silliman Sr., of Yale University, writing in the American Journal of Science in 1833 described a visit to the oil spring near Cuba, N. Y. He said the Indians collected the petroleum by skinning it like cream from a milk pan. While it was burned upon occasion, largely as a part of religious rituals, petroleum to the Indians was largely regarded as a medicine, and was collected for that purpose."

### The Weather

By United Press East Texas—Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. A few scattered thundershowers in extreme south portion this afternoon and tonight, and in South portion Saturday. Not much change in temperatures. Moderate east to southeast winds on coast. West Texas—Partly cloudy with a few widely scattered thundershowers this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. Warmer in the Panhandle and South Plains this afternoon.

### LONG BRANCH ENTERS MAY 26 OPENING NIGHT FOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Date for the opening game in the City Softball League was set for Thursday, May 26 at 8 o'clock, in a meeting of 17 team managers and sport fans at the Fire Hall Thursday night. Fire Chief A. W. Hennessee presided for the meeting, with a decision made for league games to be played on Thursday and Friday nights of each week, starting May 26. Other nights will be open for matched games. One new team was entered in the league last night, making at least five teams to participate and possibly six. The new team to enter was from Long Branch with H. D. Martin as manager. Other teams already entered are: Lone Star Gas Co., King Ford Co., Kilgore's Creamery and Olden. Possibly another team, which played as King Tractor Co. last year, will participate, Chief Hennessee stated.

Since it had been indefinite prior to the meeting regarding the number of teams to participate, a schedule of league play could not be formulated. Chief Hennessee stated a schedule would be set up in sufficient time before the opening game. With the Eastland Volunteer Fire Department as sponsors, much of the meeting was devoted to setting up rules and regulations for league play this summer. Chief Hennessee said plans are for games to start promptly, with teams to speed it up as much as possible for peppy, speedy games. Any had decision from umpires may be protested to the field committee. Comprising the committee will be: E. M. Pritchard, chairman; Jimmie Matthews and S. L. Bourland, members. The field committee will also have the responsibility of selecting the best umpires available. "We want to see the teams get just and fair treatment and in the history of City Softball League play in Eastland, only one game has been protested."

### Piano Students Of Mrs. Taylor To Audition In Stephenville

Piano students of Mrs. Fannie Belle Taylor, Eastland private music teacher, will participate Saturday in the National Piano Playing auditions at John Tarleton College in Stephenville. Fourteen of Mrs. Taylor's students will audition in the following divisions: national, state and district. The auditions will start at 9 a. m. Patrons to accompany the students on the trip are: Mrs. I. M. Herring, Mrs. D. B. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Koen, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith, Mrs. W. R. Smith, Mrs. Louie Corbell, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cushman, Mrs. Jimmie Everett, Mrs. D. E. Gann, Mrs. Guy Quinn Jr., and Mrs. Taylor. Students going will be: Randa Kay Koen, Joann Hollis, Jimmy Everette, Sallie Ann Cooper, Alice Joyce Cushman, Margie Lane, Carroll Ann Smith, Babeth Quinn, Lou Ann and Dickie Corbell, Christine Overto, Nancy Gann and Joann Hicks. Twenty-four students of Robert Clinton will audition Monday, May 16. All of the student entries are members of the National Fraternity of Student Musicians of which Ira Allison, Austin, founded in 1929 and is president.

### Abilene Passes 701st Deathless Traffic Day

ABILENE, Tex., May 13 (UP)—This West Texas city passed its 701st deathless traffic day at midnight last night and tied a national record held by Schenectady, N. Y. The city, of course, was hopeful of going through the present day and night to set a new record. A Celebration was scheduled this afternoon and tonight. A parade, the longest in Abilene history, was scheduled to begin at 4:30 P. M. It will include some 100 units and among the exhibits will be a number of wrecked cars to remind motorists to drive carefully. At 8: P. M. tonight at Blue Sox Stadium, there'll be fireworks, a band concert and talks by safety officials. The fireworks display will be the first in about 15 years in Abilene. Speakers will include Homer Garrison, Jr. director of the State Department of Public Safety; Walter J. Elliott, chief of the Texas Highway Patrol; Roy Wade, assistant manager director of the Texas Safety Association; Charles Ogle, manager of the Texas Motor Transportation Association; Roy Sanderson, president of the Texas Motor Association. The record tied by Abilene is for cities of 50,000 or more population.

### Skies Clear Over Most Of Texas

By United Press Skies were clear to partly cloudy over Texas today after a few widely scattered thundershowers were reported yesterday and last night. Heaviest rain reported to the Dallas Weather Bureau in the 24-hour period ending at 6:30 A. M. today was .63 inch at Amarillo. Lubbock had .16 inch and Dalt and Clarendon .05. Temperatures yesterday ranged from 92 at Presidio to 67 at Amarillo and this morning from 52 at Marfa to 67 at Brownsville and Del Rio. Generally, temperatures this morning were in the 50s in North and West Texas and in the 60s elsewhere. The outlook was for more scattered thundershowers with little change in temperatures, except warmer in the Panhandle and South Plains this afternoon. In 1880 the average farm worker in Illinois produced 23 acres of harvested crops. Now the average is three times that.

### Explosion Closes Holland Tunnel

NEW YORK, May 13 (UP)—The Holland Tunnel under the Hudson River was closed off early today when exploding cans of chemicals on a truck caught fire and filled the tube with fumes. Emergency squads equipped with gas masks went to the tunnel, and first reports were that at least two persons were overcome by the fumes. The cans of chemicals, reported in one police message to be ammonia, exploded at intervals over at least a 30-minute period at a spot about the middle of the tunnel. Police directed Manhattan-bound traffic to ferries. Port Authority officials said two policemen were overcome and the driver of the truck was removed from the tunnel. Vehicles following the chemical truck in the line of Manhattan-bound traffic were backed out of the tube to the Jersey City N. J., entrance. Once, during a nine-year period, six different Presidents occupied the White House. That was between 1841 and 1850 when Van Buren, Harrison, Tyler Polk, Taylor and Fillmore served successively.

### First Man Gets The Business



The engineer of the first train to enter Berlin gets the business from an unidentified German lass, who plasters him with flowers and kisses. The train was a combined Anglo-American sleeper carrying the Western Nationals, British troops and newsmen. (NEA Telephoto.)



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## WITNESS SAYS DR. RUTLEDGE ADMITTED THRUSTS AT HATTMAN

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 13 (UP)—Dr. Robert C. Rutledge admitted making "thrusting motions with a knife" at Byron C. Hattman during a fight with his wife's lover, a St. Louis police officer testified at Rutledge's murder trial.

Rutledge made the admission from a hospital bed after taking poison, detective Maurice O'Neill of the St. Louis homicide squad testified.

O'Neill's testimony climaxed a parade of witnesses who presented circumstantial evidence

seeking to prove that the St. Louis baby specialist stabbed Hattman to death in a Cedar Rapids hotel room last Dec. 14.

Rutledge is charged with murdering Hattman for allegedly seducing Rutledge's six-foot-tall, honey blonde wife, Sydney, 23.

O'Neill said that Rutledge was rushed to a hospital when he became violently ill after he was arrested in his home.

Rutledge told police he drove to Cedar Rapids to see Hattman, because Hattman "had been annoying his wife and himself with phone calls, making lewd and indecent remarks about Mrs. Rutledge's character," O'Neill testified.

"Rutledge waited for Hattman in his room," O'Neill said. He offered Hattman money to stop bothering Mrs. Rutledge.

"Hattman told him he didn't need money. This enraged Dr. Rutledge and he punched Hattman in the jaw.

"Rutledge then told me Hattman rose from his knee with a black clasp knife in his hand and came toward him. And Rutledge grabbed Hattman's arm with a judo hold and threw him. He got

## Morton Valley News Items

MORTON VALLEY, May 12—Bobby Gene Harrison who has been in a Fort Worth hospital returned to his classes at Texas Tech in Lubbock Monday morning.

Mrs. Cliff Cook of Dallas spent the week-end with her parents and son, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Shahan and Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Harbin of Oil Center, New Mexico have returned to their home after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harbin and Mrs. Cecil Miller.

Mrs. Earl Trout and son of Seminole and Mrs. R. C. Reese of Irving visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hearn over the week-end.

Little Sandra Earnest of Fort Worth is visiting with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trott this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Finley spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Keener in Ranger.

Cpl. G. W. Tankersley of Camp Hood spent the week-end with his wife, Mrs. G. W. Tankersley and son Phillip.

Mrs. W. E. Tankersley carried her parents to Comanche to visit with another daughter, Mrs. Adolph Proffitt on Friday of last week.

Visitors in the J. B. Harbin home Tuesday were Rev. and Mrs. Robert Butler.

Visiting in the Lee Littleton home part of last week was Mr.

the knife and when Hattman rushed him, Rutledge made thrusting motions with the knife. After a time he noticed Hattman lying on the floor.

Rutledge threw the murder knife away on his way back to St. Louis, O'Neill said.

Prosecuting Attorney William Crissman announced that he was nearing the end of the case against Rutledge.

"We're almost through," he said, "but it depends on how long courtroom procedure takes. We could get through tomorrow. That is a possibility."

Prosecution witnesses have testified that Rutledge went to Hattman's room, that there was the noise of a severe scuffle while he apparently was still there, and that Hattman was found dead soon afterward.

Crissman has hammered hard to prove that Rutledge went to Cedar Rapids "with revenge and jealousy" in his heart to kill Hattman. The defense argues that Rutledge acted in self-defense.

## Stowaway

Littleton's sister from Dublin. Visitors in the Burton Tankersley home Tuesday night were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Joe Sarum of



The Justice Department has announced that it has "received reports" indicating that a man "identified as Gerhart Eisler" has been discovered as a stowaway aboard the S. S. Batory, a Polish ship which sailed from New York May 6. Eisler is on liberty on \$24,000 bond pending appeal from convictions on charges of passport fraud and contempt of Congress. (NEA Telephoto).

## Husband Decides To Die Alone



Frantically seeking her tubercular husband who has only a year to live, Mrs. George E. Higgins, 25, reads the letter which he left, telling her he was leaving because he couldn't bear to let her risk infection and see him die. Higgins, a 39-year old merchant marine radio operator, married the pretty French girl less than a year ago in Marseilles, France. (NEA Telephoto).

Breckenridge and Mrs. G. W. Tankersley and son Phillip.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gann of Eastland carried Mrs. Wince Graham to Cat Fish bridge for an outing.

Wince Graham received word Tuesday evening that his father had passed away in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Clarke and children of Bryan spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Lee Langlitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Rankin and son, Douglas Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Rankin, Wanell, Wendell and Denzel visited relatives in Anson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fulfer of Dallas visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wheat Sunday and attended services at Harmony Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Duncan and

daughter of Ranger visited the R. C. Baldarree Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Dunaway of Ranger visited the J. G. Finleys Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Bufkin visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fisher in Breckenridge Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Matthews visited his mother in Abilene Sunday and also their son, Gerald, a student at Hardin Simmons University.

Visiting the Paul Sturms in Breckenridge Sunday night were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tankersley and children and Mrs. Mamie Tankersley.

Everyone will want to come and take part in, or be onlookers, next Monday night at the Morton Valley Gym when they will have goat roping contests on skates.

Ladies of Harmony Baptist Church met Monday evening for the Royal Service Program. Mrs. R. E. Beck led the group and brought out interesting points on what comes out of our homes.

Those present were Mmes: Frank Trott, L. H. Taylor, A. D. Sherrell, Douglas Rankin, J. G. Finley, Burton Tankersley, R. E. Beck, and Kathy and Joe Sherrell and Douglas Wayne Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nix and John Travis visited the John Nix's over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Baggett visited his aunt Mary Sue in Eastland Sunday evening.

**Dallas Phones Doubled**  
DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—The 200,000th telephone has been installed in a Dallas home. There were 100,000 telephones in use here in 1940. The city's first telephone exchange was installed in 1881.

## Texan Wins Arts, Letters Award

NEW YORK, May 13 (UP)—

The National Institute of Arts and Letters announced today the names of 15 recipients of the \$1,000 Arts and Letters grants given annually to artists, writers and composers who are not members of the institute.

The grants, part of the institute's program to stimulate development of art, music and literature in the United States, are given each year to younger artists of demonstrated ability.

This year's winners include: Art: John McGrady, of New Orleans, painter. Music: Composer Louis Mennini of Austin, Texas.

According to biochemists, water is a food, even though it does not supply energy as do carbohydrates, fats and proteins.

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### Texas Rural News Briefs

**COLLEGE STATION, May 13 (Sp)** — Dr. Ide P. Trotter will confer with officials of the United States Department of Agriculture, May 16-20, on problems of international trade in cotton. Special emphasis will be placed on problems which effect cotton producers in Texas.

During the summer of 1948 Dr. Trotter, then director of the Extension Service of the Texas A&M College System, conducted a study of the cotton situation in the Orient. He was loaned to the Office of Foreign Agriculture Relations of the USDA. He visited Japan, China, India, Pakistan and Greece.

**LUBBOCK, May 13** — Storage space for 16½ million bushels of wheat at Pan-Tech Farms, formerly Pantex ordnance plant, near Amarillo, will be made available under plans adopted by the board

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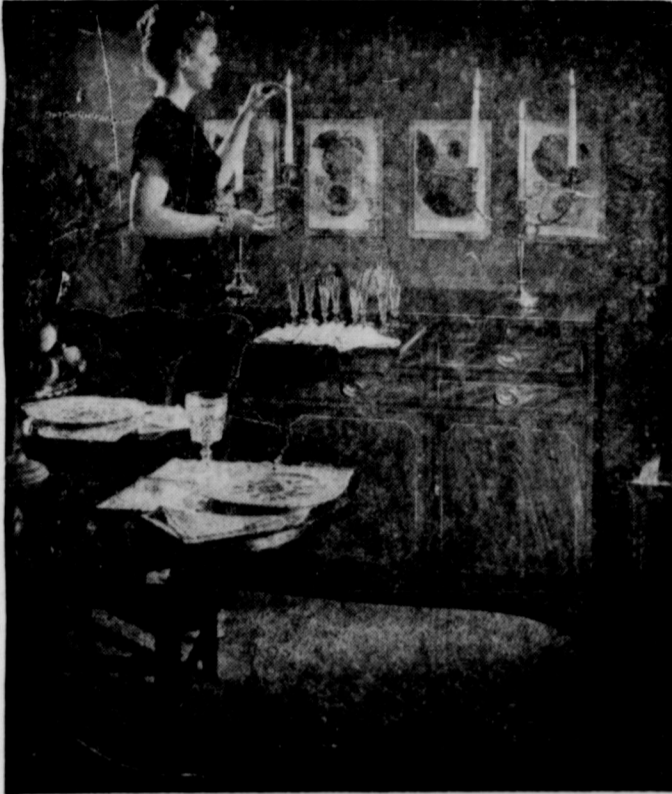
of directors of Texas Technological college.

The board authorized a committee headed by Chancellor Weymouth, Amarillo, to sign leases with the Commodity Credit Corporation or some other organization for the space in warehouses and igloos on the 17,000 acre property. Weymouth estimates the Panhandle wheat crop at between 45 and 50 million bushels. He said much of the wheat will spoil unless storage space is found. The committee also authorized to employ sufficient men to maintain the PanTech lands and equipment.

**AUSTIN, May 13** — "New tomatoe industry a broader recently issued will give the Texas tomato industry a broader market outlet and larger consumption of Texas tomatoes", declared Commissioner of Agriculture, J. E. McDonald.

**COLLEGE STATION, May 13 (Sp)** — Dr. William E. Schenk, associate professor of economics, Texas A&M College, has been granted a year's leave of absence to serve as visiting professor of economics in the Autonomous University of El Salvador, according to Dr. Walter H. Delaplaine, Head of the Economics Department. The leave became effective June 1, and Dr. Schenk will leave immediately thereafter to resume his teaching duties at the new post.

**AUSTIN, Tex., May 13** — Success or failure of the \$30,000,000 rural road program voted by the legislature depends to a degree on county commissioners, Representative Preston



The new "Butler Buffet" is smart proof that 18th Century designs can be functional without losing any of their traditional beauty. This magnificent piece with swirl mahogany front and inlaid border is specially engineered to provide plenty of storage space for almost every dining requisite. There are sectional drawers for silver—a small drawer for candles, place mats, napkins, etc. Three pull-out trays are for convenient serving space. There are also deep drawers for linens—shelves for china—and a specially grooved section for trays and platters. In addition, a surprise feature of the buffet is a concealed drawer in the base which holds extra table leaves and eliminates the storage problem.

E. Smith of Lubbock said today. It is the commissioners' responsibility to survey their own area and determine where each county's allocation should be spent for farm-to-market roads, Smith pointed out.

He added that when their study was completed, the commissioners should present their findings to the district highway engineer so that he can make recommendations to the state highway department.

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### Greatest Wheat Crop In Nation's History Expected

**WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP)** — The government expects farm bins to overflow this summer with the greatest wheat supply in the nation's history.

Current prospects are that the supply will be greater than 1,600,000,000 (B) bushels. That's 50 per cent more wheat than the country had in the summer of 1940, when there was plenty to meet its needs.

During the flood of wheat to market, officials disclosed, the government plans to buy at the

### Urges Congress To Provide More Wheat Storage

**WACO, Tex., May 13 (UP)** — The Texas Farm Bureau Federation today appealed to Congress to spare wheat farmers heavy losses by granting them more storage space for the 1949 bumper crop. J. Walter Hammond, president of the federation, sent a telegram of warning last night to House Speaker Sam Rayburn, D., Tex.,

free market price millions of bushels of wheat for its export programs, even though it already owns more than half of the remaining 1948-crop wheat because of price support operations. This will tend to hold up market prices for farmers who don't have the storage space required for price support protection.

However, if crop prospects are borne out, officials expect the record-smashing supply may:

1. Drive market prices considerably below the government's farm-stored support price, at least temporarily during the summer when wheat floods to the terminals.
2. Put a temporary billion-dollar wheat strain on the government price support system. (That doesn't mean the government could lose that much. Rather, it may have that much tied up in price support loans or stocks. If the farmer doesn't pay off the loan, the government gets the wheat.)
3. Force farmers to accept a government-regulated cutback in production next year to avoid burdensome surpluses.
4. Give the country a large enough reserve stockpile to weather any drought next year.

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urging him to expedite action in Congress to authorize Secretary of Agriculture Charles Brannan to obtain ample storage facilities.

Hammond's telegram said elevators now were buying with last year's wheat because Brannan had not been told to acquire storage for moving grain.

Farmers must have access to government approved storage before they can receive support prices guaranteed by the federal government, he said.

Elevator men already have advised Texas farmers that storage for commodity loans will not be available.

Hammond said he had written to Brannan and the Texas Commodity delegation earlier this month informing them the wheat storage situation would be more

critical than the grain sorghum storage problem of 1948, because of the plectthora of wheat and the storage bottleneck.

"Farmers were caught unaware last year, and we want action now so that farmers may secure loans on their grain without suffering a loss of millions of dollars."

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### Gorman Oil News

By Buena Van Winkle

Commercial Production Company No. 3 R. S. Sanders drilling at 2,755 feet. There is no show as yet, for the payoff in that immediate vicinity will run about 100 feet lower, so at something over 2,850 they will start looking and smelling.

R. H. Patterson No. 1 James have started drilling under the surface and are now at 200 feet. The surface formation is unduly tight, and they have also found on the No. 1 Rube Christian out in Erath County, near Clairette.

McClung No. 1 Rube Christian drilling under the surface at 200 feet.

McClung No. 1 Miller Estate drilling at 3,246 and they have a show of both oil and gas—Mr. Patterson mentioned the gas particularly in the interview we had with him, seeming to indicate

that it could be a gas well. We happen to know that at least one or two gas companies would welcome some really good gas wells in these four counties which corner up with Eastland.

The Jay and Parker Company No. 2 T. N. Watt are taking every precaution to prevent any recurrence of trouble and have undreamed and interreamed and done everything possible to prevent trouble with inflowing water so that they can go straight ahead from here on out. That prolonged fishing job had them worried. They resumed drill operations today at noon, and hope to go steadily forward without and more hitches from here on out.

F. D. Glass is still halting operations on his No. 2 B. A. Hirst. Most of his machinery is in and on the ground, so he will probably start up soon.

Skeeter and Curry are sending in the final papers on their No. 1 Harvey Parker and hope to be getting some returns from the pipe line company soon. The

### TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

**By United Press**  
AUSTIN, May 13 (UP)—The Hollandsworth Drilling Co., Longview, headed the list of domestic charters issued this week by the secretary of State's office.

The company, \$457,541,100, 000 shares of no par value stock, was incorporated by Earl Hollandsworth, Lee L. Travis and Patsy Hollandsworth.

AUSTIN, May 13 (UP)—The week of May 22-28 was designated as World Trade Week by Gov. Beauford Jester yesterday.

two Skeeters Brothers flew into town yesterday from Longview in a few minutes over an hour, spent a few hours looking the field over and flew back to Longview before night yesterday afternoon.

The governor said May 23 will be celebrated as National Maritime Day in Texas.

PORT ISABLE, May 13 (UP)—No violence was reported yesterday on the waterfront here, where union Long-hornmen had hinted "trouble."

The Brownsville Longshoremen were protesting the unloading of Mexican pineapples aboard the vessel "Lynn B" by company employees and unemployed local laborers.

However, the 250 tons of pineapples came ashore without incident, as officers stood near to preserve law between the Longshoremen and unloading crew.

SAN MARCOS, May 13 (UP)—J. G. Flowers, Southwest Texas State Teachers College president, will leave here Sunday to begin a trip to Germany.

President Flowers said he had accepted a request from the U.S. office of military government to serve as a special consultant on higher education in the European country this summer.

CHILDRESS, May 13 (UP)—Bishop W. C. Martin, presiding bishop of the Dallas-Fort Worth area of the Methodist Church, will meet with some fifty conference leaders here today.

Bishop Martin and the delegates will complete plans for the

### Mayor Of Cannes To Marry Rita, Prince Aly Khan

VALLAURIS, France, May 13 (UP)—A Communist railway worker who doubles as mayor of this quaint hillside town near Cannes will marry Hollywood movie star, Rita Hayworth, to her Prince Charming Aly Khan on or about May 27, it was learned today.

The simple French civil wedding ceremony was expected to be performed by Mayor Paul Derigon in the ancient town hall overlooking the Riviera coastline.

Despite the simplicity of the annual Northwest Texas Methodist Conference, to be in Amarillo May 25-29.

ceremony, Rita probably will be one of the most heavily bejeweled brides in the Western World and the air will be heavy scented with jasmine.

Indian Jeweler Javel was reported already to have designed the jewelry which Rita will wear when she becomes the daughter-in-law of one of the world's wealthiest men, the Aga Khan.

Following the civil ceremony, a Moslem wedding reportedly will be performed at Aly's luxurious Chateau De L'Horizon, with his father officiating as head of the family.

Curious town-folk and tourists crossed the small runit square here today to inspect the town hall door to learn whether the wedding announcement had been posted yet.

They were disappointed, because no word has appeared on

**Veterans Say, No Thanks**  
MINNEAPOLIS (UP)—The University of Minnesota American Veterans Committee is conducting a campaign to kill veterans' pension bills sponsored by Rep. John Rankin, D. Miss. The campus AVC spokesman Jack Elliott said the Minnesota group is "following our motto of citizens first, veterans second."

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