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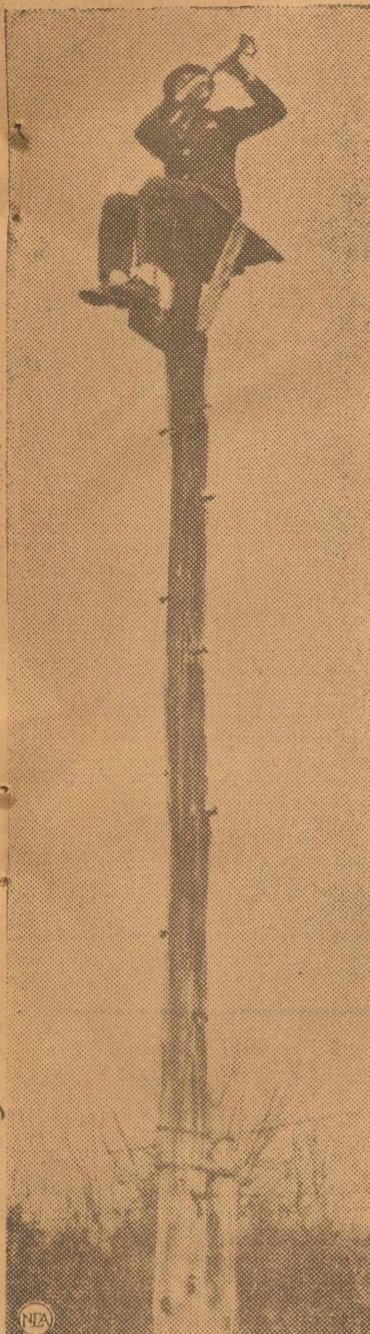
**THE WEATHER**  
West Texas: Partly cloudy, freezing in Panhandle tonight; Saturday colder.

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### Town Tootler



Every morning for 14 years Charlie Hughes has awakened the citizenry of Baxter, Tenn., at 6 o'clock by blasting a reveille on his bugle from atop a 20-foot perch. Charlie, pictured above performing his morning duties, hasn't been late since he first replaced the alarm clocks of Baxter. He is 50 years old and will marry soon, but won't let that stop his daily tootling.

### Typical Co-ed



Sue Allyn Stripling, above, is only 12 years old—yet she's a college freshman. Furthermore she's a typical co-ed, prominent in campus activities and is making the highest grades in her class at Trinity University, Waxahachie, Tex. Besides her obvious attractions, young Miss Stripling is a talented dancer, actress, golfer and—would you believe it—a ventriloquist.

### TO HOLD EARLY SERVICE

Rev. P. Walter Henckell of Big Spring, minister in charge of Trinity Chapel, Episcopal church, will be at the church Sunday morning at 7:45 o'clock for an early communion service, it has been announced.

## House Urged To Defeat Govt. Bill

### Proponents Seek To Get Passage During the Week

WASHINGTON, April 1 (P).—A new deluge of telegrams urged house members to kill the government reorganization bill today as administration leaders fought for its passage before the week ends.

Employees of telegraph companies worked all night to handle uncounted thousands of messages.

Representative Lameck (D-O.) charged yesterday the aim of the bill is to build up Harry L. Hopkins for president.

After President Roosevelt took personal command of the fight for the bill in an unprecedented denial that he wants to become dictator, Lameck arose on the floor of the house to assail a provision creating a new department of public welfare.

He said Hopkins, the WPA chief, would head the new department, and perhaps would become the next president, thus continuing new deal policies.

"Hopkins is the fair-haired boy of the administration," Lameck roared. "What he wants he gets. The reason is he things right. He also spends right and left. His life has been devoted to giving away other people's money."

The debate over the bill was marked by a desperate fight for time on the part of the opposition, so that its spokesmen said, the people might have an opportunity to make their views on the bill known to their representatives in congress.

Beaten 202 to 143 on what many regarded as a test vote (the vote was on a motion to take up the bill) they made their goal the postponement of a final vote until next week so that various organizations and week-end orators, including the Reverend Charles E. Coughlin, might set a stream of telegrams flowing into the house office building.

### Regular Services At Baptist Church To Be Continued

Services of the First Baptist church will be held regularly, in spite of the fact that at present the organization is without a pastor, deacons said today. D. H. Bonner, Midland business man and an ordained preacher, will fill the pulpit at the morning and evening church services Sunday. All Sunday school, young peoples' departments and prayer meeting services will be held according to the usual schedule. The pastorate became vacant last Sunday by the resignation of the Rev. Winston F. Borum who accepted a call to the First Baptist church of Altus, Oklahoma.

### Dallas Woman Is Sought After She Wanders From Home

DALLAS, April 1 (P).—Police of neighboring states were asked by Dallas officers today to aid in the search for Mrs. A. C. Becker, Dallas, last seen at her home yesterday.

The body of her husband was found a week ago near Texarkana, and children said she had been dependent since.

### Senate Passes Act To Give RFC Added Powers of Credit

WASHINGTON, April 1 (P).—The senate today passed a bill to give Reconstruction Finance Corporation new authority to lend to business enterprises.

It would also receive RFC loans to state sub-divisions for public works construction. The measure now goes to the house.

The bill, introduced by Senator Glass, would extend the scope of RFC lending to permit that agency to make available approximately \$1,500,000 for long time loans.

An authoritative spokesman disclosed the administration is attempting to lower building prices in the hope of stimulating a construction boom.

### Joy Gives Way to Worry as Mexico Ponders How to Pay Oil Companies

MEXICO CITY, April 1 (P).—A more sober realization of Mexico's difficult economic situation appeared today to have tempered intense nationalism stirred by the government's expropriation of the \$400,000,000 foreign oil industry.

There was no evidence however of a let-up in the support of the average Mexican for President Lazaro Cardenas and his liberal government's "Mexico for Mexicans" program.

Despite economic hardships precipitated by the expropriation, the feeling apparently was general that some way would be found to pay for the 17 American and British petroleum companies taken over.

In unofficial trading, the peso closed 4.50 to 4.70 on the United States dollar, a slight improvement

### Urges Isolation



Herbert Hoover, first former President to visit Europe since Taft, is pictured above as he arrived home from a six-week tour of the Continent. He expressed optimism for continued peace, but advised this country to "keep out of other people's wars."

### Insurgents Blast Way Through Front Lines of Loyalists

HENDAYE, France, April 1 (P).—Insurgents entered a second province of Catalonia today in their eastward drive to the sea, while to the north thousands of government militiamen and civilian refugees streamed toward and across the French border.

Navarrese troops were reported to have penetrated Tarragona and capture the village of Batea in smashing their way to a point five miles from the important city of Gandesa.

A second column in the sector, insurgent dispatches said, occupied the village of Calaceite, in western Teruel province, crossed into Tarragona and took the village of Caseras.

Navarrese reported they had taken a government battalion composed entirely of Englishmen in the southern sector.

To the north of these operations, Lerida, "key" to the defenses of Catalonia, 80 miles west of Barcelona, was announced by the insurgents to have been surrounded.

On the northern sector of the 165-mile front, the insurgents advanced through mountains eastward from Jaca toward Bolitana 65 miles north-west of Lerida.

The government's Pyrenean divisions, cut off from their bases by the insurgent advance on Lerida and especially by the operations east of Jaca, were reported fleeing in disorder.

The first body of deserting militiamen, numbering 1,000 men, escaped across the Pyrenees into the French hamlet of Hospice de France.

As the numbering of Spanish refugees reaching France increased, French border officials began shifting them to camps in frontier towns.

French observers feared these scattered legions were but the vanguard of thousands of homeless and destitute persons, including troops, whose care would create a serious problem.

Insurgent airmen reported that all main highways from the western border of Catalonia deep into the heart of the region were choked with refugees. Many of them were the 35,000 to 40,000 inhabitants of Lerida who fled just before the arrival of General Yague's army at the city gates.

### Committees Work On Convention Plans

WICHITA FALLS, April 1. — Two newly named West Texas chamber of commerce committees, appointed by Milburn McCarty, of Eastland, WTCC president, began work today in preparation for the twentieth annual convention of the organization, to be held here in Wichita Falls, April 25, 26 and 27.

H. S. Hilburn, editor of the Plainview Herald, heads the important work committee of the WTCC, and James D. Hamlin, of Farwell, 1934 president of the body, was named chairman of the nominating committee.

Serving with Hamlin are Walter D. Cline of Wichita Falls, and C. M. Caldwell of Abilene. This committee will submit for a vote, names of officers to serve for the ensuing year.

Other members of the work committee, which will plan the WTCC work program planks for the next year, and submit other resolutions, are: C. A. Studer, Canadian; J. M. Wilson, Poydada; Clifford B. Jones, Spur; B. Reagan, Big Spring; B. P. Bludworth, Brownwood; J. C. Hunter, Abilene; W. B. Hamilton, Wichita Falls; Amos G. Carter, Ft. Worth; Hamlin Y. Overstreet, Texico; N. M. W. P. Hallmark, Dublin; Tate May, Hamlin; M. C. Ulmer, Midland; J. A. Crump, Paducah; G. R. Stahl, Borger; S. A. Wells, Lubbock; E. K. Fawcett, Del Rio; C. R. H. W. Morelock, Alpine; H. C. Durdant, Cleburne.

FLIES TO DALLAS. Little George McEntire made a round-trip to Dallas by plane Thursday, leaving at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon and returning at approximately 8 o'clock in the evening.

### Weather Man Plays April Fool's Joke On Texas Residents

By Associated Press.

Panhandle residents shivered this All Fool's Day in freezing weather as snow and sleet fell while Valley folks complained about the heat. Snow fell at Dalhart, Borger, Pampa and sleet at Amarillo. It was uncomfortably hot at Brownsville and the temperature at Corpus Christi was 70 degrees and still rising.

The weather was behaving normally in addition today as other parts of the state either froze or smothered. The temperature dropped to 41 degrees here at six o'clock this morning but had climbed to 64 at one o'clock and was continuing upward.

Probable cloudy, cooler, and possible showers have been forecast for this area tonight and tomorrow.

### Hope Is Abandoned For Rescue of Six Aboard Navy Plane

HONOLULU, April 1 (P).—The United States navy today banned night flying in the vicinity of the Hawaiian Islands indefinitely as the result of a series of tragedies during the recent Pacific war games which have cost 11 lives.

HONOLULU, April 1 (P).—Hope for the lives of six navy fliers aboard a missing bomber was abandoned last night by naval officials directing an unprecedented search amid casualty-strewn Pacific maneuvers, which killed five other airmen yesterday.

Officers, although continuing the hunt, expressed belief the six men died when the plane fell into the sea yesterday morning, a few hours after five more fliers had been killed in the crash of another bomber.

The second tragedy culminated a week of aerial accidents in which three planes valued at a total of \$200,000 sank at least six others escaped possible crashes by forced landings at sea in the navy's greatest mid-Pacific war games.

A high naval official said the accident had not demonstrated any fundamental wrong with the planes or pilots, but on the contrary, the performance of planes in maneuvers designed to test Hawaii's defenses, had conclusively proved their value in scouting operations.

Motor Failure. In two cases it was stated motor failure was blamed for mishaps. In six others, including the first accident yesterday, storm conditions were held responsible. What caused the missing bomber to fall was undetermined.

Officials expressed belief the bomber catapulted into the sea off Kauai island probably during a rain squall, and sank before the radio operator had time to flash any warning.

The entire area 200 miles north-west of Oahu island was searched by 20 planes unleashed from the aircraft carriers, Lexington, Saratoga and Ranger, supplemented by 30 other aircraft from Pearl Harbor and 65 surface vessels. Planes and warship probably will continue the hunt until tomorrow night.

Mock Battle. The missing bomber dropped out of a six-barrel search during scouting operations against a powerful fleet converging upon the islands in a mock invasion.

Aboard were Lieut. Charles Signor; Aviation Cadet R. J. Iarrobino; aviation machinist's mates P. E. Panoast and J. A. Bingham, and radiomen G. T. Williamson and C. R. Oultsdun.

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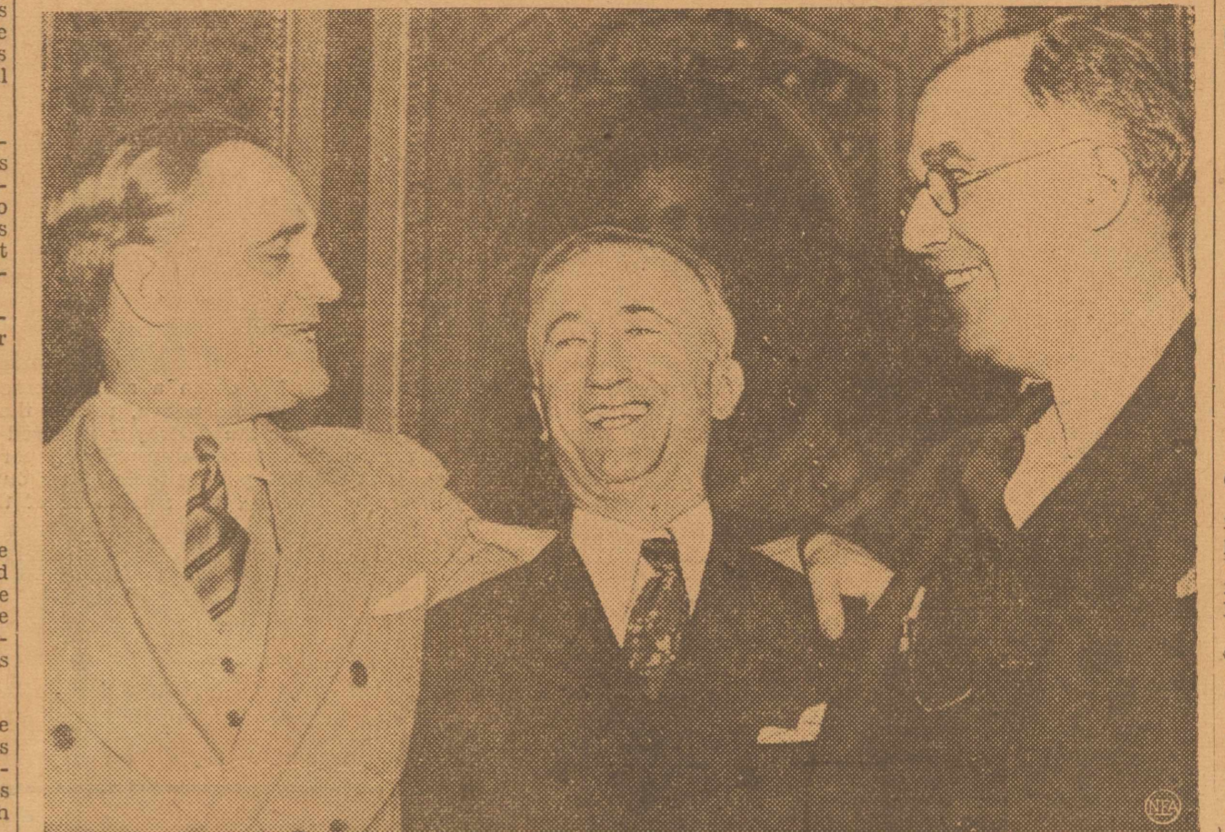
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## Record Vote in Trustee Election Here Saturday Is Predicted Today

### New Deal Victory Smiles



With the President's government reorganization bill pushed safely over the Senate hurdle and sent to the House, well-pleased New Deal senators exhibited the broad smiles of victory shown above. Left to right, they are Senators Sherman Minton (D-Ind.), James F. Byrnes (D-S.), and Lewis Schwelienbach (D-Wash.), who played important roles in obtaining Senate approval despite a last-minute barrage of telegrams, mostly in opposition. The House Reorganization Committee will consider the bill at once, and it was believed that the House fight would be as bitter as that in the Senate.

## Bradley Hoover, In Crockett, Spraying Estimated 15 Barrels

BY FRANK GARDNER. Western Crockett's new "strike" well, W. L. Bradley et al. No. 1 A. C. Hoover, this morning was spraying an estimated 15 barrels of oil daily with between one and two million cubic feet of gas while drilling below 1,436 feet in sand and anhydrite. Oil is heavy and black, testing only 22 gravity.

The well caused some interest yesterday when it encountered gas at 1,364 and found more gas, with showing of oil, from 1,420-25. Many were of the opinion that the showing was of no great importance, since it was encountered above the line. Closest production is in the Hoover area, some two miles to the northeast. A failure, the Sidoroff & Stone No. 1 Hoover, was drilled recently between the pool and the Bradley well. Location of the prospect is 2,310 feet from the north, 330 feet from the west line of section 1, block 1, G. C. & S. F. survey.

Machine was up on a new wildcat a mile and a half southwest of the Bradley well, Chihausen No. 1 J. W. Owens, in section 12, Manvella Carnau survey. R. H. Henderson, No. 1 Hoover (Barnett), northwest outpost to the Hoover area, is drilling below 1,250 in anhydrite. Donnelly Well Bailing.

No oil or gas was showing from the Yates sand section as Walter J. Donnelly No. 1 University, Andrews wildcat north of Shafter Lake, was bailed early today. Drilling fluid had been bailed down 2,100 feet from top. Bailer stopped on bridge at 2,300. The well had shown some gas and oil while drilling sand at 3,075. Operators cored from 3-06 to 3,101, the present depth, and recovered four and one-half feet of anhydrite, salt and sand, bearing no oil. No. 1 University is 1,980 feet from the south and east lines of section 16, block 14, University survey.

H. C. Wheeler No. 1 F. E. Gardner, east of the Donnelly well and two and one-half miles west of the Means pool, is drilling at 3,240 feet in red rock.

Seaboard No. 1 Thornberry, west of the Furman pool in Andrews, is drilling at 3,900 in anhydrite. Brown line top is 3,850.

Eastland Has Brown Line. First brown line stringer came in from 3,724-40 in Eastland Oil Company No. 1 Dunbar, southwest Gaines wildcat. It is drilling ahead at 3,325 in anhydrite. Correlation of the brown line marker had not been made early today, but it is said the well is running higher than Louisiana No. 1 Ralph, dry hole two and a half miles to the south.

In the Kirk area of southern Gaines, Landreth No. 1 P. W. Dalmont is reaming at 285 feet preliminary to setting 12 1/2-inch surface pipe. Total depth is 315 in red beds. Farther northwest, Finley & Cherry No. 1 Dalmont is spudding today.

Shell No. 1-D Baumgart, east extension to the pool, which flowed 348 barrels on 24-hour potential test after acidizing with 5,000 gallons at 5,055, has been re-treated with 5,000 gallons and now is unloading hole.

West of the pool, Shell No. 1 Mrs. Dora Roberts is drilling at 4,230 in anhydrite.

Big Jordan Well. Large natural producer was being gauged today in the Jordan pool of Crane, Atlanta No. 2-A Utex flowed 320 barrels of oil the first hour of test through open casing. It had drilled main pay from 3,520-55, total depth. Sinclair-Prairie No. 1 Paul Moss, Ector wildcat south of the west side of the Harper pool, is drilling at 3,675 in anhydrite.

Texas No. 1 Wilkinson, southwest Howard wildcat, is drilling at 1,550 in salt.

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## 4 Candidates Seek 2 Places On the Board

### Hard Campaigns Waged by Friends Of Two Parties

With interest at a peak and a record vote sure to be cast, candidates for two places on the Midland Independent school board today were making last minute efforts to land more votes.

The voting will be held in the high school auditorium, the polls to open at 8 o'clock in the morning and close tomorrow night at 7. Johnny Butler is in charge of the election.

Two candidates will be elected from the four names filed for the positions. Foy Proctor and Arthur W. Yeager, incumbents, are up for re-election, opposed by Lewis C. Link and Wm. Simpson.

Intensive campaigns have been carried on by the supporters of both parties. The support of two other members of the board, Chas. Goldsmith and Roy Parks has been given to Yeager and Proctor while the remaining three members of the board, J. L. Greene, J. R. Martin and Chas. Vertrees, have thrown their support to the candidates of Simpson and Link.

Both parties have relied heavily on both radio and newspaper advertising in seeking the votes of those eligible to cast ballots tomorrow. The final efforts will be put forward today.

Election officials have requested that all voters bring their poll tax receipts to the polls with them, thereby saving much time and trouble for both officials and voters.

Voters coming from other states or those who have just come of age and are voting for the first time were advised today that the correct way to mark the ballots is to scratch, or run a line through, the names of those to be voted against, leaving clear the names of those to be voted for.

It was pointed out that in some states a check mark is made by the name to be voted for, but in Texas it is a matter of running the pencil through the name to be voted against.

A total of 1273 ballots were cast in the school trustee election in 1937, but officials expect that total to be approximately doubled this year.

The increased interest in the election this year, plus a total of approximately 3,000 paid poll taxes in precinct one provides the basis for opinions expressed regarding the total that will probably be cast tomorrow.

According to the weather forecast for Saturday, the weather man may take a hand in the final decision. Scattered showers have been forecast for this area, along with somewhat colder weather. Rain would undoubtedly keep the vote down and both parties are hoping the weather man is wrong.

Each side is predicting victory if their full support can be brought out and both are anxiously awaiting the results of the election.

## Beer Sales Not to Be Allowed Saturday

County Attorney Merritt F. Hines today called attention of beer dealers here to a recent decision of the attorney general's department declaring elections of school trustees were a general election and that the sale of beer on those dates was prohibited.

Hines announced the statement in response to inquiries by several persons who sell beer as to whether the same rules are in effect tomorrow as during other general elections. All beer dealers here were warned not to sell the beverage tomorrow, under penalty of facing prosecution.

## Mental Faculties of Many Befuddled As They "Bite", Then Realize the Date

The mental faculties of many a Midland resident today were just as befuddled as those of the man at the right as a few oldsters and practically all the youngsters indulged in the age-old habit of pulling "April Fool's" jokes.

More than one man had visions of sudden wealth as he reached for a wallet lying on the pavement in front of him, only to have it jump from his grasp as someone jerked it away with a yelp of undiluted pain as they discovered some far-thinking individual had placed a large rock or piece of iron inside the cartons.

Most of the persons were easy to "hook" once, but they counted slowly up to a hundred before committing themselves upon acting a second time. Once burnt, twice scared—or something.

A lot of persons looked behind them and down rather suddenly when asked "Is that your dog?" and then attempted to maintain a poker face as they realized what day of the month it was.

The kids were having a lot of fun all day, but to the average grown-up it did not appear that the tricks



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## Behind the Scenes in Washington

Editor's Note: The opinions expressed in this article are those of Mr. Dutcher, NEA-Reporter-Telegram Washington correspondent, and are not to be construed as expressing the editorial policy of The Reporter-Telegram.

WASHINGTON, March 31. — The last ragged remnant of the New Deal's effort to exert some degree of control over the business situation through taxation will be destroyed when and if Chairman Pat Harrison of the Senate Finance Committee succeeds in having the corporation undistributed profits tax completely repealed.

All that's left of the "20-16" provision in the tax bill passed by the House. This imposes a tax of 20 per cent on profits of corporations earning net incomes of more than \$25,000 a year, with a credit of four percent against that tax for each dollar paid out in dividends.

Roughly, this is the way it works out: A corporation with a net income of \$100,000 pays a \$20,000 tax if it does not distribute any of its earnings. But if it distributed all its earnings, the tax would be only \$18,000. Distribution of 50 per cent as dividends would mean a tax of \$18,000.

**Ability to Pay Theory.** PRIOR to the revenue act of 1936, which carried a rate of 32.4 per cent on corporations retaining their earnings, dividends paid by corporations were subject to surtax on the stockholder's income tax return but not to the four per cent normal tax.

Today the individual pays both normal rate and surtax on dividends. Instead of the stockholder being credited in the attempt to avoid "double taxation," it is the corporation paying the dividend which would get the break under "20-16."

**No Bludgeon.** THE four per cent credit for profits distributed is designed as an inducement for corporations to pay out as much in dividends as they reasonably can. Its advocates consider it a persuasive device rather than a bludgeon.

They fear that if there's a flat corporation rate, as Harrison proposes, a great number of corporations would decide to accumulate

surplus in abnormal proportions — first, because of the great amount of dividends paid out last year under the old surplus profits tax and,

second, because of fear of another surplus profits tax in the future. Such a strong tendency to keep money in the corporate sock would have a strong deflationary effect and reduce potential purchasing power.

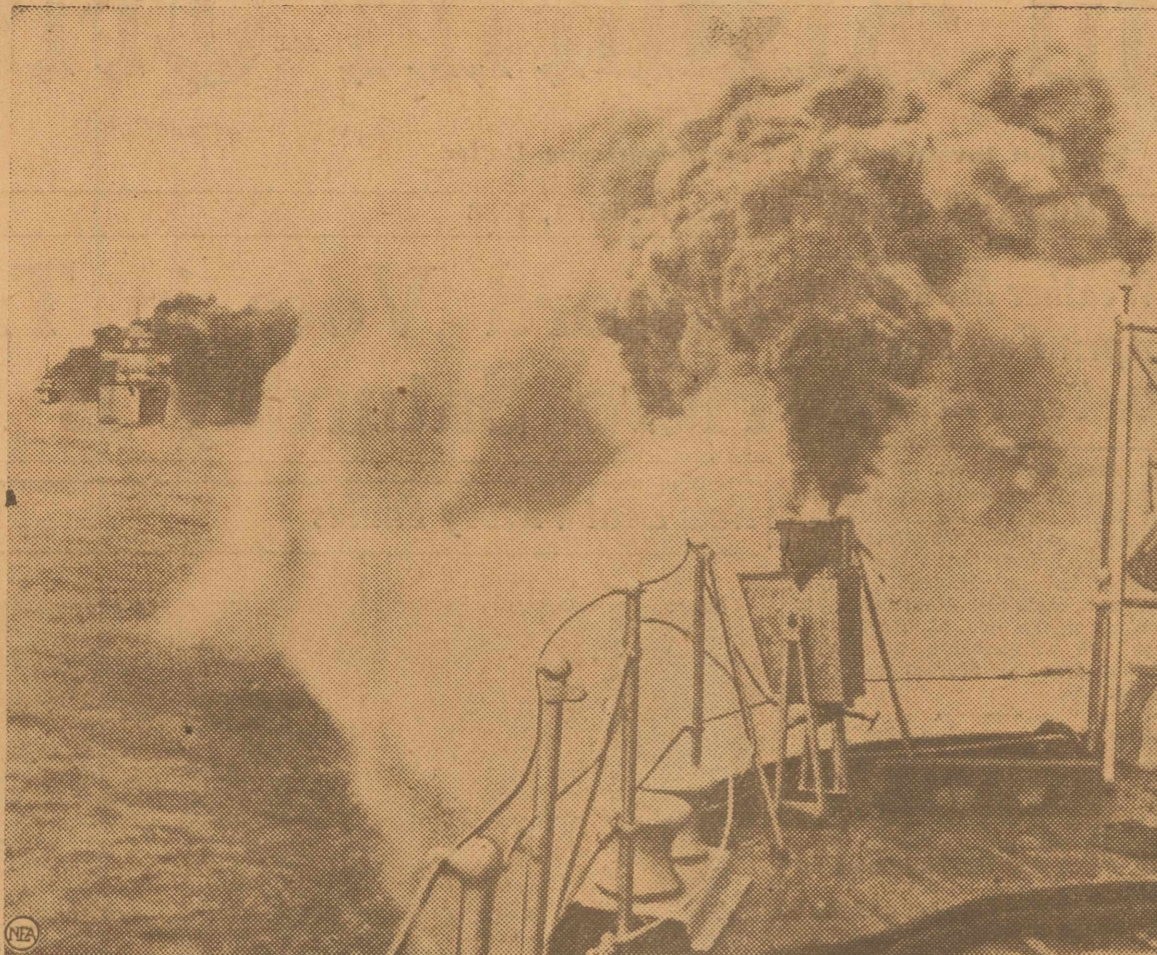
And it is still argued that corporations which retain profits instead of distributing them have an unfair advantage over those which pay out profits in dividends.

**Fear More of the Same.** OPPOSITION to "20-16" comes chiefly from corporations which want to accumulate surplus rather than pay dividends and from those who fear that any retention of the undistributed profits tax principle may make it easier for a subsequent Congress to enlarge upon that principle again in future tax legislation.

Speaking of the House Ways and Means Committee tax bill hearings, conservative Chairman Robert Doughton recently said: "Practically every witness showed an utter lack of knowledge of the effect of the proposals in the bill and even of the existing law as it applied to his own business, except that they had to pay a little more in taxes."

**What's Government For?** EFFORTS of certain blocs to put

## 'War' Clouds Over the Mediterranean



This may surprise you, but when warships lay down a smoke screen to hide their maneuvers, the smoke comes out of a contraption such as pictured above, rather than from the ships' funnels. At least that's the way the French do the job, for the destroyer pictured above is part of France's fleet now engaged in "war games" in the Mediterranean—unusually important this year because of the Spanish crisis. Note the two vessels at the left, poking their prows out from behind the screen, which seems surprisingly dense, considering the small size of the smoke machine.

## Kennedy Eyes Governorship



A factor in the turbulent Pennsylvania political situation is Lieut.-Gov. Thomas Kennedy, above, who is seeking the governorship with support of C. I. O. Chairman John L. Lewis. Kennedy, who is secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers Union, is an independent candidate for the post now held by Gov. George Earle, who is seeking a U. S. Senate seat. The Democratic state committee refused to endorse Kennedy, despite Lewis' insistence.

import taxes on pork and beef, as well as other phases of the tax bill fight, have led cynics to recall an old line from Voltaire:

"The purpose of government — whether it be monarchy, oligarchy or republic—is to take money from some and bestow it on others."

## 12-Year-Old Girl College Student

WAXAHACHIE (AP)—Playing dolls, only a fond memory to her after a year in college. Sue Allyn Stripling, 12, has turned to tennis, horseback riding, dancing, and other forms of entertainment and is recognized as a normal college student by her teachers and classmates.

Miss Stripling, a freshman at Trinity university, is thought to be the youngest college student in the United States. She was 11 when she finished Nocona (Tex.) high school last spring.

Since her first year the Trinity freshman has been remarkable in her achievements. She began to walk alone at six months and started talking two months later. She made her first public appearance in a dramatic recital when two, and at three was taken to Hollywood by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Stripling, and given a voice test.

She completed eleven years of public schooling in six years and was valedictorian of her class. Her average for the six years was 95. At Trinity this year Miss Stripling made the highest grade in the psychology test given to all freshmen.

## 20,000 Acre Ranch In South Texas Sold

HARLINGEN (AP)—Purchase of 20,000 acres of the old Barreta ranch in Kenedy county, two miles south of Miffilin, was announced here by Roy Noblett. The land is valued at \$6 an acre, making the

transaction one of the largest ranch deals in the lower Rio Grande valley in recent months. The land was part of the old Jose Balli grant and was bought from T. H. Vinson of

Dallas. Noblett said some oil exploration on the property is expected to begin soon, although it will continue to be used for cattle raising.

# The Town Quack



was parked in a trailer south of our office today said the animal had no connection whatever with the election, but I kept hearing the animal bray like he might have been trying to express himself.

George Glass claims he would rather look at a good bull than a good horse, but sometimes I wonder

For fear you are not interested enough in the school trustee election Saturday to read news articles or advertisements about it, I will advise you that the election officials request you to bring along your poll tax receipt. One voter is not going to be any more important than another tomorrow.

O. B. Holt says he doesn't mind having Russell Conkling talk about him, casting doubt on the size of the fish with which O. B. was photographed, but he wants to see things balanced up. He said Russell caught a fish over at Black River Village late one evening and the fish looked to be about two feet long. The next morning when he went to fry it, the fish wasn't more than seven inches long. O. B. says Russell is the champion dwindler of this country.

One of our linotype operators is named Ben Lyle Crites. One day he was the only one in the front office during the noon hour. The telephone rang, he answered, the lady at the other end of the wire asked who was talking and he said "This is Crites." Misunderstanding him, she said "Well, I like that," and hung up the receiver, mad as hops.



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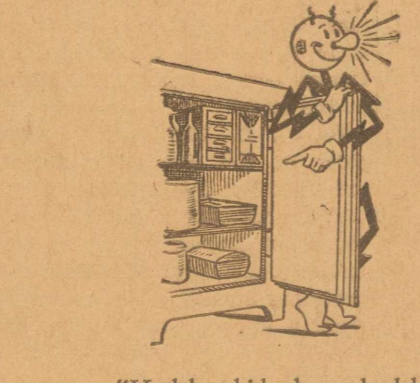
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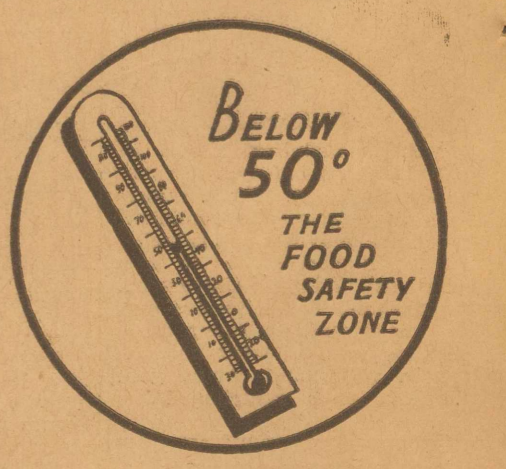
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# SOCIETY NEWS SECTION

## Four Are Hostesses at Shower Tea Complimenting Miss Cowden

### Mmes. Ulmer, Nobles, Kidd, Black Entertain Large Group at Ulmer Home As Courtesy for April Bride-Elect

By LYDIE G. WATSON.

Miss Ida Elizabeth Cowden, or Ida Beth as she is lovingly and familiarly known, and upon whose marriage the interest of society has been focused these early spring days, was the honor guest at a hospitality Thursday afternoon, very lovely in appointment and packed to the brim with pleasure and beauty of a rare quality.

The co-hostesses for the charming event were Mesdames M. C. Ulmer, John Nobles, Barron Kidd, who will be Miss Cowden's matron of honor, and Mrs. Ben Black, also an attendant. The Ulmer home which lends itself so effectively to decoration was lovely in color tone.

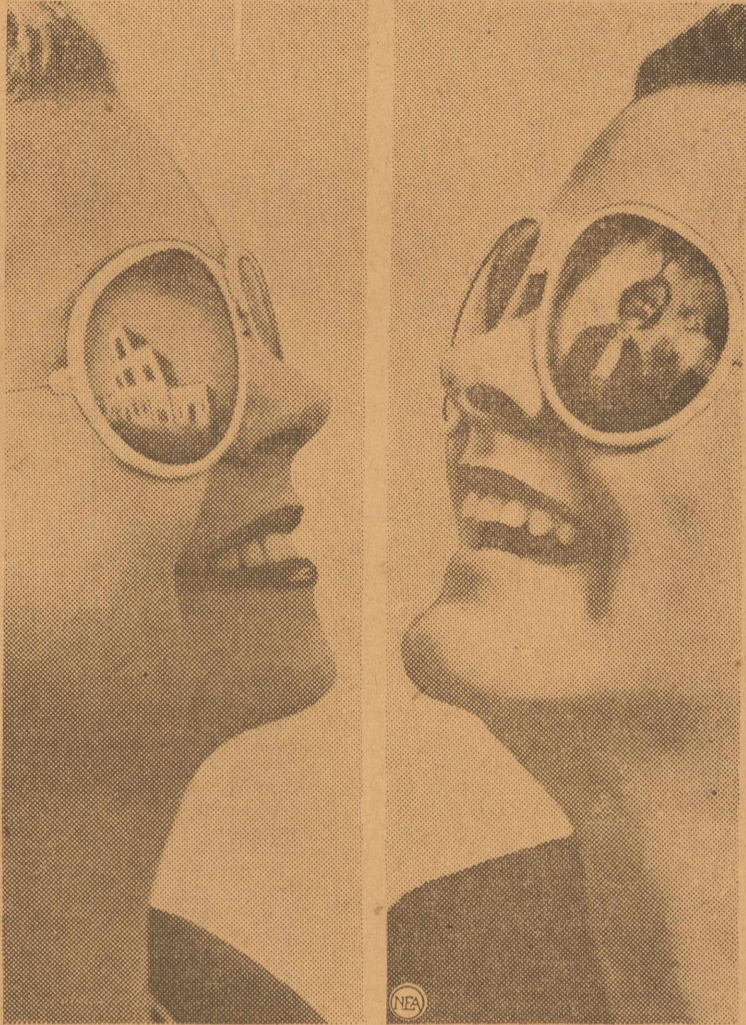
Baskets and vases of sweetpeas, gladioli, and roses were placed at vantage points and together with the gorgeous gowns worn by the ladies of the house party reminded one of old-fashioned love songs translated into fragrance.

The dining room was exquisite in its bridal white. The tea table was laid with an Italian cut work cloth with silver service and crystal candle holders with white candles. The center piece was a fairy like crystal tree, clustered about with gardenias and lilies of the valley. A similar arrangement graced the buffet.

Mesdames Fred Fuhrman and Johnson Phillips extended door greetings. The receiving line was composed of Mrs. Ulmer who was gowned in white chiffon, Mrs. Nobles who wore a blue lace, Mrs. Black, a coral chiffon, Mrs. Kidd a periwinkle chiffon, and Miss Cowden who chose as her gown an exquisite creation, of Mediterranean blue marquisette combined with lace of the same hue.

There was something peculiarly significant in the receiving line. Mrs. Nobles, the former Freddie Cowden, Mrs. Ulmer nee Helen Rountree, together with the bride-elect's mother; the former Fay Woolridge—all members of prominent pioneer families and who spent their young, gay years—the blossom time of life—in closest intimacy and friendship—So many lovely memories of shared joys—Then their young daughters—Martha Louise Helen Margaret, Ida Beth, together with Marian Wadley—now Mrs. Alf Reese—who have been friends and chums since dimpled, romper days—through school days—and now that "Love's Old Sweet Song" has come to Ida Beth, they formed a

### Beauty—in Reflected Glory



When young ladies of the Girls' Preparatory School at Chattanooga, Tenn., don their sun-glasses and go for a stroll, they pick up reflections of all sorts of interesting things. Mirrored in the dark lens worn by Dorothy Crabtree, at left, is a perfect image of Chattanooga's airport, Lovell Field. And when the photographer snapped a picture of Betty Billups, at right, he caught not only her happy smile but a reflection of her friend, Elizabeth Nixon, in the spectacles.

### Mrs. Fulk Hostess To Twelve-ite Club At Giesey Home

Mrs. Frank Fulk was hostess to the regular bi-weekly meeting of the Twelve-ite club at the home of Mrs. S. C. Giesey on S Baird street Thursday afternoon at one o'clock.

A two-course luncheon was served at quartet tables, after which the afternoon was devoted to bridge games.

A special feature of the party was a pink and blue shower for Mrs. J. D. Dillard.

Guests playing with the club were Mrs. R. E. Estes, Mrs. Wilson Keyes, and Mrs. Frank Mackey.

Members present were: Mmes. Wallace Irwin, Hall Edwards, L. G. Mackey, W. B. Harkrider, W. P. Knight, Dillard, H. B. Prickett, R. I. Dickey, Dudley Wood, and the hostess.

### Home Art Club Has Program Meeting

Mrs. Iris N. Bounds was hostess to the Home Art club in a program meeting at her home on the Rankin highway Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. B. W. Reecer gave an extract on "American Wilderness." "Slip Covers" was the title of a paper presented by Mrs. J. B. Neill.

Mrs. John Drummond read a paper discussing the various types of "Needlework."

A social hour followed the program, refreshments being served to

### Midland Girl and Odessa Man Are Wed at Big Spring

Miss Marie Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Thompson of Midland, and Pat Swanson of Odessa were married Wednesday evening at Big Spring. The pastor of the First Baptist church of that city read the ceremony which took place in his home.

The couple was attended by Miss Jeannette Thompson and Ned Satterwhite and Miss Nona Truelove and Jack Lunde, all of Midland.

The bride wore a printed silk dress in blue with a blue coat. Her accessories were gray.

Mrs. Swanson has lived in Midland a number of years and attended high school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Swanson will make their home in Odessa where he conducts a trucking line.

### Nineteen Attend Lois Class Meeting

Mrs. T. A. Cole brought the devotional at the regular meeting of the Lois class at the Baptist church Thursday afternoon. Mrs. L. O. McGallian offered the prayer which

followed. The meeting closed with sentence prayers for the church.

Nineteen women were present including: Mmes. J. V. Hobbs, Annie McLaughlin, D. H. Bonner, Cole, G. W. Williams, Lula Peeler, Lessie

Simmons, Rosa Rains, J. D. Webb, F. Sutherland, B. F. Ward, M. O. Prestridge, Gene Shelburne, A. J. Brown, McGallian, J. E. Wallace, Annie Collier, C. C. Cobb, Sherrod. The group will meet as usual next Thursday at the church.

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### Needlecraft Club Meets at Home of Mrs. Wallace Ford

Mrs. Wallace Ford was hostess to the Needlecraft club in its weekly meeting Thursday afternoon, the entire club membership being present.

Petunias, begonias, and snapdragons brought a breath of spring to the entertaining rooms where guests occupied the afternoon with knitting, embroidering, crocheting, or other favorite needlework.

Mrs. M. L. Wyatt was a club guest. The hostess served a refreshment plate at the social hour to the guests and the following club members: Mmes. Robert Cox, Reuben Graham, Owen Jeffers, Ross Jeffers, A. B. Johnson, Tyson Searcy, Buddy Tanner, Weiden Worden, A. W. Wyatt.

Mrs. Cox will be hostess to the group next Thursday.

### Stitch and Chatter Club to Meet Each Friday

Stitch and Chatter club, which will meet each Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for sewing and quilting, met with Mrs. F. D. Reven, 809 N Weatherford, as hostess Thursday afternoon. Organization of the club has not been completed.

Members attending were: Mmes. Frank Goode, Jewel Hedges, L. G. Boyett, E. L. Regan, Miss Daisy Tisdale, Mmes. Walter Rhodes, J. C. Bryant, V. L. Fenzell, L. M. Hedges, Charles Ward, W. P. Hedges, Claude Ramsey.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The club will meet Friday of next week at the home of Mrs. Paul Hedges, 466 E Tennessee.

Mrs. Cox will be hostess to the group next Thursday.

### Announcements

**SATURDAY.** Story Hour will be held in the children's library at the courthouse Saturday morning from 10 o'clock until 11.

Midland county museum in the courthouse will be open from 2:30 until 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The public is invited to attend.

Woman's Wednesday club will entertain for the Junior Woman's Wednesday club honoring Miss Ida Elizabeth Cowden with a party at the home of Mrs. J. M. Caldwell, 223 South H street, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The spaghetti supper sponsored by the Women's Golf Association and scheduled for Saturday evening, April 2, has been postponed to Saturday evening, April 9. It will be held at the Country Club at 8 o'clock on that date. A spaghetti dinner and dancing will occupy the evening. Tickets, at 75 cents each, may be obtained from any member of the Women's Golf Association or at the door.

spend the holiday in Temple with her roommate, Miss Virginia Culpepper, while Miss Marcelline Wyatt will go to Waco. They are also from Midland.

Ernest Hudson of San Angelo is the guest of his sister, Mrs. W. L. Sutton, this week.

Mrs. Bertha Kenney has returned from San Antonio where she visited Mr. and Mrs. James Kenney, Mrs. James Kenney is reported improved but still quite ill.

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### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Rainbolt have returned from Houston where they were called last week by the sudden death of Mrs. Rainbolt's father, J. S. Mayfield.

Misses Myra Jo Ray, May Beth Judkins, and Mary Beth Scruggs arrived in Midland Wednesday night to spend the spring holidays with their parents. They are students at TSCW at Denton, and plan to be here until Tuesday. Miss Dorothy Lou Speed returned earlier in the week. Miss Anna Beth Bedford will

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### MIDLAND HIGH TENNIS PLAYERS ROMP OFF WITH HONORS IN COUNTY FINALS

Midland high school tennis players romped off with seven of the eight first places awarded in the county finals held here yesterday on the high school courts, failing to win first honors only in junior girls' doubles in which they had no entry.

In senior boys' singles, Joe Norman, ace high school player, had no difficulty in taking first place by easily overpowering Lewis of Stokes in the finals. Graham of Prairie Lee won third place.

In the senior boys' doubles, Arrington and Middleton of the high school toyed with their finalist opposition, Wise and Cain of Stokes. Johnson and Fain of Valley View took third place honors.

In the senior girls' singles, Freda Faye Turner of Midland easily defeated Pearl Wilson of Warfield in the finals. Consolation honors went to Miss Leftwich of Prairie Lee.

In the senior girls' doubles, Barbara Jean Harper and Jessa Lynn Tuttle of Midland won over Misses Patterson and Rogers of Prairie Lee in the only match scheduled.

In the junior boys' singles, Jack Nobles of Midland won over Wise of Stokes in the finals. Graham of Prairie Lee was third.

In the junior boys' doubles, Horace Brown and Bobby York of Midland won out by defeating Wise and Lawson of Stokes, Flowers and Stanley of Prairie Lee finished third.

In the junior girls' singles, Margaret Irwin of Midland defeated Miss Hart of Prairie Lee, the only other entry.

In the junior girls' doubles, Misses Heeren and Cain of Stokes defeated Misses Livingston and Stewart of Prairie Lee.

Winners of the senior events will contest in the district meet to be held here April 15-16. Junior division events will not be carried any further.

By scoring 19 points in the tennis events, Stokes clinched possession of the county interscholastic League meet and the loving cup is theirs for another year. They garnered a total of 156 points, compared with 112 for Prairie Lee and 109 for Valley View.

### HITTING THE DIRT



Sailing into third in a cloud of dust, Frank Demaree, hard-hitting Chicago Cub outfielder, beat the throw with a second to spare, as Bud Brubaker, Pittsburgh Pirate third baseman, made a belated effort to put the ball on him. The action took place in Los Angeles as the Cubs defeated the Pirates 14-7 in an exhibition game.

### Aggies and Owls In Opener Today

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. April 1. — Harassed by a multiple combination of baseball ailments, and a stern chase already mapped out for them in defense of their South-west Conference diamond championship, Coach Marly Karow's Texas Aggies will play the Rice Owls a two-game series on Kyle Field here Friday and Saturday, April 1-2.

Cellarites by virtue of last week's double loss to Baylor, the Aggies can climb back into the championship race by sweeping the Owl series, but even a split series will weaken their chances to the extreme danger point. Tuesday's 2-8 loss to the Houston Buffs in a non-conference tiff marked the Cadets' fourth successive reverse.

The Owls, a second division club the past two seasons, are doped to finish well up in the race this year despite last week's 2-5 loss to the University of Texas Longhorns. They gave the Houston Grand Prize Brewers, a team that licked the Aggies easily early in the past two seasons, are doped before falling 3-5.

Ralph Lindsey, sophomore right-hander from Kurten who has pitched effectively at times this season, probably will start Friday's game for the Aggies, opposing Floyd Mechler of Rice. Lindsey blanked the Beaumont Exporters in seven innings two weeks past and hurled nicely after the first inning of last Friday's Baylor tilt. Mechler has pitched consistently in his appearances to date this season. Last year he held the Aggies, then the leading conference club in hitting, to two hits through seven innings before weakening in the final periods.

The veteran Mike Seale probably will pitch Saturday's game for the Owls, with either Tony Polanovich or Southpaw Harry Cohn on the mound for the Aggies.

By sending the Sophomore Bob failed to earn letters.

Add to these players a crack squad of freshmen and there is sufficient material for two teams. Jones' biggest task — again — will be to co-ordinate his strength into a fluid unit, and instill the signal caller with more versatility than was shown for the past two seasons.

Stone, of Holland from short back to third, where he started the season, and inserting Les Schraub, squadman for Seguin, at short. Coach Karow hopes to correct the unsound infield work that has characterized the Cadet defense of late. Bailey Timmerman, squadman from Rockdale who has had a fling at some third base and shortstop work, also probably will be re-assigned to the pitching corps.

Karow also is hopeful a shakeup of the batting order may produce more hitting power in the pinches. The Aggies have a team batting average of only .213 in their seven games to date, and in two of their last three tilts they have been held to three singles by Baylor and four by Houston.

Two sophomores from Houston, Johnny Nolan at second and Charley Kirkpatrick in right field or at catcher, pace the Aggie attack with averages of .324 each. Nolan has been batting fifth and Kirkpatrick seventh.

Probable Aggie lineup: Lindsey, Polanovich or Cohn, p; Jack Doran, Midland, or Kirkpatrick, c; Bob Williams, El Paso, 1b; Nolen, 2b; Stone, 3b; Schraub, ss; Capt. Woody Bell, New Braunfels, lf; Dave Alsbrook, Brenham, cf; and Kirkpatrick or Al Karcher, Giddings, rf.

### WTSTC School This Summer Opens June 6

CANYON (P).—West Texas State's summer term beginning next June 6, will last the usual 12 weeks, but the terms will be changed from two six week periods to one term of nine weeks and one of three, college officials announce.

The first term will end Aug. 6. The maximum study load for a student in the nine week term will be three courses of three-semester-hour credit, or the equivalent, excepting that the dean of the college may permit earning of a maximum of 14 hours for the 12 weeks in certain instances affecting graduation of a student. Such students must have an average of B or better.

The new plan does away with the class periods of 1 1/2 hours each, and substitutes periods of one hour. It will go into effect at the same time that the college, under the recent authorization of the board of regents, begins offering degrees without teacher training courses required, and broadens its curriculum to provide a general education for those who do not intend to teach. Teacher-training will continue to be a major function of the institution, however.

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### The PAYOFF

BY JESS RODGERS.

Fincher Withers is going to have a lot of trouble next month when it comes time to choose his two catchers for the Midland Cardinals as right now he has contracts of nine would-be receivers.

Heading the list, and the youth that is likely to be the number one man all year is Del Ballinger, 18-year-old 170 pounder who comes here on option from Sacramento. Ballinger was the "object of their affections" of both Withers and Bill Delancey, manager of the Albuquerque team, and it was only after Sacramento officials had signed him to a contract did they agree to option him to Midland. According to Withers, Ballinger hits left handed and really gets a lot of power in his drives. He calls San Diego his home town.

Second string catching job is likely to go to Clarence Beers, a general handy man with the Hobbs club last year. He tried his hand at pitching, outfield and behind the plate, never settling in one position long enough to get acclimated. This spring, however, he has been attending the baseball school at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and has been chosen all-star catcher of the more than 300 youngsters attending. Beers' ability to fill in at other spots on the field will probably land him the understudy job to Ballinger.

From Etowah, Tennessee, will come a couple of brothers intent on taking over the two catching positions. They are Quake Brackets, 20, and his younger brother, Carr, 18. The elder of the two brothers stands an even six feet, weighs 165 and is right handed all the way; the younger member is one inch shorter and weighs 150. He is also an infielder. He throws right and

left.

Another man that Withers will have trying out for the job will be Oscar Bates, Hobbs first string catcher all during 1937. Bates tied for leading catcher honors with Neal Rabe in the league last year and is likely to put up a strong fight for the job this year. But Withers has invited him to likely likely send Bates to the Taft club, due to a request for an experienced catcher by Taft officials. Bates is 22, one of the oldest men on the squad and has had about three years of professional activity.

From Baton Rouge, La., will come Don Allan, 19, 5/8, weight 170. He played semi-pro ball last year with a lot of success and got an extensive trial in the New York Giant school this year. He bats and throws right handed.

Two Chicago boys will also be seeing the catcher's job. They are Leo E. Orloff, 19 5/11, weight 175, who piled up a lot of good work with De Kalb university and in semi-pro ball around the windy city last year. He is a switch hitter. The other is Francis J. Waleak, 19, 5/10, weight 178, and whose experience consists only of semi-pro ball. The final aspirant to send in a contract is John J. Schiavo, 18, 5/8, weight 145. He hails from Detroit and played semi-pro ball last year.

Withers is going to have an easy time picking his outfield unless some more youths appear as he now has only five men listed for the three berths.

As they come:

1—Roland (Pinky) Fiedler, who calls Granite City, Ill. home, is 20 years old, stands five eight and weighs 170. Fiedler is left handed all the way. He played both outfield and pitched for Shelby, Mont., during 1936, hanging up seven wins against nine losses while on the mound and hit .338 for the season. He stands a good chance to tie.

2—Jimmy Morris, 22, 5/11, weight 175, left handed hitter and thrower. Hails from San Antonio, Morris is fast as a streak and has a powerful arm but did not show a lot of hitting ability with Hobbs last year.

His .298 average placed him far down in a league where anything less than a .325 average made a fellow look like a "poop" hitter. The center field job is his this year if he can start hitting a little better.

3—Robert Sackett. From Philadelphia where he was a member of the championship American Legion team in 1936. A right hander both ways, he stands and even six feet and one inch, weighs 178 pounds and is only 17 years old.

4—Mike Sikie, a 17-year-old youngster who comes from Detroit. Sikie is six feet tall, weighs 183 and is right handed all the way.

5—Herbert Edmondson, 19, 6/1, weighs 180 pounds and calls Quanah, Texas home. He is a left handed hitter and thrower and was offered a contract with Fert Worth this year but turned it down when he found out he was to be farmed out to Louisiana.

Fight fans interested in hearing the Louis-Thomas fight can probably pick up the broadcast over station KRGV at Weslaco—1260— from New Orleans station WDSU—1250— or station KOB in Albuquerque—1180. Here's a prediction you won't get to hear more than four rounds because the fight will be over by the start of the fifth, maybe sooner.

This "that"—We are indebted to Sweetwater Reporter Wale Steele for a pass to the White Six-Pirae game in Sweetwater next Thursday.

Steele says that tickets are going rapidly and anyone wanting them had better call him immediately. He says many Midland fans have already procured tickets.

Looks like the weather has played an April fool joke on Fincher Withers. The grass seed he planted positively refuses to sprout. It looks like the diamond will not have any Bermuda this year.

Opening day tickets are now on sale at Big Ed's, the Petroleum Pharmacy and Cactus Cafe. Several other places will start handling them later. Grover Miller, big Roswell

right hand chunker last year, has been farmed by Beaumont to a Louisiana club. Wild man Devine is still in the Exporter camp but will probably be farmed out to gain more control. We'll betcha Elmer Bizzell and Frank Dale don't miss a home game of the Cardinals this year unless they are absolutely forced to. Withers got a break on the revised WTSM schedule. He has got the July 4 and May 30 games here. They are the only holiday games booked during the season. The official schedule will be released Sunday.

Since then the years have been lean, with the last the leanest of all. In 1937 the Trojans won only three of nine games, and one more season like that will carry with it a probable shakeup of the coaching staff.

### Jones to Face Critical Year With Trojans

By JACK GUENTHER, United Press Staff Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES (U.P.).—This is the year University of Southern California is expected to boom, back into national football prominence and the responsibility is weighing heavily on both Coach Howard Jones and the men who will compose the 1938 varsity.

There is an underlying streak of stubbornness and determination evident in the Trojan spring training camp. U. S. C. practice sessions never have been occasions of hilarity, but the drills this spring are being carried on with a singleness of purpose that is unusual.

Football is no trivial subject at Southern California. For years the Trojans tramped everything on the Pacific Coast, and almost everything in America. The alumni never once considered that all winning streaks must end, and they certainly never expected a famine to last so long when it did come.

Win or Else Year. U. S. C. last won a Pacific Coast conference title in 1932, and polished off the season by blanking Pittsburgh, 35-0, in the Rose Bowl.

The key position on a Jones team is quarterback, and in 1938 there will be three good ones. Ambrose Schindler, a senior, is the greatest running back on the coast, although a trifle brittle. Grenville Lansdell and Dole Nave are the juniors. Both have been tested and both can pass and kick as well as run.

The fullback position will be bolstered by the return of Angelo Peccianti, out last year with an injured knee. Other lettermen at this post are Bill Sangster, Oliver Day and Bob Berryman. There are several capable blocking backs for the half—Coye Dunn, Boyd Morgan, Mickey Anderson, Phil Dukowski and Don Galvin, although two of them are weak on defense.

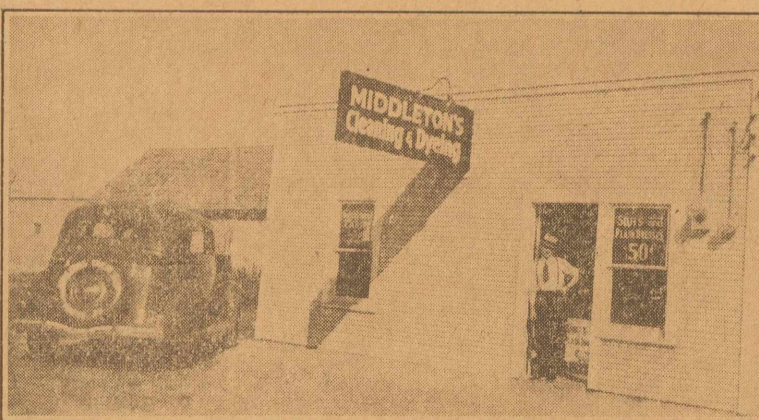
Count on New Back. The notable backfield addition is Bob Peoples, brilliant Oklahoma boy who was the 1936 prize "prep package". Peoples starred on the frosh team, and is the most saleable individual in the matter of public interest.

The line is better. Alex A'anasoff, Bill Dehetre and Tony Tonelli are smashing centers. The tackle spot is weak and A'anasoff may be shifted to backstop Phil Gaspar, Ray George and Howard Stocker. Edward Thomassin and Harry Smith are the best of the guards with several others pressing them. Ends are abundant—Ray Wheba, Ralph Stanley, Earl Fisk and others who

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## 10 BEDROOMS 10

NICE front bedroom; private entrance; adjoining bath; 2 or 3 gentlemen. 501 North Marientfeld. (20-2)

LARGE attractive room; private entrance; close in; men preferred. 605 North Pecos, phone 320. (20-3)

SOUTHEAST bedroom; private entrance; adjoining bath; close in. 404 West Ohio. (20-1)

NICELY furnished bedroom; twin beds; private entrance; adjoining bath. 1802 West Wall. (19-2)

FRONT bedroom; private entrance; adjoining bath. 807 South Weatherford. (19-3)

LOVELY bedroom in brick home; adjoining bath. 714 West Storey. (18-3)

COMFORTABLE south bedroom in private home; nicely furnished; connecting bath; private entrance. 308 West Pennsylvania. (16-6)

## 10-a ROOM & BOARD 10-a

PRIVATE boarding house; room and board; extra meals; for men. 310 North Carrizo, phone 113. 3-20-38

## 13 CARD OF THANKS 13

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**WASH TUBS**

YOU CROOK! YOU SWINDLER! YOU DID THIS ON PURPOSE!

LISSEN, YOU! BE CAREFUL WHO YOU CALLS A CROOK, SEE?

PASTE HIM A COUPLE, FRANKIE, WOT'S EATIN' DAT 'N GUY?

YOU KNEW THEY WERE GUNNA REPAVE TH ROAD PAST TH TOSPY TURV CLUB! I DEMAND MY MONEY BACK!

**ALLEP OOP**

HEY HAIRSHIRTS!! C'MON, SEIZE THE LUNATIC!

LET 'EM FIGHT IT OUT ALONE!

THAT'S RIGHT, YOU COYOTE, CALL IN YER MINIONS! TID YER DIRTY WORK!

LAY OFF! THIS IS NOT OUR FIGHT! BAM CRASH

LOOK! THAT PILE OF ROCKS COVERING THE ENTRANCE TO COP'S CAVE - THEY'RE ALL TUMBLING DOWN!

**MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse**

THANKFUL THAT HER AUNT AND UNCLE HAVE BEEN RESCUED, MYRA TURNS TO THE "LIEF WORK WITH NEW VIGOR..."

LET'S GO, AUNTIE! TIME TO GET BREAKFAST READY!

SAVES ALIVE - WHAT A KITCHEN!

YOUNG FELLER - YE WOULDN'T BE SO ANXIOUS TO GO LONG WITH ME IF YE KNEW THIS ORNERY BIRD LIKE AH DO!

OH, I DON'T KNOW, SHERIFF

JACK SETS OUT WITH SHERIFF LEM WILSON TO RECAPTURE BLACK LIKE

**FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS**

TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT OF THE DEBATE - SHADYSIDE - VS - KINGSTON - TWO BITTER RIVALRY'S REPRESENT THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS!

I'M GONNA MAKE A MONKEY OUTTA YOU TONIGHT!

YOU OUGHTA BE GOOD AT THAT - YOU MADE A PRETTY GOOD ONE OUT OF YOURSELF!

THERE WILL BE THREE JUDGES WHO ARE SEATED IN THE AUDIENCE! EACH CONTESTANT IS ALLOWED FIVE MINUTES SPEAKING TIME!

I'D LIKE TO BUST YOU ONE ON THE BEEZER!

THE SUBJECT FOR DEBATE, IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW, IS - RESOLVED - THAT PEACE BE MAINTAINED AT ANY PRICE! PERHAPS I SHOULD REPEAT THAT...

IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW!

**OUT OUR WAY**

SM-M-A-M-M-PH SM-M-AAAH - SMELL THAT FRESH, CLEAN SMELL - THEM SPRING RAINS SURE MAKES THINGS SMELL FRESH AND SWEET.

IF IT CAN MAKE OLD SCRAP IRON AND SMOKE SMELL FRESH AND SWEET, THEN MY NOSE AIN'T WHAT IT SHOULD BE

ALL YOU'VE GOT IS A NOSE - YOU HAVE NO IMAGINATION... WHAT'S MORE EXHILARATIN' THAN RAIN-DRENCHED DUST? AND OH THAT FRESH, GREASY SMELL - TH' FRESH SMOKE - WHY, MAN, YOU AIN'T LIVIN'!

**OUR BOARDING HOUSE**

PULL YOURSELF OUT OF THIS TALSIN, PROFESSOR, BEFORE YOU CRACKUP! THERE'S A DOZEN HIDE-ALWAYS THAT TH' MAJOR MIGHT HAVE TUCKED PERCY INTO THAT YOU HAVEN'T NOSED OUT - IT TOOK US THREE YEARS DURING TH' GREAT DROUGHT TO DISCOVER WHERE HE HID HIS BOTTLE!

SAY, HE'S GOT A BAD CASE OF HANG-JAW! AW, LET'S TELL HIM WHERE HE CAN FIND HIS STOOGE - FOR A PRICE, OF COURSE!

YEH! SAY FIVE BUCKS!

OKAY, YOU CRADLE-SNATCHING HOLDER-LIFTERS - IT'S A DEAL!

THEY TOLD HIM TO LOOK BACK OF THE RADIO - BUT IT'S ONLY AN APRIL FOOL JOKE =

**Boots and Her Buddies**

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**April Fool---**

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The lancelet, fish-like animal, has 60 pairs of gill slits, and travels as easily backward as forward.

The Neanderthal Man, first passable human creature known, had only a suggestion of a chin.

# Tune in at 6:30 Tonight

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FOY PROCTOR & W. A. YEAGER

Speak in the Interest of

**THEIR CANDIDACY  
FOR RE-ELECTION TO THE  
SCHOOL BOARD**

# To The Voters of The Midland Independent School District

The campaign to elect two members to the local Board of Education is nearing its close. We stated at the outset that it was not our intention to conduct a whispering campaign of any kind and we still abide by that decision.

We have given you a true statement of all facts concerning the activities of the Board in the management of your school district, with malice toward none. It has been our desire to work as Board members for the advancement of the schools and that only.

We want you to weigh the real issues in this election carefully before you cast your vote. If elected, we promise to give you our best efforts to conduct the affairs of the schools in an open-handed manner as we have in the past.

Your sincere consideration of our candidacy will be appreciated.

**FOY PROCTOR  
W. A. YEAGER**

**Japs---**

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northeast and northwest corners of the little city, much of which was in flames. Taierchwang is on a narrow-gauge branch railroad east of the main line, the Tientsin-Pukow, on the coastal side of the central front.

Japanese acknowledged, however, they were being forced to hack their way through solidly barricaded streets to take the city, on the line of their advance south to Suchow, where the Tientsin-Pukow and east-west Lunghai trunk line intersect.

Japanese declared three Chinese divisions were trapped at Ikow, ten miles northeast of Taierchwang, between Japanese forces closing in from Lini and those attacking Taierchwang.

Chinese, however, said the Japanese holds both on Yihstien and Taierchwang were being loosened by flanking attacks.

### Elimination of Old Cars to Be Studied

DETROIT, Mich.—One of the topics scheduled for consideration at the forthcoming 21st annual convention of the National Automobile Dealers association to be held in Detroit, April 25, 26, 27, will be the development of an industry program aimed at systematically eliminating from use, outmoded, unsafe motor vehicles, commonly referred to by the industry as "junkers."

According to A. N. Benson, general manager of N. A. D. A., it is not the genuine "junkster" that is responsible for the trouble, but

rather, the millions of older model, outmoded motor vehicles which still possess considerable unused transportation although they are only of nominal value. He declared that automobile dealers from all sections of the United States have shown a pronounced interest in this subject in recent months, due to the excessive accumulation of these older model motor vehicles in inventories.

"These outmoded cars," Benson declared, "represent a considerable percentage of the total motor vehicles in use. While worth only a nominal value of approximately \$25 to the dealer, they are being traded in at excessive overallowances of from \$75 to \$100 thereby resulting in an inflated valuation being placed on this merchandise.

"At the present time," he stated, "automobile dealers are required to absorb the entire loss resulting from the handling of these old cars. They are offered in trade by their owners as part payment for other cars and usually represent the final trade-on-trade in connection with the original sale of a new motor vehicle. In an effort to salvage his inflated investment in these old cars, the dealer sells them to another owner, instead of destroying them, thereby perpetuating their life and contributing to the problem.

"Many automobile dealers are convinced," he stated, "that the solution lies in devising an orderly procedure whereby the industry will systematically remove from further use these older cars by purchasing them from dealers, the cost being shared by the entire industry. Such a plan is now being prepared and will be discussed at the forthcoming dealer convention."

### Civic Clubs Urged Study Liquor Laws

AUSTIN (AP)—Civic clubs and public service organizations recently were urged by Rep. Bryan Bradbury of Abilene, house liquor traffic committee chairman, to study liquor laws "in order that our citizens may work for better enforcement."

The prematurely gray young member of the lower legislative branch said such action would result in a more intelligent understanding of "this paramount problem."

Bradbury, author of the law repealing legalized betting on horse racing, praised the liquor control board, saying "they recognize that regulation of the liquor traffic is an important problem and their efforts to carry out the spirit and letter of the law, in my opinion, have been noble.

"Not only has the board cooperated with the legislature," he said, "but their agents, inspectors and employees have endeavored to cooperate to the greatest possible extent with local officials.

"The efficiency of the board in the realm of law enforcement has been demonstrated by the number of cases filed and convictions obtained. The efficiency in the field of tax collections has been proved by the tremendous amount of money that has been collected. This thing alone should create a favorable impression among unbiased people of Texas."

The lancelet inhabits the sandy shores in the warm seas of the world.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Hon. M. C. Ulmer, Mayor of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Secretary of Midland, Texas, until ten o'clock A. M., Friday, April 15, 1938, for furnishing all materials, labor, and equipment for constructing a 200,000, 250,000, or 300,000 gallon elevated steel water tank and tower, size to be selected by the City Council.

Bids will be based on standard approved plans and specifications.

Proposals may be furnished on Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor.

The City Reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Bidders must be prepared to submit good faith check and performance bond in amounts satisfactory to the City.

J. C. Hudman,  
City Secretary.  
April 1-4.

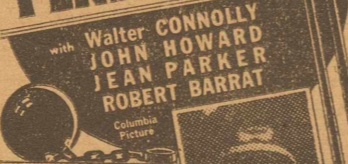
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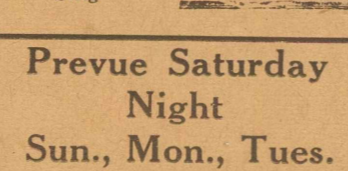
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### MURDER IN THE CELL BLOCK!



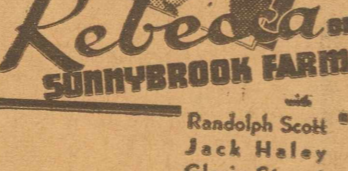
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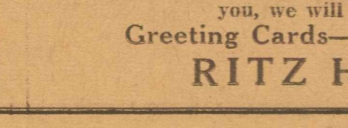
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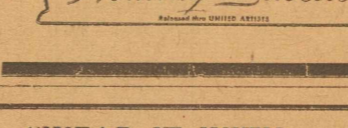


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## To the Voters of the Midland Independent School District

We, W. B. Simpson and Lewis C. Link, candidates for places on the school board of the Midland Independent School District, wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks to the many people who have supported our candidacy and at the same time reassert to the voters that if we should be chosen to serve as Trustees that we will render such service to the very best of our ability. We shall expect to keep foremost in our minds the best interest of the school system and perform our duties without favor or prejudice toward any.

Signed:

W. B. SIMPSON  
LEWIS C. LINK

## Additional Facts Concerning The Management of Our School System

For some reason a desperate attempt has been made to mislead the citizens of the Midland Independent School District into believing that an audit of the school system has been made. First one report and then another has been produced in an attempt to prove that point. If an audit has been made it would have been produced in the first instance.

There was mentioned in an advertisement, appearing in yesterday's Reporter-Telegram, a report known as Form A-I. S. D. This is merely a statement of the funds delivered to the Depository Bank and a list of checks drawn against the accounts. The Depository Bank does not and is not expected to determine whether all of the receipts have been placed in the Depository. Neither is it required to determine whether all of the checks presented for payment are proper expenditures and have had the approval of the Board of Trustees. THIS CANNOT IN ANY MANNER BE CONSTRUED AS AN AUDIT.

With reference to a charge that all members of the Board joined in a resolution to audit the Tax Collector's Office, we wish to advise that we voted for a complete audit of the school system notwithstanding the minutes of a meeting reported. The above mentioned Form A-I. S. D. was approved by us to expedite the receipt of State Funds, available for the system, with the understanding that a complete audit of the system would follow. The Superintendent of Schools, not the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, keeps the minutes of all meetings. They are never read at the succeeding meeting for approval, therefore a member of the Board has no way of determining whether they are correctly written or given a chance to protest against incorrect minutes.

The undersigned have been severely criticised on account of a contract given the Superintendent of Schools for a term of three years at a salary of \$4,500.00 per year. Heretofore it has never been the custom of this District, according to our knowledge, to elect any employee of the district for a period of longer than one year. We wish to make it plain that we did not join in the approval of this contract.

Criticism has also been pointed at us for the payment of a \$500.00 fee to one member of the Board of Equalization, although this party has taxes assessed against him which have been delinquent for several years. We wish to advise that we were not a party to this transaction and protested vigorously against the size of the fee.

With your support in electing W. B. Simpson and Lewis C. Link to the Board of Trustees we believe that we can give you a more efficient administration than has been carried on in the past.

CHAS. D. VERTREES  
J. L. GREENE  
J. R. MARTIN