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28TH YEAR

RANGER, TEXAS, FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 1947

PRICE FIVE CENTS No. 258

307 Plant Employees Still Missing

Victim Receives Plasma



Blood plasma is being administered to an injured worker who was taken from the wreckage of the Monsanto Chemical plant at Texas City. (NEA Telephoto).

SAYS 250 LONG DISTANCE CIRCUITS IN AREA CUT

Approximately 250 long distance circuits leading out of Ft. Worth, including principal southern trans-continental lines, and circuits used by government agencies were cut early Wednesday night and Thursday morning according to R. J. Flechtner, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

Some of the lines served were being used to carry emergency messages between fire, explosion ravaged Texas City and other points to the north, east and west. All of the severed lines were spliced and back in service late Thursday morning.

The first cut occurred just before 8 P.M., Wednesday. Two underground cables were sawed partly through in a manhole east of the Ft. Worth city limits.

At 4:55 A.M., Thursday fifty-one open wire circuits were cut about eight miles south of Fort Worth interrupting Ft. Worth and points to the south. Forty open wire circuits between Ft. Worth, Wichita Falls, and Amarillo were cut at a point about four miles north of Ft. Worth about 7:30 A.M. Thursday.

The underground cables between Ft. Worth and Dallas contain transcontinental circuits which were interrupted by the cut. The two cables carry the principal lines along the southern route between the east and west coasts. They also contain thirty important government circuits which were out of service for several hours because of the cuts.

Immediately after the first cut was made in the cable, crews of supervisory employees located the break and began repairs.

The persons who sawed the cables made their cuts near the walls of the manhole and it will be necessary to break out the underground walls with airhammers before the cables can be permanently repaired.

More than 150 circuits in the two cables, which were cut only about three-fourths of the way through with a back saw, were temporarily spliced back into service by Thursday morning. The repair crews worked on them all night. Permanent repairs will be made later.

Crews began working to repair circuits north and south of the city early Thursday morning and had the breaks repaired before noon. Flechtner said the cable and wire cutting had been reported to the sheriff and that he is investigating. The Federal Bureau of Investigation also has been notified.

The law provides severe penalties for the malicious cutting of communication cables and wires and such acts are classed as felonies. The penalties provided range from two to five years in the penitentiary and fines from \$100 to \$2000.

Confectionery Anounces A New Service

Mrs. H. R. Hicks who has recently opened up the Arcadia Confectionery, has announced an added attraction to the confectionery in the form of a brand new doughnut machine.

Mrs. Hicks will make a specialty of serving coffee and fresh doughnuts at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon. She has invited to public to visit her place of business, particularly at these hours.

The new establishment is also serving fountain drinks, has candy, cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

Pvt. Croom Due In States For Hospitalization

Mrs. H. C. Croom has received word that her son, Pvt. Lewis Croom who has been in hospitals in Japan since January 11, suffering with rheumatic fever, is en route to the United States for hospitalization here.

Pvt. Croom during his illness has been in five hospitals in Japan and most recently was in the 28th General Hospital at Osaka.

Thirty-Eighth Annual Meeting Woman's Missionary Union To Convene In Eastland April 22, 23

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to District Seventeen Convention, meets in Eastland at the First Baptist Church Tuesday and Wednesday, April 22, 23.

Following is the program: "Theme: Facing Our Task Program"

Tuesday afternoon 1:30 o'clock. Timekeeper.

Pages: Tuesday: Mrs. Charles Butler, Mrs. Howard Upchurch.

Wednesday: Mrs. Loyd Young, Mrs. Bob Burkett.

Chorister—Mrs. H. F. Vermillion. Organist—Mrs. Donald Kinnard.

Song Service. Prayer. Devotional—Mrs. E. L. Redden.

Greetings, Presentation of Local Committees: Mrs. J. H. Hart. Recognition of Special Visi-

OFFICIALS SAY THANKS FOR AID IN DRIVE

Dr. A. K. Wier, general director of the clean-up campaign, G. A. Murphy, chairman of the men's division, Mrs. James P. Morris, chairman of the women's division and M. L. King, president of the Chamber of Commerce, today expressed their appreciation to all who had any part in making the recent clean-up campaign the success that it was.

It was further stated that city trucks are still hauling collected trash and if there are those that have not been visited by the collectors, they should notify the Chamber of Commerce and a truck will be dispatched to that address.

Following is the statement issued by the officials:

"We wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation of the entire citizenship in the recent clean-up drive, and especially to the chairmen and members of the various committees, and those who volunteered the use of trucks and the students of the college and high school who helped man the trucks, the employees of the city, and everyone else who contributed in any way to the success of the campaign.

Many have expressed the belief that it was one of the most successful clean-up efforts ever staged and we have hope that all have caught the spirit of keeping the town more healthful and attractive."

Claims Printers' Union Caused Printer Shortage

WASHINGTON — Walter E. Hussen, president of the Texas Newspaper Publishers Association, charged today that the International Typographical Union, AFL, was responsible for an "acute shortage" of printers.

Hussen said the union, which operates under a closed shop contract, had failed to provide as many printers as newspapers require. He testified at a Senate small business subcommittee hearing on the labor problems of smaller newspapers.

Legion Firing Squad To Meet At 7:30 Tonight

Members of the American Legion firing squad will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Legion Hall with the meeting being directed by Comdr. Bobbie Robinson and Joe Daskevich.

All legionnaires and veterans of World War II are urged to attend the meeting which is in preparation for Memorial Day Services.

Marshal Appeals For Harmony

MOSCOW — Secretary of State George C. Marshall tonight appealed to his Big Four colleagues to break the deadlock on the Austrian treaty by settling their differences on some "middle ground."

No Comment. WASHINGTON (UP) — The White House had no comment today on Sen. Tom Connally's statement in New York that President Truman would be the Democratic candidate in 1948.

Agree on Wage. PITTSBURGH (UP) — Westinghouse Electric Corp., and the CIO United Electrical Workers today announced agreement on a 15-cent an hour wage increase for 75,000 workers.

THREATEN STRIKE. NEW YORK (UP) — United Financial Employees—AFL—will strike against the New York Stock Exchange, New York Curb Exchange and several brokerage houses Monday morning, the union said today.

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Former Engineer At Cisco Found Dead Wednesday

CISCO, April 16 — John G. Reagan, owner and operator of Lake Cisco Inn, just outside the City of Cisco, was found dead in his bed this morning when Mrs. Lorine Hankins went to his room to call him to breakfast. Death from heart failure had struck during the night.

The body is at Thomas Funeral Home and arrangements for the last rites will not be made until arrival of relatives from Kerrville and San Antonio, late today.

Living with him here was Mr. Reagan's mother, Mrs. Emily Reagan, who is in her middle eighties. Mr. Reagan, who would have been 59 in October was a native Texan and was born at Del Rio.

He was married to Miss Dora Nimitz, sister of Admiral Chester Nimitz, July 12, 1920, the couple locating in Cisco soon thereafter, where Mr. Reagan was employed as an engineer by the Elrod Engineering Co. during the construction of Lake Cisco dam.

Later he served as city engineer under Mayor Williamson. He also served with a government engineering corps for a term of years and was in charge of the water department and engineer of the city of Menard at one time.

He was recognized widely as an engineer of great ability and was well liked by a very large circle of Cisco friends and acquaintances. In addition to his mother, survivors include three children and a brother, who are now enroute to Cisco, as follows: Mrs. Ellen Lee Peterson, Kerrville; John Wm. Reagan and Robert Louis Reagan, Kerrville. The brother is Claude C. Reagan of San Antonio.

Asks UN Council To Foster A Balkan's Treaty

LAKE SUCCESS — Columbia called on the United Nations Security Council today to foster a Balkan's treaty to smooth the troubled relations of Greece Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania.

Dr. Alfonso Lopez of Columbia laid the proposal before the Security Council after complaining that the current American - Russian debate over President Truman's Greek-Turkish aid program "had merely touched the surface" of the situation in the trouble-ridden Balkans.

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NO TRACE OF T. J. LEWIS FOUND YET

Relatives stated this morning that no trace of T. J. Lewis, reported missing in Texas City, had been found nor had his body been found.

His mother, Mrs. C. C. Lewis, and daughter, Miss Dorothy Lewis, two other sons, R. J. Lewis and his family from Hobbs, New Mexico, and Paul Lewis of Ranger left this morning for Texas City to join in the search for some clue of the missing man.

Word from relatives at Texas City stated that the missing man's car had been found in the parking lot at the docks where he was working, but no trace of him nor his body had been found.

Mrs. Marvin Spincer, a sister of the missing man, who lives at Texas City, her husband and two months old baby escaped uninjured, though all windows in their home, two miles from the explosion area, were shattered.

Wednesday afternoon, on learning of the tragedy, Clayton Lewis of Weatherford, another brother, and Mrs. Doris Fulps of Luling, a cousin and the former Miss Doris Robinson of Ranger, left immediately for Texas City and have been in constant contact with the family here.

Uses Color To Cure Blues, Keep People Happy

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP) — While the magician does many of his tricks with mirrors, an authority on color dynamics uses color to cure the blues and keep people on an even emotional keel.

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Workers Move In To Hunt For More Dead

TEXAS CITY—The Monsanto Chemical Company announced today that 307 of its employes still are missing in the Texas City disaster area.

TEXAS CITY—Volunteer workers with bulldozers and winch-trucks moved into the blasted, smoking Texas City waterfront area today to search for additional dead in one of the nation's grimmest peacetime disasters.

Two oil fires still blazed in the gulf coast industrial town where an exploding French freighter Wednesday set off a two-day chain of disaster which killed hundreds, injured thousands.

But the flames were ebbing, and authorities believed there was little danger that they would spread now to two great onion-shaped tanks of highly explosive propane gas which were threatened during the night.

Two oil barges adrift in Galveston Bay caught fire today and briefly threatened further damage to this disaster-blasted industrial town, but the flames were extinguished in less than an hour.

In the still-smoking town, volunteer workers grimly searching for additional dead, penetrated the heart of the

blasted area, reaching one building of the ruined \$19,000,000 Monsanto Chemical Company plant.

Almost simultaneously, a crew working in the area of the \$5,000,000 Texas City Terminal Company building—a total loss—found the burned body of a woman among the hulks of wrecked automobiles in a parking lot. It was the first to be recovered from the area hardest hit by the disaster.

The body was taken to the temporary morgue in McGar's garage—yesterday the busiest morgue in the nation, but cleared today until the woman's body was brought in.

It was believed that few would be found until the workers reached the big plant of the Monsanto Chemical Company, a quarter-mile ahead of them and across a twisted, melted steel trestle. About 600 persons were working there Wednesday when the ship explosion set off blasts within the chemical plant. Perhaps 100 still are missing.

As the volunteers began their work, the situation was—Known dead—278.

Hundreds were missing, and estimates of the ultimate toll ran as high as 700, but officials admitted these were only guesses.

Injured—3,600, of whom 600 to 650 still were hospitalized.

Long lines of persons passed through the high school gymnasium, where the dead lay in long rows beneath army blankets, to seek missing relatives.

Damage was estimated at up to \$125,000,000.

Almost every house in the town of 18,000 had been damaged. Half the population had been evacuated.

Hundreds of police patrolled streets. A Texas State Guard unit was on duty. Gov. McFarland Jester has declared a state of emergency.

Forty-six victims of the Texas City disaster have developed symptoms of gas gangrene and are under treatment in two Galveston hospitals, a specialist in infectious wounds said today.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK. Cattle 800. Slow and weak. Medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings 17.00-22.00.

Calves 200. Slow and weak. Few good and choice 19.50-22.00.

Hogs—600. Butcher hogs 25-50 lower than Thursday's average, sows 50-1.00 lower. Stocker pigs strong to 50 higher. T o p 24.75 paid by shippers and city butchers, packer top 24.25. Good and choice 180-300 lbs. 24.25-24.75.

Sheep 2000. Killing classes steady, medium and good spring lambs 18.00-21.00. Common springers down to 15.00.

The Weather. Fair and warmer. Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today. Maximum 73. Minimum 57.

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Area Of Blast. GALVESTON BAY. DOLLAR POINT. TEXAS CITY. MONSANTO CHEMICAL PLANT. WHERE SHIPS EXPLODED. PAN AMERICAN DOCK. VIRGINIA POINT. GALVESTON. CAUSEWAY. ISLAND.

Map shows general area of devastation in Texas City, Tex., following most recent explosions and fires. Arrows indicate salient features. (NEA Telemap).

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this newspaper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publishers.

HUMBLE EARNINGS 1 PER CENT HIGHER IN 1946

Houston, Texas.—Petroleum demands equal to those of the peak war years and adjustments of prices to compensate for higher costs were among the highlights noted by Humble Oil & Refining Company in reporting to stockholders that its production and earnings in 1946 were about one per cent greater than in 1945. Net earnings for the year were \$71,831,000, or \$4.00 a share of stock, compared with \$3.94 a share in 1945.

Investment in new facilities by the Company hit a new high of \$99,339,000, more than two-thirds of which was in production facilities. "The large investment in producing operations is considered warranted by demand for crude oil and the importance of petroleum in the national economy," President H. C. Wiess said in his letter to stockholders, "even though the cost of finding and developing reserves is relatively high."

The payroll for the year amounted to \$58,800,000, about 10 per cent higher than in 1945. In addition the Company contributed \$7,700,000 to the liberalized Annuity & Thrift Plan for employee benefits. At the close of the year Humble had 17,375 employees, 5,500 of whom were veterans of World War II.

The Company's aggressive program of gas conservation involves expenditure of \$10,000,000 for facilities to utilize casinghead gas, the report states. During the past year, Humble used or marketed 61 per cent of the casinghead gas produced with oil from its oil wells and the program now underway will result in adding substantially to the further saving of casinghead gas.

A total of \$4,600,000 was spent during 1946 on research, resulting in the development of improved geophysics techniques, mechanical devices to lighten the work on drilling rigs, improved products, and other advancements.

During 1946 Humble drilled 685 wells, of which 169 were dry holes. However, the report indicates that additions to reserves were greater than in 1945. Net production of crude oil from more than 3,000 wells for the year was 112,957,800 barrels, one per cent

above 1945 production. In addition, Humble purchased 135,415,000 barrels of crude oil.

Continued high demand for crude oil kept Humble Pipe Line Company's operations at near record level, the report indicates. Trunkline deliveries amounted to 619,000 barrels a day, slightly above the average in 1945. Expenditures for new pipe line facilities exceeded \$10,000,000, of which \$3,500,000 was invested in an eight-inch products line from Baytown to the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

The transition to peacetime refinery operations, the report states, was marked by improved quality in civilian products. Humble's refinery runs were slightly less than in 1945.

Investments in refinery facilities during 1946 amounted to \$11,000,000, with the major portion going for the purchase from the Government of the Baytown Ordnance Works, former toluene plant. The two government owned synthetic rubber plants operated by Humble at Baytown increased their output of butadiene n and Butyl rubber.

In 1946, Humble sales operations showed a gain through bulk and service stations of 59 per cent over the previous year.

NEWS FROM OLDEN

Frank Fidler was in Crescent Saturday and Sunday visiting his sister and brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Leonard and daughters, Patricia and Valerie, have moved to 213 Churchill Road, Fort Worth. Mr. Leonard recently retired from service with the Magnolia Petroleum Co.

Jim Hammett is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Carl Butler.

Mrs. Joy Duncan of Dallas and Miss Mable Whiznat of Austin spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Whiznat.

Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Elder of Strawn visited in Olden Monday.

High School Is Morgue



One-hundred and eighty-one bodies lie in the High School at Texas City which is being used as a morgue. (Photo by Francis Miller, Acme-NEA Staff Photographer.) (NEA Telephoto).

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Talley have returned from Dennison where they went to attend the funeral of their daughter who was killed in a car wreck.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Vermillion are home from Ft. Worth where they spent the past week. They were accompanied home by their daughter, and husband, Sgt. and Mrs. J. E. Montgomery. The Montgomerys returned to their home in Ft. Worth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Squires and his grandmother, Mrs. Wright, are home from a visit with relatives at Rochelle, Texas.

Mrs. George Riley entertained her girls Sunday School class at her home Thursday night with a slumber party.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Eirod of Pflug, Texas were here Saturday and Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. James. Mrs. Eirod is the former Miss Maxine James.

Alphus Robert and Mmes. Roberts, Carl Crone, Dave Vermillion, Carl Butler and V. M. Hamilton attended Eastern Star Lodge at Eastland Tuesday night. Six new members were initiated, supper was served in the banquet hall, and an impressive memorial service and open house was held. There were visitors from Ranger, Cisco, DeLeon and Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ford and daughter Ida Mae from Graham were here Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ford.

The Olden Parent Teachers Association sponsored a bingo party at the Recreation Hall Friday night. Most of the prizes were donated by Ranger and Eastland merchants. Ice cream, cold drinks, coffee, and pie were served. \$150.00 was the amount cleared and is to be spent for play ground equipment.

Mrs. Dennis Belew of Kermit is in a critical condition after a serious operation at a hospital in Kermit. Mrs. Belew is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williamson here and formerly lived here.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Delazene of Eastland have recently moved to Olden. Mr. Delazene is an employee of Victor Cornelious Co., in Eastland.

Mrs. Wilbert Norton who has been ill in a Ranger hospital is much improved and able to be home now.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Patterson from Sea Graves was here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holder from San Rita spent Saturday with Mrs. Holder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Vermillion.

NEWS FROM EASTLAND

Dr. and Mrs. W. D. McGraw will have this week-end visiting in their home, their daughter, Dr. Doralee McGraw Lewis, with her husband, Dr. Lewis, from Hyattsville, Md. Mrs. Lewis will be remembered in Eastland and Cisco by her former patients and friends, during her few months practice as Optometrist in Cisco. Since marrying Dr. Lewis a few months ago, she has been practicing with him in Maryland. Also Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr., son of Dr. McGraw, who is pastor of the First Nazarene Church at Ponca City, Okla., with his wife and two daughters, will be visitors with Dr. McGraw's family and C. G. McGraw, eldest son, from DeLeon.

Mrs. Porter, mother of Rev. Fred H. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist church and who has been ill, is able to walk about the house some this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Chisum of Borger, Mrs. Virgie Luttrell of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Kuykendall of Abilene were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall.

Billy Hart, who is attending Baylor University at Waco, spent the past week-end with his parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. John S. Hart. Among those attending the Ice Capades in Ft. Worth Tuesday night were, Estes Halkias, Wendell Armstrong, F. W. Graham and family, Mrs. Mattie Doyle and Mrs. Willys Smith and Goldie Brashears.

Artie Liles visited his mother, Mrs. Mattie Liles of Abilene, Sunday.

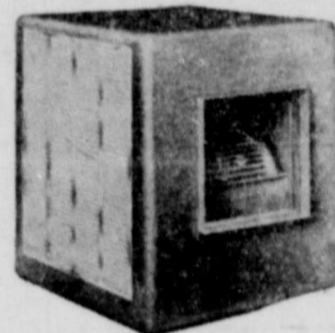
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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dreinhof, er, June Drinkard and Beth Garrison were in Ft. Worth Thursday to attend the Ice-Capades.

Mrs. M. L. King and Mrs. G. C. Boswell were in Abilene today to attend the annual tea at the Woman's Club.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Crawley are in Lake Jackson for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Virgil Perry, Mr. Perry and their family.

Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ham and Misses Zella Faye Stephen, Billie Faye Pounds, Pauline Cook, and Ouida Brown were in Fort Worth Thursday evening to attend the performance of the Ice Capades.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kelly, and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wylie attended the Ice Capades in Fort Worth Thursday night.

Mrs. H. C. Croom has returned from Ft. Worth and Dallas where she accompanied Mrs. Eva Hamill, who was enroute to Wichita, Kansas, where she was to join her husband.

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Society-Clubs

Miss Todd, Mr. Harrison Are Married April 10

In a ceremony performed Thursday evening, April 10, at 8 o'clock in the home of Rev. W. A. Rogers, Victoria, Texas, Miss Jimmie Beth Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Todd, became the bride of Mr. J. D. Harrison, son of Mrs. W. L. Harrison.

The bride chose for her wedding ensemble a fuchsia gaberdine cutaway suit with black accessories. Her corsage was of gardenias. Mrs. Noweta Halbrooks, of Dallas, was the bride's only attendant and she wore a brown gaberdine suit with white accessories and a corsage of yellow lily.

Mr. Bill Harrison, brother of the groom, was best man.

The double ring ceremony was read by Rev. Rogers, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Victoria, and was attended by a few close friends.

The groom a graduate of Cad-do High School, is employed by the Austin Bridge Construction Co., at Bloomington, Texas.

The bride, a graduate of Ranger High school, is employed at the Ranger Clinic.

Lacasa Club Has Meeting Wed.

The Lacasa Home Demonstration Club held an all day meeting Wednesday, April 16, in the home of Mrs. D. Z. Herrington.

The morning was spent in sewing and handwork and a covered dish luncheon was served at noon.

In the absence of both the president and vice president, Mrs. D. B. Raney, club reporter, presided. Miss Jean Bain gave a report of the council meeting, and announced that a representative of the Rural Electrification Administration will attend the council meet Saturday, April 27.

Miss Bain also gave a demonstration on lighting, advising the members on the best methods and arrangements in electric wiring of the home and the different types of light bulbs.

Those present at the meeting were Meses. A. S. Whatley, H. A. Pockrus, A. J. Pockrus, R. E. Miller, Roy Herrington, C. G. Veale, A. O. Templeton, L. A. Eudy, G. A. Guest, D. M. Stanford, J. W. Graham, and the hostess.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, May 21, in the home of Mrs. J. T. McCleskey.

Club Luncheon Held Wednesday

Mmes. Lena McDonough, Cora Arrendale and Mollie Patterson were hostesses to members of the Happy Hour Club Wednesday with a covered dish luncheon in the home of Mrs. Ruby Greer.

Luncheon was served buffet style from quartet tables covered with linen cloths and decorated with vases of spring flowers.

The business meeting was called to order at 2:00 o'clock by the president, Mrs. Mattie Cox. Routine business was transacted and the time and place of the next meeting decided. The luncheon will be held in the home of Mrs. Cox, Wednesday, May 21. The meeting was adjourned with the group's repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Those present were: Meses. Louie Calder, Lee Graham, Laura Melton, Mabel Greer, Janie Osteen, Eva Stallings, Hattie Lester, Ruby Greer, Thelma Dabbs, Lena Patterson, Bessie Harris, Mattie Cox, and the hostesses.

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Weslie Mickey Speaks To Club

Weslie Mickey was the guest speaker at the 1920 Club meeting held Thursday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock in the Blue Room of the Gholson Hotel and spoke on the subject of Evidences of the Bible Being Inspired.

The speaker was introduced by Mrs. A. W. Brazda, leader of the program, and who also gave a talk on cancer in connection with this week being observed as Cancer Week.

Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin, presided at the business meeting in which Mrs. W. L. Jackson was elected delegate to the state convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs which will be held in Houston May 13, 14, and 15. The club also voted to contribute \$5.00 to the cancer funds drive.

Rebekah Lodge Meets Tuesday

The Ranger Rebekah Lodge No. 244 met in regular session Tuesday evening at the IOOF Hall with Noble Grand, Leo Graham presiding.

Following the business session the degree team practiced. Plans will be completed Tuesday night to attend the Oil Belt Association which is to be held in Breckenridge on April 24. All who can go are urged to be present. Sixteen members were present.

NEWS FROM CHEANEY

Mr. and Mrs. Jid Blackwell were in Portales, New Mexico over the week-end where they visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas, former residents of Cheaney.

Mrs. F. E. Ferrell visited her daughters, Mary and Frances, in Ft. Worth, and her nephew, J. C. Lockhart, of Weatherford, over

the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Butler were the guests last week of Mr. Butler's brother near Brownwood. He accompanied them home.

Mrs. J. B. Griffith is a patient in the Blackwell Sanitarium in Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Freeman and Mrs. A. H. Dean were in Comanche Saturday.

B. C. Weekes of Comanche is visiting in the Cheaney community this week.

Brother McDaniel of A. C. C. preached at the Cheaney Church of Christ Sunday.

Nurserymen Enter Fight On Fruit Tree Disease

WASHINGTON (UP)—Private nurserymen and state government agricultural agencies have joined forces in fighting obscure diseases which attack stone fruit trees.

A spokesman for the nurserymen said researchers are trying to find disease-free trees. These trees will be subjected to diseases and only those which withstand tests will be used in propagation.

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Mrs. A. H. Dean, Mrs. John Love and Mrs. Ben Freeman visited the Mingus Home Demonstration Club last Thursday.

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WAGES AND THE TELEPHONE STRIKE



Because wages are at issue in the telephone strike, let's take a look at what operators and plant craftsmen here are now getting. Almost all telephone people are in these groups.

The basic work period is a five-day, 40-hour week. Scheduled employees are paid overtime for time worked over eight hours a day, premium time for Sunday and holiday work, and added money for evening and night work.

OPERATORS

A girl just out of high school, with no previous experience, starts at the beginner's rate of \$26 a week. But if she works after 9 p.m., she gets \$27.50 a week, and if that week includes Sunday work, she gets \$30.10.

The beginning operator gets a raise in pay every six months for the first year. An operator with 12 month's experience, for example, gets \$28 for a normal 40-hour week. If it includes evenings and Sunday, she earns \$32.30.

Periodic increases bring the operator to the top rate of \$34 a week. If she works evenings and Sundays, her weekly earnings are \$38.90.

But the union wants to increase the beginner's rate of pay from \$26 to \$41—up \$15 a week. Also, they would increase the top wages from \$34 to \$51. That is an increase of \$17 a week.

PLANT CRAFTSMEN

Linemen and installers, starting in right out of school with no experience, begin at \$28 for a basic five-day week. In two years they are earning \$35.50 a week.

Periodic increases raise this basic rate to a top of \$56 a week. Exchange repairmen—the men who take care of repairing the equipment in your office or home—reach a top rate of \$58. Overtime and other extra pay during the past year increased the wages of most linemen, installers, and exchange repairmen by about 10 per cent.

The union asks that the beginning wage rates of these Plant workers be raised from \$28 to \$43—up \$15 a week. The union would also increase the \$56 top wage to \$78, and the \$58 top to \$80. Those would be increases of \$20 and \$22 a week.

We believe most people will agree that present wages are good. The company believes that no increases are justified at this time.

The way to resolve these differences of opinion and settle the strike is to arbitrate the wage issue. That would be fair to our employees, to telephone users, and to the company.

The company is trying to settle the strike. It has offered to arbitrate wages. It has renewed that offer and enlarged it. But the union leaders still refuse!

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