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Republics Debate Costa Rica Action

Well... I Dunno, But...

You guessed it, brother! You know all of the time that we'd write about the weather today. And who wouldn't when the sight of rain is as rare around these parts as the proverbial "hen's teeth."

The rain was also accompanied by the almost forgotten sight of lightning and the sound of thunder.

The weather does make news every now and then, and this is sure one case. The rain that fell today is the first measurable precipitation since Nov. 16 and that only a drizzle.

Se we did a little figurin' this mornin'g. Rainfall for September, October, November and through the 14th of December in 1946 totaled 12.03 inches. The same period in 1947 registered 7.21 inches of rain, and—now get set for the shock—the same period this year has only registered 1.99 inches. Now ain't that awful. About one sixth the amount of 1946 and one third the amount of 1947. And that just ain't enough rain.

"The Navy's in" will be the cry around Ranger this week-end if present plans carry.

Jimmie Latimer told us this morning that 63 buses of sailors are due to stop in Ranger during the four days beginning Dec. 18.

The reason for the mass movement isn't anything to be alarmed about. The boys are merely getting to go home for Christmas. The boys will be headed from the West Coast to all parts of the United States and the 63 buses coming through here will be those whose homes are accessible from Fort Worth and Dallas.

At mid-morning the rain barrel had 22 of an inch of rain registered in it. But the clouds were still hanging around.

The boys in the composing room are thumbing their noses at the front offices this morning. The reason, they're the proud possessors of a brand new metal saw. Not knowing much about saws, we'll have to take their word for it, but they say it's a super-duper model, with all of the streamlined gadgets, that make sawing easier and better (whatever that means). They refer to it as being a beauty and we guess they know what they're talking about.

It is real shiny and nice and has a soft whir instead of a grating sound like the old one had. Well at least it'll save the edges of our nerves.

People Warned To Lock Cars

Chief W. G. Pounds today issued a warning to Ranger people concerning leaving keys in vehicles.

The chief stated that they have had a number of cases recently where cars were tampered with and even moved from their parking places and the threat to owners is of sufficient importance to warrant more care.

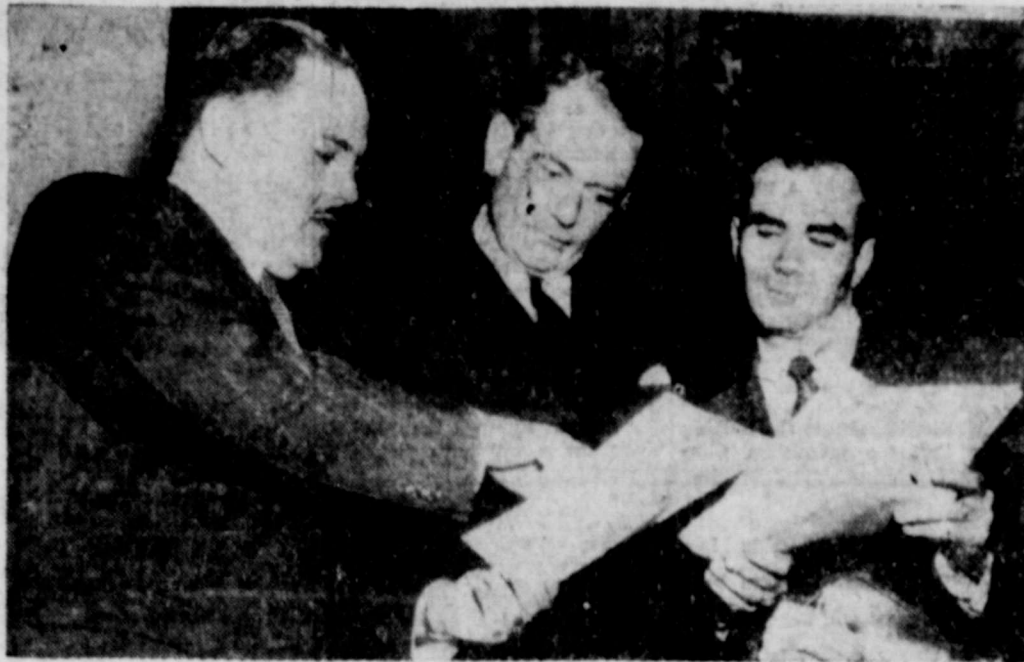
He pointed out that removal of keys from cars makes the possibility of theft less likely and urged people to take this precaution.

Shopping Days To Christmas

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Wit' snowball season here, I've got me a new motto. From now on, Doc, I aim to please!

Inquire Into Costa Rican Invasion



At a session of the Organization of American States looking into the Costa Rican invasion from Nicaragua, a decision was made to meet for further study of the problem. Looking over the proceedings are: Left to right: Ambassador Mario Esquivel of Costa Rica; Paul C. Daniels, U. S. Representative to the Council, and Alfredo Sacasa, Charge D'Affaires of Nicaragua. — (NEA Telephoto).

Coach Blair Cherry To Speak At Annual Quarterback Fete

Blair Cherry, head football coach at the University of Texas and the man who coached Ranger to semi-finals against Oak Cliff in 1925, will be the guest speaker at the annual Quarterback Club banquet for football players.

Announcement of Coach Cherry's acceptance of the invitation was made today by E. F. Arterburn, president of the Quarterback club, who also announced that January 18 has been set as the date for the banquet. It will be held at the First Methodist Church.

Honor guests at the banquet will be members of the Ranger High School and Ranger Junior College football squads and the pep leaders of both schools. Tickets are now available and may be had by contacting Arterburn. Arrangements for the even are being made by Coach Boone Yarborough and R. V. Galloway.

Officials of the club and those in charge of arrangements today stated that they hope to make

this one of the most successful banquets that the club has ever staged and were particularly elated over Coach Cherry's acceptance of the invitation to attend.

One of Ranger's most brilliant football eras was scored during the years when Coach Cherry was the Ranger coach. News of his coming for the banquet stirred recollections here this morning and 1926 was recalled as one of Ranger's most successful football years. The team that year met Oak Cliff in Ranger in a semi-final game.

Coach Cherry left Ranger to coach at Amarillo and during his years there put that team on the football map as one of the state's most outstanding. From Amarillo he went to the University of Texas as a member of the coaching staff under Dana X. Bible, and for the past three years has been head football coach at the University.

Four Injured In Accident Monday

Four persons were injured Monday about 9 o'clock in an automobile collision that occurred at the intersection of Highway 80 and the Stephenville highway east of Ranger, and all were brought to the Ranger General hospital for treatment.

According to attending physicians at the Ranger Hospital, only one, Louise Fann of DeLeon, was injured to such an extent that hospitalization was required. Miss Fann had scalp lacerations and was still in the hospital today.

The other three persons were treated at the Ranger hospital and released.

These exercises are being conducted for the purpose of giving officers and men of the task force realistic training in all phases of Naval activities. In addition to the training on ship board, personnel familiarize themselves with the ports and peoples of foreign lands.

Ports of call between training maneuvers, include Honolulu, Tientsin, China, Yokosuka, Japan and Guam.

RUMORS OF PEACE SWEEP SHANGHAI TOUCHING OFF WILD SPECULATIONS

United Press Staff Correspondent SHANGHAI, Dec. 14 (UP)—Strong peace rumors swept Shanghai today, touching off a wave of wild speculative transactions.

The Gold Yuan, quoted only yesterday in black market dealings at 70 or 75 to the U. S. Dollar, firmed rapidly to 60 or 65 to the dollar, and the black market price for gold dropped from 3,500 gold yuan per ounce to 3,200 per ounce.

Speculators interpreted the remarks of Paul G. Hoffman, director of the Economic Cooperation Administration, at a press conference here yesterday as meaning that the United States is backing a new drive for a coalition government in Nanking.

The rumors went so far as to suggest that secret peace talks between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalist government and the Chinese Communists already had started, and that the civil war may end shortly.

Indicative of the intense interest here in American intentions, Chinese bankers and financiers eagerly read all published versions of Hoffman's remarks. Most of them reached the conclusion that he intended to serve notice that ECA assistance to China will be curtailed or ended unless Chiang either resigns or succeeds in forming a coalition regime.

There were some rumors that Chiang already had agreed to resign and leave the country, but these were given no credence in informed quarters.

Another persistent rumor was that Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-Tung already has been in contact with the American state department through his representatives in China.

He was alleged in this report to have pledged that the Communists would be willing to share in a coalition government, and would renounce all connections with Russian Communism if this step should be taken.

While this report was regarded as pure fantasy by most well informed sources here, one competent Chinese authority expressed the opinion that Nationalist officials certainly would interpret Hoffman's aid statement as a spur toward a possible coalition government.

Ranger Police Recover Stolen Car Trailer

Chief G. W. Pounds stated today that Ranger police had recovered a trailer and its baggage which was stolen from a tourist camp here sometime during Sunday night.

The trailer was found Monday afternoon about 2 o'clock near the Ranger Country Club and strewn about it were the contents of boxes and cases that had been in it. So far as could be determined nothing had been taken.

Chief Pounds stated that H. W. Cox, Mrs. Cox and their daughter, had registered at the Snyder Tourist Courts Sunday late and left the trailer detached from their car back of the office building. During the night somebody rolled the trailer out from the court, attached to a vehicle and made off with it.

Cox reported to police who immediately began search for it and who also notified the highway patrol and the sheriff's department. However, Ranger police made the recovery and notified the highway patrol who in turn were to notify the owner. The trailer was placed in storage in Ranger awaiting the arrival of Cox.

The Coxes were enroute from the West Coast to Fort Worth when they stopped here.

Nippon Minister Troubled By Saki

TOKYO, Dec. 14 (UP)—The Japanese Diet voted today to demand the resignation of Premier Shigeru Yoshida because of anonymous advances Finance Minister Sanroku Izumiya made to two women Diet members while intoxicated from Saki wine.

Mrs. Hatsuy Yamashita set off an uproar in the Diet when she accused Izumiya of embarrassing her in the house restaurant yesterday evening. His other accuser was Mrs. Oshi Matsumoto.

As a result of the charges, Izumiya resigned his cabinet post and his position as a Diet member. A special Diet committee had been appointed by that time to oust him from his official posts.

Izumiya offered no defense for his action. But, he said, his wife had promised to remain by his side despite the women's accusations.

Opposition parties were quick to make political capital of the incident, since Yoshida announced when he took office two months ago that he would rid the government of "scandals."

Mrs. Yamashita told a diet committee today that the finance minister came into the house restaurant yesterday evening and began teasing the waitress.

Stay Away From Suction Pipe, Boatmen Advised

A. L. Stiles, city water commissioner, stated today that due to the fact that the water level at Lake Hagaman has become so low that it has become necessary to change the location of the suction pipe.

In making the announcement, Commissioner Stiles, asked that fishermen and others boating on the lake please refrain from rowing near the pipe. He stated that boats passing close to the pipe stir the water and cause an unnecessary upsurging of sediment that not only clogs the pipe but causes a bad taste in city water.

Mrs. Bates Heads March Of Dimes

Mrs. J. A. Bates has accepted the chairmanship of the March of Dimes campaign in Ranger, and will announce her staff of local committees in the near future.

During the March of Dimes campaign last year the sum of \$533.56 was raised in Ranger, which was the largest amount raised in any town in the county with the exception of Cisco.

More than twice the amount raised in Ranger last year was spent on cases of infantile paralysis originating in Ranger, and Mrs. Bates states that she is hopeful of getting the full cooperation of the schools, churches, clubs, firms and other organizations and individuals of Ranger in the drive for funds to combat this dread disease.

Location Filed For Deep Test Just East Cisco

Location for a new Eastland County Ellenburger wildcat one mile east of Cisco has been filed by J. F. Huntly and Frank Gillman et al of Dallas.

The wildcat will be the No. 1 N. D. Gallagher, located 330 feet from the south and 1,200 from the east line of the southwest quarter of section 77 block H&TC survey. Permit is for 4,200 feet and drilling is to be done with rotary.

In the southwest corner of the county six miles northeast of Cross Plains, delayed plugging report has been filed for the Stekolok Pipe and Supply Company No. 1 Gage, 330 feet from the north and west lines of subdivision 5, George Click survey.

Deepened from 2,708 feet to 2,839, in the Ellenburger, the well had a show of oil in the Caddo 2,816-19 feet.

DELEGATES CONVENE IN WASHINGTON TO ANSWER COSTA RICAN HELP PLEA

DASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (UP)—Representatives of 15 American republics meet here today to decide whether to intervene in the four-day old war in Costa Rica.

Some members of the council of the Organization of American States were understood to favor sending a special boundary commission to Central America for an on-the-spot survey.

Costa Rica has appealed to the organization for protection against "invasion" from Nicaragua. It has threatened to withdraw from the recently-ratified Rio Defense Pact unless the council takes effective action at its 3 P. M. EST meeting.

Mairo Esquivel, Costa Rican ambassador to the United States, said his country wants an international air patrol set up to see that no "invaders" cross its borders from Nicaragua.

Under the defense pact, the council has authority to take tentative action toward settling the dispute. Final action, however, is reserved for the American foreign ministers.

The Costa Rican appeal was regarded in congressional circles as a "test case" of the principles on which the United States hopes to build a North Atlantic defense alliance. Negotiations on such a pact now are under way in Washington. It would guarantee American support for the five-power western European defense treaty signed at Brussels earlier this year.

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Long-Awaited Rains Fall In Most Of State

By United Press

A long-awaited general rain moved into Texas early today and Weatherman A. M. Hamrick said it should make a sizeable dent in the state's prolonged drought.

Not in several months has anything approaching a general rain fallen in Texas and extensive sections of the state have been hard-hit.

A warm mass of air from the Gulf brought on the rain and side-tracked a cold front which petered out before reaching Texas.

Temperatures yesterday and last night were considerably above normal with readings in the 80's or high 70's general over the state. Laredo reported 86 degrees and Dallas had 81, the warmest December day since Dec. 7, 1922.

Hamrick said the 6:30 A. M. readings were not representative of the size of the rain which began most places as a drizzle, then developed into steady downpours.

The early morning readings included 27 inch of rain at Wichita Falls, 13 at El Paso, 95 at Fort Stockton, 93 at Van Horn, 99 at Presidio and San Antonio and traces at Amarillo, Big Spring, Lubbock, Lufkin, Brownsville and Laredo. Dallas, which had only a trace at 6:30 A. M., had more than 1 1/2 inch at mid-morning.

The rain certainly is not coming too soon, said Hamrick. The prolonged dry spell has laid the groundwork, say agricultural experts, for a return of dust bowl conditions of the mid-thirties.

Hamrick said the outlook was for the rains to continue over most of the state today, tonight and tomorrow with temperatures remaining comparatively mild.

Claim Atom Fund Buys Liquors

LOS ALAMOS, N. M. Dec. 14 (UP)—A three-man congressional subcommittee planned to hear more witnesses today on a claim that there has been "excessive spending" at this atomic bomb city.

During yesterday's session the subcommittee found out that the Atomic Energy Commission's "confidential fund" at Los Alamos was really a piggy bank to buy Bourbon and Scotch and that restaurant records here were in "very bad shape."

The sub-committee is composed of Rep. Melvin J. Snyder, R., W. Va.; Rep. Carter Manasco, D., Ala.; and Rep. J. Edgar Crenshaw, R., Colo.; Rep. Chet Holifield, D., Cal.; "sat in" at the hearings yesterday.

Although the main purpose of the investigation was to find out how this multi-million-dollar atomic city was operated, the congressmen spent the better part of yesterday's session studying a \$901 liquor bill.

After nearly two hours of questioning it was disclosed that the "confidential fund" was a polite name for the projects' official entertainment bill.

Union Officials Approve Phone Strike If Needed

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14 (UP)—International officers of the Communications Workers of America have approved a strike of 50,000 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company workers if it becomes necessary to reach a contract settlement, union negotiators announced here today.

Joseph A. Beerline, international president, wired approval of the organization's executive board from Washington yesterday. Union members in five southwestern states already have voted 4 to 1 in favor of a walkout.



ROBERT L. STONE

Rotarians To Hear Specialist

Bill Brown, in charge of the Wednesday Meeting of the Rotary Club, announces that guest speaker for the meeting will be Robert L. Stone of the Territorial Development Division of Texas Electric Service Company.

Stone will speak on "A Challenge to Ingenuity," a talk on Texas agricultural and industrial developmental opportunities. Stone uses a number of colorful charts and numerous products and items in visualizing for the audience the main points of his talk which increases the interest and thought provoking ability of his decision.

The talk was given to the local Jaycee's and the high school student body in November and good reports from these appearances interested the Rotarians in securing the program.

Police Arrest Public Officials

FORT WORTH, Tex. Dec. 14 (UP)—Two public officials were arrested and one of them jailed for a short while early today, after a disturbance at the Rocket Club, A Fort Worth night spot on the Jacksboro highway.

They were identified as Jack Love, 30, first assistant district attorney; and G. H. Little, 43, Amarillo attorney and one of three members of the Texas Liquor Control board.

Love, who lives in Fort Worth, was charged with disturbing the peace and violation of the Liquor curfew law.

Little was charged with disturbing the peace, drunkenness, violating the curfew law, and impersonating an officer. The latter charge was made because Little had no identification to show his connection with the Liquor Control Board, though he told officers repeatedly that he was a member of the board, it was said.

TO SPEAK HERE

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While In Costa Rica

SAN JOSE, C. R., Dec. 14 (UP)—A hastily mobilized Costa Rican citizen army has thrown up a defense line in the northwestern part of the country to contain an invasion force from Nicaragua that crossed the frontier four days ago, it was announced today.

A government communique said that the invaders have not attempted to move out of the village of La Cruz, about five miles inside Costa Rica, according to reports from scouts in the jungles of Guanacaste Province.

The communique made no mention of invaders being in the high-way town of Liberia, 30 miles inside the frontier, which had been reported seized Friday and Saturday along the La Cruz.

The government of provisional Jose Figueres said that no counter-attack would be made against the invaders until the organization of American States (Pan-American Union) decides whether to intervene. The Pan American council is holding a meeting in Washington today.

United Lines Sued

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 14 (UP)—A \$2,012,830 damage suit filed by showman Earl Carroll's estate today charged United Air Lines with negligent operation of a DC-6 plane which crashed June 17, killing Carroll and 42 others.

The suit was filed in Pennsylvania courts.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Cloudy and mild with scattered showers this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Cooler in the northwest portion Wednesday afternoon. Moderate to fresh southeast and south winds on the coast.

West Texas—Cloudy and mild with scattered showers this afternoon. Partly cloudy and cooler tonight and Wednesday, scattered showers from the Pecos Valley eastward tonight.

Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today:
Maximum 72
Minimum 66
Hour's Reading 72
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a.m. today:
Maximum 85
Minimum 55
Rainfall83

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Aggies' Winkler Joins Pro Ranks

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 14 (CP)—Tackle Jim Winkler of Texas A.&M., who has announced plans to play in three post-season games, said yesterday he had signed a contract with the Los Angeles Rams to play professional football.

The Aggies' standout tackle for the last two years will join the West Coast All-Stars in games against Hawaiian All-Stars in Hawaii Jan. 5 and 12. On New Year's Day, he will take the field for the West Team in the annual Shrine game at San Francisco.

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MARVIN GROSS

Sports Editor

OLDEN QUINTET RALLIES TO TOP BULLDOGS, 23-19

By MARVIN GROSS

A scrappy, hard-driving Olden quintet spotted the Bulldogs an early eight point lead then methodically chopped it down to dish out the second straight defeat to the Bulldogs, 23-19 last night at the Recreation Building.

Just when fans were starting to feel a little sorry for the visiting courtmen—behind at 8-0—Olden started to make its snappy, short passing game pay-off in baskets. After wheelhorse Jack Tyrone broke the scoring dearth with a one-hander late in the first period, Olden slowly crept back into the ball game.

They finally knotted the count at 10 on Franklin's bucket at the tail end of the half. A couple of rallies by Tyrone and Renfro gave Olden a 14-12 lead as the third quarter ran out.

Then the Bulldogs made a final surge with five points to take a 17-14 lead but the Tyrone boy had a few more baskets in his system. Behind at 19-17 Kenneth Williams put the Bulldogs only a point down with a foul conversion but Bob Tyrone—one half of a brother act—retaliated and Renfro and Holt sent two quick ones through to ice the game.

Buddy Hamrick's last minute charity toss only served to narrow the gap to four points.

But for the first few minutes the Bulldogs looked in for a pleasant evening. A pair of conversions by Kenneth Williams and E. P. Robinson and a trio of baskets by Ronald Williams sent the Bulldogs charging to an 8-0 advantage. The scores by Williams were his first of the year.

Ronald Williams carried away high honors in the low scoring battle with eight points and Jack Tyrone's seven was tops for the winners. No other Bulldog had more than two points.

It was Olden's superior ball handling which made the difference. Seldom was the ball lost through wild passes and although

Olden couldn't work in too close they rang the bell on the majority of one-handed stabs from around the foul circle.

The Bulldogs speeded up their break—looked improved over their Weatherford defeat but lacked a scoring punch and the ability to come from behind.

LINE-UPS

Ranger	G	F	Tot
K. Williams	0	2	2
Smith	1	0	2
H. Williams	4	0	8
Hamrick	0	2	2
Robinson	0	1	1
McKinney	0	0	0
Wheat	0	0	0
Wilson	1	0	2
Camacho	1	0	2
Munneryn	0	0	0
	7	5	19

Olden	G	F	Tot
J. Tyrone	3	1	7
R. Tyrone	1	0	2
Renfro	1	2	4
Holt	2	0	4
Franklin	2	1	5
Edwards	0	0	0
Langston	0	1	1
Warren	0	0	0
	9	5	23

Bowling Briefs

A team composed mostly of Premier League bowlers journeyed to Mineral Wells Sunday and defeated the local team by more than 200 pins. The winning team was made up of Pete Dawn, Clyde Ivy, Jimmy Newsome, Mickey Karjor and Azzate Joseph. This victory evens the series and the rubber match will be played at Ranger at a future date.

Honor Roll for week ending Dec. 12

MEN
Bob Robertson — 229.
Frank Oakley — 201-211.
Jack Elwood — 201-205-207-210.
Bailey Woods — 225-213.
Bill McKeever — 210.
Richard Bouney — 206.
Elvis Warner — 202.
J. D. Johnson — 219.
Ralph Reynolds — 208.
Howard Langford — 210-222.
Rollie Kenney — 232-225-223.

LADIES
Vivian Fleckenstein — 153-147
Elvis Warner and Bill McKeever worked into the charmed circle for the first time with 200 games. Bill achieved his on the second game using a new ball.
High game of the week.
Ladies — Vivian Fleckenstein — 167.
Men — Rollie Kenney 232.

A free Christmas party will be held at the Ranger Bowl, December 22. Free gifts will be given to as many bowlers as possible. Those gifts have been donated by local business firms.

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UNDERSTATEMENTS

BY MARVIN GROSS

They didn't wait long to start the wave of upsets in round ball ranks. Smacked down four straight times Baylor blasted the Phillips Oilers who were merely considered the cream of the nation's quintets. Now anything else will be anticlimactic.

Here among the local basketekers the Rangers despite the Deatur defeat should have another crack outfit. You simply can't field a winning combination after a scant four days practice. With another week of scrimmage under their belts the Rangers will start marching along the victory trail.

With that wealth of veteran material augmented by a promising group of reserves Boone Yarbrough may do a real job on the conference championship. Jimmy Crawley has hinted he's even better than last season while Sullivan, Arterburn, Blitch and the rest are also headed for big things.

But the situation in the Bulldog camp isn't too promising. Glar-

ing deficiencies were borne out in the Weatherford scrap. A lack of height necessitates a fast break but thus far the boys have been ambling down the court at a snail's pace or slower.

Possibly when big boy Ronald Williams hits a scoring stride the Bulldogs may capture the winning urge. But nothing effective has been worked around the pivot position and that's where the bulk of the scoring should originate.

The Cardinal's surprise victory over the Bears made the Halas shift from Luckman to Lujack look a little sick. Coach Halas entrusted the major part of the clincher brainwork to rookie Johnny Lujack and although the ex-Notre Dame aerial wizard did a fine job it wasn't fine enough to win.

So the 1948 National Pro play-off shapes up as a duplicate of the 47' thriller—only the site has been moved from the Windy City to Philadelphia. The eagles ended the year with nine victories in 12 starts—losing to the Cards, Boston Yanks and tying Los Angeles. Only the Bears were able to defeat the Cardinals.

The Eagles twin-pronged attack of Tossin' Tommy Thompson and Steve Van Buren, the L.S.U. block buster will have plenty if

not too much opposition from the fleet of Chicago zoom boys—Angsman, Harder, Trippi, Mallouf and Paul Christian.

And Dutch Meyer says he looks for better things in 1949 with a senior team on hand. Bitter they

might be but in our worthless opinion only the installation of the T will keep the Frogs on the right side of the fence. The spread is a beautiful thing from a spectator's vantage point but it won't win ball games nowadays.



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Bearden Heads League Hurlers

CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (UP)—Rookie Gene Bearden, Cleveland's lanky, left-handed knuckleball artist, was pitching perfection perfected during 1948 when he topped all American League hurlers, official averages disclosed today.

The 28-year-old Bearden registered the lowest earned run average in the league, 2.43, was one of the loop's three 20-game winners and his won-loss percentage of .741 was second only to the .783 mark compiled by Boston's Jack Kramer, who won 18 and

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Big Nine Schedules SMU And Longhorns

CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (UP)—Southern Methodist and Texas a low earned run average of 3.23, was far and away the best in the league.

both will appear against Big Nine football teams in 1950 and 1951, according to the conference schedule for those years released at the conference meeting here.

SMU will play Ohio State in Columbus Sept. 30, 1950 and Sept. 29 1951, while Purdue will meet Texas in Austin Sept. 30, 1950 and in Lafayette, Ind., Sept. 29, 1951.

Mustangs Begin Bowl Workouts

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New Era Club To Meet Wednesday P. M.

The regular meeting of the New Era Club will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the home of Mrs. L. L. Bruce. Mrs. Archie Robinson will give a review of her favorite book of the Bible.

All members are invited to attend.

VFW Auxiliary To Meet Wednesday P. M.

It was announced today that members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW Post will meet at the VFW headquarters Wednesday night at 7 o'clock to make preparations for the Christmas party which will be held there Thursday night.

All members are urged to be present and assist in the work, part of which will be the decoration of the Christmas tree for the party.

Personals

Mrs. Helen Larry of Shreveport is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Fred Yonker.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Philips of Lubbock spent the past two weeks visiting in Ranger.

Mrs. Blanche Murray has returned from a visit in Corpus Christi where she was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Farrell Smith, Mr. Smith and family.

Dr. G. C. Boswell was in Breckenridge today where he was the guest speaker before the Rotary Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Butler were in Abilene Monday night to attend a banquet honoring the national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mrs. R. J. Taylor has returned from Tecumseh, Oklahoma, where she with other members of her family, attended the 81st birthday celebration of Mrs. Taylor's mother. All of the brothers and sisters were there for the celebration.

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TACOMA, Wash. (UP) — Prowl car officers Henry Outout and George Edwards rushed to a home here after receiving a call from a small boy that a "big fight" was in progress. Upon arrival they learned that the boy had been whipped by his mother. Their recommendation: still more of the old-fashioned discipline.

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By Leo Turner
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Dec. 14. (UP)—Abe Kreisworth was born deaf and dumb and has been blind since he was a child. But he almost "talked" my arm off today.

To "talk" with him, you lay your hand on his workbench. He grasps your index finger as though it were a pencil. Then you write with the end of your finger. He usually gets your idea before you have completed a sentence.

His left hand darts into his hip pocket and comes out with a piece of brown wrapping paper. His right hand produces a pencil stub from another pocket.

"How are you?" I asked.
"Fine," he replied. "Nice weather, isn't it? Sunshine feels good."

Wearing blue overalls and a yellow shirt, he was at work in a metalcraft shop where he earns his living making perfectly formed ash trays and decorative bowls of hammered copper and aluminum. He is in his middle 50's.

"What do you think of the election?"

"Never any doubt," Kreisworth's wife, Truman because of labor."

You enter Abe Kreisworth's world by touching him on the arm. He turns, smiles, and extends his hand. His face is filled with expression as you "talk." He wrinkles his forehead and stares with unseeing eyes at your hand as you trace out the words in your part of the conversation.

When he grasps your idea, his face lights up as though someone had just told him a joke. He replies, looks at you and beams as though saying "what do you think of that idea?"

He is a baseball addict, although he never has seen a game, never heard one on the radio.

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"Giants since 1903," he scribbled on a piece of his brown paper. Then whipped it over and wrote, "Also Yanks."

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Arkansas, Frogs Lose On Court

By United Press

Southwest Conference teams slipped back into their losing ways last night as Kentucky and East Texas State chalked up victories over Arkansas and Texas Christian, respectively.

Only one game was on the schedule for tonight—Rice meeting Sam Houston at Houston in the hopes of gaining its third victory of the season.

Arkansas was never in the game

after the first 5 minutes against the crack Kentucky quint at Lexington and was swamped 76-39 after keeping it close at the start. Big Alex Groza led the scoring with 18 points for the Wildcats, while John Campbell led Arkansas with 11.

TCU put on a blazing display of shooting in the last half against East Texas, but had too much of a handicap to overcome and lost 42-40. The Horned Frogs failed to score a field goal for the first 10 minutes of the game and trailed 16-1 at that time and 25-9 at the half.

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