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Gov't Seeks Control Over Tidelands

Continue Probe of Communists



Investigators continue to probe Communist activities. In Hoboken, N. J., Francis B. Sayre, right, State Dept. aide, one-time superior of Alger Hiss, has been subpoenaed by Federal Grand Jury investigating espionage. In Washington, the House Un-American Activities Committee hinted they might conduct closed-door questioning of George Hewitt, left, ex-Communist Negro who has reportedly offered to give "vital information." — (NEA Telephoto).

11 MILK COMPANIES CHARGED WITH ANTI-TRUST VIOLATIONS

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP)—Permanent injunctions were granted today against 11 milk distributors charged with violation of the state antitrust laws in Dallas, Fort Worth and El Paso.

The injunctions are asked by the state, restraining the defendants from continuing alleged fixing of producers and consumers prices on milk sold in the three cities.

The case moved swiftly this morning toward a climax, as the state summarized evidence in the Dallas and Fort Worth suits within half an hour.

Defendants at the opening stipulated that the state could present briefly the evidence contained in numerous depositions, in the interest of time.

Judge Betts called for a statement from Daniel in regard to the penalties to be assessed.

Jim Snepper of Houston, Borden attorney from Houston, spoke in behalf of all defendants in declining to contest the case further and waiving right of appeal.

The judgment was rendered against the Borden Company, Price's Creamery, Inc., and Hawkins Dairy, all of El Paso; the Borden Company on state-wide.

Efforts to settle the dispute between officials of the Wichita Falls and Southern Railway and employees of the line failed Monday when representatives of both the line and the union met in Dublin.

The issue was brought to a head Thursday when four operating brotherhoods went on strike. All train service on the railroad stopped then. The workers are asking for a \$3.92 increase a day in wages.

The businessmen at the conference represented Olney, Breckenridge, Graham Wichita Falls, Archer City, Ranger, and Newcastle. All these towns are on the WF&S line.

Orville Bullington, president of the railways said the company couldn't meet the wage demands because it just didn't have the money.

"We plan soon to put before the board of directors of the road a request that they apply to the interstate Commerce Commission for permission to abandon the road," Bullington said.

He listed three alternatives to this action: 1. Towns along the road might raise funds to operate the railway.

Bullington estimated the value of the railroad at \$750,000. Representatives of the rail brotherhoods said the dispute could be settled in five minutes if the company would be agreeable.

H. C. Hobart of Houston, representing the locomotive engineers, said the railroad had repaid a \$250,000 RFC loan out of the depreciation fund. He said if the road could repay such a large loan, then wage increases also could be paid.

Schools Present Xmas Program

The annual Christmas program by students of Ranger schools was given Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the High School auditorium.

The musical program was presented by the Ranger Junior College Chorus, Ranger High School chorus, and chorus from Junior High School. The program was directed by Lilla Jean Brown and Jennie Ruth Hooper, of the Fine Arts Department of the college with numbers by special groups from the choruses.

Those taking part on the program were as follows: High School Chorus: Ruby Lee Barksley, Berle June Blackwell, June Briden, Betty Davenport, Jodie Ann Faircloth, Betty Jo Freeman, Sharon Hazard, Betty Jane Hilliard, Madrin Huffman, Douglas Jacoby, Nell Mae, Glenna Moody, Owens Mary Anna, Betty Jo Paundis, Pat Taylor, Jean Watson, Jackie Heath, Maxine Chambers, La Veda Mitchell.

7A Sextet: Mary Ann Elder, Mary Jo Stie, Sue Carroll, Joyce Lee Dempsey, Peggy Dodley, Betty Jean Howell.

8A Sextet: Betty Jo Fry, Patsy Gregg, Virginia Ogden, Dena Pulley, Peggy Lee Russell, Lida Jane Smith.

College Chorus: Melba Creager, Patsy Morrison, Doris McCrum, Betty Sue Ames, Beth Garrison, Wanda Bailey, Tommy Ruth Browning, Gloria Rogers, Hilly Jo Dennis, Kenneth Mayhall, Billy Eakin.

Ushers were: Virgie Mae Glenn, Christine Sharp, Sue Ewing.

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THE WEATHER

EAST TEXAS—Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Cooler tonight and Wednesday. Moderate southerly winds on the coast, becoming northwesterly tonight.

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Colder in the Panhandle, the South Plains and east of the Pecos Valley tonight, and colder east of the Pecos Valley Wednesday.

Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today: Maximum 61, Minimum 47, Hour's Reading 60, Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a.m. today: Maximum 72, Minimum 32.

Jaycee President



Wilson Guest

WILSON GUEST ELECTED HEAD OF JAYCEES

At the annual business meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce held Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Blue Room of the Gholston Hotel, Wilson Guest was elected president and R. B. Thomas Jr. was named vice-president.

Ralph Wagner was chosen secretary and F. P. Brasher Jr. made treasurer.

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Rev. M. Wilson, pastor, says, "We urge our friends to make their plans to attend this program. It is the simple story of the birth of Christ. Remember, the service starts at 7:15 and you are urged to attend."

TO INITIATE SUIT IN SUPREME COURT AGAINST CLAIMS OF TEXAS, LOUISIANA

Cabinet Agrees State Employees Need More Money

AUSTIN, Dec. 21 (UP)—Members of Gov. Beauford Jester's administrative cabinet agreed today state employees should have more money, but they differ on how the increase should be granted.

The cabinet, consisting of some 26 state department heads, met yesterday with the governor.

About half favored a long-range wage formula adjustment, which probably would become effective next September, on the grounds that it would wipe out present wage inequities existing between departments on persons doing identical work.

The other half favored a blanket across-the-board increase because "the crying song every day (from state employees) is that they need immediate relief. We should take care of them now when they're hungry," said Judge Abner Lewis, chairman of the State Board of pardon and Paroles, "not next fall when the salary can be adjusted by the legislature."

He added that he didn't mean state employees actually were hungry.

Gov. Jester halted the discussion after two hours, saying the matter would have to be left to the legislature, which has the power to act.

Two Questioned In Guam Slaying

GUAM, Dec. 21 (UP)—Police questioned two men today in the rape-slaying of Ruth Farnsworth, 27-year-old Navy civilian employee from San Francisco, but admitted "neither was a good suspect."

One, an unidentified enlisted man, was held for further questioning when he could not account for his whereabouts on the night of the slaying. The other, Terriel Baxter Meshev, 32, of (502 Walter Ave.) San Antonio, Tex., was fined \$55 for vagrancy.

Meshev, former civil service worker, said he spent the night of the murder visiting taverns. Blood stained white sailor's pants were found in his locker but he said he did not wear them the night of the slaying.

Miss Farnsworth, "the most beautiful girl on Guam," died without regaining consciousness after being found bleeding and partly clad in the jungle on Dec. 12.

Police have asked that a lie detector be sent from Tokyo to Guam to aid their investigation.

Indonesian President Interned

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP)—The Government moved in the Supreme Court today to establish federal control over oil-rich tidelands in the Gulf of Mexico.

Attorney General Tom Clark asked permission to file an original Supreme Court suit against the states of Louisiana and Texas.

Both states, Clark said, are defying federal "rights" in the submerged coastal area.

In a 1947 decision the Supreme Court said the United States has "Paramount" rights to tidelands under the Pacific Ocean adjacent to California.

Clark said the ruling should apply equally to the sea bed and subsoil of the Gulf of Mexico.

The Attorney General said, however, that authorities of both Louisiana and Texas have stated they do not consider the California decision binding on them.

In both states, he added, exploration of the oil-bearing submerged lands has continued "in violation of the rights of the United States."

Clark's action reopened a controversy that reached a peak in the 79th Congress when a bill was passed to give the states control over rich coastal oil areas.

President Truman vetoed the bill.

The fight to win state control of the tidelands has been led by an association of state attorneys general. Opponents have called their move a "grab."

Clark said he hopes to establish federal rights to land, minerals, and "other things" underlying the Gulf of Mexico to seaward of the low water mark.

In the Louisiana case the outer boundary of federal control would be placed 27 marine miles from shore.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP)—Attorney General Fritz Daniel said today that federal action in the Supreme Court to take over the tidelands is "in direct violation of the annexation agreement, by which Texas entered the union."

"We are prepared," he said, "to defend Texas' title and will fight this case with the same spirit that caused our predecessors to win these lands by blood and valor at San Jacinto. Daniel and his staff have been working on defense of the Texas claim before Congress for the last two years."

He said much of this information will be helpful in trail of the lawsuit.

The requested outer limit in the Texas case was put at the "outer edge of the continental shelf."

Clark said the circumstances which Texas entered the union are different from those under which the state of California was admitted.

"But to the extent that any of those differences are relevant (to the tidelands controversy) at all," he said, "they point even more clearly to paramount rights in the United States."

The conditions under which Louisiana came into the union are "similar in all respects to those under which California became a state," Clark added.

In both states, Clark said, "It is reported" that leases covering lands underlying the Gulf have been entered into by state officials since June 23, 1947, the date of the high court decision in the California case.

Accordingly, Clark concluded only a new ruling by the Supreme Court specifically applying the California decision to the Gulf of Mexico can safeguard U. S. rights to the Gulf oil beds.

Texas became a state in 1845 by agreement between Congress and the Texas Republic. In view of its prior status as an independent nation, it obtained certain privileges not granted to U. S.-owned territories when they became states.

Offices At County Courthouse To Be Closed 2-3 Days

Most, if not all of the offices in the Eastland County courthouse, will be closed December 23, 24, and 25, for the Christmas holidays except the office of County Clerk which will be closed only on Friday and Saturday, December 24 and 25.

Notices to the above effect have been posted for several days in the offices. Also letters have been dispatched to attorneys who might have business in the courts, advising them of the days on which the office would be closed.

Well... I Dunno, But...

Well I Dunno... If ever we had a muse or patron saint watching over us and guiding our pen (or rather the type-writer) we'd sure have to admit desertion today. Try as we might we couldn't summon up a thought nor an inspiration of any kind.

In fact, we had the feeling of being faced with a blank wall in every direction.

Somebody suggested it might be the weather and that'll do to blame it on. Might as well be the weather as anything else.

We're in such a lethargy that we can't even work up a mad at the Russians. And that's saying a lot. But come to think of it, if we dwell on those sly operators long enough, we might yet get fired up.

In the mail this morning was a Christmas greeting from Mrs. H. L. Quinn who is visiting in San Francisco. She sent her best wishes to all of the staff of the Times and to friends in Ranger.

From here on we can't lay our forgetfulness to a lapse of memory. H. A. Shockey, representing the Anderson-Pruet Chevrolet Company, fixed that up for us this morning. He came in with one of their handy calendars that just leaves absolutely no excuse for forgetting anything. There are all kinds of tricks to it to see that we don't forget what we've got to do on what day.

Nope, there just won't be any any excuses accepted from now on.

Market Robbers Net Heavy Haul

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP)—Two negro bandits rested on a vegetable cooler until a Mini-max supermarket closed its doors last night, then drew pistols, scooped up money from a safe and cash registers and fled.

Assistant store manager O. G. Allen said the men were discovered reclining in the rear of the store after the front doors had been locked to keep out additional customers.

Allen and other store employees were held at gun point until the robbers could make their way to the front of the store, where they separated.

One, brandishing a revolver, demanded cashier Marie Gibson give him sacks of money in the open safe. More than \$7,000 was in the sacks, Miss Gibson told police. (Although no audit has been made, store officials today believed their loss did not approach the \$7,000 figure.)

Ranger Engineer In Foreign Work

Jennings Thompson of Ranger has accepted a position with the foreign department of the Gulf Oil Co. He will join the company as a junior petroleum engineer and expects to leave for Venezuela soon after the first of the year.

Thompson is a graduate engineer from Texas A. & M. in College Station.



Well, I suppose it's bound to happen. I heard a guy sayin' that Bugs Bunny is a Christmas Card!

Ranger Daily Times

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Rangers Play In Graham Tonight

With their shoddy tournament play behind them the Rangers will warm up for future activities tonight at Graham when they meet the Presbyterian Church team.

Coach Yarborough is satisfied with the caliber of play thus far has indicated he may make a few line-up switches. The current first string makeup has been shy on point and not too strong on defense.

He still attributes the meretricious play to a lack of sufficient practice. The Rangers don't begin their conference struggle un-

til after the first of the year and Yarborough feels all the ills will be remedied by then.

Munday Yarborough sent the Rangers through a long scrimmage drill. He stressed a fast breaking, high scoring offense and a noticeable improvement was evident.

Since 1918, more than 55,000,000 acres of cropland have been released from production of feed for horses and mules to production of food and fiber for human use.

More citrus juices was canned in the United States during the 1947-48 season than in any previous year.

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RANGER DAILY TIMES SPORTS

MARVIN GROSS Sports Editor

BULLDOG QUINTET FACES DELEON FIVE TONIGHT

BY MARVIN GROSS
Rocked by four successive defeats after an opening game win over Weatherford, the Bulldogs hope to detour to a smoother road tonight against DeLeon at the Recreation Building. The Rangers girls will meet the girls of DeLeon in the first game starting at 7 P. M.

A week back Coach Sam Aills instituted the race horse style of play when the rather slow deliberate Bulldog attack was producing nothing but headaches. And although victories were still elusive the system looked promising until injuries stepped in.

Forward Buddy Hamrick, a smooth floorman and fair shot wrenched his knee in the tournament down in Weatherford. So Aills will probably move the displaced center, Ronald Williams up to a starting berth again as a forward.

Williams began the year as first string center but was relegated to reserve duties for one prime reason — he didn't score any points. R. C. Smith was pressed into duty as a pivot man and has been doing an acceptable job.

Since opening night, the Bulldogs have failed to tally as much as 25 points in a single game. A few accurate shots dot the line-up — E. P. Robinson and Smith — but on the starting whistle blows the boys seem to forget how to do it.

De Leon, a minus quantity in football, is touted to have one of the better teams in the SA conference. Tonight's performance against the Bearcats will give a good indication of the Bulldog's fate in the conference race.

The remainder of the Bulldogs line-up will remain intact. Smith will take over at center with Kenneth Williams, Ronald Williams, Keith Munnerlyn and Robinson working around him. For reserve duty Aills will call on Charles Wheat, Billy Wayne McKinney, Jimmy Comacho and Tommy Wilson.

Shortly after the first of the year the Bulldogs will play host to a collection of high school girls' and men's teams in an invitational tourney. The entire

list of participating teams is not complete as yet.

Bowling Briefs

Ranger Bowlers journeyed to Cisco Sunday for a return match but "shoulda stood in bed" being soundly trounced by the host Cisco team.

Cisco gained a 200 pin lead in the first game and stretched it to 487 pins at the end of the match. Roy Fonville led both teams with a high game of 214 and high series of 620. For Ranger, Pete Dawson had high game of 198 and Ted Bahain rolled a 524 series.

Results
CISCO

	1st	2nd	3rd	tot.
Tabar	199	180	171	550
Bearman	166	212	191	553
Fonville	213	214	193	620
White	202	155	192	549
Langford	165	153	183	501

RANGER

	1st	2nd	3rd	tot.
Joseph	151	136	166	453
Elwood	144	168	174	486
Dawn	118	198	121	437
Bahain	163	177	184	524

	1st	2nd	3rd	tot.
	743	778	776	2297

Ranger bowlers are preparing for the Christmas bowling party to be held at 9:30 P. M., Wednesday, December 22. Prizes will be distributed to the lucky ones in order of their registration. Ranger merchants contributed the many gifts offered.

WEEKLY HONOR ROLL

- Bailey Woods — 214
- Pete Dawson — 204
- J. D. Johnson — 225
- Bill McKeever — 222
- Ralph Reynolds — 206-203-219
- Lee Woods — 209
- Barton Perry — 200
- Herman Willingham — 209
- Melton Luttrell — 201
- Doc Reuser — 231
- High game of the week — Doc Reuser — 231
- Split Pick-ups — Ladies — Sue Ames — 4-5, Louise Pitchford, 6-8-10.

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- Hicklin Bros. Farm
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- Joseph's Dry Goods
- Killingworth Hdwe.
- Linda's Beauty Shop
- C. E. Maddocks Ins. Co.
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- Penn's Service Station
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- Ranger Plumbing Co.
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- Swaney Drug Co.
- Taxi Tavern
- Tip Top Feed & Hatchery
- Tom's Toasted Peanuts

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RANGER BOWL

GROSS UNDERSTATEMENTS

BY MARVIN GROSS
Maybe the Rangers luck wasn't all bad when they dropped that heartbreaker to Cisco on the hardwoods. For victory would have meant 40 minutes of action with the bunch of Citations from Lon Morris. And that's trouble in any man's league.

The gaudy attired Lon Morris basket men put on a razzle dazle show worthy of any pro quintet. Pity the poor officials who have to keep pace with that track meet. As referee Rush said, "All you can do is pause-at midcourt and watch the hordes roll by."

But individual honors for tournament play must go to Wayland's Burch. The 6.04 Gargantuan is practically unstoppable and his 32 points against Odessa was the top individual performance of the tourney. Of course his teammates must play button-down until he lumbers down the court but once there it's time for the scoreboard to start changing figures.

And that slick crew of Longhorn courtment gave Eastern fans a show in their annual cross country jaunt. N. Y. U. and St. Joseph's, two of the ranking clubs in the East were both nipped by a point. Only an early season loss to Tulane biots the Texas record.

Baylor should have stopped when they were ahead. Upset winners over the Phillips Oilers, the Bears enjoyed the victory so much they tried to do it again. But the Olympic Oilers plastered the Waco lads 46-29 to atone for that early stunning form reversal.

It wasn't scheduled but they played the Eskimo Bowl down in

Philadelphia Sunday. Three players lost in the snowdrifts of Shibe Park are yet to be heard from. A pack of St. Bernards are on the way from Switzerland to dig for the gridders. The Eagles proved the better snowmen with that 7-0 title winning effort over the Cards.

It marked the first pro diadem for the Quaker City lads and they had to do it the hard way. It was fitting that their perennial running ace, weavin' Steve Van Buren should power his way over for the winning touchdown.

The Bulldogs get a chance to snap that four game losing run this evening against DeLeon. Not since the opening game against Weatherford have the Bulldogs finished on the long end. And the probable loss of Buddy Hamrick for the season doesn't bring any joy to Sam Aills either.

Charles Wheat will take over for Hamrick and should fit in fairly well although Wheat isn't the scoring man Hamrick is. The Bulldogs haven't scored over 25 points in a month of somethings and while it's easy on the scorer it doesn't wear too well with the coach and fans.

Sandies' Garner Will Not Start

AMARILLO, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP) — Anyone wondering why much to a football team might have a hard time figuring it out — unless that end was Amarillo's James Garner.

The 165-pound end, who suffered a torn knee ligament when blocked out of a play early in the Denison semifinal game last Saturday, will not be able to play against Waco in the class AA championship game Christmas day at Fort Worth.

With Garner out, the Sandies' chances of victory went glimmering.

From his post out on the wing, the handsome Garner had called the signals for the Sandies, been a defensive terror, turned in exceptional work as a safety man and was the club's top pass receiver.

Just before he went out of the game at Denison, Garner was on the receiving end of a 52-yard pass play for a touchdown — his 16th of the season and his 13th

Cherry Fired Up Over Criticism

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP) — Coach Blair Cherry and his Texas Longhorns, are burning up over comments that they're a "third-rate" football team and don't deserve to play Georgia in the Orange Bowl on New Year's Day.

"We kind of resent it," says the sandy-haired coach in a mild-voiced understatement. "We feel folks have been a little unfair and a little unjust."

He also made it plain that his via passes—most of them from far out.

boys intended to vindicate themselves in that game. Some of the Longhorns can recall a pre-game talk in Dallas a few hours before the 1943 cotton bowl clash between Texas and Georgia Tech. They think there is a very excellent parallel in that situation.

Dana X Bilde, then coach, read his rangy Steers a clipping containing some tart comments about Texas by a New York sports writer. Then they took the field to deal a 14 to 7 defeat to Georgia Tech.

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writing on the papers but as far as being able to tell who is going to win a great athletic event, could anyone be further wrong—always excepting the financial writers who, if they knew one-tenth as much as they ought to, would quit writing tripe for suckers to read at a few simoleons a day and make a million for themselves in the stock market.

All the sports experts picked Louis over Schmeling in their first meeting; Dempsey over Tunnicliffe and, if the back numbers were available, we could find no doubt that they rated Goliath at 98-to-1 over David and selected the dragon to canter to a decision in 15 rounds over St. George.

What happens to all the old razor blades may be a mystery but I know what becomes of all the old work-out sports experts they wind up with jobs in the weather bureau, department in Texas.

On a moss-covered tombstone: "Here lies my wife, Samantha Proctor; Who ketched a cold and wouldn't doctor; She couldn't stay, she had to go— Praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

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Overseas radiotelephone service, disrupted by the war, is once more growing in scope. Today, more than 60 countries and territories are within reach of telephones in the United States.

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Hospital News

Mrs. Bobby Hickey and baby daughter have been dismissed from the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. Tom Rawls of Ranger has been dismissed from the West Texas Hospital.

Miss Emma Lee Gordon of Ranger who underwent major surgery at the West Texas Hospital has been dismissed.

Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Cowan of Eastland have a baby son, born at the West Texas Hospital.

Miss Pearl Hazard of Ranger has been dismissed from the West Texas Hospital.

Baby Marian Kaye Milmo of Ranger has been dismissed from the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. H. A. Werton of Coleman who was injured in an auto accident has been dismissed from the West Texas Hospital.

Mrs. T. B. Cook of Strawn is a medical patient at the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Osterhout of Fort Worth arrived in Ranger today to spend the holidays with Mr. Osterhout's mother, Margaret G. Osterhout.

A. J. Lane and one has a free ticket at the **Tower Theatre**

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SOCIETY

Legion Auxiliary Has Xmas Party

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas party tonight at 7:30 at the home of Miss Electra Pearson.

Personals

Those who visited in the home of Mrs. T. J. Adams Sunday were her children and grandchildren and their families, Mrs. Annie Mitchell and Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Walton Daniel, Tommy and Jim of Goldthwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Ott Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Adams, Welton, Clara Mae, and Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Adams and Roy Don of Gastine, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill, Harold and Norma, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boney of Dallas, Miss Bernice Hatton of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Hatton, Winfred, Peggy, Jenna Vee, Rozelle and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Vaughn, Miss Ethel Adams, Mrs. Clara Johnson, Alberta Burns, Bobby and Johnny, Mrs. Lilly Applegate and Mrs. Adams of Ranger.

Mrs. Jack Wheeler, daughter of Mrs. Ila Ward of Ranger, recently underwent surgery at the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth.

Dr. C. O. (Cabe) Terrell of Fort Worth, formerly of Ranger, is a medical patient in the Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth.

Marie Kohn, a teacher in the schools in Santa Rose, has arrived to spend the holidays with Ranger relatives and friends.

returned to their home in Monahan after a week-end visit with

Mrs. Oleta Hale will entertain the staff of the West Texas Hospital with a Christmas party at her home tonight.

FILM PRODUCER SELECTS YEAR'S MOST IMPOSSIBLE

By Virginia MacPherson
United Press Hollywood Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 21 (UP)— This being the season for those "best-of-the-year lists, a movie producer came up today with the "most impossible" events of 1948. He's handing out solid gold "cuckoo" to the winners.

And with each, says Leonard Levinson, goes a loud prayer that this will shake off the year-end selection fever once and for all. Levinson is the boss of a cartoon factory. He calls it impossible Pictures, Inc. and that is why he isn't naming the "prettiest elbows" or "curliest eyelashes" of 1948.

Levinson clips the newspapers for goofy goings-on and here are his "golden cuckoo" winners:

The Boston Police Department for rescuing two castaways in Boston harbor, rushing them to the hospital, nursing them back to health, sending them about their business, and then finding out they were two escaped prisoners they'd been looking for all the time.

George Brown, Fraser Valley, B. C., Farmer-for "impossible achievement" in agriculture. Farmer Brown's cows got pie-eyed eating fermented apples and had to be milked laying down.

Peter Lund, of Kenosha, Wis., for inventing a paper napkin which is positively guaranteed to stay put. Mr. Lund made it out of sand paper.

Kenneth D. Lagsdorf, English professor of Lancaster, Pa-

Brecheen Leads Senior Circuit

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (UP) — Southpaw Harry Brecheen of the St. Louis Cardinals today was given the official stamp of approval as the National League's outstanding hurler for 1948.

The determined little 34-year-old veteran fashioned both the league's best earned run average and won-lost percentage during last season.

Brecheen won 20 games for the first time in his seven year career, lost only seven for a .741 percentage, and turned in an earned run average of 2.24, according to league statistics. In addition, the 5-foot 10 inch, 160-pound veteran from Broken Bow, Okla., racked up the most strikeouts, 149, and paced the circuit in shutouts with seven.

Ranger relatives.

Heleg McAnelly, a student at the University of Texas arrived today to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McAnelly. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Bob McAnelly, of San Antonio and also a student at the University. Who will be a guest in the McAnelly home for several days.

turning down a rent increase, getting booted out on the curb, and nonchalantly tossing a "house-coling" party.

John Ford, of WTCN, Minneapolis-broadcast a daily comedy show all year without once mentioning Jack Benny's toupee, Petrillo, Eddie Cantor's daughters, Bing Crosby's toupee, La Brea tar pits, "which twin has the tony," Charles Boyer's toupee, Duran's nose, Jolson's age, or George Jessel's toupee.

Rival Pro Loops Bid For Talent

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (UP) — The National Football League and the All-American Conference were set to hold separate player drafts today as their "cold war" in professional football continued to rage on — at least temporarily.

An attempt to establish peace between the two loops ended in failure yesterday when five NFL representatives and five AAC owners continued to disagree after an all-day "peace" meeting.

So, the NFL was slated to begin its annual player draft here at 10 A. M., while the AAC starts listing the college players it wants at 8:30 A. M. in Cleveland. The stage was set for some more of the cutthroat competition for talent that has injured owners of both leagues financially.

Arthur McBride, owner of the AAC Cleveland Browns, revealed that the basic disagreement at the meeting was that the AAC wanted to keep two leagues operating while the NFL wanted to admit three AAC teams to their league.

CHICAGO (UP) — An inventor here, the father of three sons has come up with a 250-shot, swallow-proof, long-rang pea shooter. Vernon C. Helberg says he thought up the gadget for his boys and later decided to patent it. A former war plant is fooling up for production.

HUNTS ON FRONT LAWN BEDDINGTON, Me. (UP) — When Mrs. Dorothy Farnsworth glanced out at the front lawn and saw two big bears, she picked up a rifle and bagged one. The other trotted away.

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Fort Worth Livestock Report

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 21 (UP) — (USDA) — Livestock: CATTLE: 1,100. Mostly steady. Common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings 17.00-24.00, few good and choice yearlings 24.100-26.00, common and medium cows 17.50-18.50, odd head head good 19.00-20.00, canners and cutters, 11.00-17.00, sausage bulls 15.00-20.50, few medium and good stoker yearlings 20.00-24.00.

Calves: 700. Slow, weak. Good and choice slaughter calves 22.00-25.00, common and medium draggy at 17.00-21.00, Culls 15.00-17.00. Medium and good stoker calves 20.00-24.00. Load choice around 500 lb black calves sold at 24.50 for the steers and 23.50 for the heifers.

Hogs: 900. Mostly steady with Monday's average on all weights. Top 21.00 paid for good and

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choice 190-275 lbs, good and choice 150-185 lbs 10.00-20.75. Sows 16.50-17.50. Feeder pigs mostly 12.00-18.00, few heavy pigs to 19.00.

Sheep: 800. Few sales of slaughter lambs about steady, nothing else offered. Medium, and a few good wooled slaughter lambs 22.00, medium grade shorn lambs and wooled lambs mixed 20.50.

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